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Notes from the Thirteenth Council Meeting, July 1970

GREECE JOINS IUPAB

At the Thirteenth Council Meeting it was announced that the Greek National Committee for Biophysics had been approved as an Adhering Body to the Union subject to confirmation by the next General Assembly. The approval of Greece brings the number of adhering national bodies to twenty-eight. We welcome our Greek associates.

New Committee formed

The Council has created an *ad hoc* Committee on Biophysics and Social Affairs to be chaired by Dr Aharon Katchalsky (Israel). Among those who will serve as committee members are Dr W. Reichardt (Federal Republic of Germany) and Dr W. Rosenblith (U.S.A.). Among the topics this committee will consider are the consequences of controlled genetic reproduction, the influences of psychoactive drugs and the role of science in modern society.

1972 International Congress

Academician G. M. Frank (U.S.S.R.) reported that planning was well under way for the Fourth International Congress of IUPAB which is to take place in Moscow between 7 and 14 August 1972. The topics to be covered in twelve symposia presently scheduled will include: Protein Structure and Function; Membrane Structure and Function; Biophysics of Muscle Contraction; Biophysics of Biological Control Processes; Paramagnetic Centers and Electron Transfer in Biological Systems; and Automatization of Biological Investigations (Computer Biology). Dr Frank, Chairman of the Organizing Committee, also announced that at least five symposia are being planned to follow the Fourth Congress in a number of locations throughout the U.S.S.R.

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DR LEVINTHAL APPOINTED TO SCOPE

The Council approved the nomination of Dr Cyrus Levinthal as IUPAB representative to the Special Committee on Problems of the Environment (SCOPE), International Council of Scientific Unions (ICSU). The Council viewed this appointment as an expression of its deep interest in the problems of the environment with which SCOPE deals.

Officers of IUPAB Special Commissions and Committee on Education

In Vol. 2, No. 4, of Q.R.B. the members of the Special Commissions for the 1969-72 period were reported in this section. Since that time all Commissions have elected officers and many have held meetings. The officers of the Commissions are as follows:

Commission on the Biophysics of Communication and Control Processes

- W. Reichardt (Federal Republic of Germany), President
- A. J. H. Vendrik (Netherlands), Secretary
- W. M. Siebert (U.S.A.); Executive Committee
- S. Fomin (U.S.S.R.), Executive Committee
- C. von Euler (Sweden), Executive Committee

Commission on Cell and Membrane Biophysics

- R. D. Keynes (United Kingdom), President
- A. Rothstein (U.S.A.), Secretary
- H. Passow (Federal Republic of Germany), Executive Committee

Commission on Radiation Biophysics

- C. A. Tobias (U.S.A.), President
- A. R. Gopal-Ayengar (India), Secretary
- A. M. Kuzin (U.S.S.R.), Executive Committee
- R. Latarjet (France), Executive Committee

Commission on Macromolecular Biophysics

- J. Edsall (U.S.A.), President
- W. Gratzer (United Kingdom), Secretary
- S. Lifson (Israel), Executive Committee
- V. Luzzati (France), Executive Committee

Commission on Subcellular Biophysics

- J. Wyman (U.S.A.), President
- M. Sela (Israel), Secretary
- T. Anderson (U.S.A.), Executive Committee
- A. Maaløe (Denmark), Executive Committee

Committee on Education

F. Hutchinson (U.S.A.), Chairman

Forthcoming Meetings

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May

23-27 4th International Congress of Cytology. London, England. Write: Dr E. von Haam, International Academy of Cytology, 410 W 10 Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43210, U.S.A.

June

15-17 CIBA Foundation Symposium on Immunology and Development. London, England. CIBA Foundation, 41 Portland Place, London, W. 1.

July

25-31 25th International Congress of Physiological Sciences. Munich, Germany. Write: Professor K. Thurau, Physiologisches Institut, Pettenkoferstrasse 12, 8 Munich 15, Germany (Fed. Rep.).

August

- 3rd International Meeting of the International Society for Neurochemistry. Budapest, Hungary. Professor I. Huszak, Brain Research Institute, Medical University, Szeged, Hungary.
- I-7 Ist International Congress of Immunology. Washington D.C., U.S.A. Write: Dr M. Landy, Allergy and Immunological Branch, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH, Bethesda, Md. 20014, U.S.A.
- 30-3 Sept. International Embryological Conference. Glasgow, U.K. Write: Professor A. S. G. Curtis, Department of Cell Biology, The University, Glasgow W. 2, U.K.
- 30-4 Sept. 1st World Congress of Nuclear Medicine and Biology. Montreal, Canada. Professor J. Sternberg, World Federation of Nuclear Medicine, and Biology, c/o Université de Montreal, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

September

5-10 31st International Congress of the Pharmaceutical Sciences, Washington, D.C., U.S.A. International Pharmaceutical Federation, 11 Alexanderstr. The Hague. Netherlands.

- 6-11 4th International Congress of Human Genetics. Paris, France. Write: Dr J. de Grouchy, Hôpital des Enfants Malades. 149 rue de Sevres, Paris 15e, France.
- 7-16 1st International Mycological Congress. Exeter, England. Prof. J. Webster, Department of Biological Sciences, University of Exeter, Hatherly Laboratories, Prince of Wales Road, Exeter EX4 4PS, U.K.
- 14-17 First European Biophysics Congress, organized by Osterreiche Gesellschaft für Reine und Angewandte Biophysik and co-sponsored by IUPAB will be held at Baden near Vienna. Write: Mrs E. Weidenhaus, Wiener Medizinische Akademie, Stadiongasse 6, A 1010, Vienna, Austria.

