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EDITORIAL

This issue contains Part III of the Proceedings of the Sixth International Congress of Biorheology, held at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., Canada, 27 July to 1 August, 1986. Part III consists of the Symposium 'Current Developments in Clinical Hemorheology', edited by H.J. Meiselman and G.D.O. Lowe, who acted as chairmen. Part I of the Proceedings is published in BIORHEOLOGY 23, number 6, 1986, while Part II is published in BIORHEOLOGY 24, number 2, 1987. Subsequent Parts, IV etc., will be published in forthcoming issues of BIORHEOLOGY.

The following two Plenary Lectures of the Congress dealing with clinical hemorheology were published in BIORHEOLOGY 23, number 6, 1986: 'Interactions between haemodynamic and biochemical factors causing transient ischaemic attacks and strokes', by G.V.R. Born, pages 613-620 and 'Blood rheology in myocardial infarction and hypertension', by Shu Chien, pages 633-653. These two Plenary Lectures are thus contained in the Special Issue of BIORHEOLOGY, dedicated to Y.-C.B. Fung, the Poiseuille Gold Medal Awardee.

This issue also contains Part V of the Proceedings of the Fourth European Conference on Clinical Hemorheology, Siena, Italy, 1985. In the event there will be additional Communications, which were presented at this Conference, held at Siena, and accepted for publication in our Journal, they will be published in subsequent issues.

Communications not associated with the meetings at Vancouver and Siena, which have been accepted by our Editors, are contained in this issue.

A new addition to our Journal is the section 'Hemorheology News'. It will contain news items including reports of meetings pertaining to clinical hemorheology, held by national or international societies or groups which deal with clinical hemorheology

or are of interest to our Readers. This was emphasized in the Editorial by one of us (ALC) in volume 6, 493-499, 1986.

'Hemorheology News' contains the following two reports: 'North American Society of Biorheology' by D.E. McMillan, Secretary of the North-American Society of Biorheology. The other one, entitled 'Report on the Working Group Theoretical, Experimental and Clinical Hemorheology of the G.D.R. and on the 3rd National Symposium on Hemorheology, November 1985 Bad Blankenburg, German Democratic Republic', is by D. Lerche, Chairman of the Working Group.

We should like to encourage the submission of reports by officers of biorheological societies or groups which deal with information of interest to clinical hemorheologists.

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