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# News

# **Tumour Response Monitoring**

A symposium on Tumour Response Monitoring and Treatment Planning will be held in Munich on 11–13 April 1991 to discuss recent advances and current developments in the field. The chairman of the symposium is Professor A. Breit and the meeting has been organised in close collaboration with the World Health Organization. Further information can be obtained from: ART 91 Scientific Secretariat, Institute für Radiologische Onkologie der TU, Ismaninger Strasse 15, D-8000 München 80, Federal Republic of Germany. Tel (49) 89 41 40 43 05, fax (49) 89 41 40 43 96.

#### **EORTC Addresses**

A reminder of the new EORTC addresses. The EORTC Executive Office is at 83 Avenue Mounier—Bte 10, B-1200 Brussels, Belgium—tel (32) 2774 16 40, fax (32) 2772 36 75. The EORTC Data Center is at 83 Avenue Mounier—Bte 11, B-1200 Brussels, Belgium—tel (32) 2 774 16 11 (randomisation only [32] 2 774 16 16) fax (32) 2 774 35 45.

# Société Français de Radiothérapie Oncologique

The Société Français de Radiothérapie Oncologique will hold its first national congress in Paris on 22–23 November 1990. Further details can be obtained from the secretariat: SOCFI, 14 rue Mandar, 75002 Paris, France. Tel (33) 1 42 33 89 94, fax (33) 1 40 26 04 44.

### European Osteosarcoma Intergroup

The 16th meeting of the European Osteosarcoma Intergroup was held on 17 April 1990 at the Netherlands Cancer Institute. Dr J. van der Eijken was announced as the new chairman of the group.

The Cambridge Data Centre reported on the progress of several protocols: 80861 has 239 patients with an average entry rate of 62 patients per year. So far 155 patients have stopped or completed therapy. A clear shift towards conservative surgery is indicated. 80862 has a total of 83 patients and further details

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will be given at the next meeting. 80871 has a total of 24 patients so far entered.

Data centres were asked by the surgical committee to provide data on patients with local recurrences. The committee is also interested in analysing surgical complications.

The pathology committee reported on the progress of the following protocols: 80831 has few missing biopsy samples but only a small proportion of specimens are suitable for assessment due to poorly prepared material. Biopsy samples for 80861 and 80862 are being analysed quantitatively.

The radiological committee reported on two protocols: material on metastatic patients in 80831 is limited and further information is unlikely to be forthcoming. Comprehensive radiological data on about 50% of the total patient group for 80861 should be available. The committee also mentioned that a new computerised imaging system, under development in Birmingham, may enable measurement of maximum cross-sectional areas of the primary tumour before and after chemotherapy from computed tomographic scans.

The Intergroup's next meeting will be in London on Thursday 18 October 1990.

## **Imaging**

A symposium on Picture Communication and Image Processing will be held on 26–27 October 1990 at the University Hospital

in Zurich. For further details please contact Mrs A. Shumacher, Department of Medical Radiology, University Hospital, Ramistrasse 100, CH-8091, Zurich, Switzerland. Tel (41) 1 255 2791, fax (41) 1 255 4443.

# **EORTC Screening and Pharmacology Group**

The new chairman of the EORTC Screening and Pharmacology Group is Dr J.A. Double. He can be contacted at the University of Bradford, Bradford, West Yorkshire, BD7 1DP, UK. Tel (44) 274 73 34 66, fax (44) 274 30 53 40.

# **International Congress of Chemotherapy**

The 18th International Congress of Chemotherapy will be held in Stockholm, Sweden, from 27 June to 2 July 1993. The main subject areas will be antimicrobial and anticancer chemotherapy, immunomodulation, vaccines, infectious diseases, general and clinical microbiology and oncology. The President of the Congress is Professor Ragnar Norrby from the Department of Infectious Diseases at the University Hospital of Lund, Sweden, and information can be obtained from the Stockholm Convention Bureau, PO Box 6911, S-10239 Stockholm, Sweden (tel [46] 8 23 09 90; fax [46] 8 34 84 41; telex 11556).

