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ADDENDUM

Third European Symposium on Stone Disease

Madrid, Spain, March 15-16, 1991

Organization: A. Rapado, Fundacion Jimenez Diaz, Universidad Autonoma de Madrid

Foreword

This meeting, the third in the series of European stone symposia that started in Bonn 1989 and followed by one in Basle (Switzerland) in 1990, was admirably organized by Dr. Rapado and his staff, in the beautiful environment of the university campus close to the historical districts of metropolitan Madrid. Unfortunately, the months preceding the symposium were full of highly disturbing events relating to the war in the Arabian Gulf. This scenario prevented many from travelling to Madrid. An unexpected result was that the financial basis suffered, becoming too small to permit publication of a special proceedings volume. In this situation the Advisory Board decided to bring out the collection of scientific papers as an addendum to this journal. This was only possible, however, after the contributing authors had agreed to fund publication. The price per contribution did not cover substantial editorial examination. We wish to express our appreciation to all who assisted in the preparation of the collection, especially my collaborators Dr. C. H. Schick, who provided the appropriate computer and software facilities, and I. Goldberg for secretarial work. We are also grateful to Dr. V. Hagmaier for financial support by the MADAUS company, Cologne.

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