

Dennis R. Gere has been named director of technical development for **Suprex Corp.** As such, he is responsible for technical development in supercritical fluid chromatography as well as customer support and training.

Tupuola Tavita, director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry in Western Samoa, is the 1987 chairman of the **Asian and Pacific Coconut Community.** **N.R. Bhasin**, director of the Ministry of Com-

merce, Government of India, will serve as vice-chairman.

Glen N. Janzen has been elected president, manager and chief executive officer of **Ranchers Cotton Oil**, the Fresno-based cottonseed crushing and marketing cooperative serving 34 gins in the San Joaquin Valley of California.

AOCS member **Savinay S. Patel**, formerly with Texas A&M University's Food Protein R&D Center, is

now manager of oils technical support for **Frito-Lay Inc.**, Plano, Texas.

AOCS member **Hal Purcell** has been elected to a second term as president of the **Jojoba Growers Association.** Other officers are **Edward J. Hankins**, vice-president; **R.Q. Richards III**, treasurer; **Vicki Hubbard**, secretary; and board members **William Howard O'Brien**, **Carole Ann Whittaker**, **A. Kelley Shooter** and **Calvin H. Johnson.**

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Soy symposium

The 7th joint symposium between **Leatherhead Food R.A.** and the **Federation of Oils, Seeds and Fats Association (FOSFA)**, slated for March 19, 1987, at the **Leatherhead Food R.A.**, England, will focus on the grading, analysis and use of soybeans and soybean products in the European food industry.

A major reason for the symposium is to provide a forum for discussing the differences between U.S. Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS) methods of soybean grading and those used in Europe, according to organizers. The program will include talks on bean quality as it relates to end products such as oil, protein and lecithin.

For more information on the symposium, contact **G.M. Mathias**, Training Course Administrator, **Leatherhead Food R.A.**, Randalls Road, **Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 7RY**, England.

Proceedings from previous joint symposia are available from **Leatherhead Food R.A.**'s publication department. Titles include **Palm Oil**; **Quality Aspects of Groundnuts**, **Sunflowerseed** and **Maize Oils**; **Soyabean** and **Rapeseed Oils**; **Palm Kernel** and **Coconut Oils**; **Fish Oils** and **Animal Fats**; and **Aflatoxin** and **Edible Peanuts.**

Carotenoids

The 8th International Symposium on Carotenoids is slated for July 27-31, 1987, in Boston, Massachusetts. The international symposium dealing with biochemical, chemical, medical and commercial aspects of carotenoids is open to all scientists interested in carotenoid research and applications.

The program will include sessions on analysis, biosynthesis, chemical synthesis, nutrition and metabolism, medical applications, photobiology and commercial aspects of carotenoids and related compounds.

For information about registration, submission of abstracts or the program, contact **Richard F. Taylor**, 8th International Symposium on Carotenoids, c/o Applied Biotechnology, **Arthur D. Little Inc.**, Acorn Park, **Cambridge, MA 02140**, USA, telex 203635 ADL VR.

Plant lipids

The 8th International Symposium on the Biological Role of Plant Lipids will be held July 25-28, 1988, at the University of Horticulture in **Budapest, Hungary.** The meeting is being organized by the Lipid

Chemical Working Group of the Complex Committee of Food Science, **Hungarian Academy of Sciences**, and cosponsored by the **Hungarian Scientific Society for Food Industry.**

Main topics will include plant physiology, plant protection, agricultural chemistry and food chemistry. Sessions are planned on recent developments in plant lipid research, including structure and function, structural role, function in the membranes, metabolism and degradation, biochemical and physiological aspects, and the molecular biology of plant lipids.

Papers are being sought for both lecture and poster presentations. The official language will be English. A visit to the Institute of Biochemistry of the Biological Research Center of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences will follow the meeting.

For more information, contact **Tardyné Lengyel Márta**, Central Food Research Institute, H-1022 **Budapest**, **Herman Ottó ut 15**, Hungary.

Oxygen radicals

The 4th International Congress on Oxygen Radicals will be held June 27 through July 3, 1987, at the

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University of California at San Diego, La Jolla, California.

The congress, sponsored by the National Bureau of Standards, will deal with free radical processes and peroxidized products in chemistry, food technology, nutrition, biology, pharmacology and medicine. The energetics, kinetics and mechanisms of simple model systems will be applied to complex biochemical processes and clinical medicine. The congress also will explore the mechanisms of antioxidants and antioxidenzymes that protect against free radicals and peroxy products in vitro and in vivo.

Contributed papers for oral presentation must be submitted by May 1, 1987. For more information, contact Michael G. Simic, C205 Radiation Physics Bldg., National Bureau of Standards, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, telephone 301-975-5558.

Chinese meeting

April 30, 1987, is the deadline to reserve exhibit space at the International Symposium on New Technology of Vegetable Proteins, Oils and Starch Processing, slated for

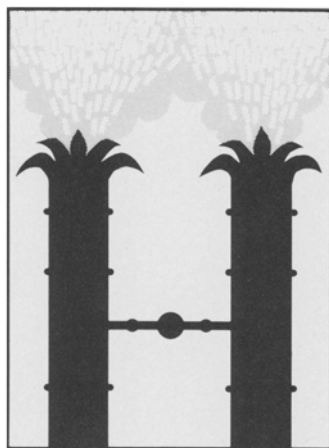
Nov. 16-23, 1987, in Beijing, China.

The international symposium is being sponsored by the Chinese Cereals and Oils Association, China International Conference Center for Science and Technology of the China Association for Science and Technology.

For information, contact Gao Jian, Head, International Scientific Exchange Committee, c/o Fu Li Min, Secretary General, Chinese Cereals and Oils Association, Ministry of Commerce Building, 45 Fu Xing Men Nei St., Beijing, People's Republic of China, telephone 654351, telex 20032 BFAMC CN.

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