

# International Research Group on Biochemistry of Exercise (IRGBE)

## Honour Award 2006

The « **Honour Award** » consists of a medal. The award is given to a scientist who has made substantial contributions to the development of research dealing with the biochemistry and nutrition of exercise. The award is primarily for scientific achievements, but other important contributions, e.g. of educational or organizing character, may also be considered.

The **Honour Award** is announced together with the « Young Investigation Award » and nominations must be received by the Chairman of the IRGBE at the latest on 31st of December of the year before the Biochemistry of Exercise Conference at which it is planned to present it. Anyone can nominate a candidate for the **Honour Award**, and a scientist may also nominate him- or herself. Nominations must include the candidate's curriculum vitae and a list of publications as well as an explanatory statement with a description of the candidate's major achievements. All document (pdf) nominations should be addressed before 31 December 2005 to; Prof. Jacques R. Poortmans, Inst. Sup. Educ. Phys. Kines., CP 168, Université Libre de Bruxelles, 28 Av. P. Héger, B-1000 Brussels (Belgium)

The Chairman of the IRGBE proposes four members, in addition to himself, to form an evaluation committee. Although the Chairman of the IRGBE is member of the committee, he is not necessarily its chairman. If the Chairman of the IRGBE for any reason, e.g. disability, is not available, the Vice-chairman or another member of the IRGBE is given his seat on the committee. Generally, the other four members of the evaluation committee will be members of the IRGBE. However, to ensure the highest professional expertise persons who are not members of the IRGBE may be included on the committee. The proposal for the composition of the evaluation committee is, together with the names of the candidates, presented to the members of the “Executive Board” (IRGBE) and may be changed according to their recommendations. The final proposal by the Chairman of the IRGBE for the four members of the evaluation committee and its chairman is subjected to a vote. It may be turned down if, within a month after receiving the proposal, more than 50% of the members of the IRGBE vote against it. Negative votes must be accompanied by an explanation and an alternative proposal.

In order to ensure an optimum choice the evaluation committee may add to the list of candidates, if all five members agree. The evaluation committee has to point at an **Honour Award** winner by unanimous decision. If this is not possible or if the committee does not find any of the candidates sufficiently qualified, the **Honour Award** will not be presented. In any case, the Chairman of the IRGBE - or the chairman of the evaluation committee - informs the Biochemistry of Exercise Conference about the decision.