

Notes and Announcements:

The **VIth European Neuroscience Congress** to be held from the 5th to the 10th of September, 1982 at Placio de Congresos, Malaga-Torremolinos, Costa de Sol, Spain will cover a number of topics of interest to neurologists and neuroscientists. Some of these are clinical disorders of language; central cardiovascular control, basic and clinical aspects; mechanism of action of antidepressants; nerve muscle interaction; motor function; and coexistence of peptides and transmitters in single neurons. Technique workshops on monoclonal antibodies and a variety of lectures on Neuroscience topics will also be presented. All correspondence concerning the meeting should be sent to: Meeting Secretariat, VIth European Neuroscience Meeting, P.O. 121, Oxford, U.K.

Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine. While Canada does not appear to have much recognition in terms of Nobel Prizes for work in any of the sciences it is of note that David Hubel who received the award for 1981 was born in Windsor, Ontario and took his early medical training in Montreal. He then moved to the United States and is the George Packer Berry Professor of Physiology at Harvard Medical School, Boston. With Torsten Wiesel his discoveries concerning information processing in the visual system have become widely recognized by those working with the nervous system.

Dr. Melvin Ball, Professor of Neuropathology at the University of Western Ontario, has been granted \$912,882 for a major three year study on dementia, notably Alzheimer's disease, by the National Institutes of Health (U.S. Public Health Service) and \$120,555 for a related two year study by the Ontario Mental Health Foundation. A number of researchers in Canada and the United States are collaborating with Dr. Ball on the investigation. The study will be clinicopathological.

The **Motor Neuron Disease Society of Great Britain** will be holding a

meeting from July 5th to 7th, 1982 in London, England to which a number of individuals interested in the disorders of the lower motor neuron have, around the world, been invited to discuss possible avenues of study. Motor neuron disease and ALS Societies have now become established in the United States, Canada, Belgium, Great Britain and Japan. At the **Vth International Congress on Neuromuscular Diseases** from September 21st to 17th, 1982 to be held in Marseille, France there will be an international meeting of members interested in ALS, signifying the active international participation in the study of this disease that is now taking place.

NINCDS Grants to Study Alzheimer's Disease. To those with special interest in dementia the NINCDS and the National Institute of Aging is seeking to support innovative research projects on Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. Areas of particular interest are cerebral circulation and metabolism, neurochemistry, immunology and virology, neuroendocrinology, genetics and epidemiology, animal models and differential diagnosis. Information about application procedures can be obtained from Dr. Eugene J. Oliver, Health Science Administration, Neurological Disorders Programme, NINCDS, Federal Bldg., Room 710, Bethesda, MD 20205 U.S.A.

The recently formed **Canadian Association for Neurosciences** will hold its first scientific meeting in conjunction with the Canadian Federation of Biological Societies in Edmonton, June 14 - 18, 1982. At this meeting further plans will be made to promote Neuroscience in Canada, and the Association will host a symposium entitled "Boundaries and Frontiers in Neuroscience" in its first attempt to convey the importance of, and the excitement engendered by recent progress in Neuroscience. Membership applications for the Association are available from the secretary: Robert W. Dykes, Ph.D., Microsurgical Research Laboratories, Royal Victoria Hospital

L4.69, 687 Pine Avenue West, Montreal, Canada H3A 1A1.

June 4, 1982. Workshop on the Neurological Aspects of Aphasia and the Western Aphasia Battery. University Hospital Auditorium, London, Ont. Contact: Dr. Andrew Kertesz, St. Joseph's Hospital, London, Ontario N6A 4V2.

June 10-13, 1982. American Association of Neuropathologists. Mariott Hotel, Philadelphia, PA. Contact: Michael N. Hart, Secretary-Treasurer, American Association of Neuropathologists Inc., Dept. of Pathology, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IO 52242.

June 13-18, 1982. 2nd Annual International Conference on Computed Tomography of the Head and Spine. La Napoule-Cannes, French Riviera. Presented under the auspices of the Dept. of Radiology, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, in conjunction with Professor George Salmon, Hôpital de la Timone, Marseille, France. Contact: Janice Ford, CME Coordinator, Dept. of Radiology, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, 3400 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104.

June 23-26, 1982. Canadian Congress of Neurological Sciences. Toronto, Ontario, Yorkville Four Seasons Hotel. Contact: Dr. R.P. Humphreys, Room 1504, Hospital for Sick Children, 555 University Avenue, Toronto, Ont. M5G 1X8.

September 12-17, 1982. 5th International Conference on Neuromuscular Disease. Marseilles, France. Contact: CHU La Timone, ave Jean Moulin, F-13385 Marseilles, Cédex 4, France.

September 19-22, 1982. "Disability and Quality of Life" Regional Course. Sponsored by the American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine. Park

Plaza Hotel, Toronto, Ontario. Contact: D.A. Gibson, M.D., Ontario Crippled Childrens Hospital, 350 Rumsey Road, Toronto, Ont. M4G 1R8.

September 29-October 2, 1982. American Neurological Association. Washington, DC. (Washington-Hilton Hotel). Contact: Ms. Dedi Vernon, Dept. of Neurology, Bowman Gray School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC 27103.

September 30-October 2, 1982. Canadian Association of Neuropathologists Montreal, Quebec. (Dates tentative). Contact: Dr. J.J. Gilbert, Dept. of Neuropathology, Victoria Hospital Corp., South Street Campus, London, Ontario. N6A 4G5

October 4-8, 1982. Symposium on Epilepsy. Tbilisi, USSR. Contact: T. Oniani, I. Beritashvili Institute of Physiology, Georgian Academy of

Sciences, Gotua St. 14, Tbilisi 380060 USSR.

October 10-16, 1982. 12th Symposium Neuroradiologicum. Washington, DC. Contact: D.O. Davis, George Washington University Medical Center, Washington, DC 20052.

October 31-November 5, 1982. Society for Neuroscience (USA). Minneapolis, MN. Contact: Nancy Beang, Exec. Sec., 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20014.