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## Notes on books

**Intermediary Metabolism of the Liver** edited by Henry Brown and David Hardwick. (Pp. xiii + 187; illustrated. \$12.75.) Charles C. Thomas, Springfield, Illinois. 1973. This reports a symposium held at the Children's Hospital, Vancouver. Proteins, lipids, carbohydrates, and ammonia metabolism are covered in depth, but with close reference to clinical disorders.

**Isolated Organ Perfusion** edited by H. D. Ritchie and J. D. Hardcastle. (Pp. viii + 214; illustrated. £5.75.) Crosby Lockwood Staples, London 1973. This book aims to provide a general background of the scientific and technical knowledge which the research worker will need to embark on a project involving perfusion of a viscus. The liver, stomach, and the duodenum and pancreas are dealt with specially.

**St Mark's Hospital Annual Report 1972** records the work at this specialist hospital concerned with colon and rectal disease. The separate supplement gives full details of current research and of the clinical work at the hospital. Copies may be obtained from the Secretary, Research Department, St Mark's Hospital, City Road, London EC1V 2PS.

**Tumors of the Esophagus and Stomach** by Si-Chun Ming. *Atlas of Tumor Pathology*, second series, fascicle 7, edited by Harlan I. Firminger. (Pp. 279; 257 illustrations. No price given.) Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington D.C. 1973. This is one of the 'Atlas of Tumor Pathology' series. It presents an exhaustive and important documentation of all tumours affecting the oesophagus and stomach and is richly illustrated.

**Current Practice of Biliary Surgery** by Gabriel A. Kune. (Pp. xxii + 419; illustrated. £8.00.) Churchill Livingstone, Edinburgh and London. 1972. This is written by an Australian surgeon who trained at the Lahey Clinic. It includes a critical evaluation of the various techniques of cholangiography and liver biopsy in the jaundiced patient. The surgical techniques of all biliary problems are discussed in depth and well illustrated. The book includes much personal experience as well as extensive reviews of the literature with over 1000 references.

Information from Doz Dr R. Lesch, Pathologisches Institut der Universität Freiburg, D-7800, Freiburg i. Br. Albertstrasse 19, West Germany.

## Notes and activities

### Medicine in the Common Market

A conference on 'Medicine in the Common Market' will be held from 5 to 7 November 1973 at 1 Wimpole Street, London W1M 8AE.

The conference is being organized by the Royal Society of Medicine in conjunction with the Royal College of Physicians, the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, the Royal College of General Practitioners, and the British Medical Association. The registration fee is £15.00 (£5.00 for students) and all information can be obtained from The Conference Office, The Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London, W1M 8AE.

### Hepatitis in Childhood

An international meeting on 'Hepatitis in childhood' arranged by the Department of Child Health and the Liver Unit, King's College Hospital Medical School, will be held in the Medical School on Wednesday 3 October 1973.

In planning the meeting, speakers have been asked to evaluate the recent advances in the understanding of the pathogenesis of hepatitis, describe some clinico-pathological disorders, and consider the efficacy of available treatment. Plenty of time will be allowed for discussion.

A registration fee of £2 will be charged (payable on the day) to cover the cost of both morning coffee and buffet lunch.

Applications to attend should be sent to Dr Alex P. Mowat, Department of Child Health, King's College Hospital Medical School, London SE5 8RX.

### Freiburg Liver Week 1973

An international liver week will take place from 10 to 16 October in Freiburg.

On 10 to 11 October the subject is collagen metabolism and liver, on 12 to 14 October drugs and the liver, and on 15 to 16 October liver regeneration after experimental liver injury.

### American Pancreatic Study Group

The annual meeting will be held at Drake Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, at 9 am on Thursday 1 November 1973.

Executive Secretary: Paul D. Webster MD, Department of Medicine, Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, Georgia 30902.

### Gastroenterological Society of Australia

There are now over 240 members and the activities of the Society continue to expand rapidly.

A scientific meeting has been arranged in Singapore in association with the Singapore Society of Gastroenterology from 3 to 8 March 1974.

### American Digestive Disease Society

The American Digestive Disease Society, Inc, is now being formed at 295 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10017 USA. Mr Irwin M. Rosenthal is President of the National Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis, Inc., and he is President for the time being. This organization is attempting to be the umbrella organization for all professional groups and lay foundations concerned with the prevention of digestive disease in the United States. It is modelled on The American Cancer Society and The American Heart Association.

### Two New Slide Tapes

Two new slide tapes on rectal biopsy in inflammatory bowel disease have been made under the auspices of the Association of Clinical Pathologists and the Medical Recording Service of the Royal College of General Practitioners. They are recordings of the Hurst lecture in 1971 of Basil Morson. These tapes can be obtained from the Librarian at the Medical Recording Service Foundation at Kitts Croft, Writtle, Chelmsford CM1 3EH, either as cassettes or 5m. tapes, at a cost of £3 per cassette or tape plus 12p for each accompanying slide, plus VAT.