

Association Affairs

Laurentian Hormone Conference September 10-15, 1950

The Laurentian Hormone Conference of the AAAS will hold its 1950 meeting at the Forest Hills Hotel, Franconia, New Hampshire, September 10-15. Attendance at this conference is limited by the accommodations available at the hotel, but the Committee on Arrangements invites applications for attendance from interested investigators and specialists in the hormone field. The Committee consists of Gregory Pincus, The Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology, chairman; R. W. Bates, E. R. Squibb and Sons; R. D. H. Heard, McGill University; A. D. Odell, Charles E. Frosst and Company; E. C. Reifstein, Jr., Sloan-Kettering Institute; and A. White, School of Medicine, University of California at Los Angeles.

Application blanks for attendance at the Conference may be obtained from Dr. Pincus, 222 Maple Avenue, Shrewsbury, Massachusetts. Applications to be considered by the Committee must be received by *May 20*.

The following program has been arranged:

I. GONAD DEVELOPMENT AND FUNCTION

Sunday evening, September 10

"Embryogenesis of the adrenal and the reproductive glands,"

Dr. Emil Witschi, The State University of Iowa.

Monday morning, September 11

"Mammalian spermatogenesis,"

Warren O. Nelson, The State University of Iowa.

Monday morning, September 11

"Oogenesis in the mature ovary,"

S. Zuckerman, University of Birmingham, England.

II. THE USE OF ISOTOPES IN HORMONE PROBLEMS

Monday evening, September 11

"Studies in the metabolism of steroid hormones,"

T. F. Gallagher, Sloan-Kettering Institute.

Tuesday morning, September 12

"Biosynthesis of steroids,"

Konrad Bloch, The University of Chicago.

III. HORMONES AND METABOLISM

Tuesday morning, September 12

"Parameters of metabolic problems,"

Dwight J. Ingle, The Upjohn Company.

Tuesday evening, September 12

"Metabolic processes influenced by the growth hormone,"

F. J. Young, Biochemical Laboratory, Cambridge, England.

Wednesday morning, September 13

"The problem of adrenal androgens in man,"

Allan T. Kenyon, The University of Chicago.

IV. CHEMISTRY, PHYSIOLOGY, AND CLINICAL ENDOCRINOLOGY OF THE ADRENAL CORTEX

Wednesday morning, September 13

"Chemistry of adrenal cortex steroids,"

P. L. Julian, The Glidden Company.

Thursday morning, September 14

"The nature of adrenal secretory activity,"

Oscar Hechter, The Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology.

Thursday morning, September 14

"The adrenal cortex in salt and water metabolism,"

Robert Gaunt, Syracuse University.

Thursday evening, September 14

"A consideration of the role of the adrenal cortex in the regulation of certain metabolic processes,"

Frank L. Engel, Duke University.

Friday morning, September 15

"Observations on the physiological effects of cortisone and ACTH in man,"

R. G. Sprague, M. H. Power and H. L. Mason, The Mayo Clinic.

V. HORMONE THERAPY IN CANCER

Friday morning, September 15

"Experimental studies with ACTH and cortisone in patients with neoplasia,"

O. H. Pearson, Sloan-Kettering Institute.

Friday evening, September 15

"Steroid hormone therapy in cancer,"

I. T. Nathanson, Massachusetts General Hospital.

Report of the Special Committee on the Civil Liberties of Scientists

The conclusions and recommendations of the special committee of the American Association for the Advancement of Science on Civil Liberties of Scientists, of which Maurice B. Visscher is chairman, were published in *Science*, August 19, 1949. As there have been numerous requests for the complete report, the Executive Committee has voted to make it available at cost.

Although there is general recognition of the actual and potential dangers of national authoritarianism to scientific research and freedom of expression, it is inevitable that there should be wide differences of opinion among the more than 44,000 members of the AAAS regarding what is said in the name of the Association and how it is said. The special committee worked long and conscientiously on the report, accepted criticisms and suggestions, made sincere attempts to harmonize differences of opinion, and presents the report in the hope that its readers will recognize that it is an attempt to present the problems and to suggest remedies in the spirit of President Tru-