**Announcements**

4th International Symposium on Insulin Receptor and Insulin Action: Molecular and Clinical Aspects  
Verona, Italy, September 4-7, 1990  
Topics: Insulin receptor structure, function and regulation; Structure-function relationship of insulin and peptide growth factors and their receptors; Insulin and gene regulation; Insulin action, degradation and kinetics; Mediators of insulin action; Novel roles of insulin and insulin-related peptides and their receptors; Glucose transport systems; Insulin regulation of glucose, protein and lipid metabolism; Pathophysiology of insulin resistance in diabetes and obesity; New aspects in therapy of insulin resistance states. Organizing Secretary: COGEST  
c/o INS. REC, Via C. Cattaneo 24, I-37121 Verona (Italy)  
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Creation of Labcatal Prize to Promote Scientific Research in the Field of Trace Elements  
Labcatal, the leading French laboratories as far as trace elements are concerned, have decided to create a Labcatal Prize.  
A first prize amounting to 35,000 French Francs and three second prizes amounting to 5,000 French Francs each will reward scientific works on trace elements in the field of pharmacology or of human therapeutics. These prizes will be handed over to the winners on the occasion of the Scientific Congress organized by the French Society for Essential Trace-Element Study (SFERTÉ) that will be held in Les Deux-Alpes (France) from January 14-18, 1991.  
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The 5th European Workshop on Pituitary Adenomas will be held on March 17-20, 1991, in Venice, Italy. The program will include symposia, round tables, free oral and poster presentations devoted to biological and clinical aspects of pituitary adenomas. The deadline for submission of abstracts is November 15, 1990. For further information, please contact:  
Dr. Giovanni Faglia  
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via F. Sforza
Third International Conference of Anticancer Research
Marathon, Greece, October 16-20, 1990

Major Themes: Molecular biology of cancer; Oncogenes, anti-oncogenes and growth factors; Human tumor viruses; Retroviruses in human pathology; Cellular biology of cancer; Cancer cell differentiation; Invasion and metastasis; Tumor blood flow, tumor angiogenesis and anti-angiogenesis; Chromosomes in cancer; Carcinogen-esis; Diagnosis of cancer; Immunocytochemistry; Monoclonal antibodies; Cytofluorimetry; Serum markers; Advances in cancer treatment; Chemotherapy; Drug resistance; New drugs; Immunotherapy; Interferon, interleukins and other lymphokines; Hormone therapy; Hyperthermia; Radiotherapy; Nutrition and cancer.

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3rd International Congress on Trace Elements in Medicine and Biology
Chromium and Trace Elements in Endocrinology
Les Deux Alpes, France, January 15-18, 1991

I. Chromium

Scientific Committee: W. Mertz, President (Human Nutrition Research Center, Beltsville, Md., USA); R. Anderson (Human Nutrition Research Center, Beltsville, Md., USA); A. Favier (University of Grenoble, France); R. Cornells (University of Gent, Belgium).

Topics: Biology, status and nutritional aspects; Chromium in human diseases.

II. Trace Elements in Endocrinology

Scientific Committee: J. Neve, President (University of Brussels, Belgium); F. Delange (Hôpital Saint Pierre, Brussels, Belgium); E. Couturier (Hôpital Saint Pierre, Brussels, Belgium); J.F. Bach (Hôpital Necker, Paris, France); M. Dardenne (Hôpital Necker, Paris, France); A. Peretz (Hôpital Saint Pierre, Brussels, Belgium); G. Chazot (Unesco, Lyon, France); P. Chappuis (Hôpital Lariboisière, Paris, France); M. Lamand (Inra, Theix, France); C. Huguet (Cerba, Cergy Pontoise, France); S. Hercberg (ISTA-CNAM, Paris, France).

Topics: Implication of trace elements in the endocrine system: Iodine and thyroid; Influence on hormonal mediators of immunity (zinc and thymulin activity); Role in diabetes (zinc and glucose tolerance); Role in reproduction and growth; Hormonal (adrenal and corticosteroid) influence on zinc and copper metabolism.

Note: Poster sessions and trade exhibition; Simultaneous French and English translation.

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