PERSONAL NEWS

JFG Vliegenthart, Utrecht, is now Chairman of the Nomenclature Committee of the International Union of Biochemistry (NC-IUB) and the IUB-IUPAC Joint Commission on Biochemical Nomenclature (JCBN). **MA Chester**, Lund, is now Secretary of both committees. **MA Chester** is also Secretary of The International Glycoconjugate Organization (see also p 472).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Analysis of Oligosaccharides and Glycopeptides by Mass Spectrometry. St. Louis, MO, USA, March 29-30, 1990.

Information: Dr. Eric Kolodziej, Monsanto Company Corporate Research Labs, Mail Zone BB4M, 700 Chesterfield Village Parkway, Chesterfield, MO 63198, USA.

International Conference on the Biological Function of Glycosphingolipids. Santa Barbara, CA, USA, July 18-22, 1990.

Topics: Glycolipids and :- Regulation of Synthesis and Expression; Adhesion and Recognition; Signal Transduction; Immunomodulation and Cancer; Developmental Biology and Neuroplasticity; Human Disease.*Organizers:* Glyn Dawson and Roger A. Laine.

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XVth International Carbohydrate Symposium. Yokohama, Japan, August 12-17, 1990.

Information: Prof. Yoshiharu Ishido, General Secretary, XVth International Carbohydrate Symposium, c/o Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Science, Tokyo Institute of Technology, O-okayama, Meguro-ku, Tokyo, 152 Japan.

11th International Symposium on Glycoconjugates. Toronto, Canada, June 30-July 5, 1991.

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