

# Conferences

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## IOCD Working Group on Plant Chemistry. Second International Symposium on Chemistry, Biological and Pharmacological Properties of African Medicinal Plants. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 28 February–3 March 1999

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The aim of the symposium is to bring together scientists from African and other countries who are involved in the phytochemical investigation of African plants of medicinal, agricultural, nutritional or toxicological interest. An update on different aspects of research concerning the phytochemistry and pharmacology of African plants will be presented. Participants from both academia and industry are invited to participate. The symposium will feature 12 plenary lectures, six from African speakers and 6 from non-African speakers. In addition, there will be contributed papers in the form of oral presentations and poster sessions.

Prior to the symposium, there will be a workshop on Analysis of Natural Products by Chemical and Biological Methods, University of Addis Ababa, 25–27 February 1999.

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## International Dairy Federation Seminar On New Applications Of Membrane Technology. Rennes, France, 7–10 June 1999

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### Objectives

The Seminar will attempt to assemble the most recent information on new applications of the membrane processes that would benefit the dairy processing industry world-wide. The seminar is intended for dairy professionals interested in all aspects of membrane processes: researchers, industry practitioners, regulatory personnel, students, engineers and scientists interested in industrial membrane processes and new products development.

The overall objective of the seminar is to highlight new developments, new knowledge and new actual or proposed practical applications of microfiltration, ultrafiltration, nanofiltration, and reverse osmosis for industrial processing of milk, traditional dairy products, novel dairy ingredients and dairy processing wastes.

The specific objectives of the five half-day sessions will be focused on

- the fluid milk industry, including milk and milkfat cream processing
- cheesemaking and whey processing
- fractionation of milk components and their derivatives
- engineering advances of membrane applications in the dairy industry

The Seminar is being organized within the context of the work objectives of IDF's Group B47 'Membrane Processing'.

### Call for contributions

Programme contributions from participants are invited on any subject related to the above seminar objectives. Presentations will be either in oral form or eventually as posters. The Scientific Programme Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any paper and make the final decision on the form of presentation. The deadline for submission of titles accompanied by an abstract of about 200 words is 15 October 1998. Titles of a general nature, indications of the desire to submit a contribution, or titles submitted without the abstract, will not be considered. Information about acceptability of the proposals and detailed instructions for the authors regarding the presentation will be supplied at a later date to all authors of the proposed contributions.

### Structure of the seminar

*Monday, 7 June 1999 (afternoon):*

Registration  
Welcome and opening address  
Cocktail reception

*Tuesday, 8 June*

Membrane applications in the fluid milk industry and for treatment of dairy wastes

*Wednesday, 9 June*

Membrane applications for cheesemaking and whey processing

Laboratory and dairy industry excursion  
Seminar Dinner

*Thursday, 10 June*

Engineering advances and membrane applications in fractionation and recovery of milk and whey components and their fragments

Close 16.00

*For further information on any aspects of this seminar, to mail your preliminary registrations and/or contribution proposals please contact: Prof. J.L. Maubois, Dairy Research Laboratory INRA, 65 Rue de Saint Briec, FR-35042 Rennes Cedex, France.*

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*Local Organizing Committee:* (INRA, Rennes, France): Mme D. Salvat-Brunaud (Chair), G. Ollivier, C. Hulin, A.M. Renouard, J. Fauquant, A. Garem, H.

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## The XXVIth General Assembly of the International Union of Radio Science (URSI), University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, 13–21 August 1999

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The scientific programme will cover:

- Electromagnetic Metrology;
- Fields and Waves;
- Signals and Systems;
- Electronics and Photonics;
- Electromagnetic Noise and Interference;
- Wave Propagation and Remote Sensing;
- Ionospheric Radio and Propagation;
- Waves in Plasmas;
- Radio Astronomy;
- Electromagnetics in Biology and Medicine.

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