# Journeys in Non-Classical Computation GC-7: progress report

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# publication of the Challenge statement

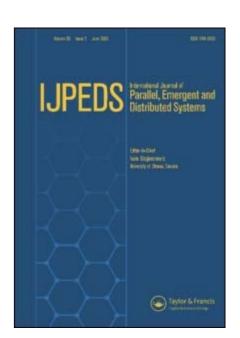
Stepney, Braunstein, Clark, Tyrrell, Adamatzky, Smith, Addis, Johnson, Timmis, Welch, Milner, Partridge.

Journeys in Non-Classical Computation.

I: A Grand Challenge for computing research.

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II: initial journeys and waypoints. *IJPEDS* **21**(2):97-125. April 2006



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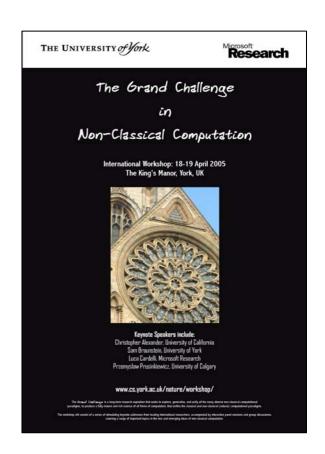
- hosted at York, sponsored by Microsoft Research
- 80 international participants, from
  - Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Russia, Spain, Switzerland, UK, USA
  - position papers
     http://www.cs.york.ac.uk/nature/workshop/



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#### keynote speakers:

- · Christopher Alexander
  - Harmony Seeking Computations
- Sam Braunstein
  - Quantum Computing
- Luca Cardelli
  - Abstract Machines of Systems Biology
- Przemyslaw Prusinkiewicz
  - Languages of Morphogenesis



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#### panel discussions

- non-classical substrates
  - computing with weird science
- from classical to non-classical
  - getting there from here: using classical ideas to bridge the gap
- · bio-inspired computation
  - evolutionary, immune, cellular, ...
- engineering the future
  - emergence, complexity, ...
- the way forward

## special issues of IJUC

- invited contributions from GC7 workshop participants
- P.-A. Absil. Continuous-time systems that solve computational problems
- J. Gorecki, J.N. Gorecka. Information processing with chemical excitations
- J.-P. Banâtre, P. Fradet, Y. Radenac. Programming Self-Organizing Systems with the Higher-Order Chemical Language
- 5. Dasmahapatra, J. Werner, K.-P. Zauner. Noise as a Computational Resource
- J. Timmis, M. Amos, W. Banzhaf, A. Tyrrell. "Going Back to our Roots": Second Generation Biocomputing
- O. Michel, J.-P. Banâtre, P. Fradet, J.-L. Giavitto. Challenging Questions for the Rationale of Non-Classical Programming Languages
- 5. Abramsky, B. Coecke. Physics from Computer Science
- M. Amos, D. A. Hodgson, A. Gibbons. Bacterial self-organisation and computation
- C. Alexander. Harmony-Seeking Computations
  - + four more papers still to be submitted

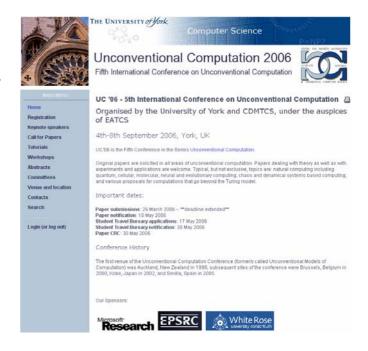
# forthcoming events

UC'06: 5th International Conference on Unconventional

Computation

4th-8th September 2006, York, UK
 http://www.cs.york.ac.uk/nature/uc06/

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- Hypercomputation Workshop
  - 11th-13th September 2006,
     Sheffield, UK
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