

British Society for Developmental Biology

The Spring Meeting will be held at the University of Glasgow from 25th – 29th March. It will be a joint meeting with the British Society for Cell Biology.

The BSDB symposium will be held on 25th and 26th March, on the subject **EARLY AMPHIBIAN DEVELOPMENT** and organized by Jonathan Slack.

Topics and speakers will include:

The role of the oocyte in early development (L. D. Smith, C. C. Wylie and G. Malacinski).

Clonal analysis of development (J. Cooke and J. Heasman).

Morphogenetic movements (R. Keller, J. Boucaut and R. Gordon).

Region and stage specific markers (I. Dawid, J. Slack, P. Hausen and E. Jones).

Timing of early development (M. Kirschner, R. Laskey and N. Satoh).

Inductive interactions and information transfer (P. Nieuwkoop, H. Grunz, J. Smith, A. Duprat, A. Warner and J. B. Gurdon).

The symposium will be published as a special supplement to Journal of Embryology & Experimental Morphology in October, 1985.

The Meeting will also include a symposium on **GROWTH FACTORS**, organized by the British Society for Cell Biology, and the following sessions organized by A. S. G. Curtis, J. Lackie and J. V. Forrester:

- Cell movement
- Cell invasiveness
- Endothelial interactions and invasion
- Morphogenetic systems

All those interested in attending this joint meeting, including those who would like to submit an abstract for a platform or poster presentation, should contact:

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

An International Workshop

MECHANISMS THAT CAUSE CRANIOFACIAL AND ORAL BIRTH DEFECTS

University of California, Los Angeles, California – August 1–2, 1985.

**A satellite conference of the Tenth International Congress of the
International Society of Developmental Biologists**

This conference will focus on both genetic and environmental factors that increase or decrease susceptibility to craniofacial and oral anomalies. The primary objective is to integrate experimental data in such a way that molecular and cellular mechanisms causing the birth defects may become apparent. The conference's scope is multidisciplinary including but not limited to human and animal investigations, basic science and clinical approaches, epidemiology, teratology, pharmacology, embryology, biochemistry, endocrinology, intercellular communication, Mendelian and molecular genetics, cytogenetics and chromosomal analyses, immunological aspects of pregnancy, the role of the placenta, all in the context of the regulation of development and growth of craniofacial and oral structures. This international conference will provide a forum that may stimulate discussions about methods to reduce the occurrence of these dreaded maladies.

Titles and 200–250 word abstracts in English are requested. Abstracts should include statements of the hypothesis, methods, results and conclusions.

Please submit for consideration as soon as possible, but no later than February 28, 1985.

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