Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen, dear Mr. John Dormandy,

This Fähraeus Medal is the second one. The first one was awarded in London, in 1981, and Professor Shu Chien was our first Laureate. All of us remember his lecture, which correlated the new and fascinating field of haemorheology with those of physiology and pathology and gave us new ideas for research in the future.

This year, Mr. John Dormandy, you are our second Laureate. You introduced for the first time a very simple technique for the measurement of the erythrocyte flexibility, and through this technique it is now possible to appreciate it very quickly.

You must know how grateful we are for all you have done. With your courage, your tenacity, you gave us a very great impulse.

In the name of the Council of our Company, the French subsidiary of Hoechst Group, Laboratoires Hoechst, and with the recommendation of the International Scientific Board of the Third European Conference on Clinical Haemorheology, I have the honor to present to you the Fähraeus Medal and Award 1983.

Our friend, Professor A.L. Copley, under his artist's name (Mr.) L. Alcopley, has specially drawn, with great talent, the portrait of Fähraeus. Professeur A.L. Copley, with your continual personal engagement, you are for us an example and we should like to thank you altogether.
FIG. 1
Front side of Fähraeus Medal, designed by L. Alcopley

FIG. 2
Back side of Fähraeus Medal, designed by L. Alcopley