

NOTICES

MSc/Membership Course in Ophthalmology, University of Bristol at Bristol Eye Hospital

Applications are invited for a course in ophthalmology for the degree of MSc by advanced study in research over three academic terms. A short 6 month course is available in preparation for the membership of the Royal College of Ophthalmology. For details: Professor D L Easty, Department of Ophthalmology, Bristol Eye Hospital, Lower Maudlin Street, Bristol BS1 2LX, England.

Traumatic Optic Neuropathy – Clinical Trial

A clinical trial to study traumatic optic neuropathy is to take place randomising to megadose steroids alone v megadose steroids with extracranial optic nerve decompression. For details: Michael P Joseph, MD, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, 243 Charles St, Boston, MA, 02114, USA. (Tel: 617-573-3192; Fax: 617-573-3914.)

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The Proceedings of the International Conference on Low Vision held in Groningen, the Netherlands, 1993, have now been published under the title 'Low Vision: Research and New Developments in Rehabilitation', edited by A C Koosijman, P L Looijestijn, J A Welling, and G J van der Wildt. Further details: IOS Press/Lavis Marketing, 73 Lime Walk, Headington, Oxford OX3 7AD. (Fax: +44 865 74 2024.)

American Academy of Ophthalmology

The third annual summer institute will be held the weekend of 5–7 August 1994, in Seattle, Washington at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel and Towers. Further details: Sarah Samuels, American Academy of Ophthalmology, 655 Beach Street, San Francisco, CA 94109-1336, USA. (Tel: (415) 561-8515.)

Welsh Cataract Congress 1994

The Welsh Cataract Congress 1994 will be held on 8–10 September 1994. Details from: Eula Mae Childs, coordinator, Cullen Eye Institute, Baylor College of Medicine, 6501 Farnin, NC200, Houston, TX 77030, USA. (Tel: (713) 798-5941; Fax: (713) 798-4364.)

Frontiers in Penetrating Keratoplasty

The German Ophthalmological Society will hold an international symposium on 'Frontiers

in penetrating keratoplasty' on 22–24 September 1994 in Heidelberg, Germany. Further details: Prof Dr R Sundmacher, University Eye Hospital, Moorenstrasse 5, 40225 Düsseldorf, Germany.

Screening for diabetic retinopathy in Europe: four years since the London protocols

Protocols to screen for and treat diabetic retinopathy were agreed upon on 9–10 October 1990 in London, as a step towards implementing the Saint Vincent Declaration and, in particular, its target of reducing new blindness due to diabetes by one third or more in the next five years. These protocols have been widely distributed with the help of the European Office of the World Health Organisation, the European Region of the International Diabetes Federation and the European Association for the Study of Diabetes. Time is about ripe to assess how much work has been done and to decide whether the protocols need to be updated or modified.

A new meeting is being organised for this purpose. It will be held on 25–26 September 1994 in Turin, Italy, as a satellite event to the 30th annual meeting of the EASD and will be organised jointly by the Working Group on Blindness of the WHO/IDF Saint Vincent Declaration Initiative and the Study Group on Eye Complications of the EASD (EASDEC). Further details: Massimo Porta, MD, PhD, Istituto di Medicina Interna, Università di Torino, Corso AM Dogliotti 14, I-10126 Torino, Italy. (Tel: +39 11 6635318; Fax: +39 11 6634751.)

British and Eire Association of Vitreo-Retinal Surgeons

The next meeting of the British and Eire Association of Vitreo-Retinal Surgeons (BEAVRS) will be held at the Marriott Hotel, Bristol, on 20–21 October 1994. Further details: Mr R H B Grey, Bristol Eye Hospital, Lower Maudlin Street, Bristol BS1 2LX. (Tel: 0272-230060; Fax: 0272-284686.)

Third International Symposium on Ocular Inflammation

The 3rd international symposium on ocular inflammation will be held on 22–25 October 1994 in Fukuoka, Japan. Further details: Registration Secretary, c/o JTB Communications Inc, New Kyoto Center Building, 5F, Shiokoji, Shinmachi, Shimogyo-ku Kyoto 600, Japan.

The First Asia-Pacific Symposium on Visual Sciences

The First Asia-Pacific Symposium on Visual Sciences (1st APS-VS) will be held in Guangzhou, China, on 2–5 November 1994. It is also a satellite symposium for the Third Congress of the Federation of Asian and Oceanian Physiological Societies. For further details: Professor De-Zheng Wu, Eye Research

Institute, Zhongshan Ophthalmic Center, Sun Yat-Sen University of Medical Sciences, 54 Xianlie Road, Guangzhou 510060, PR China. (Tel: +86-20-777 3370; Fax: +86-20-777 5271.)

Photonics West '95

The International Society for Optical Engineering (SPIE) will hold a conference entitled 'Photonics West '95' on 4–10 February 1995 at the San Jose Convention Center, San Jose, California, USA. This meeting consolidates three established California meetings, OE/LASE, Biomedical Optics, and the IS&T/SPIE Symposium on Electronic Imaging Science and Technology. Further details: SPIE, PO Box 10, Bellingham, WA 98227-0010, USA. (Tel: 206/676-3290; Fax: 206/647-1445.)

International Society for Clinical Electrophysiology of Vision

The 33rd ISCEV symposium will be held in Athens, Greece, 16–20 June 1995. The congress is organised by the International Society for Clinical Electrophysiology of Vision. Further details: Secretariat, Erasmus Conference Centre, International Congress Organisers, 227 Kifissias Ave, 145 61 Kifissia, Greece. (Tel: (01) 6125022/3, 8054004; Fax: (01) 6125021.)

The Jules François Prize, 1997

The Jules François Prize of the Belgian ophthalmological societies of \$ US 10 000 will be awarded for the sixth time in 1997 to a young scientist who has made an important contribution to ophthalmology. The aim of the prize is to encourage scientific research in ophthalmology. There is no special theme. Fundamental as well as clinical research will be considered. The age limit is 40 years by 31 December 1995. The application: a curriculum vitae, and three copies of published papers must be forwarded to the secretary of the Jules François Foundation. The closing date for applications is 31 December 1995. Further details: Dr J D'Haenens, Secretary of the Jules François Foundation, E Beernaertstraat 34, B-8400 Oostende, Belgium.

Correction

We regret that there was an omission in the paper by Latvala and colleagues that appeared in the May issue (1994; 78: 339–43). The separate addresses of the authors were not included on the title page of the paper. They are:

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