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'Hands on' Anatomical Workshops in Neurosurgery 1998/9

September 1998–November 1999, Hill Surgical Workshop, The Royal College of Surgeons of England, 35–43 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PN. Further information from: Sophie Mitchell. Tel: +44 (0) 171 312 6693; Fax: +44 (0) 171 973 2118; e-mail: smitchell@rcseng.ac.uk

4th International Symposium on Spinal Cord Traumatic Injuries

14–16 October 1998, Deauville, France. Further information from: Congress Secretariat: Mrs Pozzo di Borgo, Institut pour la Recherche sur la Moelle Epiniere (IRME), 45 rue Vineuse, F-75116, Paris, France. Tel: +33 1 44 05 15 43; Fax: +33 1 44 05 15 22; e-mail: irme@wanadoo.fr.

Closing date for abstracts: 31 May 1998

IV European Symposium Early Intervention

14–17 October 1998, Worriken-Center Bütgenbach, Belgium. Further information from: Office for Disabled People, Aachenerstrasse 69-71, B-4780 St Vith, Belgium. Tel: +32 (0) 80-22- 91 11; Fax: +32 (0) 80-22 90 98; e-mail: dpb@eureglo.net

The British Cervical Spine Society Meeting and the Society for Back Pain Research

13–14 November 1998, Albany Conference and Banqueting Suite, Forte Posthouse, Bloomsbury Hotel, London. Each society will hold their own meeting on Friday. Saturday morning will be a combined meeting on: "What's new in the understanding and treatment of spinal pain?". For further information contact: Mr Alan Crockard, Consultant Neurosurgeon or Mr Jonathan Johnson, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, c/o Research Office, Department of Surgical Neurology, The National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery, Queen Square, London WC1N 3BG. Tel: 0171 837 3611 ext 3028; Fax: 0171 813 1138.

2nd International Workshop on 'Biomedical Aspects of Manual Wheelchair Propulsion: the state of the art II'

7–9 December 1998, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam. Further information from: Faculty of Human Movement Sciences, Department of Kinesiology, Van der Boechorststraat 9, 1081 BT Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Tel: +31 20 4448470/4448530; Fax: +31 20 4448529; website: <http://www.fbw.vu.nl/events/wheelchair98>; e-mail: M_L_den_Besten@fbw.vu.nl or B_Oudejans@fbw.vu.nl

1999 Spring Medical Device Technology Exhibition and Conference

2–3 March 1999, Olympia 2 & Conference Centre, London. For more information on exhibiting contact: Edward Ainslie. Tel: +44 (0) 1244 378888; Fax: +44 (0) 1244 370011.

1st Arab Regional Conference of Rehabilitation International and 2nd Gulf Conference in Medical Rehabilitation

22–25 March 1999, State of Kuwait. Organised by Dr Adnan A Al-Edan, Chairman, Organising Committee, Kuwait. Further information from: Conference Secretariat, PO Box 4079, 13041, Safat, Kuwait. Tel: +965 487 0406; Fax: +965 487 4190.

Closing date for abstracts: 6 January 1999

The First Interdisciplinary Congress on Spinal Surgery (World Spine 1)

27 August–1 September 2000, Berlin. All major topics related to Spinal Surgery will be covered: Neurosurgery, Orthopaedic Surgery, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Radiology, Rehabilitation Medicine, Spine Research, Pain Therapy and related fields. Further information from: Mario Brock, MD, Congress President, Universitätsklinikum Benjamin Franklin, Neurochirurgische Klinik, Hindenburgdamm 30, D-12200 Berlin, Germany. Tel: +49 30 8445 2531; Fax: +49 30 8445 3569.

39th Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Medical Society of Paraplegia

21–24 October 2000, Sydney, Australia. Topics: 1. Respiratory insufficiency including ventilator dependency and sleep apnoea; 2. Spinal cord injury in the elderly: Acute and Ageing; 3. Clinical trials and applied technology; 4. Pain; 5. Exercise physiology. Further information from: International Society of Paraplegia, Conference Action Pty Ltd, PO Box 1231, North Sydney, NSW 2059, Australia. Tel: +61 2 9956 8333; Fax: +61 2 9956 5154; e-mail: contact@real.net.au

1st World Congress of the International Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine

7–13 July 2001, Amsterdam RAI Congress Center, The Netherlands. Further information from: Congress Secretariat: Eurocongres Conference Management, Jan van Goyenkade 11, 1075 HP Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Tel: +31 (0)20-679 34 11; Fax: +31 (0)20-673 73 06; e-mail: eurocongres@rai.nl

International Symposium on Spinal Cord Post-Traumatic Injuries

14–16 October 1998, Deauville, Normandy, France. This meeting is organized by the French Institute on Spinal Cord Research IRME. Topics: 1. Neuroprotection; 2. Animal Models; 3. Functional reorganisation within the spinal cord below the lesion: locomotion and genito urinary functions; 4. Imaging of the traumatic spinal cord lesion; 5. Regeneration. Further information from: Dr Alain Privat, Chairman, Organisation Committee, IRME, 45 Rue Vineuse, 75116 Paris, France. Tel: 33 (0) 44 05 15 43; Fax: 33 (0) 1 44 05 15 22; e-mail: irme@wanadoo.fr.

**Nordic Medical Society of Paraplegia
Spinal Cord Prize for a Young Scientist**

At the annual scientific meeting of IMSOP in Copenhagen June 18–20, 1999, a prize of DKK10,000 (approx. 1,400 USD) for the best abstract and presentation (oral or poster) by a young scientist.

The winner of the prize must be less than 35 years of age at the time of the meeting. The study may be a collaborative study, but the first author must prove his/her age as described. The study must not have been published previously.

THE SPINAL CORD PRIZE 1999

The International Medical Society of Paraplegia and the publishers, Stockton Press, are pleased to announce that there will be a **Spinal Cord Prize** which will be awarded to the first named author (if aged under 35 years) of the best judged paper on original work accepted for publication in *Spinal Cord* during 1997/99.

The closing date for consideration of papers is **28 February 1999**. Authors wishing their papers to be considered for the prize should notify the Editor when submitting their paper.

The prize will consist of an engraved silver medal, a cheque for £500 and up to £500 towards attendance, with free registration, at the IMSOP Annual Scientific Meeting which, in 1999 will be held in Copenhagen, Denmark from 18–20 June 1999.

The entries will be judged by a panel consisting of the Editor of the Journal, the Chairman of the Scientific Committee of the Society, the President of the Society and a representative of the publishers.

**38th Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Medical Society
of Paraplegia 1999 in association with Nordic Medical Society of
Paraplegia**

June 18–20, 1999,
Copenhagen, Denmark

TOPICS FOR PRESENTATIONS

1. Circulatory control and metabolic disturbances in spinal cord injury
2. Sexuality and fertility
3. Heterotopic ossification (para-articular ossification)
4. The families of paralysed persons
5. Regeneration
6. Free papers

Deadline for receipt of abstracts: November 15, 1998.

A half day premeeting workshop will be held on the topic of urinary incontinence. *Paramedic workshops* will be held with the following themes: *Physiotherapists:* Seating/wheelchairs; *Occupational therapists:* Tetraplegic outcome measurements; *Social workers:* Scandinavian social security system for spinal cord injured individuals; *Nurses:* Bowel management.

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