

Phytochemical Society of Europe

Annual report 2020-2021

Charity number: 264348

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Structure

Small committee

President:	Prof. Franz Bucar (Graz)
Vice-President (outgoing)	Prof. Satya Sarker (Liverpool)
Vice-President (incoming)	Prof. Francisco Macias (Cadiz)
Treasurer:	Dr Kenneth Ritchie (Liverpool)
General Secretary:	Prof. Krystyna Skalicka – Woźniak (Lublin)
Meetings Secretary:	Dr Efstathia Ioannou (Athens)
Membership Secretary:	Prof. Pinarosa Avato (Bari)
Web Editor:	Prof. Randolph Arroo (Leicester)

Regional Representatives:

Iberia	Prof. Maria José Umbelino Ferreira (Lisbon)
France	Prof. Marina Kritsanida (Paris)
Eastern Europe	Prof. Karel Šmejkal (Brno)
Middle Europe	Prof. Evelyn Wolfram (Wädenswil)
Scandinavia	Prof. Dan Staerk (Kopenhagen)
SE Europe & Turkey	Prof. Ilkay E. Orhan (Ankara)
Romania, Bulgaria & Moldova	Dr. Elvira Gille (Piatra Neamt)
Belarus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Ukraine	Prof. Vladimir A. Khripach

The charity is managed through regular committee meetings and an annual general meeting.

Trustees are recruited by members of the committee proposing potential trustees to the committee meetings and the annual general meeting. All members of the small committee may be trustees.

Objectives of the charity

To promote the advancement of the knowledge of the constituents of plants in respect of their chemistry, function, biosynthesis, effect on plant and animal physiology and pathology, and the application of such knowledge in agriculture and industry. To publish papers delivered at meetings of the society with a view to the dissemination of the knowledge so gained for the benefit of the public generally.

Names of Trustees

Prof Miroslav Strnad, Prof Pinarosa Avato, Dr Angela Stafford, Prof Randolph Arroo, Dr Richard John Robins, Dr Veronique Seidel, Dr Kenneth Ritchie, Prof Simon Gibbons, Prof Franz Bucar, Prof Francisco Macias, Prof Virginia Lanzotti

Activities 2020-2021

“*Natural products for Healthy Living*” took place on 16th – 18th January 2020 in Khulna, Bangladesh and was organized by Prof. Jamil Shilpi, Prof. Asish Das and Prof. Jamal Uddin. Satyajit Sarker mentioned it was one of the best meetings in terms of hospitality and scientific level. The organizing committee attracted a number of high level specialists as lecturers. 250 participants attended the conference. Participants had a trip organized to the Sundarbans mangrove forest as well as ancient mosque, Shat Gambuj. The International Society for Ethnopharmacology (ISE) and Society for Ethnopharmacology India (SFE India), co-badged with the PSE the event in Khulna and promoted it. The event was also promoted by local media.

Then Satyajit Sarker reported on the T20 PSE Conference Liverpool 2020. It was an innovative concept, with 20 oral presentations of 20 minutes each and 20 three-minute short oral presentations planned. This was held at Liverpool John Moores University, UK on 6th March 2020. Although some delegates could not travel due to the corona virus pandemic, on the day, 65 participants were present. It was the last PSE event before the Covid pandemic. Satyajit Sarker thanked Kenneth Ritchie for his great help and commitment to organize this event.

The PSE e-Congress “Plant Derived Natural Products as Pharmacological and Nutraceutical Tools” was organized by Prof. Francesco Epifano, Prof. Salvatore Genovese, Dr. Serena Fiorito and their group from the Department of Pharmacy of the University “Gabriele d’Annunzio” of Chieti-Pescara. The meeting was divided into 4 sessions, each covering a week between mid September and mid October 2020. The e-Congress program included Plenary Lectures (9), Keynotes (4), and Oral Communications (23) presented in live discussion sections. Poster Communications (28) were also available for all participants. All registered participants received a personal access code to get into the e-Congress platform and to view the e-posters.

