



## Nome News Issue 7

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### New Human Nomenclature Guidelines

We have been working to update the nomenclature [guidelines](#). The new guidelines aim to bring human gene nomenclature into line with the recent changes in the mouse guidelines

(<http://www.informatics.jax.org/mgihome/nomen/table.shtml>). These will also include rules for a number of new concepts in human gene nomenclature.

The new draft human guidelines will be online from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2001 and will be proposed at the [Nomenclature Workshop](#), a side meeting (preceding ASHG2001) on the Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> October 2001 in The San Diego Convention Center - Room 14A, 14:00-18:00. Registration is free, but places will be limited. To register please send your details to Dr Wain at [hgnc@genenames.org](mailto:hgnc@genenames.org) before Friday, October 5th 2001.

### Meetings

Our stand at the 10th International Congress of Human Genetics in Vienna was a great success. Drs. Mathew Wright and Elspeth Bruford checked the gene symbols in all the posters and spoke to a number of participants about various issues including the nomenclature of solute carriers, potassium channels and disease genes.

We will also be attending ASHG2001, in San Diego, 12-16 Oct (<http://www.ashg.org/genetics/ashg/meet-2001/2001meetmenu.htm>) where we will again be sharing a booth with the Mutation Database Initiative (<http://ariel.ucsf.edu/~cotton/mdi.htm>).

### HGM01 Nomenclature

Dr Elena Jazin from Uppsala won the prize for her poster "A Brain Autopsy Bank for Psychiatric Pharmacogenomics". The authors used 66 approved gene symbols and only 7 non-approved, giving a score of + 45. Posters are scored as +1 for use of approved symbols and -3 for non-approved symbols. The prize is a year's subscription to Nature Genetics, whom we would like to thank for their support.

The workshop report is now online.

If you would like to be added to our Nome News mailing list or if you have questions or comments on any human gene nomenclature issue, please email us at: [hgnc@genenames.org](mailto:hgnc@genenames.org)

### HGNC website

We are in the process of reorganising our website into a number of subdirectories. Forwarding notices will be added to the pages as they are moved and upgraded. Please let us know if any links are broken, our apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause.

### New links

We have added a couple of new gene family webpages for:

[calcium channels](#)

[tubulins](#)

Human genes found in the Proteome Analysis database <http://www.ebi.ac.uk/teap/> are now linked directly to our Genew database <http://www.gene.ucl.ac.uk/cgi-bin/nomenclature/searchgenes.pl>

We have also added new links to the following database websites:

[euGenes http://iubio.bio.indiana.edu:8089/](http://iubio.bio.indiana.edu:8089/)

[PIR, Protein Information Resource http://pir.georgetown.edu/](http://pir.georgetown.edu/)

<http://pir.georgetown.edu/>

[TIGR Gene Indices http://www.tigr.org/tdb/tgi.shtml](http://www.tigr.org/tdb/tgi.shtml)

### International Advisory Committee (IAC)

We would like to welcome three new members of the [IAC](#): Drs Richard Cammack (IUBMB), Mark Paalman (Managing Editor, Human Mutation) and Steve Scherer (Senior Editor for Human Chromosome 7, GDB and Chair, International Human Genome Organization Mapping Committee).