

NINTH WORKSHOP ON MEMBRANE COMPUTING (WMC9–Edinburgh, UK, 2008)

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- **Goal:** to bring together researchers working in membrane computing and related areas (such as computational biology, DNA computing, artificial life, theory of computation) in a friendly atmosphere enhancing communication and cooperation.
- **Organising institution:** Heriot-Watt University (<http://www.hw.ac.uk>) School of Mathematical and Computer Sciences (<http://www.macs.hw.ac.uk>) Edinburgh, UK.
- **Dates:** July 28 (Monday) – July 31 (Thursday), 2008.
- **Place:** School of Mathematical and Computer Sciences, Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh, EH14 4AS, UK.
- **Organising committee:**
 - Pierluigi Frisco – Chair
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- **Program committee:**
 - Artiom Alhazov (Turku, Finland, and Chişinău, Moldova),
 - David Corne (Edinburgh, UK) – co-Chair,
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 - George Eleftherakis (Thessaloniki, Greece),
 - Miguel Angel Gutiérrez-Naranjo (Seville, Spain),
 - Oscar Ibarra (Santa Barbara, USA),
 - Fairouz Kamareddine (Edinburgh, UK),
 - Lila Kari (London, Canada),
 - Alica Kelemenova (Opava, Czech Republic),
 - Jetty Kleijn (Leiden, The Netherlands),
 - Natalio Krasnogor (Nottingham, UK),
 - Van Nguyen (Adelaide, Australia),
 - Linqiang Pan (Wuhan, China),
 - Gheorghe Păun (Bucharest, Romania) – Chair,
 - José Maria Sempere (Valencia, Spain),
 - Gyorgy Vaszil (Budapest, Hungary),
 - Sergey Verlan (Paris, France),
 - Claudio Zandron (Milan, Italy).
- **Submission deadline:** Monday April 14, 2008.
- **Notification of acceptance:** Friday May 9, 2008.
- **Final version for the pre-proceedings:** Monday May 18, 2008.
- **Form of submission:** full paper (of a reasonable length) or (very) extended abstract, electronically (to Gh. Păun, at gpaun@us.es), Portable Document Format (pdf) or Post Script (ps) file. The pre-proceedings (to be edited in Latex) will be available during the workshop.
- **Proceedings:** a volume in *Lecture Notes in Computer Science* series by Springer-Verlag, for selected (and additionally refereed) papers, will be published after the meeting; details will be given during the workshop.
- **Web pages:** <http://psystems.disco.unimib.it> and <http://www.macs.hw.ac.uk/wmc9>.
- **Other relevant details:** Conform the tradition, the workshop is planned as a friendly working meeting, with a good balance of science, tourism, socialising, and scientific collaboration. The workshop fee will be of about £ 150 per person (equivalent to about €180), to be payed in advance through the workshop web pages and it includes the participation, coffee/tea breaks and lunches. The suggested accommodations, to be paid by the participants, are student lodgings in the campus. Delegates are invited to pre-register as early as possible through the workshop web pages. To know more about Edinburgh visit <http://www.edinburgh.org/>.