

Meeting Report

4th International Workshop, CECE 2007

November 15–16, Brno, the Czech Republic

The multidisciplinary meeting, covering modern bioanalytical technology and applications, was organized by the Institute of Analytical Chemistry (www.iach.cz/CECE) in Brno. The 16 invited lectures were presented by distinguished scientists from Austria, Czech Republic, Ireland, Italy, Singapore, Slovakia, Sweden and USA. This year's meeting, held in the conference

center of the hotel Continental, was sponsored by local and international companies including Applied Biosystems, Waters, Watrex, Villa Labeco, Siemens, Shimadzu, Vitrum, ASO, Bio-Tech and Genomac.

The presentations and related poster sessions, covered important topics such as capillary separations, mass spectrometry, microfluidics, DNA, protein and carbohydrate analysis, biomolecular computer modeling, magnetic and optical manipulations of cells and particles and atomic force microscopy. The plenary lecture by S. Kozubek discussed the details of the new national

synchrotron facility to be constructed in Brno with the help of EU funding. The meeting attracted around 100 participants including a strong group from the nearby University of Vienna. The scientific as well as evening social program with traditional cymbal music helped to stimulate informal scientific and personal discussions.

Additional information about the next CECE 2008 meeting can be obtained from Franta Foret at the Institute of Analytical Chemistry in Brno, Email: foret@iach.cz.



Figure 1. Participants of the CECE 2007 meeting (from left to right): D. Kaniansky, S. Fanali, F. Foret, M. Polcik, A. Guttman, F. Svec, M. Minarik, J. Nilsson, A. Leitner, S. Abele, K. Šlais, E. Kenndler, S. Kozubek, J. Koča, P. Zemanek and B. Gaš. Not in the picture – P. Neuzil.