
ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYMPOSIUM ON MANAGEMENT AND USE OF NON HUMAN PRIMATES IN BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow, in collaboration with National Biotechnology Board, Government of India is organising a symposium on the "management and use of Non-human primates in Biomedical research" from 20-22 November, 1984. The symposium will provide a forum for scientists to evaluate the use of monkeys in biomedical research, keeping in view the environmental, ethical and scientific factors. The symposium is aimed to highlight various aspects of maintenance of monkeys in captivity and their use in biomedical research, and draw suitable recommendations on ways and means to improve upon facilities and techniques.

Topics for discussion: I. Management of non-human primates—a. Breeding, behaviour and management in captivity, b. Nutritional requirements and feeding practices, c. Diseases, their diagnosis and control, d. Base line data and laboratory techniques; II. Use of Non-human primates (New world and old world monkeys) in the study of—a. Tropical diseases, b. Fertility control, c. Toxicology, d. Pharmacological behaviour studies.

Further particulars may be had from: Dr K. R. Bhardwaj, Secretary-Organising Committee, Scientist Incharge, Division of Laboratory Animals, Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow 226 001.

LEAD IN RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

Lead Development Association—Head Office in London—is organizing a one-day seminar on the potential role of lead in the management of radioactive wastes.

The seminar, to be held at the Palais des Congres, Brussels, on Tuesday, 20 November 1984, will bring together experts from the nuclear and lead industries in "Europe and North America", together with researchers from several countries. It will be of interest to anyone concerned with the handling transport, storage and final disposal of nuclear waste materials.

The programme will include an overview of the types and forms of radioactive wastes and of disposal

techniques and strategies; reports on several recent practical trials with lead; and papers on research studies on the long term behaviour of lead.

LDA are organizing this seminar with the cooperation of the International Lead Zinc Research Organization and the Centre d'Information des Metaux non Ferreux, Brussels.

Further details can be had from: Lead Development Association, 34 Berkeley Square, London W1X 6AJ; OR Indian Lead Zinc Information Centre, B6/7 Shopping Centre, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi 110 029.

INDIAN SOCIETY OF GENETICS AND PLANT BREEDING

The Indian Society of Genetics and Plant Breeding is organising two seminars on the 12th and 13th October, 1983 at the campus of the Haryana Agricultural University, Hissar. The topics of the seminars are: 1. The need and priorities of genetic engineering research in India; 2. Breeding for stress

resistance in crop plants.

Dr M. S. Swaminathan will deliver the Presidential address of the General Body on 11th October, 1984.

Details can be had from: Prof. V. L. Chopra, Post Box No. 2841, New Delhi 110 060.

INDIAN NATIONAL SCIENCE ACADEMY, YOUNG SCIENTISTS AWARDS

Fifteen young scientists have been selected from all over the country for the awards. Among the awardees are: Dr R. N. Kulkarni (Bangalore), Dr R. V. Hosur (Bombay) and Dr N. Hanumantha Rao (New Delhi).

The awards instituted by the Indian National Science Academy carry Rs. 5,000 in cash and a medal.

The awards are made each year to scientists below 32 years in recognition of their achievements in science and technology. The awards will be presented at the 72nd session of the Indian Science Congress in Lucknow in January 1985.

**SCIENCE ACADEMY MEDALS FOR
YOUNG SCIENTISTS-1985**

Instituted by the Indian National Science Academy in 1974 these medals are awarded annually in recognition of outstanding work of scientists below the age of 32 (as reckoned on 31st December preceding the year of award). Only those born on or after January 1, 1953 are eligible for consideration in 1985. The work done in India by the nominee will be taken into consideration for the award.

With the medal there is a cash award of Rs. 5000/-. In addition, the recipient is considered for a research grant by the Academy and also given preferential consideration under Travel grant scheme for attending international conferences.

Nominations for the awards for 1985 may be made by Fellows of the Academy, established scientific societies of all India character, University faculties and departments, or research institutions.

The last date for the receipt of nominations in the Academy is **November, 15, 1984.**

Nominations received in previous year(s) **will not be carried forward.**

Nomination forms can be obtained from the **Indian National Science Academy, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi 110 002** by sending a self addressed envelope of 28 cm x 12 cm size.