# **Book review**

The Science of Hair Care, (Dermatology Series, Vol. 7), edited by Charles Zviak (Marcel Dekker Inc., 270 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016, 1986, 624 pp., \$99.75 US and Canada, \$119.50 elsewhere).

In his preface, Charles Zviak writes of the need for a "marriage" of cosmetology and dermatology. Physicians need to know healthy scalp hygiene and products marketed for healthy hair as well as scalp diseases and hair loss. Similarly, cosmetic scientists and beauticians must be informed on scalp disorders and possess a basic knowledge of hair chemistry and hair products.

The Science of Hair Care attempts to bridge the hair science needs of both groups by providing a comprehensive review of a wide range of topics related to hair science. It is written in a clear, readable style, easily understood by both scientific and lay people. Topics are interestingly intertwined in chapters to provide information on both healthy hair and problem areas. Chapters are well illustrated with tables, drawings, micrographs and photographs in both black and white and color. Numerous references are provided at the end of each chapter for further subject exploration.

Chapter 1 deals with the physiological properties of hair. Chapters 2 through 8 discuss scalp hygiene and hair treatments, shampoos, conditioners, hair setting products, permanent waving and hair straightening, hair bleaching and coloring. Toxicology and hair dyes, product development, regulations and skin testing are detailed in chapters 9 through 13.

Chapters 14 through 16 review occupational disorders of hairdres-

sers, hair abnormalities and greying of hair. Hair loss, dandruff, scalp dermatoses and hair transplantation techniques are discussed in chapters 17 through 22.

The Science of Hair Care concludes with chapter 23, discussing the psychological implication of hair loss. Charles Zviak's theme of the interrelationship between cosmetic appearance and a healthy individual appears again as an ending for this text.

This book is written for a varied audience of physicians, pharmacists, cosmetologists, hairdressers, cosmetic scientists and regulatory personnel. Its wide scope of hair care topics make it a valuable addition to the library of any of the above groups.

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## Surfactants & Detergents Calendar

## 1987

#### January

60th Annual Meeting and Industry Convention, Soap and Detergent Association, Jan. 29-Feb. 1, 1987, Boca Raton Hotel and Club, Boca Raton, Florida. Contact: The Soap and Detergent Association, 475 Park Ave. S., New York, NY 10016.

#### February

Formula: First International Forum on Physicochemistry of Interfaces and Formulation Problems of Chemical Specialties, Feb. 4–6, 1987, Nice, France. Contact: Scientific Committee of Formula, Société Française de Chimie, Département Congrès, 250 rue Saint-Jacques 75005, Paris, France.

#### March

Symposium on Natural Base Clean-

ing and Personal Care Products, March 18-21, 1987, Guangzhou, China. Contact: National Renderers Association Inc., China Office, 27E Kam Kin Mansion, 123 Caine Rd., Hong Kong.

XVIII meeting of CED/AID on Surfactants, March 25-27, 1987, Palacia de Congresos de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain. Contact: Secretaría de la Asociación de Investigación de Detergentes (AID), Jorge Girona Salgado, 18-26—Edificio Juan de la Cierva, 08034, Barcelona, Spain.

#### June

Oil and Colour Chemists' Association Conference 1987, June 17-20, 1987, Eastbourne, England. Theme "Advances and Application of Science and Technology in Surface Coatings." Contact: Director and Secretary, Oil and Colour Chemists' Association, Priory House, 967 Harrow Rd., Wembley, Middlesex HA0 2SF, England.

## 1988

- World Surfactants Congress II, "Surfactants in our world-today and tomorrow," May 24-27, 1988, Paris, France. Organized by ASPA, France, and sponsored by the European Committee on Organic Surfactants and Their Intermediates, Avenue Louise 250, Bte. 102, B-1050 Brussels, Belgium.
- Cosmetic Science '88-Achievements and Aims, 15th international congress of the International Federation of Societies of Cosmetic Chemists, Sept. 26-29, 1988, Grosvenor House, Park Lane, London, England. Contact: Society of Cosmetic Scientists, Delaport House, 57 Guildford St., Luton, Beds LU1 2NL, England.
- ISF/JOCS Joint World Congress, Sept. 26-30, 1988, Tokyo, Japan. Contact: ISF/JOCS World Congress 1988, Secretariat, The Japan Oil Chemists' Society, 7th floor, Yushi Kogyo Kaikan, 13-11 Nihonbashi 3-chome, Chuoku, Tokyo 103, Japan.