6th International Workshop on the Fragile X and X linked Mental Retardation

The meeting, to be held in Cairns, North Queensland, Australia, on 3–6 August 1993, will focus on all aspects of research into fragile X syndrome and other forms of X linked mental retardation. It is designed primarily for those actively involved in research in these areas and all participants will be expected to contribute actively to the workshop format of the meeting. For more information please contact: Dr Grant R Sutherland, Department of Cytogenetics and Molecular Genetics, Women’s and Children’s Hospital, North Adelaide, South Australia. Tel: (08) 204 7333 or fax: (08) 204 7342.

Medical Genetics: 1993

Board Review Course. On 21 to 23 May 1993, the University of Pittsburgh will conduct Medical Genetics: 1993, intended as a review for the examination of the American Board of Medical Genetics a month later. Local and visiting faculty will use lectures, workshops, and practice questions to review dysmorphology, quantitative genetics, and cytogenetic, biochemical, and molecular diagnostics, as applied to clinical and counselling cases. For information, contact Department of Conference Management, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Nese-Barkan Building, Fifth Floor, 3811 O’Hara Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213-2593, USA. Tel: (412) 647-8232. Fax: (412) 647-8222.

European School of Medical Genetics

European School of Medical Genetics, 6th Course, Sestri Levante (Genoa), 28 March to 3 April 1993.

Directors Professor V A McKusick (Balimore), Professor G Romeo (Genoa).


Topics Introduction to Medical and Molecular Genetics, Mendelian and non-Mendelian Genetics, Human and Clinical Cytogenetics, Radiation Hybrids, FISH, Population Genetics, Molecular Genetics, Counselling, Screenings, Prenatal Diagnosis, Congenital Malformations, Model Systems.

Applications Send a CV, a brief description of your research interests, a letter of presentation, and a certificate of your knowledge of English to M Caterina Cogorno, Laboratory of Molecular Genetics, Istituto G Gastini, 16148 Genova, Italy. Tel: +39/10/5636370-400, Fax +39/10/392154, E-mail: GENETICA@IGECUNIV.

Correction

In the article ‘Attitudes towards prenatal diagnosis and carrier screening for cystic fibrosis among the parents of patients in a paediatric cystic fibrosis clinic’ by Watson et al (J Med Genet 1992; 29: 490–1), one of the questions was accidentally omitted from the questionnaire as published in the Appendix. The missing question (9) is “Do you think that introduction of screening to detect carriers in the population would be a good thing?”, to which 92% answered yes.