

Activities of the DAC Study Group History for 2008-2009

The main activity of this study group is production of series of publications, “People and Places Important in the History of Specific Countries”, particularly the Hosts of Euroanalysis Conferences. The list of those completed is available on the DAC web-site

In the review period,

(a) The account for Italy has been published, *Microchimica Acta*, **160**, 57-87, (2008) [Burns, Piccardi and Sabbatini].

(b) As an expansion of material in (a), a paper, “Vittorio Amedeo Gioanetti (1729-1815), a Notable Italian Physician, Chemist and Ceramicist” [Burns and Sabbatini] has been proofed and is due to be published in the July/August issue of *La Chimica e l'Industria*.

(c) Prof. J. M. Cano Pavon, University of Málaga heads the team [Pavon, de Torres, Alonso, Capitan-Vallvey and Burns] to produce the account for Spain, “Analytical Chemistry un Spain: From the Enlightenment Period to the Present Age”. The text and illustrations has been finalized.

(d) The account for Belgium, “Analytical Chemistry in Belgium: An Historical Overview” [Burns and Deelstra] and was presented in the History Lecture at Euroanalysis XIV, by Prof. Deelstra and has been published, *Microchimica Acta*, **160**, 41-66, (2008). A second, invited paper, “The Rise of Analytical Chemistry in Belgium”, which includes material on the post 1965 Universities, a feature article, is in the volume of papers from the Euroanalysis XIV in *Analytical and Bioanalytical Chemistry*, **391**, 1113-1117, (2008).

(e) Authors have, with the assistance of Prof. R. Salzer, been found to produce the account for Germany.

Active collaboration of DAC has with the **EuCheMS-Working Party on the History of Chemistry** continues, to good effect. The account of the history of analytical chemistry in Belgium was co-authored by their past Chairman and the current Chairman also made an input. The Proceedings Volume, for the 6th International Conference on the History of Chemistry, “Neighbours and Territories: The Evolving Identity of Chemistry” (Louvain, 29 Sept. -1 Oct. 2007), has been edited [Bertomeu-Sanchez, Burns and van Tiggelen] and is now available as hard copy or electronically via the Working Party's web page on the EuCheMS site {at Proceedings of Conferences; 2007 The Evolving Identity of Chemistry}. A short article “The Evolving Identity of Chemistry” was produced for *Chem. Int.*, **30(1)**, 32-33, (2008).

The 7th ICHC will be held 2-5 August 2009 in Sopron, Hungary.

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