# ESTRO TEACHING COURSES IN 1991

#### Modern Brachytherapy Techniques, 7-11 April

Chairman: A Gerbaulet Venue: Scandinavia Deadline for early registration: 1.12.90

#### Principles and Technical Aspects in Clinical Radiotherapy, 9-13 June

Chairman: J W H Leer Venue: University of Tubingen, Germany Deadline for early registration: 1.2.91

### Radiotherapy Dosimetry, 9-13 September

Organised jointly by the ESTRO and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)

Chairman: H Svensson Venue: Huis van Chievres, Leuven, Belgium Deadline for early registration: 15.5.91

#### Radiation Physics for Clinical Radiotherapy, 16-22 September

Chairman: H Svensson Venue: Huis van Chievres, Leuven, Belgium Deadline for early registration: 15.5.91

#### Basic Clinical Radiobiology, 5-9 October

Chairman: G G Steel Venue: Hotel Armonia, Vouliagmeni (Athens), Greece Deadline for early registration: 1.6.91

#### The Role of Radiotherapy in the Management of Cancer, 11-17 November

Chairman: T Landberg Venue: Faculty of Medicine, University of Granada, Spain Deadline for early registration: 15.7.91



# The European School of Oncology

# 1990 - 1991 FORTHCOMING EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

#### 22nd-23th October

Residential Course: Site: Cordoba, Argentina

#### **Breast Cancer**

U. Veronesi (I), R. Del Castillo (RA)

#### 22nd-26th October

Residential Course: Site: Lisbon, Portugal

### **Genito-Urinary Tract Tumours**

L. Denis (B), F. Calais da Silva (P)

#### 23rd-25th October

Seminar: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

#### Cancer and the Immune System

R. Gisler (CH), P. Beverley (UK)

#### 25th-26th October

Residential Course: Site: Porto Alegre, Brazil

#### **Breast Cancer**

U. Veronesi (I), G. Gomes Da Silveira (BR)

#### 4th-10th November

Residential Course: Site: Lisbon, Portugal

#### **Medical Oncology**

H.M. Pinedo (NL), V. de Carvalho (P)

#### 6th-7th November

Seminar: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

# Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Spectroscopy in Oncology

A. Breit (FRG)

#### 13th-14th November

Seminar: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

## Neurological Adverse Reactions to Antineoplastic Chemotherapy

J. Hildebrand (B)

#### 24th-26th January 1991

Residential Course: Site: Nice, France

#### Breast Cancer

M. Namer (F), M. Hery (F)

#### 22nd-23rd February

Residential Course: Site: Vienna, Austria

### **Endocrine Tumours**

W. Waldhausl (A), C. Dittrich (A)

#### 24th-25th February

Residential Course: Site: Vienna, Austria

#### **Sexuality and Cancer**

L. Derogatis (USA), M. Springer-Kremser (A), C. Dittrich (A)

#### 19th-21st March

Seminar: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

# Oncogenes, Suppressor Genes and Growth Factors

M. Sporn (USA)

#### 9th-10th April

Seminar: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

#### Immunodiagnosis of Tumours

S. von Kleist (D)

#### 12th-14th April

Residential Course: Site: Athens, Greece

#### **Head & Neck Tumours**

G.B. Snow (NL)

#### 15th-19th April

Residential Course: Site: New York, USA

#### **Breast Cancer**

D. Kinne (USA), U. Veronesi (I)

#### 15th-20th April

Residential Course: Site: Barborka Centre, Poland

#### Clinical Radiobiology and Dose Fractionation

B. Maciejewski (PL) S. Dische (UK)

#### 21st-27th April

Residential Course: Site: Amsterdam, The Netherlands

#### Medical Oncology

H.M. Pinedo (NL)

For Residential Courses held in Italy and Switzerland, the registration fee is 500 ECU for 1990 and 600 ECU for 1991.

For Seminars held in Italy, the registration fee is 400 ECU for 1990 and 450 ECU for 1991.

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