

Rules of the International Association Studying Drug-
Dependence

I.

Name and Objective

The name of this Association shall be International Association Studying Drug-Dependence (IASDD) and it shall be an association under article 60 ff swiss civil code. The object of the association shall be to promote interest in, and to facilitate the dissemination of new information about drug dependence and drug addiction in laboratory animals.

II.

Members

There are Members, Associate Members and Sponsoring Members of IASDD. Everybody holding an academic or scientific degree and who is engaged in active research in drug dependence and drug addiction shall be eligible to be Full Members. Young researchers working towards an academic degree and others engaged in drug dependence studies are eligible as Associate Members. Sponsoring Membership shall be offered to corporations with an interest in basic or applied research in the field of drug dependence and drug addiction.

Applications for Membership (i.e. Full Member, Associate Member and Sponsoring Member) during the founding year of IASDD (ending December thirty-one, nineteenhundred and seventy-six) are to be sent to the Founding Committee (see below). This Committee will decide about acceptance of such applications. After December thirty-one applications are to be sent together with two letters of recommendation by two Members to the Board of Officers of IASDD, who will present the list of applications to the business meeting for vote.

The Board of Officers of IASDD has the possibility to exclude members if there are serious reasons.

III.

Governing Body

The Full Members, and the representatives of the Sponsoring Members (one Delegate per Sponsoring Member) present at the business meeting of IASDD, constitute the governing body of IASDD. Each Full Member and each Delegate has one vote. Associate Members may attend the business meeting, but they have no vote. The Membership present at the meeting can decide by simple majority vote about the following items:

- a) Minutes of the previous meeting
- b) Election of new Members, Associate Members and Sponsoring Members
- c) Acceptance of financial report by the Treasurer and an appointed accountant
- d) Dues
- e) Future Meeting places
- f) Election of officers and auditors
- g) Varia

Changes in the rules may only be brought about following discussion at a Business Meeting giving a two-thirds majority.

IV.

Officers

The Board of Officers of IASDD, who shall all be full members, shall consist of

- a) the President
- b) the Vice-President
- c) the Secretary
- d) the Assistant-Secretary
- e) the Treasurer

The President shall be elected for a term running from one full meeting to the next by simple majority vote of the membership present during the Business Meeting. He shall be installed at the Business Meeting and he shall be in office until the next meeting. The President can be re-elected for two (2) additional terms.

The Vice-President shall be elected for the same period of time by majority vote of the membership present. The Vice-President can be re-elected for two (2) additional terms.

The Secretary shall be elected for one term and can be re-elected for four (4) terms.

The Assistant-Secretary is elected for one term and can be re-elected for four (4) additional terms.

The Treasurer is elected for one term and can be re-elected for an unlimited number of terms. The Treasurer shall be a permanent resident of Switzerland.

Powers and Duties of the Officers:

The President shall preside at the meetings of the Board of Officers and the meetings of IASDD.

The Vice-President is to assist the President in his duties, and to assume the President's duties in case the latter is unable to act.

The Secretary shall keep the records of the Society and perform all the duties that might be prescribed for him by the Board of Officers or by the President.

He is assisted by the Assistant-Secretary who shall take over his duties if he is not able to act.

The Treasurer under the authority of the Board of Officers shall receive and disburse and duly account for all sums of money belonging to the Society; he shall submit a financial report each year to the Board of Officers and at each Business

Meeting. Two members of IASDD (auditors) shall audit the books annually, certify that they are correct and submit a report to the Board of Officers.

The Officers shall represent the Society to the public.

V.

Working Committee of IASDD

The membership to the Working Committee of IASDD is limited to only one representative of each institute or company which is active involved in research in drug dependence and drug addiction. The Working Committee will discuss problems of methodology and experimental results from the different laboratories. The results of the discussions have to be presented at the next meeting of the IASDD.

VI.

Meetings

There shall be scientific meetings of IASDD dedicated to a variety of sessions (symposia, free communications, "Round Table" discussions, Key-note speeches etc.). During the scientific meeting the business meeting of IASDD and, if so desired, a meeting of the Board of Officers shall take place. During the Business Meeting the place and time of the following meetings shall be determined and the chairman of the "Local committee" (see VIII) shall be elected. Meetings of the Board of Officers may take place at other times.

Invitation to a Business Meeting including the minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda of the forthcoming meeting should be distributed to all IASDD members 30 days before the meeting.

VII.

Dues

Each class of members (i.e. Full Members, Associate Members, Sponsoring Members) shall pay the following dues:

Any modification of such dues will be decided by the Business Meeting.

VIII.

Committees

Permanent or ad hoc committees shall be established when necessary and their members appointed by the Business Meeting

The Founding Committee:

Prof. Dr. F. Hoffmeister (Secretary)

Dr. D.A. McCarthy (Assistant-Secretary)

Dr. D. Römer (Treasurer)

Prof. Dr. C.R. Schuster (President)

Dr. T. Yanagita (Vice-President)

The rules have been accepted by the first Business Meeting of the IASDD.