

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INTERNATIONAL STUDY GROUP FOR STEROID HORMONES

The Secretariat of the International Study Group for Steroid Hormones has decided that the Group should be transformed into an Association, maintaining the same name.

The Secretariat arrived, after careful consideration, at this decision because it is necessary that the group be legally recognized in accordance with the present Italian laws whereby national and international scientific groups have to be registered. This is particularly important if we are to request and administer financial contributions towards the organization of the meetings and printing of the proceedings from Italy and abroad.

At the moment only the names of the Secretariat figure in the association, but during the IX Meeting of the Group in December 1979 the preliminary statutes will be ratified, voting will take place for the constitution of the Association and nomination of a Chairman, Steering Committee and Treasurer, by members of the Assembly registering in the Association (copy of the preliminary statutes will be available at the Meeting or upon request).

It is hoped that this transformation will not create problems but serve to strengthen and improve the organization of the group.

All those interested in the Association should try to attend this important meeting.

### INTERNATIONAL STUDY GROUP FOR STEROID HORMONES— IX MEETING (5–7 December, 1979)

#### Topics

(Changes may be made without notification)

#### *A. Endocrinological cancer*

##### Breast cancer

1. Endocrine aspects of etiology—R. D. BULBROOK
2. Hormone receptors in breast cancer—W. L. MCGUIRE
3. Diagnostic and prognostic methods—E. ENGELSMAN
4. Endocrine treatment of breast cancer—O. PEARSON

##### Prostate cancer

5. Endocrine aspects of etiology—G. D. CHISHOLM
6. Hormone receptors in prostate cancer—N. BRUCHOVSKY
7. Diagnostic and prognostic methods—F. H. SCHRÖDER
8. Endocrine treatment of prostatic disease—H. BECKER

#### *B. Ovarian function and disease*

9. Normal ovarian function—G. T. ROSS
10. Mechanism of ovulation—H. R. LINDNER
11. Disturbances of the menstrual cycle—B. LUNENFELD
12. Hyperprolactinemia syndrome—C. ROBYN
13. Hirsutism as a clinical problem—P. MAUVAIS-JARVIS
14. Modern diagnostic methods for the detection and management of ovarian disease—G. LEYENDECKER

### INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

*Chairman:* H. Adlercreutz (Finland)

*Members:* R. D. Bulbrook (England); M. Neves e Castro (Holland); H. J. Van der Molen (Holland); A. Vermeulen (Belgium)

*Secretary:* C. Conti (Italy)

### LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

F. Sciarra, G. Concolino, C. Piro, F. Sparano, M. Shields

#### *General information*

*Date and location:* The IX Meeting will be held in the Aula dei Convegni, Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR), 7, Piazzale delle Scienze, Rome, 5–7 December, 1979.

*Address for correspondence:* Prof. Carlo Conti, International Study Group for Steroid Hormones, Clinica Medica V, Policlinico Umberto I, Università di Roma, 00100 Rome, Italy. Telephone 4952391.

*Registration:* Meeting Registration fee: before September 30 = US \$90 after October 1 = US \$100. No refunds after October 31. (Handling charges will be deducted.)

*Abstracts:* Abstracts to be submitted for selection by the International Programme Committee should be addressed to Prof. Carlo Conti (see *J. Steroid Biochem.* 8 (1977), p. 1–XXII) before June 30th, 1979.

*Proceedings:* The transactions of the meeting will include lectures presented by Invited Speakers and selected papers. Instructions for preparation of manuscripts will be sent to authors of selected papers.

*Scientific sessions:* Scientific sessions will include Lectures by Invited Speakers, General Discussion with presentation of Selected Communications, Poster Sessions. Scientific Sessions are open only to fully registered members. The English language will be used throughout.