It is hoped to publish the following papers in a forthcoming issue of the Journal:

Springer, C. & Eckstein, B. Regulation of production in vitro of 5α-androstane-3α,17β-diol in the immature rat ovary.

Manning, J. P. The influence of ovarian hormones on the decidual alkaline phosphatase reaction in adrenalectomized pseudopregnant rats.

Katongole, C. B., Naftolin, F. & Short, R. V. Relationship between blood levels of luteinizing hormone and testosterone in bulls, and the effects of sexual stimulation.

Deshpande, N., Carson, Pamela & Harley, Sheila. Adrenal biogenesis in vivo of androgens and cortisol in the guinea-pig using a continuous infusion technique.


Paterson, J. Y. F. & Linzell, J. L. The secretion of cortisol and its mammary uptake in the goat.

Dilley, W. G. Relationship of mitosis to alveolar development in the rat mammary gland.

Butler, Jean E. M. & Donovan, B. T. The effect of surgical isolation of the hypothalamus upon reproductive function in the female guinea-pig.


Short communications

Shani (Mishkinsky), J., Knaggs, G. S. & Tindal, J. S. The effect of noradrenaline, dopamine, 5-hydroxytryptamine and melatonin on milk yield and composition in the rabbit.

Gerall, A. A. & Dunlap, J. L. Evidence that the ovaries of the neonatal rat secrete active substances.


Clark, B. F. The effects of oestrogen and progesterone on uterine cell division and epithelial morphology in spayed, adrenalectomized rats.


Jones, T., Forrest, A. P. M. & Griffiths, K. C19-Steroid biosynthesis in the human adrenal gland.

Pierrepont, C. G., Anderson, A. B. M., Harvey, G., Turnbull, A. C. & Griffiths, K. The conversion in vitro of C19 steroids to oestrogen sulphates by the sheep placenta.

Fletcher, I. C., Allison, A. J. & Lindsay, D. R. Seasonal changes in the sensitivity of spayed ewes to progesterone and oestrogen.

Radioimmunoassays are being developed for a large number of steroids and other haptens, such as thyroxine. Available evidence indicates that these assays will become increasingly important as tools in endocrine research. High affinity, specific antibodies are essential for these assays and some groups have indicated their willingness to provide antisera for other investigators. To avoid unnecessary duplication of effort the Clinical Endocrinology Committee of the Medical Research Council has set up a small secretariat which will, in the first instance, maintain a register of people expressing an interest in this field. Its primary functions will be to collect and disseminate information and to facilitate the distribution of available materials, such as antisera. In addition, it might eventually assist the co-ordination of research if sufficient people express an interest in collaborative ventures.

Anyone who is interested in exchanging information and in obtaining antisera, or who is willing to donate material, is invited to register their name with the secretariat. They should indicate their particular field of interest and also whether they wish to participate in collaborative research in this general area. The address to write to is: Hapten Radioimmunoassay Office, c/o Professor J. Landon, Department of Chemical Pathology, St Bartholomew’s Hospital, London, E.C. 1.

V. H. T. James, Secretary
Medical Research Council Clinical Endocrinology Committee

German Society of Endocrinology
18th Symposium of the German Society of Endocrinology

The 18th Symposium of the German Society of Endocrinology takes place in Hannover from 2–4 March 1972. Main subject: Diagnosis of the functions in Endocrinology – methods and interpretations. Further information from Prof. Dr J. Kracht, D-63 GIESESEN, Klinikstrasse 32g, Pathologisches Institut, Germany.

Schoeller Junkmann Award

Submission of manuscripts for the 1972 Schoeller Junkmann Award of DM 15000 – sponsored by Schering AG, Berlin an Bergkamen:

Applicants residing in Europe, who are less than 40 years of age, are invited to submit original manuscripts of previously unpublished work in all fields of endocrinology (with the exception of diabetes mellitus) to the President of the German
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Society of Endocrinology for 1971/72, Prof. Dr H. L. Krüskemper, 3 Hannover, Podbielskistrasse 380, Abt. für Klinische Endokrinologie, Dept. Innere Medizin der Medizinischen Hochschule. The manuscripts may be in either German or English and should be submitted in duplicate not later than 15 October 1971. After the receipt of the manuscript has been acknowledged, the author is free to have his work published by any journal. The statutes for the Schoeller Junkmann Award may be obtained from the President of the Society. The Award will be presented at the 18th Symposium of the German Society of Endocrinology in Hannover, 1972.

Marius Tausk Award

Submission of manuscripts for the 1972 Marius Tausk Award of DM 15 000 - sponsored by Organon G. m. b. H., München:

Applicants residing in Europe and less than 30 years of age are invited to submit manuscripts of previously unpublished work in the field of clinical and clinical-experimental endocrinology (with the exception of diabetes mellitus) to the President of the German Society of Endocrinology for 1971/72, Prof. Dr H. L. Krüskemper, 3 Hannover, Podbielskistrasse 380, Abt. für Klinische Endokrinologie, Dept. Innere Medizin der Medizinischen Hochschule. The manuscripts may be in either German or English and should be submitted in duplicate not later than 15 October 1971. After the receipt of the manuscript has been acknowledged, the author is free to have his work published by any journal. The statutes for the Marius Tausk Career Development Award may be obtained from the President of the Society. The Award will be presented at the 18th Symposium of the German Society of Endocrinology in Hannover, 1972.

IIIrd Bolivarian Congress of Endocrinology

The IIIrd Bolivarian Congress of Endocrinology will be held in Caracas, Venezuela, from 19 to 22 October 1971. Preliminary programme, general information, forms for hotel reservations, registration, abstracts of communications etc. are available from: Dr Elias Zisman, Secretary General, III Congreso Bolivariano de Endocrinologia, Apartado Postal 51684, Caracas 105, Venezuela.

VIIth International Congress on Animal Reproduction and Artificial Insemination

The VIIth International Congress on Animal Reproduction and Artificial Insemination will be held in Munich from 6 to 9 June 1972. Further information can be obtained from: Sekretariat des VII. Internationalen Kongresses für tierische Fortpflanzung und Haustierbesamung, D 53 BONN, Adenaueralle 176, Federal Republic of Germany.
International Study Group for Steroid Hormones

The Vth Meeting of the International Study Group for Steroid Hormones will be held in Rome from 6 to 8 December 1971. The main theme of the Symposium will be Biochemical and Clinical Aspects of Steroid Enzymology. 1. *Biological Aspects*: a. Enzymes in steroid biosynthesis; b. Enzymes in steroid metabolism; c. Enzymatic histochemistry. 2. *Clinical Aspects*: a. In-vitro studies; b. In-vivo studies; c. Diagnostic methods.

Further details of the programme can be obtained from the Secretary of the Group: Prof. Carlo Conti, Istituto di Patologia Medica II, Policlinico Umberto I, Università di Romà, Rome, Italy.