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Meetings

Ruth presented a talk on "Nomenclature: The language of Genomics" to the Ontologies Workshop. From Genotype to Phenotype: Linking Bioinformatics and Medical Informatics Ontologies (Manchester, UK) 23-24 March 2002. Hester also presented a poster at Genetics Society/British Society for Developmental Biology Spring Meeting (York, UK, 20-23 Mar 2002) where she was voted on to the [Genetics Society](#) Committee.

Matt and Elspeth presented the poster "Nomenclature: The Single Currency of Human Genes" and staffed a booth at [HGM2002](#). They also assessed the poster nomenclature and judged 150 posters for the [Nature prize](#). The nomenclature poster prizes went to (Nature Genetics) De-Li Zhang from the China National Centre for Human Genome Research in Beijing ([poster no 71](#)), and (Nature Reviews Genetics) Atsushi Toyoda of the Riken Genomic Sciences Centre ([poster no 54](#)).

Genew Search Engine Update

We are currently testing a new version of the Genew search engine. This will have the capacity to search using free text, as well as some new fields including: HGNC IDs, location, PMID, sequence accession IDs, other database IDs, previous gene names and symbols. This will be online shortly.

Guidelines 2002

On 1st April, in conjunction with the mouse, we published our updated [guidelines](#) (Wain *et al.*, 2002) PMID:[11944974](#).

Sue also published a Nomenclature Editorial for Genomics, on Community Nomenclature: Standardized Gene Symbols (Povey 2002) PMID: 11944973

Gene Families

New gene members have been added to the [ABCs](#) and [KLRs](#) and a new family the [zinc finger, DHHC domain containing genes](#) has been added.

Gene Family Web Page

The IMGT web site, which can be accessed from our [gene family web page](#), has been recently updated with many new features, including a Junction Analysis tool. We are always looking for new links for our Gene Family resource. Please let us know of any other interesting websites that are not currently linked.

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