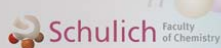




The 12th European Symposium on Organic Reactivity

September 6-11 2009, Haifa, Israel



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Dear ESOR XII participant,

We would like to take the time to personally welcome you to the 2009 ESOR XII Symposium. This years' symposium, is guaranteed to provide you with a newfound insight into the field of Organic Reactivity. We hope that you will enjoy your time in Israel and Haifa, and encourage you to venture out into the streets of the city to take in the scenery and the history of this culturally and educationally rich city.

We would like to take a moment to remind you of a few things in order to ensure that your experience in Haifa and at the ESOR XII Symposium will be a pleasant one.

Instructions for Poster and Oral Presentations

All posters are to be presented for the entire duration of the symposium.

Posters should be hung up according to the number noted on the program as soon as possible after your arrival. In the event that you cannot locate your assigned poster location, a symposium hostess will be glad to assist you. The posters should remain on display for the entire duration of the symposium. The posters should be removed on Thursday, September 10th at the conclusion of the last afternoon session. The presenters are encouraged to stand by their posters during the designated poster session as indicated in the program in order to offer delegates detailed explanations and insight into the research.

Uploading Presentations

In order to ensure that your presentation is ready for your lecture, we are kindly requesting that you upload your presentation in advance at the URL that has been provided to you by the secretariat of the 2009 ESOR symposium. In the event that you do not have the link easily accessible, please do not hesitate to contact the symposium secretariat at: esor2009@paragon-conventions.com and we will gladly assist you upload your presentation.

Important note for Macintosh users

In case you will be using a Macintosh laptop, please note that you need to arrive with your own laptop, **assure that it has a VGA socket** for external signal and make sure to check it **first in the Speakers' Ready Room** upon your arrival and **later on in the session hall** where your lecture is taking place during the coffee or lunch break prior to your session, at least 30 minutes before the start of the session.

Transportation

From the airport to Haifa: for those interested in arriving at the Technion via public transportation, there is a direct train from the Ben Gurion airport. The station closest to the ESOR Symposium venue is the "Haifa Hof Hakarmel station." Tickets can be purchased at the train station before arriving to the platform at the Ben Gurion Airport. For an exact time table [click here](#).

Taxi: A shared taxi service is available for the amount of 12 €. It will bring you directly to your destination but may require considerable waiting time at the airport (until the taxi is fully occupied).

An additional option is a private taxi. Private Taxi's may cost 60-90€ depending upon arrival time, and can be shared by up to three people traveling in the same direction. Please note that additional surcharges may apply for luggage.

From the train station to the hotels:

Taxi (recommended): may cost 10 € and can be shared.

It is recommended that delegates use *Nave Taxi* (04-8222222) for their traveling needs due to the fact that they have the easiest access and highest authorization to enter the Technion.

Buses:

- From *Hof Hakarmel* station to the Technion bus no. 11

- From *Hof Hakarmel* station to Crown Plaza, Dan Carmel, Dan Panorama and Nof Hotels bus 133 or 3 to *Merkaz Hakarmel* station and change to one of the following busses 31, 33, 34.
- From Crown Plaza, Dan Carmel, Dan Panorama and Nof Hotel to the Technion bus 31
- From Hof Hakarmel station to Hotel Marom (Elizabeth Square) one of the following busses 125, 123, 11. Please note that it may involve 10 min. walking uphill.
- From *Hof Hakarmel* station to Hotel Shulamit bus 133
- From Hotel Marom (Elizabeth Square) to the Technion bus 11 or 31
- From Hotel Shulamit to the Technion bus 31

Shuttle service

A shuttle service will be provided to those who have booked their accommodation for the 2009 ESOR Symposium through the secretariat from the following hotels:

- Crown Plaza, Dan Carmel, Dan Panorama, Nof Hotel; 07:15 on Monday, September 7th and at 8:00 on Tuesday September 8th to Friday September 11th.
- Marom, Shulamit; 07:15 on Monday, September 7th and at 8:00 on Tuesday September 8th to Friday September 11th.

Please note that the specified times are for the first stop. Times will vary depending on the individual hotels. Please be at the hotel lobby 10 minutes early.

The shuttle service will depart the Technion at the culmination of the last session of each day.

- Arrival to the Technion on September 6th is the responsibility of the delegate – the 2009 ESOR secretariat is unable to provide delegates transportation assistance.
- Please note that on September 7th and 8th, when there are tours included in the program, there will not be shuttles back to the hotels after the sessions end, only after the end of the tours.

Parking

ESOR XII participants will have the permission to park inside the Technion.

Upon your arrival please inform the guard that you are a participant of the symposium.

No entry permit document will be needed.

Currency

The Israeli currency is Shekel.

The exchange rate for US\$ is roughly 4 Shekels

The exchange rate for € is roughly 5.5 Shekels

It is recommended that delegates exchange money at the designated "change" spots available at the Ben Gurion airport. Israeli currency can be drawn from foreign credit cards at almost any ATM. Please check your local bank to verify.

Most places only accept Shekels. Credit cards can be used in most shops, restaurants etc.

Weather

The temperature in Haifa in September is about 25 °C.

Please consider long sleeves shirts for the evening.

Social Program

Sunday September 6th, 19:00 – 20:00

Welcome Reception

An informal get-together will be open to all participants

Monday September 7th, 16:15-19:30

A guided Panoramic Tour of Haifa and a welcome reception - courtesy of the municipality of Haifa and the Department of Tourism to the main tourist sites, such as the Louis Promenade, the Baha'i Gardens, The Stella Maris Carmelite Monastery, Castra Arts Center, the German Colony and Wadi Nisnas.

Tuesday September 8th, 14:30 – 20:00

Conference Excursions

Track 1 - "Born of the Mediterranean sea"

Track 2 - Annunciation and wine

Track 3 – "Dreams Come True" – modern history and multicultural society

Additional information is available at the symposium's site.

Thursday September 10th

Gala Dinner

The unique dinner experience will take place at the Dan Carmel Hotel at 20:30.

The Gala Dinner will feature a reception, dinner and much more.

Secure your spot today!

Please contact the secretariat for details and reservations.

Pre/Post Trips and Tours of Israel

Don't forget to take advantage of your time and explore the beautiful Israel. For more information about tours, please contact Erez Strasburg at DK – Personal Tourism, our tourist services department at estrasburg@paragon-conventions.com.

We hope that you will enjoy your stay in Haifa and have a wonderful time at the 2009 ESOR XII Symposium!

If you have any additional concerns, do not hesitate to contact us.

We will be available throughout the symposium at the Secretariat desk as well as at the hospitality desk at the following hours:

Sunday, September 6 th	2009 17:00- 20:30 hrs
Monday, September 7 th	2009 08:00- 17:00 hrs
Tuesday, September 8 th	2009 08:00-14:30 hrs
Wednesday, September 9 th	2009 08:30-18:00 hrs
Thursday, September 10 th	2009 08:30-18:00 hrs
Friday, September 11 th	2009 08:30-14:00 hrs

The congress' Secretariat

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