Dear Readers,

In this third issue of the year, we would like to highlight the annual World Parkinson Day. This year 2017 celebrates 200 years since Dr. James Parkinson’s first clinical description of Parkinson’s disease in 1817: An essay on the shaking palsy. Dr. Ellen Gelpi kindly sent us a summary of publications and events held in the light of this celebration. The Euro-CNS course on muscle and peripheral nerve pathology was held successfully in Aachen in March. The host organizer, Prof. Joachim Weis, sent us a short report, illustrated by photos of the participants and faculty. Lastly, Euro-CNS is calling for applicants for the European Fellowship Training Award, and for candidates for the European Examination. For anyone interested in a neuropathology position at the Pathology Department of the Hospital Universitario Araba in Vitoria-Gasteiz (Spain), to attend to the Brain Biobank (BIOEF), please proceed to the job post at the end of this issue.

Enjoy the news!

With kind regards,
The Euro-CNS News Editorial Team

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**Report Euro-CNS Muscle and Nerve Pathology course**

The 5th Euro-CNS Muscle and Nerve Pathology CME course took place in Aachen, Germany, on March 22 – 24, 2017. The course was fully booked with 38 participants from 20 countries, from Europe, Asia, Australasia, the Middle East, and North America. The course lectures by renowned experts on the major issues of the morphological and molecular workup of muscle, nerve and skin

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**Figure 1.** Course participants during slide sessions. Photo provided by Wilfred den Dunnen.

**Figure 2.** Course participants and lecturers in front of the RWTH Aachen University Hospital building, the site of this year’s Euro-CNS neuromuscular CME course. Photo provided by Joachim Weis.
Many people, organizations, universities, scientific communities, and journals organize(d) fantastic events, such as meetings, conferences, and charity events to increase awareness of the disease, to highlight the progress made since then, and to raise funds for future research. Below you can find a summary of important publications and events related to this celebration with pertinent links:

**Journals**

**Special issue in The Journal of Parkinson’s disease**
Ed: Patrik Brundin and J. William Langston
Open access: http://content.iospress.com/journals/journal-of-parkinsons-disease/7/s1?platform=hootsuite
This issue highlights some of the major discoveries in the field of Parkinson’s disease research, written by some of the most renowned names in the Parkinson’s research community, many of whom were contemporary witnesses when the discoveries were made.

**Reviews**

Parkinson’s Disease at 200 Years: Progress, New Faces, and Unmet Needs
Anthony E. Lang
The two-century journey of Parkinson disease research
Serge Przedborski

**Upcoming Events**

200 years of Parkinson’s disease: 1817 – 2017
Venue: Wests City, King Street, Newcastle, NSW, Australia
http://www.hpmi.org/site/index.cfm?display=9276393

Alpha-synuclein & Parkinson’s disease Conference: Lessons from the past 20 years
May 11 – 12, 2017
Venue: Campus Clinic, University of Barcelona, Spain
Organizers: E Tolosa, M Vila. Contact: secretaria@suporserveis.com

October 19 – 20, 2017
Venue: London
https://www.uchcharitycourses.com/courses/neurosurgery/200-years-celebration-james-parkinson-surgeon

Parkinson’s Disease 200: Back to the Future Conference
RCPE Symposium Edinburgh
September 21 – 22, 2017
Venue: Edinburgh
http://events.rcpe.ac.uk/events/507/parkinsons-disease-200-back-to-the-future-conference

XXII World Congress of Parkinson’s Disease and Related Disorders
November 12 – 15, 2017
Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
http://www.iaprd-world-congress.com/program-overview.html

**Recent meetings**

March 10 – 11, 2017
London, United Kingdom
Course Directors: K. Ray Chaudhuri and Peter Jenner
http://www.movementdisorders.org/MDS/Education/Past-Courses/200-Year-Celebration-of-James-Parkinson.htm

Meeting: 200 years Parkinson Disease
March 23 – 24, 2017
Brescia, Italy
Symposium: Recognizing 200 years of...
Neuropathology vacancy

A neuropathologist is needed for the Pathology Department of the Hospital Universitario Araba, in Vitoria-Gasteiz (Spain), to attend the Brain Biobank (BIOEF), created in 2010, with large volume of neurodegenerative diseases, muscle and nerve samples, and CNS tumors. It has its own laboratory and staff. It is a reference center for prion diseases in the Basque Country and Biobank for Alava and Bizkaia. Please contact Dr. Isabel Guerra for detailed information: Isabel.Guerramerino@osakidetza.eus

Meeting Calendar

June 8 – 11, 2017, Garden Grove, CA, USA
Annual meeting of the American Association of Neuropathologists
www.euro-cns.org/events/other-meetings

June 21 – 24, 2017, Erlangen, Germany
101st Annual meeting of the German Society of Pathology in conjunction with the 62th annual meeting of the German Society of Neuropathology and Neuroanatomy (DGNN)
www.euro-cns.org/events/other-meetings
http://www.pathologie-kongress.com/

August 29 – 31, 2017, London, United Kingdom
15th European Neurology Congress
www.euro-cns.org/events/other-meetings

September 2 – 6, 2017, Amsterdam, the Netherlands
29th European Congress of Pathology (ECP 2017)
www.euro-cns.org/events/other-meetings
http://www.neurologyconference.com/europe/

October 25 – 27, 2017, Amsterdam, the Netherlands
www.euro-cns.org/events/other-meetings

July 7 – 11, 2018, Berlin, Germany
11th FENS Forum of Neuroscience
www.euro-cns.org/events/other-meetings
http://forum2018.fens.org/

September 23 – 27, 2018, Tokyo, Japan
19th International Congress of Neuropathology, Tokyo, Japan
www.euro-cns.org/events/other-meetings

June 3 – 6, 2020, Odense, Denmark
12th European Congress of Neuropathology
www.euro-cns.org/events/other-meetings

Call for applicants European Fellowship Training (scholarship)

The Euro-CNS Fellowship Training program is intended to facilitate short (maximum 2 months) diagnostic training opportunities in either Tumor or Muscle and Nerve pathology for trainees in neuropathology. The individual training plan for each Fellow appointed to the scheme will reflect the skills and knowledge that are required by the home Institution and which can be implemented upon the trainee’s return. For more information, please visit the “Fellowship Training” page on the Euro-CNS website: www.euro-cns.org. Applications can be submitted at all times, although there is a maximum of 3 scholarships per year.

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Call for applicants European Examination

The dates for the European Examination are October 4 and 5, 2017. The exam will be held at the Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary. Details about requirements, the application, housing and travel can be found on the Euro-CNS website.

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