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You are cordially invited to participate in the

1st International Cameraria Symposium

Cameraria ohridella and other invasive leaf-miners in Europe

which will be held in **Prague**, Czech Republic
from **24 to 27 March 2004**

The symposium is organized within the framework of the EU project **CONTROCAM**, a multidisciplinary research project aimed at the control of the horse chestnut leaf miner, *Cameraria ohridella*, a moth of unknown origin which has spread recently over vast areas of Europe, causing severe damage to horse chestnut trees, *Aesculus hippocastanum*, both in urban areas and in natural stands (see <http://www.uochb.cas.cz/~natur/cameraria> and www.cameraria.de for more details).

In recent years, many independent groups initiated research programmes on various aspects of the biology, ecology, impact and control of the horse chestnut leaf miner in Europe. The objective of this symposium is to evaluate the current state of the art of research on *Cameraria ohridella*, to estimate the needs for future research and to build up new collaborations.

Beside *Cameraria ohridella*, other exotic leaf miners recently invaded Europe and became pests of trees, shrubs and orchards, e.g. *Phyllonorycter platani* on *Platanus*, *Phyllonorycter robiniella* and *Parectopa robiniella* on *Robinia*, *Argyresthia thuiella* on *Thuja* and *Chamaecyparis*, and the citrus leaf miner, *Phyllocnistis citrella*. All these invasive species share similar characteristics. Therefore, presentations on these leaf miners are strongly encouraged.

The symposium will cover all possible topics related to *Cameraria ohridella* and other exotic leaf miners in Europe, such as:

- Biology and ecology
 - Impact on host trees, and on urban and natural ecosystems
 - Natural enemies and other mortality factors
 - Biological, mechanical and chemical control
 - Monitoring
 - Spread
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Organization and sponsoring

The symposium will be organized by:

- the **Institute of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry** (IOCB), Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic (ASCR)
- **member teams** of the project **CONTROCAM**.

It will be sponsored by Klinge Pharma and Propher Ltd. (Czech Republic).

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Preliminary program

24.3.2004 [Wednesday]

15.00-18.00 Opening of the conference, registration, welcome party

25.3.2004 [Thursday]

8.30-16.30 Scientific program

26.3.2004 [Friday]

8.30-16.30 Scientific program

27.3. 2004 [Saturday]

8.30-12.00 Scientific program
14.00 -17.00 Prague sightseeing tour*

The final program will be sent to all registered participants in late January.

* Additional cultural program (concerts, theatres, specific tours and trips) is available for those who are interested.



Registration

People who intend to participate should send, before **October 31, 2003** an e-mail/letter/fax to Dr. Blanka Kalinová (address above), with their name, institution, preference for presentation (oral/poster), and a tentative title. Those who have pre-registered will receive a second circular in **December**, with additional details on abstract submission, accommodation, travel arrangements, etc. The deadline for registration for an oral presentation is **January 25, 2004**. Your registration will be considered only when the money is paid.

Registration fee

The registration fee for regular participants is **1650 CZK [50 € & bank charges, 1 € ≈ 28-32 CZK]**
The fee will cover organization expenses, refreshment during coffee breaks and abstract book edition.

The registration fee for accompanying persons is **1000 CZK [33 € & bank charges, 1 € ≈ 28-32 CZK]**.
The fee will cover organization expenses and the invitation to the Welcome Party.

Please, kindly note that accommodation and boarding will be charged separately as well as additional cultural programs for those who are interested.

Bank account for the registration fee

Account name: Eva Košnarová - Golem
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Accommodation and travel arrangements

Accommodation and travel service will be provided in cooperation with the travel agency Golem Tour.

Accommodation is available in the following hotels:

N°.1	Hotel Vienna	1050/1380 CZK per night	www.hotelvienna.cz
N°.2	Hotel Diplomat	2240/2800 CZK per night	www.diplomatpraha.cz
N°.3	Hotel Crown Plaza	2070/2570 CZK per night	www.crowneplaza.cz
N°.4	Masarykova kolej	1050/1380 CZK per night	www.suz.cvut.cz

[single/double room/night in CZK, rates include service charge, city tax, VAT and breakfast]

Booking

Please, send the enclosed **Registration & Accommodation Form (separate file)**, downloadable from the Conference web page) together with the registration fee and a hotel deposit (hotel price/night/room) at your earliest convenience to:

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Each participant will receive an individual confirmation, indicating the name and address of the hotel when the payment together with the Registration & Accommodation Form is forwarded to Golem. We strongly advise all participants to reserve their hotel accommodation as soon as possible. Booking deadline is **January 25, 2004**.

Cancellation and changes of accommodation

Cancellations or accommodation changes must be received in writing. All refunds, if applicable, will be processed after the end of the Conference and returned less bank charges and cancellation fees.



Presentation

Those who haven't yet signified their intention to present an oral presentation or have not yet send a title, should do it as soon as possible, in any case before **January 25**. Please, kindly note, that we have a limited time available for oral presentations. Those, who will register later, will have the possibility to present a poster only.

Oral presentations

Speakers will be provided with 15 minutes for a talk and 5 minutes for a discussion (20 minutes in total). Oral presentations will be given in English.

Posters

The needful poster dimensions will be known and presented on the Conference web page soon.

Abstracts

The deadline for abstract submission is **January 25, 2004**.

Participants who would like to contribute with an oral or poster presentation must submit an English written abstract for consideration by the Organization Committee. Only abstracts of registered presenting authors will be included in the program and in the Book of Abstracts. Abstracts may be submitted via e-mail to Dr. Michal Hoskovec (see the downloadable **pdf file** with abstract instructions on the Conference web page) or via regular mail on 3.5" diskette / CD. Oral speakers should specify audio-visual equipment required for the presentation.

Letter of invitation

On request, the secretariat of the symposium will send you a personal invitation to participate. This invitation is meant only to help participants to raise travel funds or to obtain a visa. It is not a commitment on the part of the organizers to provide any financial support.



Conference www page

You will find all needful information about the Cameraria Conference on the following web address:
<http://www.uochb.cas.cz/~natur/camer2004/>.