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### XIII Conference

#### Biogenic Amines and Related Biologically Active Compounds

Lodz, Poland, October 21-23, 2010

The Meeting was held jointly by the Polish Histamine Research Society and BM0806 COST Action. The Department of Hormone Biochemistry, Medical University of Lodz, also greatly contributed to the organisation of the Event. The purpose of this cyclic (biennial) conference was to bring together scientists and clinicians, interested in the field, to exchange their ideas and expertise, share their recent findings, promote constructive collaboration, focus attention on histamine H4 receptors and preclinical, biological applications of their ligands to strengthen the position of Europe in this developing and challenging area of knowledge, which emerged only during the last decade.

The scientific program of the XIII Conference included 4 lectures, delivered by eminent, leading scientists, working actively on many hot topics related to the histamine system. The 8 oral presentations and 12 posters with up-to-date study results were presented by scientists working on different aspects of histamine, as well as of other biogenic amines function and metabolism under physiological and pathophysiological conditions.

Forty participants, representing medical and biomedical sciences, affiliated at universities and/or university clinics in Finland, Germany, Italy, Japan and United Kingdom and Poland, attended the Conference; 16 were members from the 0806 COST Action, providing 17 contributions to the Meeting, including 4 lectures, 7 oral presentations and 6 posters. The atmosphere of the Conference was very warm and discussions were vivid, stimulating and fruitful. Another positive outcome of the Meeting was an initiation of some new projects of collaboration among the COST members.

The conference materials are available at website: [www.polskie-towarzystwo-badan-nad-histamina.lodz.pl](http://www.polskie-towarzystwo-badan-nad-histamina.lodz.pl) enabling their wide dissemination.

On behalf of the Organising Committee,



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