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AWARDS

The Columbia University's 1978 Louisa Gross Horwitz Prize has been awarded to David H. Hubel and Torsten N. Wiesel (Harvard University), and Vernon B. Mountcastle (The Johns Hopkins University), who will share the award (\$25,000) equally for their contributions to our understanding of the brain.

The Institute of Food Science and Technology has awarded the Mounfield Prizes to S. R. Tomlinson (National College of Food Technology) and Dut Fan Chung (Polytechnic of the South Bank).

A limited number of Research Fund grants, each of £200, will be awarded by the Chemical Society for the year 1979. Application forms, together with the regulations governing the Fund, may be obtained from Dr Malcolm D. Robinson, The Chemical Society, Burlington House, London W1, UK. The closing date for applications is 1 November 1978.

The Fifth Marconi International Fellowship Award will be given to a person who has made outstanding advances in satellite and space technologies relevant to improving world communications, according to Walter Orr Roberts, Fellowship Secretary. Nominations should be submitted before 15 November, 1978, to the Marconi International Fellowship. Aspen Institute, 1919 14th Street, No. 811, Boulder, Colorado 80302.

MEETINGS

- 4 December, Prospects for Power from Ocean Waves, Edinburgh (Executive Secretary, The Royal Society of Edinburgh, 22 & 24 George Street, Edinburgh, UK).
- 5 December, Vibrational Spectroscopy in Inorganic Chemistry, London (Stanley Langer, The Chemical Society, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1, UK).

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- 6-7 December, The Evolution of Adaptation by Natural Selection, London (Executive Secretary, The Royal Society, 6 Carlton Terrace, London SW1, UK).
- 9 December, **Tay Estuary Symposium**, Dundee (Dr J. McManus, Department of Geology, The University, Dundee, UK).
- 12–13 December, The Middle Atmosphere as observed from Balloons, Rockets and Satellites, London (Executive Secretary, The Royal Society, 6 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1, UK).
- 9-11 April 1978, Metal Ion Transport and Storage, Sheffield (Professor P. M. Harrison, Department of Biochemistry, University of Sheffield, Sheffield, Yorks, UK).
- 17-21 April, Special FEBS Meeting on Enzymes, Dubrovnik (Secretariat: Laboratory of Biochemistry, Technological Faculty, Pierottijeva, 6/VI, YU-41000 Zagreb, Yugoslavia).
- 20-21 April, Recent Advances in the Study of British Flora, Manchester (Miss L. Shore, Department of Botany, The University, Manchester, UK).
- 28 April-2 May, 81st Meeting of the American Ceramic Society, Cincinati (R. L. Berger, 3211 Civil Engineering Building, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois 61801).
- 7-9 May, **The Role of Peptides in Neuronal Function**, Bethesda (Dr Barker, Building 36, Room 2C02, NIH, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Maryland 20014).
- 20-21 June, New Horizons in Industrial Microbiology, London (Executive Secretary, The Royal Society, 6 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1, UK).
- 27-31 August, **The Role of Water in Urban Ecology**, Amsterdam (K. C. Plaxton, PO Box 330, Amsterdam, The Netherlands).
- 2–7 September, 7th International Meeting of the International Society for Neurochemistry, Jerusalem (Marco Trabucchi, Ente Universitario Lombardia Orientale, Istituto di Farmacologia e Terapia, Via Valsabbina, 19, 25100 Brescia, Italy).

- 3-5 September, Erosion by Liquid and Solid Impact, Cambridge (5th International Conference on Erosion by Liquid and Solid Impact, Cavendish Laboratory, Madingley Road, Cambridge, UK).
- 3-6 September, **EMAG 79**, Sussex (The Meetings Officer, The Institute of Physics, 47 Belgrave Square, London SW1, UK).
- 3-7 September, Insect Neurobiology and Pesticide Action, York (The Society of Chemical Industry, 14 Belgrave Square, London SW1, UK).
- 5-9 September, 15th International Congress of Therapeutics, Brussels (Secretariat of the Congress, Department of Cardiology, Hopital Universitaire Saint-Pierre, rue Haute 322, 1000 Brussels, Belgium).
- 10-13 September, 1st International Symposium on Neuroactive drugs in Endocrinology, Milan (Eugenio E. Müller, Department of Pharmacology, University of Milan, 32 Via Vanvitelli, 20129 Milan, Italy).
- 12-13 September, How will tomorrow's microprocessor based process instrumentation communicate? London (Miss Audrey Mills, Sira Institute Ltd, South Hill, Chislehurst, Kent, UK).
- 16-21 September, 4th Conference on Photographic Gelatin, Oxford (H. A. Adam, Processing Technology Laboratory, Kodak Ltd, Headstone Drive, Harrow, Middlesex, UK).
- 17-20 September, 2nd International Reindeer/Caribou Symposium, Roros (E. Reimers, Institute of Zoofysiology, University of Oslo, Box 1051 Blindern, Oslo 3, Norway).
- 17-21 September, 7th International Congress of Pathology, Valencia (Professor A. Llombart-Bosch, Department of Pathology, Medical School, Valencia Apartado 2045, Spain).
- 19-21 September, 4th National Quantum Electronics Conference, Edinburgh (Dr B. S. Wherrett, Physics Department, Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh, UK).
- 25-27 September, Organisation of Macromolecules in the Condensed Phase, Cambridge (Mrs Y. A. Fish, Faraday Division, The Chemical Society, Burlington House, London W1, UK).