

IUPAP C19 – Astrophysics. Activity report 2018.03 to 2019.08

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2. IUPAP support of international conferences

The main meeting sponsored is the 30th Texas Symposium on Relativistic Astrophysics. By tradition C19 sponsors this premier international meeting in this major subject.

The 30th Texas Symposium on Relativistic Astrophysics will take place from Sunday 15 to Friday 20 December 2019 in the historic seaside city of Portsmouth, UK. The Texas meetings have covered topics such as black holes, gravitational waves, neutron stars, cosmic rays, dark matter and the early Universe since the first symposium, held in Dallas in 1963. Following the tradition of previous meetings, the 2019 Symposium will cover a broad range of subjects in relativistic astrophysics.

IUPAP sponsorship is prominently featured on the Symposium website, as are the relevant IUPAP Policies.

3. IUPAP Young Scientist Medals in the field of Astrophysics

The 2018 and 2019 Prizes have been very widely advertised, with the notice – see <http://iupap.org/commissions/c19-astrophysics/news/> - and applications circulated through national mailing lists in the countries with C19 representatives, and through various international astronomy organisations. The closing date is Aug 15 2019, after which the awards will be allocated. Presentations, together with invited talks, will be at the 30th Texas Symposium, December 2019 (see above).