

The Netherlands

The 7th European Food Symposium on product and process selection in the food industry

at Eindhoven, 21–23 September 1977

The symposium will be organized by the Food Working Party of the European Federation of Chemical Engineering in cooperation with the Dutch Society of Nutrition Science and Food Technology and IUFOST. Topics: 1. Food industry and society; 2. Product and process selection: procedures and techniques; 3. Examples of product selection based on economic considerations; 4. Examples of process selection based on economic considerations. Further informations by the Food Working Party, c/o Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker, P.O. Box 90 04 40, D-6000 Frankfurt 90, Federal Republic of Germany.

Italy

The 4th International Symposium on Mass Spectrometry in Biochemistry

at Riva del Garda, Lake of Garda, 20–22 June 1977

The Symposium will be devoted to topics such as: Gas chromatography-mass spectrometry, mass fragmentography, stable isotope measurements, field ionization, field desorption, chemical ionization, high resolution studies and data of acquisition and processing. The areas of application will include biochemistry, medicine, toxicology, drug research, forensic science, clinical chemistry and pollution.

Those wishing to present a communication (approx. 20 min) are requested to submit the title and an abstract of not more than 200 words written in English *before 1 March 1977*. Further details by: Dr Alberto Frigerio, Istituto di Ricerche Farmacologiche 'Mario Negri', via Eritrea 62, I-20157 Milano, Italy.

Switzerland

International symposium on gut hormones

Lausanne, 18–19 June 1977

To mark the 75th anniversary of the discovery of the first 'hormone' by Bayliss and Starling, an international symposium sponsored by the Widmar foundation will review the whole field of gastrointestinal hormones. Each hormone will be covered in depth and the wider clinical and scientific implications discussed in eight intensive sessions. *Topics*: Chemistry, Evolution (developmental), Techniques, Secretin, Motilin, CCK, Pancreatic Polypeptide, GIP, Gastrin, Glucagon, Paracrine-Neurotransmitter system, VIP, Somatostatin, Neurotensin-Bombesin-Sub P-Endorphins, Duodenal Ulcer, Endocrine Tumours.

Organizing Committee: S. R. Bloom, P. Magnenat, J. M. Polak and J.-P. Felber.

Further information by Dr S. R. Bloom, Department of Medicine, Hammersmith Hospital, Du cane Road, London W12 0HS, England.

France

17th International Congress of Physiological Sciences

in Paris, 18–23 July 1977

The first two days will be devoted to general lectures and during the last four days specialized meetings will take place. Further information can be obtained from the National Physiological Society of each country or by writing to the Congress Secretary: Prof. J. Scheerer, Secrétariat du 17. Congrès Int. des Sciences Physiologiques, U. E. R. Pitié-Salpêtrière, Cedex 1300, F-75300 Paris-Brune, France.

Switzerland

The 6th Annual Conference of the International Society for Experimental Hematology

in Basel, 28–31 August 1977

Scientific program: Regulation and differentiation of hemopoetic stem cells; hemopoetic inductive micro environment; exogenous effects of hemopoiesis; experimental models of hematologic disorders. – Immunity: lymphocytes, monocytes, macrophages; histocompatibility testing; cell interactions; immune suppression and stimulation; immune deficiency states; immunotherapy; cellular engineering; clinical and experimental neoplasias of hemopoetic tissues. – Bone marrow transplantation: experimental models; clinical marrow grafts for immune deficiency syndromes; aplastic anaemia, malignant disease and other indications; grafts across MHC and ABO barriers. Further information by: Congress Secretariat, ISEH, P.O. Box 129, CH-4004 Basel, Switzerland.

PRAEMIA

Ruzicka-Preis 1977

Aus dem Fonds für den Ruzicka-Preis wird alljährlich einem jungen Forscher für eine hervorragende veröffentlichte Arbeit auf dem Gebiete der allgemeinen Chemie, die entweder in der Schweiz oder von Schweizern im Ausland ausgeführt wurde, ein Preis erteilt. Kandidatenvorschläge können bis spätestens 30. Juni 1977 dem Präsidenten des Schweizerischen Schulrates, Rämistrasse 101, CH-8006 Zürich, unterbreitet werden.

Corrigendum

P. Pani, A. Sanna, M. I. Brigaglia, A. Columbano and L. Congiu: *Early investigations on the effect of methyl mercuric chloride upon DMN-acute hepatotoxicity*, *Experientia* 32, 1449 (1976). In the results, page 1450, line 15, right, it should read **3.69** mg instead 36.9 mg and **5.04** mg instead of 50.4 mg.