

mental research of immense importance, both economically and in medical terms, is that of neuro-endocrinology. At a more 'practical' level, the congress agreed that "It is important that research be continued on the factors affecting sex determination because of its economic importance", and went on to define means of expressing farm animal fertility in uniform terms so as to facilitate comparison of records, and to make recommendations concerning hygiene and legislation in animal health.

Research in Immunology

Research in Immunology (WHO Technical Report Series No. 286) should interest everyone who is concerned with this field of investigation, which is nowadays advancing so rapidly and extending its influence in many directions. The Report deals with immunological problems under the following headings: I, immunoprophylaxis and immunotherapy; II, immunopathology; III, tissue antigens and transplantation; IV, immunochemistry; V, research programme in immunology. Each section comprises the report of a scientific group convened by the Director-General of the World Health Organization. Two annexes summarize the recommendations made for research and give an outline of current problems in immunology. The Report is obtainable in the United Kingdom from H.M. Stationery Office, the price being 8s. 6d., and it is also published in French and Spanish.

CIBA Fellowships

SEVERAL fellowships will be awarded for tenure during the academic year 1965-66 at continental universities or institutions for full-time research in chemistry, physics or some other allied scientific subject. They will be awarded to graduates of universities situated in the United Kingdom of Great Britain or Northern Ireland or in the Republic of Ireland, or to members of those universities graduating in 1964. It is anticipated that some fellowships will be awarded to recent graduates and other fellowships to candidates who have already taken their Ph.D. degree, or who have already spent some time in industry. The basic award for Fellows who have already undergone training in research and wish to continue post-doctorate studies will be £1,000 per annum. For candidates who have obtained a first degree in science and wish to undergo training in research, the basic award will be £700 per annum. Awards may be increased by appropriate additional allowances depending on place of study and marital status, etc. The total value of each fellowship will be determined by the Advisory Panel. The amount awarded will be sufficient to cover the Fellow's full living and other expenses (including all fees and cost of travel) during the tenure of his fellowship, which will be for one year, renewable for a further one or two years. Twelve CIBA Fellows are at present working at Aarhus, Brussels, Copenhagen, Geneva, Genoa, Heidelberg, Munich, Stockholm, Strasbourg and Zurich.

University News:

Birmingham

THE following appointments have been announced: *Lecturer*, Dr. N. Baggett (chemistry); Mrs. Christine A. McCauley (computing in the Department of Mathematical Physics). *Research Fellows*, C. Ashley (Imperial Chemical Industries Research Fellow in the Department of Mechanical Engineering); Dr. I. L. Dillamore (Imperial Chemical Industries Research Fellow in the Department of Physical Metallurgy); Dr. Teh-Hsing Wei (statistics in the Department of Pure Mathematics).

Bristol

THE following have been elected to professorships: Dr. A. D. Buckingham (theoretical chemistry); G. F. C. Rogers (engineering thermodynamics); Prof. A. R. Battersby (organic chemistry). Announced also are the following appointments to lectureships: Dr. K. H. G.

Ashbee (metallurgy and ceramics, within the Department of Physics); M. Chisholm (geography); Dr. K. B. Linton (medical bacteriology); Dr. S. Moran (pure mathematics); N. F. Richards (civil engineering); Dr. R. A. Sawyer (aeronautical engineering).

Edinburgh

THE following appointments have been announced: *Senior Lecturers*, Dr. D. W. Moss (clinical chemistry); Dr. D. C. Simpson (medical physics); Dr. J. M. Last (public health and social medicine). *Lecturers*, Dr. E. M. Dixon (astronomy); Dr. J. S. McKinley McKoe (biochemistry); Dr. Winifred L. Stafford (biochemistry); Dr. J. F. Collins (biophysics); P. Edmond (clinical surgery); H. Whitfield (computer unit); E. W. Powell (dermatology); A. M. Nicolson (electrical engineering); Dr. D. C. S. Hutchison (medicine); Dr. N. M. B. Dear (public health and social medicine); G. K. Crompton (respiratory diseases and tuberculosis); W. L. Ford (therapeutics).

Southampton

THE following appointments have been made: Dr. R. L. Bell, reader in physical metallurgy in the University of London, to the chair of engineering materials in the Department of Mechanical Engineering from a date to be arranged. Dr. L. Brent of the National Institute for Medical Research, to the chair of zoology from April 20. Dr. W. A. Gambling, reader in electronics in the University, to the second chair of electronics. Dr. G. B. Trasler, lecturer in the Department of Sociology and Social Studies in the University, to the chair of psychology.

Synthesis of Organosilicon Monomers

It has been brought to the Editor's attention that a British edition of this book (reviewed in *Nature*, 204, 512, 1964) is published by Heywood Books (Temple Press Books, Ltd., London, W.C.1) to whom orders should be addressed by purchasers in the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth (excluding Canada) and Europe. The price is 130s.

Announcements

MR. D. B. COLLETT, a director of Dunlop Rubber Co., Ltd., has accepted the invitation to deliver the twentieth Foundation Lecture of the Institution of the Rubber Industry. This will take place at the Midland Institute, Birmingham, on May 19, 1965.

A MEETING on "Plant Waxes, Cutin and Associated Compounds", organized by the Phytochemical Group, will be held in London on January 7. Further information can be obtained from A. H. Williams, Research Station, Long Ashton, Bristol.

A SYMPOSIUM on "Energy Transfer in Radiation Processes", arranged by the Association for Radiation Research, will be held in University College, Cardiff, during January 7-9. Further information can be obtained from Dr. G. O. Phillips, Department of Chemistry, University College, Cardiff.

THE 1965 Gordon Research Conferences on "Electrochemistry: Electrode Processes", "Polymers" and "Basic Chemistry of Aging" will be held in Santa Barbara, California, during January 25-February 5. Further information can be obtained from the director of the conferences, Dr. W. George Parks, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, R.I.

A JOINT meeting of the North of England Section and the Special Techniques Group of the Society for Analytical Chemistry will be held in Leeds on December 11. A paper on "Some Aspects of Polarography" will be presented by M. L. Richardson. Further information can be obtained from the Society for Analytical Chemistry, 14 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1.