

announcements

International meetings

August 3-9, **Nutrition**, Kyoto, Japan (Professor H. Mitsuda, Research Institute for Production Development, Morimoto, Shimagamo, Sakyoku, Kyoto 606, Japan or Kyoto International Conference Hall, Takara-ike, Sakyoku, Kyoto 606, Japan).

August 4-7, **Neutron activation analysis**, Cambridge (Mr C. H. Gill, Conference Secretary, Neutron Division, Marconi Elliott Avionic Systems Ltd, Elstree Way, Borehamwood, Herts WD6 7RX, UK or Dr J. Pauwels, Euristop Office, Commission of the European Communities, 200 rue de la Loi, B1040 Brussels, Belgium).

August 4-7, **Image processing for 2D and 3D reconstruction from projections**, California (Optical Society of America, 2000L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036).

August 4-7, **Odonatology**, Lancaster (Dr T. T. Macan, Freshwater Biological Association, Ferry House, Far Sawrey, Ambleside, Cumbria, UK).

August 4-9, **Biophysics**, Copenhagen (Fifth International Biophysics Congress, c/o DIS Congress Service, 3 Knabrostaede, DK 1210 Copenhagen K, Denmark).

August 5-6, **Neutron diffraction**, Petten, Netherlands (Neutron Diffraction Conference, Reactor Centrum Nederland, Petten (NH), The Netherlands).

August 6-8, **Applications of X-ray analysis**, Denver, Colorado (Dr C. O. Ruud, Metallurgy and Materials Science Division, Denver Research Institute, University of Denver, Denver, Colorado 80210).

August 7-14, **Crystallography**, Amsterdam (J. N. King, Executive Secretary, International Union of Crystallography, 13 White Friars, Chester CH1 1NZ, UK or Organisatie Bureau Amsterdam Bv, PO Box 7205, Amsterdam, The Netherlands).

August 11-15, **Astronomy**, Leicester, UK (Professor K. A. Pounds, Chairman, Local Organising Committee, Department of Physics, University Road, Leicester LE1 7RH, UK).

Person to Person

Somantin. Researcher concerned about possible implications of theories concerning somantin and cataglykin (fragments of growth hormone which may be important in control of blood glucose concentration, and development of some cases of diabetes), wishes to know results of relevant studies, besides those of Bornstein: *Nature*, **217**, 707 (1968) or Bornstein, J., *et al.*, *Postgrad. med. J.*, **49** (suppl.), 219-242 (1973), (Dr P. L. Schwartz, Department of Clinical Biochemistry, University of Otago Medical School, PO Box 913, Dunedin, New Zealand).

Biochemical journal. Volumes 62-105 (1956-67), complete, unbound, will be presented (delivered) to research laboratory or educational institution 'with a good cause'. Applicants should be prepared to bind volumes and indicate source of presentation. Apply by June 30 to: Dr R. Bernstein, SA Institute for Medical Research, PO Box 1038, Johannesburg, South Africa.

Leeds house. Academic going on sabbatical seeks family for house in Leeds. From August, 1975-September, 1976. Possible to commute to Bradford or York. Four bedrooms, large kitchen and reception rooms, cellars (for hobbies or storage), large garden, garage (Dr S. Baumberg, Department of Genetics, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT, Yorkshire, UK).

There will be no charge for this service. Send items (not more than 60 words) to Robbie Vickers at the London office. The section will include exchanges of accommodation, personal announcements and scientific queries. We reserve the right to decline material submitted. No commercial transactions.

Reports and publications

Great Britain

University of Oxford. Eleventh Annual Report of the Delegates of the Science Area for the year ending 31 July 1974. (Supplement No. 1, to the *University Gazette*, Vol. cv, March 1975.) Pp. 139. (Oxford: The University, 1975.) £1.25. [14]

Greenwich Observatory: 300 Years of Astronomy. Edited by Colin A. Ronan. (An Exhibition at the National Maritime Museum telling the story of Britain's oldest scientific Institution, the Royal Observatory, at Greenwich and Herstmonceux.) Pp. 63+16 coloured plates. (London: Times Books, 1975.) [24]

The effect of Man on the Landscape: the Highland Zone. Edited by J. G. Evans, Susan Limbrey and Henry Cleere. (Research Report No. 11.) Pp. vii+129. (London: The Council for British Archaeology, 1975.) £7.50. [34]

University of Oxford. Annual Reports, 1972-4. Pp. 20. (Oxford: The University, 1975.) £1. [44]

Science Research Council. List of Research Grants Current on 1 October 1974. Pp. 182. (London: Science Research Council, 1975.) [74]

Daresbury 1974—Progress Report. Pp. 52. (Daresbury, Warrington: Science Research Council, Daresbury Laboratory, 1975.) [74]

The Zoological Society of London. Annual Report 1974. Pp. 48. (London: The Zoological Society of London, 1975.) [104]

Flora of Tropical East Africa. Edited by R. M. Polhill. Cannabaceae. By B. Verdcourt. Pp. 3. 15p. Cochlospermaceae. By B. Verdcourt. Pp. 3. 15p. (London: Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations, 1975.) [104]