October

Conference on Science Information, Paris, France. Write: UNESCO, Place de Fontenoy, Paris 7e, France.

25-27 Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy. New York, U.S.A. Write: R. W. Sarber, American Society for Microbiology, 1913 1 St. N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006, U.S.A.

25-29 Systems Science and Cybernetics Conference, Anaheim, U.S.A. Write: The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. Technical Activities Board, 345 East 47th Street, New York, N.Y. 10017, U.S.A.

November

14-18 Conference on Engineering in Medicine and Biology. Los Angeles, U.S.A. Write: W. T. Maloney, 6 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass 02108, U.S.A.

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March

19 4th International Fermentation Symposium, Kyoto, Japan. Write: Professor G. Terui, c/o Faculty of Engineering, Osaka University, Higashinoda, Osaka, Japan.

May

- 8-12 43rd Annual Scientific Meeting of the Aerospace Medical Association. Bal Harbour, U.S.A. Write: Dr W. H. Goodwin, Washington National Airport, Washington DC 20001, U.S.A.
- 14-18 20th Annual Meeting of the Radiation Research Society. Portland, U.S.A. Write: Office of the Executive Secretary, Radiation Research Society, 5225 Loughboro Road NW, Hayes Hall, Washington DC 20016, U.S.A.

June

18-23 4th International Congress of Endocrinology, Washington, U.S.A. Write: Dr G. D. Aurbach, Section of Mineral Metabolism, National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Md. 20014, U.S.A.

July

3rd International Conference on Medical Physics. Gothenburg, Sweden. Write: Professor R. Magnusson, Chalmers Technical University, S-402 20, Gothenburg 5, Sweden.

12th International Congress for Cell Biology, U.K. Write: Dr R. Robineaux, Hôpital St Antoine, 184 rue du Fg. St Antoine, 75-Paris (12e), France.

- 2-6 6th International Congress of Physical Medicine. Barcelona, Spain. Write Dr F. Barnosell, Ravella 4, Barcelona 6, Spain.
- 18-22 Annual Conference of Society for the Study of Fertility. Reading, U.K. Write: Professor G. M. H. Waites, Department of Physiology and Biochemistry. The University, London Road, Reading RG1 5AQ, U.K.
- 25-28 6th International Pharmacological Congress. San Francisco, U.S.A. Write: Professor R. M. Featherstone, University of California, San Francisco Medical Center, San Francisco, California, U.S.A.
- 28-31 3rd Brazilian Meeting of Neuroradiology and 1st Inter-American Meeting of Neuroradiology, Brazil. Write: Dr A. Tomaz Rezende. ZC-02 Rua Mario. Pedeneras 6F-ap-401, Rio de Janeiro, 68, Brazil.

August

- 14th International Congress of Entomology, Canberra, Australia. Write: Courtenay M. Smithers, c/o Australian Museum, College Street, Sydney, NSW, Australia.
- 5th International Congress on Catalysis. U.S.A. Write: Professor R. L. Burwell Jr. Department of Chemistry, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. 60201, U.S.A.
- 21-25 6th International Congress on Photobiology. Bochum, Germany (Fed. Rep.). Write: Dr H. Tronnier, Universitäts Hautklinik, Tubingen, Germany (Fed. Rep.).
- 21-25 4th International Congress of Histochemistry and Cytochemistry, Kyoto, Japan. Write: Professor Kazuo Ogawa, Department of Anatomy, Kansai Medical School. Moriguchi, Osaka, Japan.

September

21-26 6th International Meeting of Forensic Sciences, Belfast, U.K. Write Dr T. K. Marshall, The Institute of Pathology, Grosvenor Road, Belfast, U.K.

October

- 8-11 Systems, Science and Cybernetics Conference. Washington, DC, U.S.A. Write: The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. Technical Activities Board, 345 East 47th Street, New York, NY 10017, U.S.A.
- 8-13 5th International Congress of Nephrology. Mexico City. Write: Dr J. E. Exaire, Instituto Nacional de Cardiologia, Dpto de Nefrologia, Avenida Cuauhtemoc 300, Mexico 7, DF. Mexico.

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4-8 2nd World Congress on Ultrasonic Diagnostics in Medicine. Rotterdam, The Netherlands. Write: Holland Organising Centre, 16 Lange Voorhout, The Hague, The Netherlands.

August

14th Scandinavian Congress of Physiology. Bergen, Norway. Write: Professor E. Fliasen, Department of Physiology. University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway.

September

4th International Congress of Protozoology. Clermont-Ferrand, France. Write: Professor P. de Puytorac, Laboratoire de Zoologie, Faculté des Sciences, I Avenue Vercingetorix, 63-Clermont-Ferrand, France. 8th International Congress of EFG and Clinical Neurophysiology. Write: Dr R. Ellingson, Nebraska Psychiatric Institute, 602 South 44th Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska 68105, U.S.A.

5-12 2nd International Congress of Plant Pathology. Mineapolis, U.S.A. Write: Dr J. G. ten Houten, Institute of Phytopathological Research, Rinnenhaven 12, Wageningen, The Netherlands.