

## Notices

### Association of Clinical Pathologists

#### Junior Membership

Junior membership of the Association is available to medical practitioners who have been engaged in the practice of pathology for a period of less than four years. Junior members are able to remain in this category for a maximum of six years or on the attainment of consultant status. The annual subscription is £34 for those resident in the United Kingdom and £65 for those overseas. The annual subscription may be claimed against tax.

Junior members receive the *Journal of Clinical Pathology* each month. Other benefits are reduced registration fees to attend ACP scientific meetings, all the documents regularly sent to full members of the Association including *ACP News*, which has a regular column for juniors, and the twice yearly summary of pathology courses included in the ACP programme of postgraduate education. Junior members have their own representative body, the Junior Members' Group, which has a direct input to Council.

For Junior Membership apply to: The Honorary Secretary, Association of Clinical Pathologists, 221 Preston Road, Brighton BN1 6SA. (0273) 561188.

### THE EPIC STUDY

The largest pan-European point prevalence study of nosocomial infection in intensive care units (ICUs), the EPIC Study, took place on the 29 April 1992 in 1472 ICUs throughout 17 western European countries. The initial data already provide an international overview of nosocomial infection in the ICU, and the comprehensive results of the 10 000-patient EPIC Study database were presented at the 13th International Symposium on Intensive Care and Emergency Medicine in Brussels, on 24 March 1993.

The EPIC Study results will be submitted for publication in an international journal later this year. Each participating ICU will receive an individual unit report followed by an advance copy of the special report on the European results of the study which will be available to non-participating ICUs in due course.

For further information on the EPIC Study final results meeting, please contact the EPIC Study Co-ordinator, Medical Action Communications, Action International House, Crabtree Office Village, Eversley Way, Thorpe, Egham, Surrey, TW20 8RY, UK.

### Sport—The Health Challenges (in association with British Olympic Bid 2000)

#### Date

Wednesday 23 and  
Thursday 24 June  
1993

#### Venue

Manchester Conference Centre,  
UMIST, Sackville Street,  
Manchester M60 1QD

#### Fee

24 hour delegate/Full day delegate/single  
day delegate rates available from  
The Royal Society of Health

Civic Reception and Delegate Dinner  
(optional)

All Enquiries to:  
Miss Dawn Scanlan, Conference  
Department, The Royal Society of  
Health, 38A St George's Drive,  
London SW1V 4BH

Tel: 071-630 0121 Fax: 071-976 6847

### The Leeds Course in Clinical Nutrition

7–10 September 1993  
St James's University Hospital,  
Leeds

#### Speakers include:

Dr T van der Poll (New York)  
Professor B Rowlands (Belfast)  
Professor N Wald (London)  
Professor R C Coombes (London)  
Professor J Garrow (London)

#### Further details from:

Mrs Hilary L Helme  
Department of Continuing Professional  
Education  
Continuing Education Building  
Springfield Mount  
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### 19th Annual Lukes Conference: Diagnostic Approaches to Lymphoproliferative Disorders

Monday to Friday  
October 15–19, 1993

Sponsored by *Scripps Clinic and Research  
Foundation*

This course is designed for haematologists, oncologists, and pathologists who are involved in the histological diagnosis or clinical evaluation of patients with malignancies of the lymphopoietic system. The conference will be held at the Sheraton Grande Torrey Pines Hotel in La Jolla, California. The course will offer 27 credit hours of Category I CME credit.

**For further information contact:**  
Department of Academic Affairs, 403C,  
Scripps Clinic and Research  
Foundation,  
10666 N. Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla,  
CA 92037.  
Telephone: (619) 554-8556  
Fax: (619) 554-6310

### Lung Pathology

London, National Heart and Lung  
Institute, 26–29 October, 1993

A comprehensive course of lectures and practical hands-on microscopy sessions aimed at pathologists in training and consultant pathologists wishing to update their knowledge of lung pathology. Places are limited to 24.

**Fee £220 (or US\$360)**

Programme and application form from  
Professor B Corrin, Pathology,  
Brompton Hospital,  
London SW3 6NP, UK.  
Fax 071-351 8435  
(44-71-351 8435 if outside UK).

### One-day Meeting on Gene Therapy

Royal Society of Medicine  
Tuesday 1 June, 1993

#### Main topics:

Prospects for human gene therapy,  
advances in the application of gene  
therapy for SCID, cystic fibrosis,  
muscular disease, haemophilia,  
haematological diseases, cancer. Ethics,  
timing, implementation . . .

#### Organised by:

Section of Pathology of the RSM.

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1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE  
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## Corrections

Our apologies are extended to Drs Cooke, Jenkins and Stevens for duplication of text in their submissions to the **Correspondence** section of the Journal (Sentinel and Bactec blood culture systems; *J Clin Pathol* 1993;46:286).

We also apologise to Drs Cooke and Jenkins for the inadvertent inclusion of unnecessary text in Dr Stevens' reply.

Owing to printers' errors, incorrect formulae were published in the ICSM recommendations for measurement of erythrocyte sedimentation rate; *J Clin Pathol* 1993;46:198–203. Diluted blood ESR mm = (undiluted blood ESR mm  $\times$  0.86) – 12 is the correct version. Whenever this formula is repeated throughout the text the multiplication sign should be read as  $\times$ . A correct version of the recommendations has now been reprinted.

We apologise to Professor Stuart for any inconvenience caused.