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EUROPEAN ORGANIZATION FOR RESEARCH ON TREATMENT OF CANCER GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT CANCER COOPERATIVE GROUP

E.O.R.T.C. SYMPOSIUM ON G.I. TRACT CANCER—UPDATE ON COMBINED MODALITY THERAPY

29-30 May 1986, Heidelberg, West Germany

This symposium will focus on the role of perioperative and adjuvant therapeutic strategies in the treatment of cancer of the gastrointestinal tract. The experimental basis of multidisciplinary treatment will be explored and correlated with its latest application in various clinical settings involving primary, recurrent or disseminated disease. Results of recent EORTC trials and state of the art lectures will be presented. The topics of the meeting will be discussed in free papers and in poster sessions.

Free communications dealing with the topics of the symposium will be selected on the basis of submitted abstracts. Abstracts (in English) should be addressed to Prof. Dr. P. Schlag, Chirurgische Klinik, Universität Heidelberg, Im Neuenheimer Feld 110, 6900 Heidelberg, West Germany, and should be received by 15 February, 1986.

Seating is limited and preregistration is recommended. The registration fee is US \$ 120 (before March 1, 1986) and will be US \$150 thereafter.

For further information and registration contact Dr. P. Schlag at the above-mentioned address. Phone: (6221) 56.21.11 – Telex: 461745

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT: METASTASIS RESEARCH SOCIETY

The first meeting of this Society will be held in Trieste on 6-8 April 1986 at the invitation of Dr. T. Giraldi. The topic of the meeting will be: Treatment of Metastases.

The meeting will have guest lectures from invited speakers, but will be open for papers from all existing and intending members of the Society.

Those wishing to give papers should contact Dr. K. Hellmann, Cancer Chemotherapy Department, Imperial Cancer Research Fund, 44 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, WC2A 3PX for registration forms and instructions for preparing abstracts. Abstracts will be published.

Venue and registration fee to be decided.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THEORIES OF CARCINOGENESIS Facts, fashion or fiction?

A new type of conference arranged in Oslo, Norway, 16–20 August 1986 in connection with the 14th International Cancer Congress in Budapest, Hungary, 21–27 August 1986. Current paradigms have a heavy impact on research in the field of carcinogenesis. Those interested in mechanisms of carcinogenesis are invited to discuss among themselves the strengths and weaknesses of presently fashionable paradigms. The scientific program comprises discussion of the philosophy of science, and all current important theories of carcinogenesis. The following speakers have agreed to participate: Bruce N. Ames, John Ashby, Peter Bannasch, P. A. Cerutti, Ivan Chouroulinkov, Carl-Henrik Heldin, Olav H. Iversen, Laurence A. Loeb, Peter N. Magee, Friedrich Marks, R. H. Mole, R. Montesano, Gerald C. Mueller, Arne Naess, John Paul, Julian Peto, Henry Pitot, Miroslav Radman, Manfred F. Rajewsky, Francis J. C. Roe, Harry Rubin, Shigeaki Sato, D. Schmähl, George J. Todaro, Gary M. Williams, H. Yamasaki. For further information, contact: The Secretariat, The Norwegian Cancer Society, Huitfeldtsgt. 49, 0253 Oslo 2, Norway. Registration fee: U.S. \$100.00. Cost of stay: about U.S. \$400.00.

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THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE CLINICAL APPLICATIONS OF PHOTOSENSITIZATION FOR DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT

The First International Conference on the Clinical Applications of Photosensitization for Diagnosis and Treatment will be held in Tokyo 30 April – 2 May 1986. Topics will include photodynamic therapy (PDT) in cancer of various organs, including the lung, G.I. tract, skin, bladder, genital tract, breast, ocular and brain lesions, in addition to applications in atherosclerosis. Other topics include diagnosis and tumor localization, applications of continuous wave and pulsed wave lasers and activation of photosensitizers. For information, please contact Yoshihiro Hayata, M.D., Tokyo Medical College Hospital, 6–7–1 Nishishinjuku, Shinjuku–ku, Tokyo, Japan.