

Dear colleague,

We are honoured and delighted to invite you to the **3rd International Symposium on Natural Drugs** in Naples, taking place from 2 to 4 October, 2003.

The Symposium will focus on the recent studies that have been advancing the knowledge in the field of medicinal plants. Through lectures, oral and poster sessions the Symposium will bring together the leading research scientists from a wide range of different disciplines from all parts of the world. We are looking forward to welcome you in Naples, for a stimulating and successful meeting.

*The Organizing Committee*

#### **Topics covered:**

Botanical, chemical and pharmacological aspects of medicinal plants, and their applications in gastrointestinal and cardiovascular disturbances, endocrine dysfunctions, immunodeficiencies, viral and fungal infections.

Contributions to other means will be accepted in a limited number.

#### **Satellite Symposia:**

1. Cannabis and cannabinoids
2. Propolis and its components: chemical and pharmacological aspects
3. Green tea and cancer
4. Toxicity of anthraquinone drugs

#### **Congress Secretariat:**

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#### **Language**

The official language of the Symposium is English. Simultaneous translation in Italian will be provided.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **Registration fees**

	<b>Until May 31</b>	<b>After May 31</b>
Participants	220,00	270,00
Accompanying person	120,00	150,00
Student (pre-doctoral or doctoral degree)	125,00	150,00
Affiliated to Company	270,00	350,00

Fees for **Participants** include attendance at the scientific session, Symposium briefcase (with abstracts, final programme, etc.) working lunches and coffee.

Fees for **Accompanying person** include participation in social events, full day excursion to Sorrento and Pompei and visit to Naples.

### **Hotels and Prices**

Reservation can be made in the following Hotel categories:

	<b>Single Room for night</b>	<b>Double Room for night</b>
★★★★	100,00 - 120,00	150,00 - 170,00
★★★	80,00 - 105,00	120,00 - 140,00
★★	60,00 - 70,00	75,00 - 90,00
★	25,00 - 40,00	45,00 - 60,00

<b>Cancellation</b>	by June 30, 2003	75% refund
	by July 31, 2003	50% refund
	after July 31, 2003	no refund

### **Method of payment**

**a)** by bank transfer in favour of Capasso F. / Mascolo N.D. Meeting, account n. 66/183 c/o Banco di Napoli S.p.A. Ag. 53, ABI 01010, CAB 03453, via Diocleziano 34/40, 80125 Napoli (Italia);

**b)** by personal cheque, only for residents in Italy, payable to Capasso F. / Mascolo N.D. Meeting.

### **Call for abstracts**

The participants wishing to present a paper are requested to submit the abstract (on the attached form) to the secretariat not later than **May 31, 2003**, together with their Registration Form and fees.

Participants will be informed whether their abstract has been selected for oral communication or poster presentation by **July 15, 2003**. All accepted abstracts will be printed in the Book of Abstracts.

### Publication of Symposium paper

The full text of accepted lectures (max 8 pages, figures, references and tables included), oral presentations (max 8 pages) and posters (max 4 pages) will be published in Symposium Proceedings. **The manuscripts** should be double spaced, on one side only of the sheet; the references, footnotes and figure legends should be single-spaced. The typing form of the page must be exactly 16 cm by 24 cm. The entire form of the page must be filled, leaving no wasted space. **The title page** should include the title, the name of the authors and the address. The running title and the key words should be clearly indicated. **Text** should be composed of the following part: Summary (not exceeding 100 words), Introduction, Material and Methods, Results, Discussion and Acknowledgments. **References** should be listed at the end of the paper and numbered consecutively as they occur in the text. The references should include, in the order: the author's last name, his initials, the title of the paper, the journal name in abbreviated form, the volume number, pages and year. The book references should include the authors name, the editors, the publishers, the city and the year of publication.

**Figures:** black and white photographic prints done professionally, and legible even after figure's size reduction by the publisher. A label indicating the figure's number, the name of the authors and the top of the figure should be pasted gently on the back. The full text should be mailed together with the abstract. **A diskette must accompany the hard copy.**

### Climate

In Naples during October, the weather is normally warm, with an average temperature of 22°C.

### Clothing

Informal for all occasion

### Certificate of Attendance

A certificate of attendance will be given to all participants.

### Credit cards

The hotels, and most restaurants and shops accept credit cards: it is advisable to carry the identity card or passport.

### Transport

International flights to Naples are available with connections via Rome or Milan. A good train service links Naples to both Rome and Milan.

**Registration and hotel accomodation form plus registration fee and hotel deposit must be mailed together with the abstract (the abstract must be also sent by e-mail to: [franborr@unina.it](mailto:franborr@unina.it)) and full text to the Congress Secretariat.**

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## 3rd INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON NATURAL DRUGS

### Chairmen:

F. Capasso - A.A. Izzo - N. Mascolo

### Organizing Committee:

F. Borrelli - R. Capasso - G. Di Carlo  
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**The Symposium will be held under the aegis of the  
Italian Society of Pharmacology**



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