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## Pacific and Arctic Divisions to Meet in British Columbia in June

The two western-most AAAS divisions will hold a joint meeting this year in Vancouver on the campus of the University of British Columbia. The meeting, 8 to 13 June, coincides with EXPO86, a world fair in Vancouver celebrating the centennial of the city.

Symposia are scheduled on intermontane grasslands, disarmament, geologic hazards, conservation technology, science education, Arctic fish ecology, Canadian water resources, remote sensing, radioactive waste disposal, health care in the Pacific region, and northern Native languages. Field trips are planned to the Fraser Valley, Hell's Gate, Howe Sound, Port Renfrew, and Victoria.

Contributed papers are welcome in most scientific disciplines, with technical sessions set for mathematics, biology, meteorology, ecology, botany, geology, geography, oceanography, social science, psychology, and history of science. Papers in other topics will be grouped by kindred disciplines. Abstracts are due 31 March.

Because housing will be difficult to obtain given the presence of EXPO86, potential meeting attendees are urged to write immediately for a program outline and housing information. Reservations for housing must be made by 31 March. Inquiries should be addressed to Pacific Division AAAS, California Academy of Sciences, Golden Gate

Park, San Francisco, California 94118 (telephone: 415-752-1554), or Arctic Division AAAS, Geophysical Institute, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701 (telephone: 907-474-7371).

## Ideas Sought for Global Projects

The National Science Foundation's (NSF) Division of International Programs has requested the AAAS and its Consortium of Affiliates for International Programs (CAIP) to assist in the development of a list of potential topics for consideration as new global initiatives of the Foundation.

As a result of a meeting of a steering group, which included Consortium representatives, the NSF is soliciting potential topics from a wide variety of groups within the mainstream scientific and engineering community. Topics should meet three criteria: (i) be an important global problem; (ii) have high potential scientific, technological, or intellectual content; and (iii) involve the broadest possible range of disciplines.

The steering group seeks suggestions of potential global initiatives from both individual scientists and engineers and from appropriate groups. Suggestions should include a title and a short description of the program and its potential to meet the established criteria, and should be not more than one page in length. Recommendations should be sent by 1 April 1986 to Sandra M. Burns, Office of International Science, at the AAAS address.

## Pacific Division to Sponsor a West Coast R&D Colloquium

The AAAS Pacific Division is sponsoring a 1-day conference on R&D in the FY 1987 federal budget on 10 April in Palo Alto, California. The conference is being patterned after the AAAS R&D Colloquium held annually

in Washington, D.C., and is being organized by Albert H. Teich, head, Office of Public Sector Programs.

Speakers will include Dale Corson, chairman of the Government-University-Industry Research Roundtable; Robert Goodman, vice president, Calgene, Inc.; Ezra Heitowit, staff director, House Subcommittee on Science, Research, and Technology; Noreen Noonan, federal Office of Management and Budget; Andrew Pettifor, director of research, Rockwell International Science Center; and many others.

The West Coast Colloquium will be held at the Palo Alto Holiday Inn, Palo Alto, California. Advance registration is \$80 (\$50 for students); on-site registration is \$95 (\$65 for students). Fees include luncheon and a complete set of AAAS R&D publications for FY 1987. For further information and registration forms, contact Alan E. Leviton, executive director, Pacific Division AAAS, California Academy of Sciences, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, California 94118 (telephone: 415-752-1554).

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## New Congressional Bulletin Offered

The AAAS Office of Public Sector Programs has begun producing, on a trial basis, a *Congressional Bulletin*. The *Bulletin* will focus on congressional actions, events, and trends of particular interest to those in the scientific and engineering community.

The *Congressional Bulletin* is being offered, free, only to members of the AAAS. To receive your free *Congressional Bulletin*, please write to Albert Teich, Office of Public Sector Programs, at the AAAS address. Include your name, address, and member number (from *Science* label).

## Obituaries

T. Townsend Brown of Avalon, California, member of Section W since 1944, 27 October 1985.

Vernon Bryson, Department of Biochemistry and Microbiology, Rutgers University, member of Section G since 1945, 20 October 1985.

George C. Paffenbarger, dental research associate (retired), American Dental Association, member of Section R since 1945, 14 December 1985.

Gertrude Rodney of Ann Arbor, Michigan, member of Section S since 1939, 24 September 1985.

David J. Rose, professor of nuclear engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, member of Section B since 1958, 24 October 1985.