4th International Symposium on Phytochemicals in Medicine and Food (ISPMF) was planned to be on 25th – 30th June, 2020. However, the conference had to be postponed and the new date was 30th November – 4th December 2020. Free registration fees were provided for all attendees. All abstracts were published in a conference proceeding of eFood. Over 700 scientists from 67 countries registered to attend this conference which was organized in a dual way – as on-site and on-line conferences. 13 plenary lectures, 43 keynote lecture, 51 invited lectures, 86 oral presentations, a graduate student forum consisting of 53 short lecture, and more than 160 posters were presented. Ten awards were given for best oral and poster presentations by young scientists (under 35 years old; 5 awards for poster and 5 awards for oral presentation). Each winner was awarded US\$250 in cash and a certification provided by International Association of Dietetic Nutrition and Safety. 4-ISPMF obtained supports from several international journals including Food Chemistry (Elsevier), Food and Chemical Toxicology (Elsevier), and Pharmacological Research (Elsevier).

Achievements and performance

The PSE has continued to be at the forefront of providing a mechanism by which the chemistry of plants may be discussed academically and as such has provided public benefit

by ensuring that this important natural resource continues to be investigated for potential benefit to humanity.



Financial review

The charity remains in good financial health and has no debts. No funds are held with a custodian trustee.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Dr Kenneth Ritchie	Prof Randolph Arroo
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer and Trustee	Trustee
Date	10/11/2021	10/11/21

Financial statement 16 Jan 2020 - 15 Jan 2021**Current account**

Balance on 15 Jan 2021	£71,124.94
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Income

conference refunds	£596.36
Subscriptions	£1,982.53
Interest COIF and Dividend COIF	£3,239.87
Journal Royalties	£15,991.18
Conference Surplus	£24,644.00
IRPF	£2,484.00
Unidentified	£62.55
BG refunds	£711.68
Total Income	£49,712.17

Previous Balance on 16 Jan 2020	£29,710.26
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Expenditure

Reimbursement of expenses incl bank charges	£6,866.31
Travel Bursaries and Prizes	£122.00
Evergreen website hosting costs	£810.00
BG services	£499.18

Total expenditure	£8,297.49
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Balance on 16 Jan 2020	£29,710.26
Income	£49,712.17
Total of Balance on 16 Jan 2020 and Income	£79,422.43

Expenditure	£8,297.49
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Balance on 15 Jan 2021	£71,124.94
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Savings accounts

Balance on 31 Dec 2020	£87,500.00
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Deposit

Total COIF Charities deposit fund as of 31 Dec 2020	£106,063.91
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Investment

COIF Charities Investment fund*	5888.71 units @ 1801.14p per unit as of 31 Dec 2020
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*this is an investment in shares and therefore the value fluctuates with the stock market

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Independent examiner's report

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Independent examiner's name: **Richard John Robins**

Address: Emeritus Director of Research at the CNRS, Study of Biosynthesis by Isotopic Spectrometry Group, CEISAM, UMR 6230, Nantes, 44322 France

This report relates to the financial accounts of 2020-2021

This report relates to an independent examination carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and that the examination has been conducted in accordance with the Directions given by the Commission

No matter has come to my attention, in connection with the examination, which gives reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

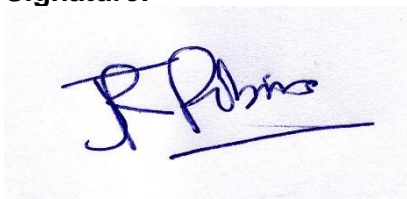
1. Accounting records for non-company charities have not been kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
2. That the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

No matters of concern have come to my attention in connection with this examination to prevent a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Declarations

I declare that I have carried-out the independent examination of the accounts according to the rule and regulations as set-out by the Charity commission of England and Wales.

Signature:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R J Robins', with a horizontal line underneath.

Printed Name: Richard John Robins, MA(Oxon), DPhil

Date: 12/11/21