

## Announcements

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### **Sandoz ESOT Study Grants: Transplantation Call for Applications**

Sandoz Pharma Ltd. offers annual study grants totaling SFr. 40000.– to individuals involved in the clinical or experimental fields of transplantation. Each study has to be performed in a country situated in Europe that is not the country in which the applicant is currently working. There will have to be a specific purpose with a clear study goal. The period for which an applicant may apply for financial support can vary from one to several weeks or months. Congress visits will be excluded from any study grant. The Council of the European Society for Organ Transplantation (E.S.O.T.) will administer the Sandoz ESOT Study Grants. The selection and final decision will be made by the Council. Applications must be in English, should specify the purpose of the study, and should be supported with relevant documentation, including a full curriculum vitae. The application must be signed by the head of the department/program where the study will take place. Neither the heads of the departments nor the applicant necessarily has to be a member of E.S.O.T.

**Applications should be sent to:** Professor C. Hammer, Institut für Chirurgische Forschung der Universität München, Klinikum Grosshadern, Marchioninistrasse 15, W-8000 München 70, Federal Republic of Germany.

**Envelopes should be clearly marked "Sandoz ESOT Study Grant."**

### **First European Congress on Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Surgery 8-11 June 1993, Paris, France**

This Congress will take place at La Cité des Sciences et de l'Industrie in Paris. The Congress is supported by the Société Française de Chirurgie Digestive.

*For further information, please contact:* EHPBS Congress Secretariat, Congress House, 65 West Drive, Cheam, Sutton, Surrey SM2 7NB, UK.

### **IXth Congress of the International Society for Artificial Organs and XXth Congress of the European Society for Artificial Organs 4-8 July 1993, Amsterdam, The Netherlands**

The International Society for Artificial Organs will hold its IXth biannual meeting in association with the XXth annual meeting of the

European Society for Artificial Organs in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 4-8 July 1993. The aim of this international meeting is to bridge medical science and technical science (bioengineering) by discussing the present status and the future prospects for the design, development, production, and clinical use of artificial organs. The main theme of this congress is biocompatibility, one of the limiting factors to the clinical application of artificial organs.

The preliminary list of topics includes: artificial heart/circulatory assist devices, artificial kidney, artificial pancreas, apheresis and hemoabsorption, biomaterials, biocompatibility, biosensors, artificial lung and respiratory arrest, implants, computer-aided simulation systems, and new developments.

*For further information, please contact:* Secretariat ISAO/ESAO Joint Meeting 1993, c/o RAI Organisatie Bureau Amsterdam bv, Europelein 12, NL-1078 GZ Amsterdam, The Netherlands; tel.: (20) 5491212; Fax: (20) 6464469; telex: 13499 raico nl.

### **The Second Summer School on Transplantation Immunology 21-24 September 1993, Newcastle Upon Tyne, UK**

The British Transplantation Society, the British Society for Immunology and the British Society for Histocompatibility are pleased to be organising the second Summer School on Transplantation Immunology, to be held at the University of Newcastle upon Tyne from 21 to 24 September 1993.

The Summer School is designed to appeal to the needs of young scientists and clinicians, be they working in hospital environments, research laboratories or in commercial laboratories in the industrial sector, to give them a broad overview of the scientific and clinical activities in transplantation. Topics include the MHC and its immunobiology, the pathology of organ graft rejection, cross-matching techniques and the problems of preformed antibodies, the scope of clinical transplantation, the pharmacology of immunosuppressive therapy and developments occurring in that field, as well as developments within bone marrow transplantation. Future developments are also considered, particularly in the area of bowel transplantation and xenotransplantation. Speakers are senior members of professions from Britain, Europe and North America.

*For further information, please contact:* Mr. G. Proud, Consultant Surgeon, Ward 2 Office, Royal Victoria Infirmary, Queen Victoria Road, Newcastle Upon NE1 4LP, UK.

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