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interaction between the participants. Introductory courses will stimulate newcomers to enter the exciting world of LC/MS.

Important trends like miniaturization and automation will be included in the program, as will highlights from strategic industrial developments impacting on the LC/MS field (for example, within the pharmaceutical industry). Novel approaches in drug discovery

and development will be discussed, such as proteomics, metabolomics, systems biology, target and biomarker discovery, novel bioanalytical methodology, and impurity screening. In addition, developments in agriculture, chemical biotech, and environmental areas will be well covered.

 www.iaec.ch/lcms-montreux.htm

Chemistry for Agriculture

30 November–3 December 2004, Jeseník, Czech Republic

The **30th International Conference on Chemistry for Agriculture** will present scientific research achievements obtained in various interdisciplinary projects, from pollution control in agriculture and chemical industry to agriculture practices. The conference, which will be held 30 November–3 December in Jeseník, Czech Republic, is a unique forum in which new concepts of technological innovations evolve.

The conference sessions will focus on the following themes:

- chemical technology—mineral fertilizers, feed phosphates and other additives
- agricultural chemistry—fertilizer nutrient's changes in the soil, nutrient availability

- phosphorus and nitrogen problem in the environment
- ecotoxicology—selected problems
- new production technologies of chemical agents for agriculture
- new methods of chemical products application in agriculture
- impact of chemical products on plant and animal production
- harmful substances in agriculture and the environment

The meeting will also provide a chance to look into research programs and projects that focus on the use of chemicals in accordance with European directives: nitrate and urban waste directives, the Code of the Best Agricultural Practices, and the Best Available Technology in the fertilizer industry.

 www.conference.republika.pl/introduction.htm

Young Chemists

25–29 August 2004, Torino, Italy

A central aim of the **2004 Younger European Chemist's Conference** is to bring together younger European chemical researchers for novel networking and interaction. The conference, which will be held 25–29 August 2004, in Torino, Italy, is intended for chemists who are around 21 to 35.

The event will bridge European research, discovery, and invention across the entire spectrum of the chemical sciences—from fundamental, molecular-level chemistry to large-scale chemical processing technology. The conference program will also delve into biol-

ogy, nanotechnology, materials science, medicine, and more. Full details of the program can be found on the Web site below.

This event is unique because it allows early-stage researchers a non-threatening and informal opportunity to present a poster and give a short talk at an international conference. Participants also compete for the prestigious 2004 Europa Medal and 1,000 Prize and the Runner-Up Awards.

The keynote speakers will be Nobel Laureate Richard R. Ernst and IUPAC President Leiv K. Sydnes.

 www.setforeurope.org

