Forthcoming papers

Androgen-binding proteins in sheep epididymis: characterization of a cytoplasmic androgen receptor in the ram epididymis.
S. Carreau, M. A. Drosdowsky & M. Courto.
Sex differences in plasma concentrations of steroids during the sensitive period for brain differentiation in the zebra finch. J. B. Hutchison, J. C. Wingfield & R. E. Hutchison.
Acute inhibition of rat myometrial responses to oxytocin by tamoxifen sterioisomers and oestradiol. A. Lipton, A. Vinjusun & L. Martin.
Studies on inhibin-like peptide in gastric juice and serum of patients with duodenal ulcers. S. A. Shanbhag, R. A. Sheth, S. A. Nanivadekar & N. A. Sheth.
Lactic acid and steroid production by intact mouse adrenal glands and cell suspensions: effects of nucleotide derivatives and substrates. J. Hinson & M. K. Birmingham.

Announcements

The 4th Joint Meeting of British Endocrine Societies

This meeting will be held in Oxford from 25 to 29 March 1985. Symposia will cover the following topics: hormones and prostatic cancer; genetics and in-vitro fertilization; glucocorticoid hormone action: recent developments; update in paediatric endocrinology; action of releasing hormones on the anterior pituitary; the endocrinology of calcium metabolism; insulin action: events following receptor binding. There will also be a number of plenary lectures as well as free communications and posters.

Further information and abstract forms are available from The Administrative Assistant, Society for Endocrinology, 23 Richmond Hill, Bristol BS8 1EN. Tel: 0272 734662. Deadline for receipt of abstracts is 3 December 1984.

International Symposium on Thyroid Function Tests

This Symposium will be held on the Island of Bendor, France from 9 to 10 May 1985. The Committee is composed of L. Braverman (Boston), A. Burger (Geneva), P. Carayon (Marseilles), A. Ermans (Brussels), S. Lissitzky (Marseilles), A. Pinchera (Pisa), M. Tubiana (Paris) and B. Weintraub (Bethesda). The programme will include lectures by invited speakers, selected oral communications and poster presentations. The scientific programme will concentrate on actual or potential applications in thyroid investigation of current studies on thyroid physiology and physiopathology. Attention will be paid to recent developments in immunology and in cellular and molecular biology and their applications in the assessment of thyroid function. Anyone inter-
ested in participating in the meeting is requested to contact the secretariat: Laboratoire des Hormones Proteiques, Faculté de Médecine, F-13385 Marseille Cedex 5, France. Tel: (91) 78.68.55.

International Study Group for Steroid Hormones

The XII Meeting of the International Study Group for Steroid Hormones will be held from 2 to 4 December 1985 at the Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, Rome. The main topics will be: (1) Steroid peptide interaction; (2) Sex hormone antagonists; (3) Intratissular steroids and hormone-dependent cancer. The deadline for presentation of abstracts is 30 June 1985. Further information may be obtained from Professor F. Sciarra, V Clinica Medica, Università di Roma, viale del Policlinico, 00161 Rome, Italy.