

light chain nephropathies. It is divided into four sections: the plasma cell abnormality; light chain formation and amyloidogenesis; turbo-interstitial injury by light chains in man and animals; clinical and pathological features of renal disease; and finally, treatment of myeloma-related kidney disease. Each section is completed by a rather disjointed "round-table" discussion. The whole book is given a conclusion by Professor J S Cameron, who has done much of the reviewer's work for him by pointing out the interesting developments and the notable deficiencies in this series of presentations.

This is an extremely useful small volume which condenses much of the current thinking on these diseases into 300 pages. There is not a lot that is new in this volume but it is helpful to have access to all these articles in a single cover. The references are up to date (1987) and the collection is presumably a report of a meeting at which the various authors were participants. It will be a useful and important book for renal units. It deserves to be read by haematologists, immunologists, and oncologists and it should help them to realise that they should be referring their patients with these problems for specialist investigation and management.

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Dermatopathology Self-Assessment Workshop

Guy's Hospital, London

Friday April 20 1990

This course is designed for both pathologists and dermatologists and should be of interest to registrars studying for postgraduate qualifications, as well as established consultants. We anticipate that participants will already have a working knowledge of dermatopathology, but aim to concentrate on material encountered in routine laboratory work rather than the esoteric.

The registration fee of £45.00 covers the working sessions, lunch, and coffee breaks.

For further information and registration forms please contact Miss M Ellis (secretary), Department of Dermatology, Guy's Hospital, St Thomas Street, London SE1 9RT. Tel (01) 955 5000 ex 3821/3822.

6th International Congress on Breast Diseases

June 10-14, 1990

Hynes Convention Center, Boston, Mass, USA

Organised by: The Society for the Study of Breast Disease

Sponsored by: The International Society of Senology and American Cancer Society

Invited faculty include: Bernard Fisher, MD; Judah Folkman, MD; Robert Hutter, MD; Gabriel Hortobagyi, MD

For further information contact: Congress Secretariat, Office of Continuing Education, Tufts University School of Medicine, 136 Harrison Avenue, Box 36, Boston, MA 02111. Phone 617-956-5657 or Fax 617-956-0314.

Notices

Workshop in Dermatopathology

January 18-20, 1990

Sheraton Grande at Torrey Pines
La Jolla, California, USA

Sponsored by: Division of Dermatopathology, Department of Pathology, Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation, 10666 North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, California 92037, USA

For information and priority registration, contact: Bonny A Mower, Conference Coordinator, Department of Academic Affairs, Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation, Tel (619) 554-8556

European Society for Analytical Cellular Pathology

There is an increasing need for improved fundamental knowledge in cellular pathology. Whatever the approach to achieve this, quantitative and analytical methods are required for the measurement and identification of normal and pathological states of cells and tissues. Cell and tissue analysis is thus of interest to a wide spectrum of research workers and clinicians in genetics, cell biology, immunology, haematology, oncology, histopathology and cytopathology. The methods of measurement and data analysis are, to an increasing extent, computer based, and frequently depend on complex technology and sophisticated mathematical methods. The development and application of these methods require the collaboration of many different professional disciplines.

European efforts in these fields can be strengthened, coordinated and made more effective by the foundation of a society covering this field. To this end the European Society for Analytical Cellular Pathology (ESACP) was founded in 1988.

- The aims of the society are to advance the scientific understanding and clinical application of quantitative and analytical cellular biology with emphasis on pathological cellular changes, and to promote technical developments in this field.
- The society edits its own journal, *Analytical Cellular Pathology* (ACP), published by Elsevier. The first issue appeared at the beginning of 1988.
- The officers of ESACP are: P Vooijs, Nijmegen (president); B Stenkvist, Stockholm (vice president); G Burger, Munich (secretary); M Oberholzer, Basel (treasurer); G Brugal, Grenoble (editor in chief of ACP).
- Further details of the society can be obtained from: Secretariat office, G Burger, GSF-Cytometry, Ingolstädter Landstr 1, D-8042 Neuherberg, FRG.