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Advanced International Course: Bridging Basic with Clinical Epileptology-3 July 28 - August 8 2008

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Sponsored by the European Community program EPILearn, the International League Against Epilepsy (ILAE), the International School of Neurological Sciences in Venice (ISNV) and the Fondazione Istituto Neurologico Carlo Besta, the Residential Advanced Course *Bridging Basic with Clinical Epileptology* will be held at the Venice International University in San Servolo, a small island in Venice (Italy) ideal for quietness and seclusion. The Course main objective is to teach attendees to (i) acquire basic knowledge in the pathophysiology of epilepsies; (ii) understand the clinical aspects of epilepsies; (iii) gain from the mutual exchange of information between basic scientists and clinicians; (iv) prepare a grant application in clinical or basic epileptology; (v) critically evaluate the literature. The Course is addressed to neuroscientists and neurologists with a documented background in epilepsy research. Applicants will be selected on the basis of their CVs; consideration will be given to ensure participation of trainees from different geographical origins and disciplines. Lectures on general and specific topics will be interspersed with interactive seminars, workshops, and breakout sessions where small groups of attendees and faculty will be involved in tutorials and problem solving exercises. During the Course, groups of students will develop a research project under the supervision of 2-3 faculty tutors. Each research project will be collectively discussed and evaluated during the last day of the Course.

Faculty: G.Avanzini (Italy), M.Avoli (Canada), Y.Ben Ari (France), M.Baulac (France), E.Bertram (USA), C.Bernard (France), N.Bernasconi (Canada), E.Cavalheiro (Brazil), M.de Curtis (Italy), B.Dalla Bernardina (Italy), J.Jr Engel (USA), R.Fariello (Italy), S.Franceschetti (Italy), S.Francione (Italy), A.Friedman (Israel), M.Gutnick (Israel), U.Heinemann (Germany), K.Kaila (Finland), M.Kokaia (Sweden), G.Kostopoulos (Greece), F.Lopes da Silva (Netherlands), H.Luhman (Germany), I.Mody (USA), S.Moshe (USA), J.Noebels (USA), Ç.Özkara (Turkey), F.Panzica (Italy), A.Pitkanen (Finland), S.Shorvon (UK), R.Spreafico (Italy), S.Sisodiya (UK), A.Vezzani (Italy), F.Vigevano (Italy), P.Wolf (Denmark), F.Zara (Italy)

Registration: Registration fee (1500 or 1280 €) includes:

- 11 nights accommodation in single (1500 €) or double (1280 €) room accommodation
- full board and coffee breaks for the entire duration of the course
- access to the course and to the Venice International University facilities
- course syllabus

Registration forms are available at the following web sites: www.epilearn.eu; www.ilae.org; www.epilepsy-academy.org.

Applications should be sent to the Course Secretary, Metella Paterlini, at epilepsysummercourse@univiu.org (fax +39-02-700445211) before **April 1st 2008**. Financial support is available for a limited number of applicants.