

**Glycosylated Hemoglobins: Methods of Analysis and Clinical Applications.** Clinical and Biochemical Analysis Series. Vol 19. EC Abraham. (Pp 256; \$71.50.) Marcell Dekker Inc. 1985.

This expensive but informative book covers the structure and functional features of the various glycosylated haemoglobins, methods for their analysis, and interpretation of results. The final chapter is devoted to a review of non-enzymatic glycosylation of other proteins in the body including albumin, lipoproteins, insulin, collagen and erythrocyte membrane, and peripheral nerve proteins.

This is the first major book on the subject and is a valuable reference for those clinical chemists, haematologists, and any one interested in diabetes.

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## Notices

### Supraregional Assay Service Protein Reference Units Handbook of Clinical Immunochemistry

This handbook is intended as a guide to the services available from the SAS Protein Reference Units. Since the establishment of the Supraregional Assay Service in 1974 the range of assays available at, and the number of requests made of, the SAS Protein Reference Units has increased considerably. Certain assays have been devolved to regional or district laboratories and new assays have been added to the repertoire. In addition to describing the assays available from the Units under the SAS, the handbook also describes the clinical indications for assays devolved from the SAS and the assays currently under development, which may be added to the repertoire in the future. Later sections describe the external quality assessment services that are available to laboratories doing immunochemistry and calibrants available from public source.

Copies (£6.00 inclusive of postage) are available from: The Director, Protein Reference Unit, Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield S10 2JF.

### ASSOCIATION OF CLINICAL PATHOLOGISTS

#### JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

Junior membership of the Association is available to all trainees in pathology for up to six years after the start of training. The annual subscription is £15 and may be claimed against tax. All junior members receive copies of the *Journal of Clinical Pathology*. Other benefits include membership of the Junior Members' Group and a regular junior members' newsletter; the ACP Newsletter and all other documents regularly sent to full members including the postgraduate education programme.

Junior membership normally leads to full membership of the Association, which represents medical pathologists in hospital practice.

Junior membership is not available to trainees overseas and those on short term training schemes in this country. Requests on an individual basis will be considered.

Apply to: Dr PP Anthony, Education Secretary, Postgraduate Medical School, Barrack Road, Exeter EX2 5DW, Devon.

### Afternoon of gastrointestinal pathology in honour of Dr Basil C Morson, VRD, MA, DM, FRCP, FRCS, FRCPath

Dr Basil Morson will retire from his post as Consultant Pathologist to St Mark's Hospital in November 1986.

In his honour a symposium on gastrointestinal pathology has been organised through the pathology departments of St Mark's and St Bartholomew's Hospitals.

#### Speakers are:

Dr DW Day;  
Dr JR Jass;  
Professor JE Lennard-Jones;  
Dr DA Levison;  
Dr AB Price;  
Dr IC Talbot;  
Dr GT Williams;  
Professor NA Wright

The symposium will be held at: The Robin Brook Centre, St Bartholomew's Hospital, London EC1, on Wednesday 12 November 1986, at 2 pm.

Admission free.

### Fourth International Symposium on Morphometry in Morphological diagnosis

Royal Society of Medicine,  
September 10-12, 1986

Although covering image analysis using large systems, many of the contributions will describe the use of small micro based systems suitable for use in a district general hospital. One session will be devoted to flow cytometry. The emphasis throughout will be on clinical applications and clinical usefulness. The programme includes invited expert guest speakers: Bahr (USA); Watson (UK); Ploem (Netherlands); Wied (USA); Aver (Sweden); Baak (Netherlands); Stenkqvist (Sweden); and Collan (Finland).

There will also be a wide range of proffered papers and poster demonstrations, particularly on the applications of morphometry to gut, bone, breast, lymphoreticular and urogenital pathology. A pleasing feature of the proffered papers are the contributions correlating structure and function, which is an ideal aim for clinical pathologists.

A limited number of places now remain for attendance at the symposium. These will be allocated on a strictly first come, first served basis.

Further details may be obtained from: Miss Elaine Gill, Gill Medical, 429 Tamworth Road, Long Eaton, Nottingham NG10 3JT, England.

#### Correction

The title of a paper by J O'D McGee *et al* (39:615-21.) published as Monoclonal antibody to macrophages (EMB/11) labels macrophages and microglial cells in human brain should have been: Monoclonal antibody to macrophages (EBM/11) labels macrophages and microglial cells in human brain.