British Gift for Cancer Research

The British Government has given £45,000 to the International Agency for Research on Cancer (I.A.R.C.) in Lyons, France. The donation is to be used for a mass spectrometer which will measure cancer-producing substances in blood and other fluids of the new I.A.R.C. building which is a gift from the French authorities. The new spectrometer will play a part in the I.A.R.C. program to identify the causes of cancer existing in the human environment.

People in the News

Sir Derrick Dunlop, who retired last year as chairman of the Medicines Commission, has joined the board of directors of Sterling-Winthrop Group Ltd.

Dr. E. S. Anderson, F.R.S., director of the enteric reference laboratory, Public Health Laboratory Service, since 1954, has accepted the additional appointment of administrative director of the Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale.

COMING EVENTS

Lancaster Postgraduate Medical Centre—Details of future meetings and activities are obtainable from the clinical tutor at the centre, Ashton Road, Lancaster. (Tel. Lancaster 2345.)


Biochemical Society—Annual general meeting. 27–28 March, University College, London. The program includes the annual dinner, a symposium on “Neurotransmitters and Metabolic Regulation,” and lectures by Professor G. J. Popišek, F.R.S., and Dr. C. B. Anfinsen. Details from the secretary of the society, Westgate House, Cotswold, London WC1R 5DP. (Tel. 01-242 1076.)

Day Conference on Medical Education—29 March, Bath University, arranged in conjunction with the B.M.A. Department of Audio Visual Aids. Part of the day is devoted to an international conference on educational technology (27–30 March). Fee for medical day £8 (including lunch). Details and application forms from the conference secretary, Northgate House, Upper Borough Walls, Bath, BA1 5AL.

Institute of Psychiatry.—Lecture and demonstration courses for postgraduate students in psychiatry will be held from April to June. Details are obtainable from the dean of the institute, De Crespigny Park, Denmark Hill, London S.E.5. (Tel. 01-703 5411.)

Newcastle upon Tyne Regional Neurological Centre—Details and copies of the summer term, April–July, programme of the Neurological Research Discussion Group are obtainable from Dr. J. G. Boasdon at the centre, Newcastle General Hospital, Westgate Road, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 6BE. (Tel. 0632 3-8811.)

Institute of Orthopaedics.—Instructional course, “Neuromuscular Disorders,” Wednesdays, 14–19 July. Details of this and other courses are obtainable from the postgraduate secretary, at the institute, Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, 234, Great Portland Street, London W1N 6AD. (Tel. 01-387 5070.)

International Conference on Prostaglandins—25–28 September, Vienna. Closing date 1 April. Details from Dr. S. Bernhard, Scientific Receptions, Secretary AG, Mülleérstr. 170/172 1 Berlin 65, Germany.

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

For attending lectures marked * a fee is charged which a ticket must cover. Applications should be made first to the institution concerned.

Monday, 20 March

NUFFIELD PROFESSIONAL HOSPITALS TRUST.—At Edinburgh University Medical School, 6 p.m., Rock Carling, chairman; Professor A. Crichton: Effectiveness and Efficiency—Random Knapsacks. ROCY POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL—2 p.m., Prof. Donovon: Neuroendocrinology of Pituitary Releasing Factors.

Tuesday, 21 March

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—4.30 p.m., Dr. M. Clayton: Clinical Patterns of Candida.

Wednesday, 22 March

GUY’S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—5 p.m., Sarah White: The Use of Silver in the Treatment of Guinea Worms.

THURSDAY, 23 March

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Professor A. J. Lachman: Complement in the Central Nervous System.

ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL.—2 p.m., Prof. White: Pathology, WITTENHURST HOSPITAL.—12.15 p.m., Professor H. Hall: Diagnosis of Hypopituitarism.

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ST. ANDREWS

On 30 June at a special graduation ceremony to mark the completion of the degrees for the year by St. Andrews University, the honorary degree of D.Sc. will be conferred on the following: Professor D. W. Oldaker, Professor D. M. Douglas, Dr. A. Elliot Ritchie, Professor R. Walmisley.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ROCY

At a meeting of the council held on 9 March, Sir Malcolm Holmes, president, stated that Mr. G. J. Haffield, of Stoke Mandeville, Mr. R. H. H. Keir, of London, Mr. R. E. Pray, of Liverpool, were admitted as members of the college on 6 March. The Hallett prize was presented to Dr. E. E. Moore, of King’s College Hospital, London, and Dr. L. D. Dussanayas, of Colombo. Hanoverian prizes were awarded to Dr. L. R. Ballantyne, University, and of the University of London.

The appointment of Sir Kenneth Robson as Tudor Edwards memorial lecturer for 1972/73 was announced.

The forty-first and forty-second Macleod scholarships were awarded respectively to Mr. J. E. Arling, of Sittenbourne, and Mr. D. W. Pryce, of the University of Edinburgh.


Surgical Society.—At 5.30 p.m., Dr. M. C. Holland: Clinical Patterns of Candida.

FRIDAY, 24 March

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOLARYNGOLOGY.—3.30 p.m., Dr. J. A. Stembridge: Development of the Ear.

ROCHESTER UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL.—11 a.m., Research in Progress—University College Hospital.

SCOTTISH RADIOLOGICAL SOCIETY.—At 5.30 p.m., a Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, 7.30 p.m., McWilliam memorial lecture by Miss Pamela M. Kimber: Neuroradiology in the Seventies.

Saturday, 25 March

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL.—At Addenbrooke’s Hospital, 10 a.m., all-day symposium: Eye Doses.

Corrections

Cardiac Arrhythmias during Laparoscopy

In the letter by Dr. Nanette L. M. Gordon and others (4 March, p. 625) we regret that owing to a printer’s error the third reference was inadvertently omitted. The paragraph should open “The hypothesis of Conolly et al., which stimulated your warning, depends on its relevance to the syndrome in the rat….”

Resistence to o-Adrenergic Stimulant

In the letter by Drs. D. Jack and D. Harris (11 March, p. 688) we regret that the second line of the second paragraph was inadvertently omitted. It should read “Mean PaO2 was 135 mm Hg, the lowest being 101 mm Hg.”

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