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**International Society of Nephrology**

Any elected member of a national society of nephrology is eligible for membership in the International Society of Nephrology and receipt of the Society’s official Journal, *Kidney International*. A subscription to *Kidney International* (including all Supplements) for calendar year 1978 is included in the annual 1978 dues of US $48.00. Potential new members can secure application forms for membership by writing directly to Dr. Neal S. Bricke, Treasurer, International Society of Nephrology, Department of Medicine, University of Miami School of Medicine, Box 875, Biscayne Annex, Miami, Florida 33152, U.S.A. The completed application form should be returned to Dr. Bricke along with a check or money order for the first year’s (1978) annual dues of US $48.00 (checks should be made payable to the International Society of Nephrology: checks from outside the U.S.A. can be paid through any New York or Miami bank).

**Officers of National Societies of Nephrology**

The Secretary-General of the International Society of Nephrology would be grateful if the present officers of National Societies of Nephrology would contact him as soon as possible with the names of the chief officers of their National Society of Nephrology. This information should be sent immediately to Dr. John Moorhead, Department of Nephrology, The Royal Free Hospital, Hampstead NW3 20G, England.

**Meetings**

*The VII International Congress of Nephrology* will be held June 18–23, 1978, in Montreal, Canada. Preliminary plans call for an opening ceremony on Sunday afternoon, June 18th; the first plenary session on Monday morning, June 19th; 624 free communications; 12–15 large symposia; 12 workshops; and a plenary session on the morning of June 23rd. The Organizing Committee includes Guy Lemieux (President), John Dirks, (Vice-President), Jean Guy Mongeau (Treasurer), and Michael Bergeron (Secretary-General).

*The Fifth Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Hypertension* will be held in Paris on June 12–14, 1978. Main topics will include hormones and blood pressure, the nervous system and hypertension, transmitters and receptors in hypertension, and hypertension care. The President is Prof. Paul Miliez, and Chairman of the Local Organizing Scientific Committee is Prof. Philippe Meyer. For further information write Congress Service, 1, rue Jules Lefevre, F 75009 Paris, France.

The *Ninth Annual Postgraduate Seminar on Nephrology*, under the sponsorship of the Council on the Kidney in Cardiovascular Disease of the American Heart Association, will be held in St. Louis, Missouri, on April 2–4, 1978. The seminar will be devoted to "Alterations in Bone and Mineral Metabolism in Chronic Renal Disease" (Program Director: Mabel L. Parkerson, M.D.). For further information write: Administrator, Postgraduate Programs, American Heart Association, 7320 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75231, U.S.A.

*A First International Kidney Transplant Course* will be held in Barcelona, Spain, on April 24–26, 1978, under the conjoint sponsorship of the Department of Urology, The Renal Transplant Unit, and The Department of Immunology of the Hospital Clínico y Provincial. Program Directors are Prof. Gil Vernet and Drs. Caralps and Vives. For further information write: Dr. J. Masramon, Department of Urology, C/Casanova 143, Barcelona, Spain.

*The Third Biannual Comprehensive Nephrology Review Course* will be held May 22–27, 1978, at the Marriott Hotel, Los Angeles, California, under the sponsorship of the Division of Nephrology and Hypertension, Department of Medicine, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. The course will review basic concepts in nephrology, hypertension, electrolyte disorders, dialysis and transplantation, while also presenting up-to-date information in these areas. Tuition is US $400.00 and registration is limited to 300 nephrologists. For further information write to Andrew J. Lewin, M.D., Hypertension Research, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, 8700 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, California 90048, U.S.A.

*The Fifteenth Congress of the European Dialysis and Transplant Association and the Seventh Annual Conference of the European Dialysis and Transplant Nurses Association* will be held June 4–7, 1978, at the Atatürk Cultural Center in Istanbul, Turkey. The President of the Congress is Prof. Dr. Kemal Önen. For further information on the Congress, Conference, or Exhibitions, write to Congress Bureau, VIP Tourism Pirincişlioğlu LTD, Cumhuriyet Cad No. 12, Elmadag, Istanbul, Turkey (Tel.: 462073 or 462074).

*The First International Symposium on Peritoneal Dialysis* will be held in Chapala, Jalisco, Mexico, on June 25–28, 1978. The Scientific Committee in-


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ccludes: Drs. S. T. Boen (Netherlands), F. K. Curtis, Karl D. Nolph, and Arthur Gordon (U.S.A.), Natale G. DeSanto (Italy), Emilio Exaire M. (Mexico), and Jorge Firmat (Argentina). For further information write Dr. Alejandro Trevino Becerra, President of the Organizing Committee, Villalongin 152, Mexico 5, D.F. Mexico.

The annual meeting of the American Society of Pediatric Nephrology will be held in the Murray Hill Suite of the New York Hilton Hotel on Tuesday, April 25, 1978. The annual symposium will be on "Recent Advances in Immunologic Renal Disease." For further information, please contact Dr. John Lewy, Secretary-Treasurer, American Society of Pediatric Nephrology, Cornell University Medical College, 1300 York Avenue, New York, New York 10021, U.S.A.

The American and Chicago Heart Associations will co-sponsor a course entitled "International Symposium on Primary Prevention in Childhood of Atherosclerotic and Hypertensive Diseases" on October 18–20, 1978, at the Ambassador West Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. Registration fee will be US $150.00. For further information, contact Ms. Sue Shekelle, Chicago Heart Association, 20 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Ill. 60606, U.S.A.

European Dialysis and Transplant Association

Member in the European Dialysis and Transplant Association (EDTA) is open to qualified workers in fields that are of interest to the Association (hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, renal transplant, and the broad field of nephrology, including clinical nephrology, renal physiology, renal pathology, etc.). Full membership is limited to scientists who reside in Europe and the adjacent countries; associate membership is available to scientists from other countries. Candidates for full or associate membership must be proposed by two full or associate members on a form provided by the Secretary-Treasurer. This proposal, accompanied by a letter of recommendation from one of the proposers, should be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer for consideration by the Council. All members are entitled to 1) receive information about the annual Congress and all General Assemblies of the Association, 2) participate in the annual Congress, and 3) receive an annual copy of the Proceedings of the EDTA. For further information, write Dr. Vittorio E. Andreucci, Secretary-Treasurer, Division de Nefrologia, Seconda Facolta De Medicina Universita, Via S. Pansini, 89131 Napoli, Italy.

The Proceedings of the XIII Congress of the European Dialysis and Transplant Association (EDTA) is available from Pitman Medical, 42 Camden Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN1 20D, England (Price: £ 18.00). In the United States, it can be ordered from Dr. George E. Schreiner, Editor, Transactions of the ASAIO, Georgetown University Medical Center, Washington, D.C. 20007, U.S.A. Volume XIII contains 655 pages and a statistical review of dialysis and transplantation, including a study of growth and development in children, an editorial on uremic neuropathy, and sections on nephrology, transplantation and dialysis, as well as workshops on intestinal absorption in renal failure and drug therapy in uremia. Copies of Volume XII, 1975, are still available from the above address.

New Books Received