

SIXTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF BIORHEOLOGY  
CELEBRATION OF TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF  
THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF BIORHEOLOGY

RESPONSE

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Congress President Don Brooks, Society President Harry Goldsmith, Fellow Members and Friends of the International Society of Biorheology,

Don, I am overwhelmed by your accolade. I am taken by complete surprise with the unexpected appreciation of my activities pertaining to the science of biorheology, which you so kindly expressed on behalf of our Society and the participants of this Congress.

I thank you both for remembering and making the Twentieth Anniversary of our Society a celebration. Quite a number of participants of this Congress were present when our Society was founded during its first international congress, named at that time 'The International Conference on Hemorheology', which was held under the auspices of the University of Iceland at Reykjavik. I am glad that the Society is increasingly serving the science of biorheology, which is the link to most- if not all - life sciences.

Don, I am humbled as I am deeply touched by your kind words regarding my efforts in the past and present. I thank you and Harry for your thoughtfulness and that of the members of our Society in presenting to me, as a token of recognition, a picture by my colleague, the Haida artist Robert Davidson, here on the grounds of the Anthropological Museum of the University of British Columbia. This unique Museum harbors so many treasures by the Canadian-Indian artists of this grandiose region of the North American continent, the Pacific Coast of Canada.

I, as well as every participant, am enjoying the activities of this Congress, which you both and your associates in Vancouver and Montreal have organized with laudable enthusiasm. It is scientifically highly successful as are its social activities. This evening we are relishing the gastronomically smiling Salmon Barbecue, a real culinary feast.

Don and Harry, I thank you for your beautiful gesture towards me. If I may speak for all participants and guests of this Congress, I believe that every one will join me in thanking you and your many inspired associates for the hospitality and the excellent Congress at this Twentieth Anniversary of our Society, which we are celebrating here on the friendly campus of the University of British Columbia.

Again - A Hearty Thank You! And to All assembled here: Join me in giving them a hand!