News from the European Society for Experimental Surgery

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F. 5th Congress of the European Society for Experimental Surgery was successfully held at the Lido, Venice, Italy, from May 10 to May 13, 1970. The meeting was attended by some 600 persons from 28 different countries. The Congress was organized in two separate sections, at which a total of 140 papers on the following topics was presented and discussed:

- Tissue Typing and Immunosuppression in Organ Transplant
- Experimental Cardiac Surgery and Myocardial Metabolism
- Physiopathology with particular reference to the liver
- Experimental Surgical Techniques. 18 films were shown.

II. Next Congress

During the plenary session it was decided that the next Congress will be held in Helsingborg, Sweden, from April 26-28, 1971 and will be organized under the responsibility of the first Vice-President, Docent Stig Bengmark of the University of Göteborg.

IV. The annual Prize of the European Society for Experimental Surgery

The prize of the European Society for Experimental Surgery 1970 was divided and given to the authors of the following two papers submitted for publication in European Surgical Research:


The European Society for Experimental Surgery has decided to award at the next annual congress in Sweden a Prize in the amount of 5,000.- DM to the author or authors of the best paper published or submitted for publication in European Surgical Research before January 31st, 1971.

V. Editor’s Note

a) By decision of the Editorial board Letters to the Editor will be accepted for publication in ESR. These letters should refer directly to an article published in ESR and should not contain more than 200 words including the mailing address of the author. The letters will be submitted to the author to whose paper they refer; his comment will be published together with the Letter to the Editor.

b) The abstract issue of the next volumes of ESR will appear soon after the congress, in order to obtain the whole information of the papers presented at the annual meeting.

III. Seminar on Cardiac Assist

The European Society for Experimental Surgery has accepted to sponsor a Seminar on Cardiac Assist to be held in Nancy during the first week of October 1971 (Monday and Tuesday, 4-5 October).
This Meeting will be organized by the Institut de Recherches Chirurgicales of Nancy (R. Benichou) and the Centre d’Etudes de Techniques Chirurgicales de l’Hôpital Broussais of Paris (J. P. Cachera and Ch. Dubost).

It will take place in the Abbaye des Prémontrés in Pont-à-Mousson, nearby Nancy. Members of our Society may well remember this place where the first Meeting of our Society took place in 1966. The same monastic but efficient facilities will be prepared for this Seminar.

There will be mainly Round Table discussions on the suggested following topics:

- The experimental criteria of an efficient assistance
- Direct mechanical assist
- Left ventricular by-pass
- Veno-arterial by-pass
- Synchronous pumping
- Implanted artificial hearts

The assistance will be limited and admission will be on invitation only.

For information apply to: Institut de Recherches Chirurgicales, Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Brabois, 54 Nancy-Vandœuvre, France.