

# Announcements

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## International Standing Committee

Elections for the International Standing Committee on Human Cytogenetic Nomenclature were held at the International Congress of Human Genetics in Mexico City on Wednesday, 13 October 1976 and resulted in the election of the following members:

Dr Akio Awa, Japan	} remain on the Committee
Dr B. Dutrillaux, France	
Dr J. L. Hamerton, Canada	
Dr D. Harnden, U.K.	
Dr Patricia Jacobs, U.S.A.	
Dr J. Lindsten, Stockholm	} remains on the Committee
Dr J. Wahrman, Israel.	

At a meeting of the Standing Committee held on Thursday, 14 October, 1976, Dr J. Lindsten of the Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, was elected chairman from 1 January 1977. Communications relating to cytogenetic nomenclature should be addressed to Dr J. Lindsten's address. The following members of the old committee retired:

Dr H. J. Evans, U.K.  
Dr C. E. Ford, U.K.  
Dr F. H. Ruddle, U.S.A.

## European Society of Human Genetics

### Invitation to Membership

#### *Aims of the Society*

The main purpose of the society is the organisation of an annual symposium, usually held during a weekend in May, at alternating locations in Europe, and thus providing an easy opportunity for European human geneticists to see each other once a year to exchange information. While each meeting is

dedicated to a *main topic* and given a corresponding title, an essential feature of the ESHG symposia is *free topic meetings*, so that in principle members may give contributions on any topic at any symposium irrespective of its main title.

Our symposia so far have been:

1976 'Genetic polymorphism' in Athens  
1975 'Developmental genetics' in Freiburg  
1974 'Population genetics' in Umeå, Sweden  
1973 'Karyotype-phenotype' in Pavia  
1972 'Somatic cell genetics' in Amsterdam  
1970 'Determination and differentiation of sex' in Ghent  
1969 'Clinical genetics' in Liverpool  
1968 'Meiosis' in Paris  
1967 'Genetic polymorphisms in man' in Copenhagen

Planned symposia are:

1977 'Clinical genetics' in Oslo  
1978 'Chromosome structure and function' in Vienna  
1979 'Cytogenetics' in Salisbury, England

#### *Newsletters*

Members are kept informed about coming symposia, including details of programmes, through a *Newsletter* issued about three times a year or when necessary. Since 1975, abstracts of the symposia have been printed in *Clinical Genetics*.

#### *How to become a member*

Membership is in principle open. The number of members is currently around 300, but considerably more could probably profit from the services of the society. Write to the address below and request the necessary form.

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