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#### TSAlliance/SSBP Junior Travel Bursaries

The Conference Organisers for the 2009 symposium will award 5 Junior Travel Bursaries worth £500 each from abstracts submitted by students and others in full-time training. Please see the SSBP website for further details.

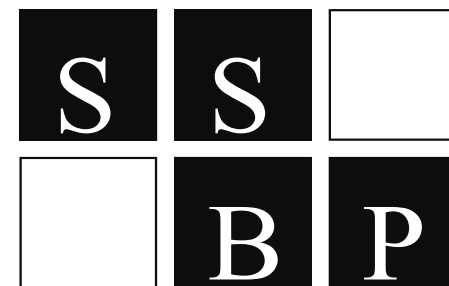
#### The Les Fountain Travel Bursary

The Les Fountain Travel Bursary is available to support junior **SSBP members** wishing to attend the International Symposia. They will take the form of free registration and this year 5 bursaries are available. Please see the SSBP website for further details. The closing date for applications is **22<sup>nd</sup> May 2009**.

#### The SSBP Poster Prize

The SSBP will also be awarding a prize of £50 or equivalent for the best poster presentation by a junior SSBP member. This is to be judged by SSBP members at the meeting and will be presented at the conference dinner.

**Cancellation Policy:** No cancellation of registrations accepted within 60 days of the meeting. Cancellations prior to this will be charged for 50% of registration. Cancellations requested before 1<sup>st</sup> May will be charged an administration fee of £40.00 per person. **Please note that when you register you agree to accept these terms.** We would strongly advise all delegates to consider personal travel insurance in case illness or accident prevents them attending at short notice particularly for those attending this meeting from outside the UK. **There are no exceptions to the above policy.**



**SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF BEHAVIOURAL PHENOTYPES**

## Listening to Genetic Disorders: The aetiology and treatment of neurodevelopmental disorders

**Corpus Christi College, Cambridge**  
**14-16 October 2009**



**To include the Society AGM**

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The SSBP is pleased to announce that the 2009 annual meeting will be held at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge in the UK. The meeting is co-sponsored by the Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance and will be hosted by Dr Petrus de Vries (SSBP), Dr Vicky Whittemore (TSAAlliance) and Prof Christopher Howe (Corpus Christi College).



Genetic disorders are increasingly recognised as key opportunities to learn about fundamental aspects of neurodevelopment, cognition and behaviour. The conference will start with an introduction to molecular aspects of cognition and consider what animal models of genetic disorders can teach us about learning and memory in humans. The symposium will then explore what we can learn from genetic disorders about infant and brain development, neuropsychological skills and social-communication. Abstract submissions for oral or poster presentations around these themes will be particularly encouraged. Further details of the provisional programme are shown on the SSBP website.

### Outline Programme

#### 14 & 15 October 2009 SSBP International Symposium

##### **Listening to Genetic Disorders: from molecules to management**

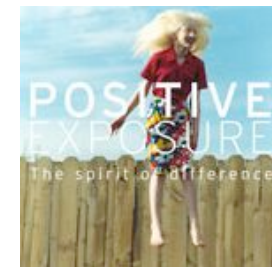
Keynote speakers will include Brendan Manning (Harvard, USA), Alcino Silva (UCLA, USA) and Annette Karmiloff-Smith (London, UK).

#### 16 October 2009 SSBP Educational Day

##### **How to assess and manage the cognitive and behavioural problems in genetic and neurodevelopmental disorders**

Speakers will include Randi Hagerman (MIND, USA), Chris Oliver (Birmingham, UK) and Pat Howlin (London, UK).

A special feature at the 2009 Symposium will be a presentation and photographic exhibition by Rick Guidotti, Founding Director of Positive Exposure ([www.positiveexposure.org](http://www.positiveexposure.org)). Positive Exposure supports and promotes the human dignity of individuals living with genetic conditions through the use of visual arts.



**Registration:** Details of symposium fees and rates for the educational day will be posted on the SSBP website. There will be reduced rates for SSBP members, for students and for those booking before 1<sup>st</sup> September 2009. Conference fees include the meeting and all meeting documentation, lunches and the Conference Dinner. Guests will be welcome to attend the conference dinner at an additional cost (see website).

##### **Accommodation:**

There will not be a designated conference hotel. There is a wide range of hotels and other accommodation available within walking distance of Corpus. Contact details for Cambridge hotels and B&Bs will be posted on the SSBP website.

**Abstracts:** Those wishing to present papers or posters, **must** submit their abstracts as follows: **Use the automatic system on-line via the [www.ssbp.co.uk](http://www.ssbp.co.uk) web site or attach a file to an email to [ssbprobbie@aol.com](mailto:ssbprobbie@aol.com).** Abstracts not meeting the criteria outlined on the web will be returned to the author. All abstracts must be submitted by **May, 22nd 2009**. Because of the tight publication deadline no late abstracts will be accepted. All accepted abstracts will appear in Journal of Intellectual Disability Research which will be available as part of the conference documentation.