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## EDITORIAL AND PREFACE

This issue, No. 6, of Volume 5 of CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY, comprises Part I of the Proceedings of the Fourth European Conference on Clinical Hemorheology. The entire Conference Proceedings are edited by Alfred L. Copley, Tullio Di Perri, and Sandro Forcini. The other parts of the Proceedings will be published in forthcoming issues of this Journal. This issue also contains non-Conference communications.

The Conference communications in this issue are limited to six of the seven Plenary Lectures and to the texts of the Fåhraeus Award Ceremony. Since the Plenary Lectures were invited by the Organizing Committee of the Conference, the Editors-in-Chief of CLIN-ICAL HEMORHEOLOGY decided to have them published without special acceptance.

It is regrettable that this issue does not contain certain communications, although I had urged the authors several months in advance to submit their texts for inclusion in this issue. Unfortunately, their texts never reached my office. These texts will be published as soon as they become available. They are: The Opening Address by President Tullio Di Perri, and the Addresses of Welcome by other authorities. Other missing texts are cited below.

The Plenary Lectures on the first day of the Conference are presented first. Next, the Fåhraeus Award Lecture by Holger Schmid-Schönbein is presented, preceded by the text of the Presentation of the Fåhraeus Medal by G.A. Marcel. Although the only photographs pertaining to the Fåhraeus Award Ceremony which reached this office were not distinct, we decided to include one. What was not received for publication is the text of the Introduction of the Fåhraeus Awardee by J.A. Dormandy. The two Plenary Lectures, given on the second day, follow the Fåhraeus Award Ceremony texts. The

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third day listed the sixth and seventh Plenary Lectures, one of which by John A. Dormandy, entitled "The Impact of Hemorheology on Vascular Surgery", was not received. However, as soon as we secure this Plenary Lecture from him, it will be published. The seventh Plenary Lecture, entitled "Hemorheology and Neoplastic Diseases", was exchanged upon the author's wishes for his lecture, entitled "First Haemorheological Experiment on NASA Space Shuttle 'DISCOVERY' STS 51-C: Aggregation of Red Cells". The latter lecture by Leopold Dintenfass is meant to serve as Plenary Lecture, while his former will be published in a forthcoming issue and not be designated as Plenary Lecture.

The subsequent parts of the Proceedings of the Conference will be published, starting with Volume 6, Issue No. 1 of CLINI-CAL HEMORHEOLOGY. It is expected that the next issue will contain the papers comprising the Round Tables, which will be edited by their Moderators, either as Editor or Guest Editor as the case may be.

Any free communications presented at the Conference and submitted to an Editor of our Journal will upon its acceptance be published as a Conference Communication. We should like to encourage the authors of free communications to submit their manuscripts to CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY and an Editor of their choice.

Each subsequent issue of CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY, as this one, will contain non-Conference communications, which will be published as usual.

I am glad, and so I feel certain are all participants, that the Conference at Siena was scientifically highly successful. We enjoyed as well the social events, also organized by President Tullio Di Perri and the Local Organizing Committee, who are in great part responsible for the program and the scheduled activities of the Conference.

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New York, New York 4 November 1985