
NEWS AND VIEWS

Postgraduate Assembly in Endocrinology and Medicine

The Endocrine Society and the University of Minnesota announce a Postgraduate Assembly in Endocrinology and Metabolism for Physicians, the Sixth Annual Assembly sponsored by The Endocrine Society, which will be presented on the University of Minnesota campus from September 28 to October 3, 1953. Lectures will be held in the Museum of Natural History auditorium, while the facilities of the immediately adjacent Center for Continuation Study will be available for demonstrations and for the accommodation of registrants for the course.

All aspects of clinical endocrinology and metabolism will be taken up, and recent important advances in the field will be stressed. Informative demonstrations and illustrative clinical cases will be presented, and ten panel discussions will provide registrants with opportunities to bring up special problems and questions. Each registrant will receive a booklet containing abstracts of all lectures.

Faculty for the Assembly will include outstanding authorities in the field of endocrinology from various parts of the country as well as members of the faculty of the University of Minnesota Medical School and the Mayo Foundation. The program will be presented under the direction of Dr. Edward C. Reifstein, Jr., General Chairman for The Endocrine Society, and Dr. C. J. Watson, Professor and Head, Department of Medicine. Chairman of Local Arrangements on behalf of The Endocrine Society is Dr. Edmund B. Flink.

ERRATUM

The Addendum which appeared on page 647 of an article entitled "The Immunologic Specificity of Antiserum for Trypsin-Treated Red Blood Cells and Its Reactions with Normal and Hemolytic Anemia Cells" by Matthew C. Dodd, Claude-Starr Wright, J. Albert Baxter, Bertha A. Bouroncle, Alvinza E. Bunner, and Henry J. Winn (*Blood* 8: 640-647, 1953) belongs, instead, with the article entitled "Production of Nucleophagocytosis by Rabbit Antileukocytic Serum" by Hyman J. Zimmerman, John R. Walsh, and Paul Heller (*Blood* 8: 651-654, 1953).

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BOOK REVIEWS

MONOGRAPHS IN MEDICINE. SERIES 1, edited by *Wm. B. Bean*, Baltimore, Williams & Wilkins, 1952, pp. 630.

The happy idea of putting several monographs together into one volume, although not new, has worked out well in this new venture. There can be no question but that the purchaser of the volume will get his money's worth even though the initial price is rather high. The various articles, which range in length from 20 to 71 pages, are all on timely subjects and done in a thorough manner with excellent bibliographies. It is interesting to note that several of the articles are also covered in other similar volumes, e.g., the use of ACTH in infectious processes and the chemotherapy of neoplastic disease.

There are at least three fundamentally hematologic articles: "Sickle Cell Anemia" by Leavell and MacIlwaine; "The Growth and Maturation of the Erythrocyte" by Vilter and Mueller; and "Chemotherapy of Neoplastic Disease" by Karnofsky, Leavell and

MacIlwaine's article has 481 references and is a straight-forward clinical review. The article of Vilter and Mueller on erythrocyte growth and maturation deals with many new concepts in the physiology and chemistry of red cell formation. This article packs a lot of important material in its 63 pages. Karnofsky's article, although good, is similar to previous reviews written by the same author in other places.—*William Dameshek*

MICROSCOPIC HISTOCHEMISTRY. PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE, *George Gomori*. Chicago, University of Chicago Press, 1952, pp. 273.

This is one of the first works in the rapidly developing field of histochemistry and is written by one of the pioneers. It is highly recommended for the large number of valuable data, prepared with brevity but with great clarity. The book will serve as a constant reference and source manual for the worker in the field and for the beginner, too.—*William Dameshek*

BOOKS RECEIVED FOR REVIEW

PHYSIOLOGIC THERAPY FOR OBSTRUCTIVE VASCULAR DISEASE (Modern Medical Monographs), *Isaac Starr*. New York, Grune & Stratton, 1953, pp. 31.

INFECTIOUS MONONUCLEOSIS, *Sidney Leibowitz*. New York, Grune & Stratton, 1953, pp. 140.

PRACTICAL CLINICAL CHEMISTRY, *Alma Hiller*. Springfield, Ill., Charles C Thomas, 1953, pp. 226.

BLOOD CELLS AND PLASMA PROTEINS, edited by *J. L. Tulis*. New York, Academic Press, 1953, pp. 436.

TECHNIK DER BLUTGRUPPEN UND BLUTFAKTOREN BESTIMMUNG, *Peter Dahr*. Stuttgart, Georg Thieme, 1953, pp. 320.

BLUT UND BLUTKRANHEITEN, ed. 4, *Ludwig Heilmeyer und Herbert Begemann*. Berlin-Göttingen, Heidelberg, Springer-Verlag, 1951, pp. 1179.

HYPERSPLENISM, *Cyrus C. Sturgis*. Springfield, Ill., Charles C Thomas, 1953, pp. 97.

CHRONIC PULMONARY EMPHYSEMA, *Maurice S. Segal and M. J. Dulfano*. New York, Grune & Stratton, 1953, pp. 180.

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ERYTHROCYTE PRESERVATION

AN ANALYTICAL STUDY OF IN VIVO SURVIVAL OF LIMITED POPULATIONS OF ANIMAL RED BLOOD CELLS TAGGED WITH RADIOIRON. *I. W. Brown and G. S. Eadie*. From Department of Physiology, Duke University School of Medicine, Durham, N. C. *J. Gen. Physiol.* 36: 327-343, 1953.