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12th Meeting of the European Association for the Study of the Liver
Kavouri, September 9-10, 1977
This meeting will be held at Kavouri, near Athens, Greece. Dr. Stefanos Hadziyannis will be President. The scientific programme will include (a) 36 communications, (b) four working parties and (c) two symposia. The schedule and topics of the working parties and symposia will be given in the second announcement. A pre-congress meeting on virus b hepatitis is scheduled for Thursday 8th September. This and a social programme are being organized by the local Committee.

Sixth International Symposium on Gastrointestinal Motility
Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, Scotland, September 12-16, 1977
The theme of this symposium will be ‘Gastrointestinal Motility in Health and Disease’ with sessions on mechanisms of abdominal pain, effect of diet on motility, regulatory factors in gastrointestinal motility and relaxation oscillator modelling. Abstracts of reports dealing with basic and clinical aspects of gastrointestinal motility will be considered for presentation by an International Programme Committee. The abstracts should not exceed 300 words. Time and facilities will allow no more than 100 participants. Advance registration is required. Submit abstracts and requests to attend to the Programme Committee by April 1, 1977.
Address: Programme Committee, Sixth International Symposium on Gastrointestinal Motility, University Surgical Unit, Royal Infirmary, Sheffield S6 3DA, York. (England).

International Symposium on Somatostatin
A satellite symposium to the 13th Annual Meeting of the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD) Congress will be organized on the subject of Somatostatin.
This symposium is being sponsored by the Serono Research Foundation Europe Inc. and will take place on September 25-27, 1977 in Freiburg/Ber., FRG, immediately preceding the EASD Congress.
This meeting will include invited lectures and a limited number of free communications. Deadline for receipt of abstracts (maximum 250 words) is May 21, 1977. For further information write to: S. Raptis, MD, Department Internal Medicine, Endocrinology and Metabolism, University of Ulm, Steinhevelstrasse 9, D-7900 Ulm, FRG, or J.E. Gerich, MD, Metabolic Unit, 1143-HSW, University of California, Medical Center, San Francisco, CA 94143 (USA). Congress language is English.
Abstracts should be sent to S. Raptis, Ulm (FRG).

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Annual Joint Scientific Meeting of the American Pancreatic Association, Inc. (formerly the American Pancreatic Study Group) and the National Pancreatic Cancer Project
Thursday and Friday, November 3-4, 1977, Continental Plaza Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
The Pancreatic Cancer Project portion of the meeting will begin with registration at 8 a.m. on Thursday and the American Pancreatic Association registration beginning at 8 a.m. on Friday. Both meetings will begin at 9 a.m. on the respective days.

All correspondence regarding the meeting should be directed to: Dr. Frank P. Brooks, Professor of Medicine and Physiology, Box 652, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 19104 (USA).

Vth World Congress of Gastroenterology
Palacio Nacional de Congresos, Madrid, June 5-9, 1978
President: Dr. Eduardo Arias Vallejo; General Secretary: Dr. Antonio Casanova Cano-vas; Assistant Secretary: Dr. Arturo Pérez Mota

Scientific Programme
Round Tables
(1) Biological diagnosis of digestive tumours; (2) The surgical treatment of peptic oesophagitis; (3) Surgical treatment of gastric and duodenal ulcer; (4) Use of intensive care units in digestive bleeding; (5) Liver injury due to drugs; (6) Diagnosis and treatment of echinococcus cysts of the liver; (7) Modern trends in diagnosis and therapy of portal hypertension; (8) Advances in biliary tract surgery; (9) Surgical Treatment of gross obesity.

Symposia
(1) Progress in teaching of gastroenterology; (2) OMGE research committee session: HB antigen, inflammatory bowel disease, acute abdomen; (3) Epidemiology of digestive tract cancer; (4) Chemotherapy of gastroduodenal mucous membrane: pathogenesis, diagnosis and therapy; (5) Crohn’s disease: medical and surgical aspects; (6) Diagnosis and current treatment of parasites in the digestive tract; (7) Alcohol and digestive disease; (8) Early diagnosis of cancer of the pancreas.

Quadrennial Reviews
(1) Genetic factors in digestive diseases; (2) The endocrine cells of the digestive tract and their hormones; (3) Cytodiagnosis of digestive cancer; (4) Pharmacological inhibition of gastric secretion and the treatment of peptic ulcer; (5) Cells renewal in the gastrointestinal tract; (6) Immunology of the liver; (7) Current nosological classification of small intestinal diseases; (8) Advances in intestinal microbiology; (9) Specific diagnosis and prophylaxis of viral hepatitis; (10) Pathogenesis and medical treatment of gall stones; (11) Pancreatic function tests; (12) Infective diarrhoeas: pathogenesis, treatment, prevention.

Workshops
(1) Primary lymphomas of the small bowel; (2) Ischaemic intestinal syndromes; (3) Breath tests in gastroenterological diagnosis; (4) Role of endotoxin in digestive diseases; (5) Immunology of the intestinal tract; (6) Treatment of ascites in the cirrhotic patient; (7) Acute pancreatitis; (8) Incidence and cost of digestive diseases; (9) The use of computers in gastroenterology; (10) Chronic pancreatitis.

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Other workshops up to a maximum of 18, will be programmed according to the results of a survey of the National Societies of Gastroenterology.

300 free papers selected by the Scientific Committee of the Congress will be included in the programme. Papers for presentation at Symposia and Workshops will mainly be selected from the accepted free papers.
Special sessions will be devoted to presentation of films on medical or surgical aspects of gastroenterology.


International Conference on Gastrointestinal Cancer
November 6-11, 1977
This Meeting, organized by the Israel Gastroenterological Society and Cancer Association, in collaboration with the American Cancer Society, College of Gastroenterology, Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy and the European Organisation for Research on Treatment of Cancer, will be held in Israel. This Conference will comprise papers and discussions on advances in basic research, diagnosis, detection and prognosis, prevention, therapy and rehabilitation, and will also include areas of agreement and controversy. Numerous workshops will be held.
Deadline for papers: June 30, 1977.
For further details, please write to the Organizing Secretary, Dr. P. Rozen, c/o Secretariat, POB 16271, Tel Aviv (Israel).