

Regional Report

Central European Capillary Electrophoresis

Brno, Czech Republic



The speakers and organizers at the CECE 2005 (from left to right): A. Guttman, W. Thorman, E. Kenndler, F. Foret, Z. Aturki, B. Gas, L. Krivanova, S. Fanali.

The second International Workshop on microseparation techniques, CECE 2005, was held in Brno, Czech Republic on November 14, 2005. The workshop was organized by Franta Foret from the Institute of Analytical Chemistry (www.iach.cz) in Brno. The program included lectures by Dr. Zeineb Aturki (CNR, Rome, Italy; Analysis of chiral and achiral compounds by electrochromatography), Prof. Andras Guttman (Leopold-Franzens University, Innsbruck; Rapid haplotyping by multicapillary gel electrophoresis), Prof. Wolfgang Thorman

(University of Bern; CE analysis of carbohydrate-deficient transferrin in human serum), Dr. Salvatore Fanali (CNR, Rome, Italy; The role of nano-liquid chromatography in separation science), Prof. Ernst Kenndler (University of Vienna; Mimicking cells by liposomal vesicles for virus attachment in receptor-mediated endocytosis, the first step in viral infection) and Prof. Bob Gas (Charles University, Prague; Electrolyte solutions in CE: is everything clear?). Although the acronym CECE stands for the Central European Capillary Electro-

phoresis, the future meetings will aim at covering all aspects of high performance separations for bioanalysis, miniaturization, and coupling with mass spectrometry. More details can be obtained from Franta Foret – foret@iach.cz. This year's meeting was concluded by a visit to the Mendel Museum (www.mendel-museum.org/) at the Abbey of St. Thomas where J. G. Mendel conducted his studies of inheritance and laid the foundations of modern genetics.