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Engineering Foundation Announces Enzyme Engineering Award

The Engineering Foundation's Board of Directors has given approval to a proposal to sponsor a major new award in the field of enzyme engineering. The proposal was made on behalf of the Executive Committee of the Seventh International Conference on Enzyme Engineering, a series of Engineering Foundation conferences held approximately biennially. The award's establishment was approved by the board at its 1982 semiannual meeting.

The foundation's award will honor individuals for outstanding scientific, engineering, managerial, or service achievements of major importance in the area of enzyme engineering. It will consist of a scroll duly certified by an officer of the foundation attesting to the presentation and an engraved piece of Steuben glassware. Corning Glass Works, Corning, N.Y., has agreed to be the financial sponsor of the first award, which will be presented at the Seventh International Enzyme Engineering Conference in September 1983. For qualifications and instructions for submitting nominations, contact Dr. Sandford S. Cole, Director, Engineering Foundation, 345 E. 47th St., New York, NY 10017.

A 173 page report, *Biotechnology Industry in Japan*, is available from Information Researchers, Inc. (IRI) at US\$595.00 (including overseas postage). Information Researchers, Inc. (IRI) is an integrated business information consulting company specialized in the Japanese "high-technology industries."

Further information regarding *Biotechnology Industry in Japan*" can be obtained from: Paul Mori, Director of Information Development, INFORMATION RESEARCHERS, INC. (IRI), No. 59-3 Yoyogi 4-chome, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 151.

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Fifth Symposium on Biotechnology for Fuels and Chemicals

It is apparant that advanced biotechnology concepts will have an important future impact on the production of fuels and chemicals. This Sympossium, the fifth in a series, will serve as a forum for the various disciplines and institutions involved in developing viable new biotechnology for converting biomass, including waste materials, to fuels, other energy sources, and chemical feedstocks, and in studying other innovative concepts related to biological processes that improve energy or chemical production. Represented will be those involved in academic research, in governmental agencies and laboratories, and in industry. Since this type of technology is beginning to mature, we will place additional emphasis on process engineering, including a panel discussion on "Challenges to Bioprocess Engineering." Formal seessions and a poster session will be held as in the past; a new addition to the program will be informal discussion groups organized for four topics.

The General Chairman of this series of symposia is Charles D. Scott, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

For further information, write to Dr. Scott at:

Oak Ridge National Laboratory, P.O. Box X, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37830, USA.

Fifth International Symposium on Affinity Chromatography and Biological Recognition

To be held at St. John's College, Annapolis, MD, USA on June 13–17, 1983. For information, contact: Symposium Manager, Barbara Nichols, 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814; tel. #: 301-530-7011.