The United States Binary Nerve-Gas Programme: National and International Implications. By Julian Perry Robinson. (ISIO Monographs, First Series, No. 10.) Pp. 51. (Brighton: Institute for the Study of International Organization, University of Sussex, 1975.) £1.50; \$4. [104]

Maincrop Potato Production, 1973. Pp. 47. (London: Potato Marketing Board, 50 Hans Crescent, SW1, 1975.) 25p. [104]

The Macaulay Institute for Soil Research. 1973/1974 Annual Report. (No. 44). Pp. 95. (Craigiebuckler, Aberdeen: The Macaulay Institute for Soil Research, 1975.) [104]

Natural Environment Research Council. National Institute of Oceanography. Collected Reprints, Vol. 21. Reprints 886-952. (Wormley, Godalming: National Institute of Oceanography, 1973.) [104]

Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society of London. A: Mathematical and Physical Sciences. Vol. 278, No. 1280: An Application of Normal Mode Theory to the Retrieval of Structural Parameters and Source Mechanisms from Seismic Spectra. By F. Gilbert and A. M. Dziewonski. Pp. 187-269. UK £3.50; Overseas £3.60. Vol. 278, No. 1281: Field Emission and Field Ionization in Liquid ⁴He. By A. Phillips and P. V. E. McClintock. Pp. 271-310. UK £1.70; Overseas £1.75. (London: The Royal Society, 1975.) [114]

Fundamental Research in an Industrial World. By Professor Alastair Cameron. (Inaugural Lecture, 22 January 1974.) Pp. 199-210. (London: Imperial College of Science and Technology, University of London, 1975.) 60p. [114]

Other Countries

Annual Report of 1972, 1973, of the Keikyū Aburatsubo Marine Park Aquarium, No. 5, 6. Pp. 47. (Miura City, Kanagawa, Japan: The Keikyū Aburatsubo Marine Park Aquarium, 1975.) [44]

New Theory of Faster-than-Light Relativity (Classical and Quantum) with Wonders of Implied Results for Public Interest and Understanding. By Dr. B. B. P. Sinha. Pp. 92. (Guelph, Ontario: Institute of Science and Mathematics, PO Box 1574, 1974.) [44]

Canada: Department of Energy, Mines and Resources. Geological Survey of Canada. Bulletin 237: Carboniferous Ammonoites and Stratigraphy in the Canadian Arctic Archipelago. By W. W. Nassichuk. Pp. 240 (18 plates). \$7. Memoir 376: Geology of the Antigonish Highlands, Nova Scotia. By D. G. Benson. Pp. 92. \$4. Memoir 377: Geology of Kognak River Area, District of Keewatin, Northwest Territories. By K. E. Eade. Pp. 66 (13 plates). \$4. (Ottawa: Information Canada, 1974 and 1975.) [44]

Geological Survey of Western Australia. Annual Report for 1973. Pp. 109. Bulletin 123: The Geology of the Blackstone Region, Western Australia. By Dr. J. L. Daniels. Pp. 257. (Perth: Geological Survey of Western Australia, 1974.) [44]

Republic of the Sudan. Ministry of Agriculture—Agricultural Research Division. 1967-1968 Annual Report of the Gezira Research Station and Sub-stations. Pp. vi+273. (Wad Medani: Gezira Research Station, 1975.) [74]

Report of the Council for Tobacco Research—U.S.A., Inc., for 1974. Pp. 89. (New York: The Council for Tobacco Research U.S.A., Inc., 110 East 59th Street, 1975.) [74]

Stockholm International Peace Research Institute. Report of Activities 1974. Pp. 27. Nuclear Disarmament or Nuclear War? Pp. 27. Preventing Nuclear-Weapon Proliferation: An Approach to the Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference. Pp. 37. (Stockholm: Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, 1975.) [74]

Suomen Geodeettisen Laitoksen Tiedonantaja/Reports of the Finnish Geodetic Institute. 75-1: Program for the Adjustment of the Finnish First Order Triangulation. By Jorma Korhonen. Pp. 11. 74-5: The Laser Rod Comparator. By Mikko Tekala. Pp. 14. (Helsinki: Suomen Geodeettisen Laitoksen Tiedonantaja, 1974 and 1975.) [84]

Australia: Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization. Annual Report of the Division of Entomology, 1973/1974. Pp. 115. (Canberra: CSIRO, 1975.) [94]

Australian Journal of Zoology. Supplementary Series. No. 33: Studies on Australian Muscidae (Diptera). VI. New Species and Records of *Dichaetomyia* Malloch. *Hemigiola* Pont and *Probarbitya* Pont. By A. C. Pont. Pp. 30. No. 34: A Revision of World Acanthosomatidae (Hemiptera: Pentatomidae)—Keys to and Descriptions of Subfamilies, Tribes and Genera, with Designation of Types. By R. Kumar. Pp. 60. (East Melbourne: Editorial and Publication Service, CSIRO, 372 Albert Street, 1974.) [94]