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The London Hospital Medical College, John Ellis Lecture Theatre, Mondays 18.30–20.30 10 October 1983 to 3 March 1984.

Enquiries: Professor GC Jenkins, Department of Haematology, The London Hospital (Whitechapel), London E1 1BB.

Second International Symposium on Nephrotoxicity (Satellite to the 9th IUPHAR Congress in London)

will be held in Guildford, England, from the 6–9th August 1984. The two major themes will be "Recent Advances in Monitoring the Early Renal Functional changes in Animals and Man Following Nephrotoxic Insult" and "The Biological Basis of Chemically Induced Site-Specific Damage to the Nephron."

For more information write to Dr PH Bach, Second International Symposium on Nephrotoxicity, Robens Institute of Health and Safety, University of Surrey, Guildford, GU2 5XH, Surrey, England.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The British Blood Transfusion Society

This Society has recently been formally inaugurated in the United Kingdom. It is now possible to accept applications for membership from suitably qualified Medical and Scientific personnel working in the field of blood transfusion in the United Kingdom, and it is hoped to offer overseas membership shortly. Application forms may be obtained from the Secretary, The British Blood Transfusion Society, Roby Street, Manchester M1 3BP, England.

The first scientific meeting of the Society will be held in Cambridge in December 1983, and further information regarding the meeting can be obtained from Dr D Voak, Regional Transfusion and Immuno-Haematology Centre, Long Road, Cambridge CB2 2PT, England.

Association of Clinical Pathologists Research Award—Amended Rules

- 1 Council of the Association has decided to award an annual prize of £250 for the best paper presented by a member under the age of 35 years at the Autumn General meeting of the Association.
- 2 The prize will be awarded by Council on the recommendation of a panel of adjudicators from the Education Committee at their January meeting following presentations. Criteria for assessing the merit of entries will include originality, scientific importance and lucidity of presentation. The award will be made at the next Spring general meeting of the Association.
- 3 Papers must be presented by members or junior members normally under the age of 35 years on the last date for receipt of entries (rule 5). A paper must not have been presented before, except to an ACP branch meeting.
- 4 Work that had been carried out by more than one person must be accompanied by a statement of the extent of the contribution to the work made by the members presenting the paper. Joint work is acceptable provided that the substantial part of the work was carried out by the candidate for the prize. Others involved in the project e.g. a supervisor, must indicate their approval in writing.
- 5 In order to give the papers of candidates for the prize a degree of priority on the programmes of meetings, a member presenting a paper for consideration for the Prize must give written notice to that effect to the Meetings Secretary. The last date for receipt of this notice will be 1st May preceding the Autumn meeting. An abstract (about 250 words in length) of the paper must be sent with the notice.

The Edward C Franklin Award for Distinguished Achievement in Basic and Clinical Immunology

The Scientific Committee of the European Meeting on Plasma Proteins in Clinical Diagnosis has decided to establish a biennial award in honour of the late Dr Edward C Franklin, who discovered heavy chain disease and achieved outstanding contributions to the field of Ig structure and function, amyloidosis, cryoglobulinaemia and connective tissue disease. Dr Franklin also served as a member of the Scientific Committee of this Congress series. The award is intended to foster excellence in basic and clinical immunology and to recognise notable scientific accomplishments in these fields as a result of single or collaborative efforts. It includes a gold medal and a \$1,000 honorarium. The winner will be announced by the award jury (appointed by Scientific Committee) during the Meeting. Following the prize giving ceremony, the recipient will deliver the Edward C Franklin lecture, to be published in the Congress Proceedings. The jury welcomes carefully documented nominations.

For information, please write to: The Scientific Secretary, Dott Santica Marcovina, Laboratori di Ricerca—Istituto Scientifico S Raffaele, Via Olgettina, 60–20132 Milan, Italy.