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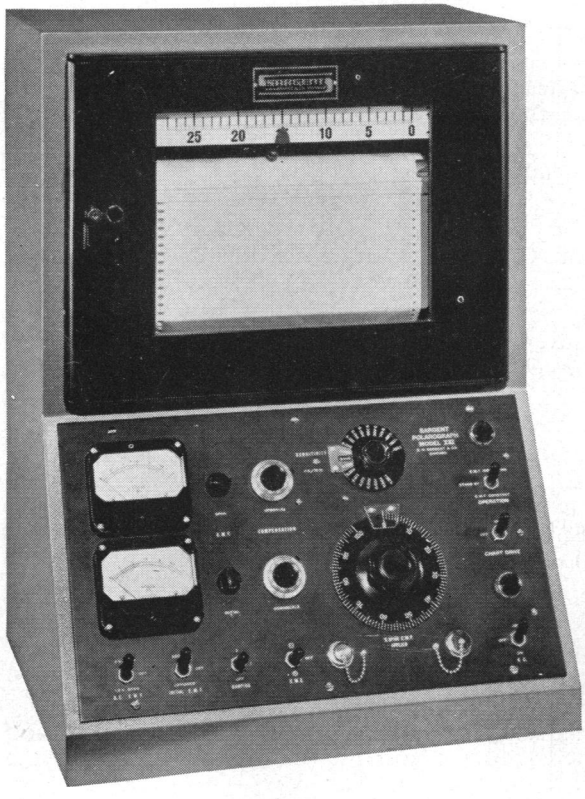

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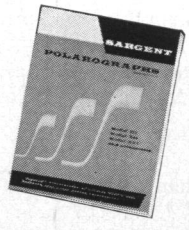

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Ultrastructure and Cellular Chemistry of Neural Tissue. vol. II of *Progress in Neurobiology*. Heinrich Waelsch, Ed. Hoeber-Harper, New York, 1957. xv + 249 pp. Illus. $7.50.

This volume contains the proceedings of the second of the symposia organized by Saul Korey and John Nurnberger. The organizers deserve commendation for these discussions. Themselves able clinicians as well as scientists, their policy of holding these seminars coincident with clinical meetings serves as an important adjuvant to the interpenetration of the basic and clinical sciences. The present volume has no unifying theme but is, rather, a sampling of the entire field. Heinrich Waelsch's introduction succinctly justifies the existence of neurochemistry as a field in its own right and pleads for basic neurological research unhampered by demands for practical results.

What is so impressive is the multiplication of techniques and the correlations between so many fields. Appropriately, the volume opens with papers, by Robertson and Palay, stressing the relationships of chemical composition and function to ultrastructure. Among the remaining papers the dominant spirit is that of the replacement of the older chemistry and metabolism of nervous tissue as a whole by the precise localization of metabolic processes and the characterization of single components. Lowry's study of enzymes in single neurons, Geiger's technique for the tissue culture of cortical cells, Nurnberger and Gordon's differential counting of neuronal and non-neuronal nuclei, Loeser's method of scanning of cells stained with fluorescent dyes illustrate this trend. It is also seen in the four papers on the histochemical localization of enzymes in individual cells (Koelle, Gomori) and in those on the layers of cerebral cortex (Pope, Hess, and Allen) and cerebellum (Robbins, Smith, and Jen). The other contributions in the volume study biochemical changes in relation to development (Keup), neuropathology (Feigin, Wolf, and Carter; Pope), and drug actions (Bain, Berger). Lajtha and Furst discuss the blood-brain barrier and protein turnover.

If the volume has a defect it is in the omission of any discussion of the control of ionic movements in nerve, so central to modern electrophysiology and an important frontier of neurochemistry. It should also be mentioned that the date on which this symposium was held is kept a very dark secret throughout the volume.

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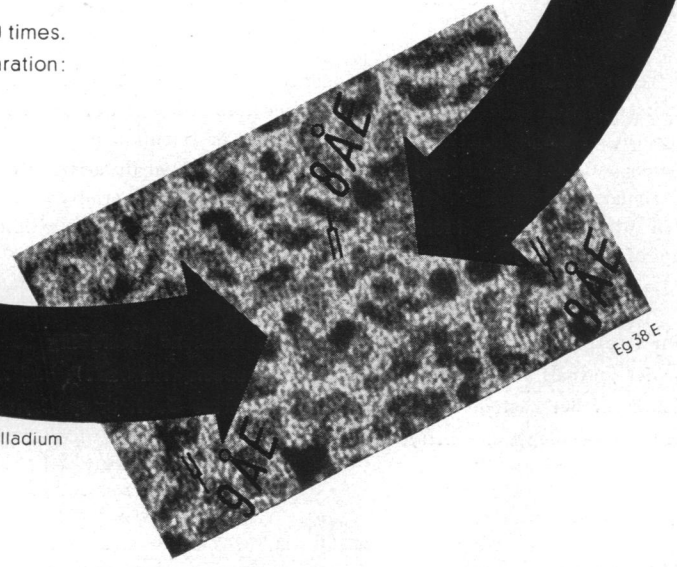

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