## Announcements

## Awards

H. H. Lamb has been given the Murchison Award of the Royal Geographical Society for his work in the field of climatic change.

Graham Highman has been awarded the De Morgan Medal and Paul M. Cohen the Senior Berwick Prize of the London Mathematical Society.

## Errata

In the article "Effects of bicuculline on functions of inhibition in visual cortex" by D. Rose and C. Blakemore (Nature, 249, 375; 1974) the following corrections should be made: the last sentence of para 1 on page 376 should read 'The erratic mechanical stability of the preparation for topical application used in some experiments, has meant that few cells have been fully analysed so far.'; line 12, para. 6 should read '... best orientation. This suggests the presence . . .'; and in Table 1, in the column "cortical layer" the first entry should be VI, the third V and the fourth IV.

In the article "Do D-glucosamine and D-galactosamine form a part of the specific receptor sites for the competence substance on the cell wall of *Pneumococcus*?" by M. Kohoutova and J. Kocourek (*Nature*, **247**, 277; 1974) the first sentence of the paragraph under Fig. 4 should read 'The presence of a 2-N-acetamido-4-amino-2,4,6-trideoxyhexose was also reported in the C substance<sup>13</sup>, and not as printed.

In the article "Behavioural and physiological bases of drinking inhibition in water deprived rats" by E. B. Blass and W. G. Hall (*Nature*, **249**, 485; 1974) the first word of the fourth column of Table 1 should be drink and not pre-load.

## **International meetings**

August 25-30, 9th Meeting of the Federation of European Biochemical Societies (the Secretariat of the 9th FEBS Meeting, H-1502 Budapest, P.O. Box 7, Hungary).

August 27-September 3, International Symposium on Discharge of Sewage from Sea Outfalls (Water Pollution Research Laboratory, Elder Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 1TH, UK). September 1-6, International Symposium on Bread (James Hadley, Executive Director, The Rank Prize Funds, 152 Grosvenor Road, London SW1V 3JL).

September 1-6, 15th Congress of the International Society of Haematology (Fifteenth Congress, International Society of Haematology, P.O. Box 12060, Jerusalem, Israel).

September 1-7, 1st Intersectional Congress of the International Association of Microbiological Societies (Dr Daizo Ushiba, Secretary General, First Intersectional Congress of IAMS, c/o Science Council of Japan, 7-22-34, Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo 106, Japan).

September 1-14, UNESCO-UNDP-ICRO Training Course on The Cell Nucleus (Professor F. B. Straub, Biological Research Center, Hungarian Academy of Science, H-6701 Szeged, P.O.B. 521, Hungary).

September 2-6, **3rd International Congress on Photosynthesis** (Photosynthesis Secretariat, Department of Biochemistry, Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel).

September 2-6, Residential School Binding Processes Involving Biopolymers (Miss J. M. Usher, The Chemical Society, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1V 0BN).

September 2-6, 6th Conference on Molecular Spectroscopy (Mr C. H. Maynard, The Institute of Petroleum, 61 New Cavendish Street, London W1M 8AR).

September 2-7, British Association for the Advancement of Science Stirling Annual Meeting (British Association, 23 Saville Row, London W1X 2AA).

September 2–7, 4th International Congress on Hormonal Steroids (Congress Secretariat, Dr J. L. Mateos, Apartado postal 73-132, México, D.F.).

September 2-7, 12th International Congress for Fat Research (Società Italiana per lo Studio delle Sostanze Grasse, Twelfth ISF Congress, c/o Stazione Sperimentale Oli e Grassi, Via G. Colombo 79, 20133 Milano, Italy).

September 3-6, 5th Canadian Medical and Biological Engineering Conference (Dr Chas. A. Laszlo, Technical Program Chairman, Bio-Medical Engineering Unit, McIntyre Medical Sciences Center, McGill University, 3655 Drummond St, Montreal, Quebec, H3G 1Y6, Canada).

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September 4-6, Conference on Elementary Particle Physics at Ultra High Energies (Dr V. A. Bull, Department of Physics, Westfield College (University of London), Kidderpore Avenue, London NW3 7ST).

September 6-9, Course on the Biological Basis of Ageing (Director of Special Courses, Department of Adult Education and Extramural Studies, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT, UK).

September 7-10, **28th Annual Meeting** of The Society of General Physiologists (The Society of General Physiologists, Box 257, Woods Hole, Massachusetts 02543).

September 8-10, International Symposium on Foams (Dr D. Seaman, Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd, Jealott's Hill Research Station, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 6EY, UK).

September 8–13, National Meeting of The American Chemical Society (American Chemical Society News Service, 1155 16th St., N.W. Washington D.C. 20036).

September 8-14, **1st International Congress of Ecology** (Secretariat 1st International Congress of Ecology, P.O. Box 9000, The Hague, The Netherlands).

September 8-14, International Solvent Extraction Conference, 1974 (Dr A. Naylor, British Nuclear Fuels Limited, Windscale and Calder Works, Seascale, Cumberland, CA20 1PG, UK).

September 9-11, Neurophysin Proteins: Carriers of Peptide Hormones (New York Academy of Sciences, 2 East 63rd Street, New York 10021).

September 9-11, 4th Meeting of the European Connective Tissue Clubs (Dr A. J. Bailey, Agricultural Research Council, Meat Research Institute, Langford, Bristol BS18 7DY, UK).

September 9-11, International Symposium on Radiation Protection in Mining and Milling of Uranium and Thorium (Symposium Joint Secretariat, c/o Occupational Safety and Health Branch, International Labour Office, CH-1211 Geneva 22, Switzerland).

September 9-11, 17th International Conference on the Biochemistry of Lipids (Dr Giovanni Galli, Institute of Pharmacology and Pharmacognosy, University of Milan, Via A. Del Sarto 21, 20129 Milano, Italy).