

PRAEMIA

Friedrich Miescher Award

To commemorate the 100-year anniversary of the discovery of nucleic acids the Swiss Biochemical Society has created the Friedrich Miescher Award. This annual prize is donated by the Friedrich Miescher Institute of Ciba-Geigy Inc., and is intended to honor young biochemists of high scientific caliber.

Excerpts from the statutes: 1. The Friedrich Miescher Award will be awarded once annually to a young scientist for outstanding achievements in biochemistry. 2. Preference will be given to candidates not older than 35 years. Eligibility extends only to candidates not exceeding their 40th year. 3. The scientific work must have been carried out in Switzerland or by Swiss scientists abroad.

Applications and nominations should be submitted by January 1, 1982 to the secretary of the Swiss Society for Biochemistry (Prof. U. Brodbeck, Med.-chem. Institute, P.O. Box, CH-3000 Bern 9/Switzerland).

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Gent, 11-14 May 1982

Information by Prof. A. De Leenheer, Symposium Chairman, Laboratoria voor Medische Biochemie en voor Klinische Analyse, De Pintelaan 135, B-9000 Gent, Belgium.

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Erice, Sicily, November 29-December 5, 1981

Lecturers: H. Berg, University of Jena, Jena (GDR); M. Blank, Columbia University, New York (USA); R. Buvet, University of Paris; Val de Marne (France); A. Melandri, University of Bologna, Bologna (Italy); H. Metzner, University of Tübingen, Tübingen (FRG); G. Milazzo, University of Rome, Roma (Italy); J.R. Rao, Siemens, Erlangen (FRG); H.W. Nürnberg, Nuclear Research Center, Jülich (FRG); D.R. Wilkie, University College, London (UK); D.F. Wilson, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia (USA).

General information: Persons wishing to attend the course should write to: Prof. G. Milazzo, Piazza G. Verdi 9, I-00198 Roma, Italy. They should specify a) date and place of birth together with their present nationality; b) degree and other academic qualifications; c) list of publications; d) present position and place of work, and include e) recommendation from their research group leader or from a professor of biophysics, physics, physiology or psychology.

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