Second update in cardiopulmonary medicine

6-8 November, 1990

A three day modular course designed for cardiologists, respiratory physicians, anaesthetics, pathologists, paediatricians and related scientists. Poster sessions will be a feature of the course.

The Squibb Lecture

Monday 5 November, 1990 at 5.30 pm

"Neuroendocrine control of cardiovascular and respiratory systems."

To be given by Professor Julia Polak followed by a champagne reception.

Cardiology Day

Tuesday 6 November, 1990

Cardiomyopathies—Hypertrophic cardiomyopathies, genetics, cardiomyopathies in fetal life, paediatric cardiomyopathies. Atrialventricular septal defect—Development and structure, deficient atrioventricular septation, atrioventricular conduction tissues, genetics, pulmonary circulation in AVSD.

Cardiopulmonary Day

Wednesday 7 November, 1990

Endothelin in the heart and lung—Expression in tissue and cell culture, effects: tissue selectivity and vascular activities of endothelin, the heart and coronary circulation, the microvasculature, renal failure, renal function, endothelin in the lung: distribution, receptors and pharmacology, bronchopulmonary actions of endothelin.

Pulmonary Day

Thursday 8 November, 1990

Cystic fibrosis—Genetics and molecular biology, membrane defect, autonomic innervation and receptor defects, pathological changes, clinical disease spectrum, long term respiratory problems, microbiology and treatment, energy expenditure and nutritional requirements, lung transplantation.

Adult respiratory distress syndrome—Pathology, spectrum of the disease, ventilatory support, electrolyte disturbances, balance and nutrition, cardiovascular assessment and optimising oxygen delivery, recent advances in therapeutic intervention.

Course Fee: £150.00 whole course or £60.00 per day

Further details may be obtained from:

The Postgraduate Education Centre, National Heart & Lung Institute, Dovehouse Street, London SW3 6LY, UK.

Tel: 071-351 8172 (24 hr answering service)

Fax: 071-1376 3442

Register of primary immune deficiencies

In line with other European countries, a Register of all patients with primary immune deficiencies is being compiled. This is being organised by Dr J Gooi (Immunology Department, Blood Transfusion Service, Bridge Path, Leeds LS13 7TW).

To gain complete coverage we should be grateful if any physicians or general practitioners, who have not already been contacted and who are currently managing such patients, could send details of their patients to Dr Gooi.

Registration forms are available from Dr J Gooi (0532 645091) or Dr H Chapel (0865 817305, Immunology Department, John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford OX1 3DU).

Senior Registrar Management Course, University of Keele

The next management course for senior registrars in pathology directed by Professor Roger Dyson at the University of Keele will be held from lunchtime on Wednesday 12 December, 1990 to lunchtime on Friday 14 December, 1990. If you wish to receive a copy of the programme and booking information for this course, please contact Tanya Matthews, (0782) 621111 ext 3646, or write to the Centre for Health Planning and Management, Suite 2.1, Science Park, University of Keele, Staffs ST5 5SP.

Corrections

We regret that an error appeared in the Matters Arising "Screening for bacteriuria" 1989;42:537. The microbiology and culture method was described as costing £0.90; it should have read £0.09. Our apologies.

Apologies are extended to Dr G Markay for having changed the gender of the patient reported in his paper 1990;43:282 "Monocyte esterase deficiency in malignant neoplasia". The patient was female.

An error appeared in the last sentence of the paper by Wood et al "Technique for identifying cutting artefacts in sections of undecalcified bone biopsy specimens" 1990;43:516. This study shows conclusively that areas of fragmentation previously described as bone quality defects are not artefacts which may be created or excluded depending on the plane of the section. They, of course, are artefacts.