

Announcements

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INTERNATIONAL REGISTRY FOR PRENATAL MONITORING OF HEREDITARY ANEMIAS

The World Health Organization is supporting an International Registry for Prenatal Monitoring of Hereditary Anemias. This includes cases studied by fetal blood, amniocentesis, or chorionic villi, and ranges from haemoglobinopathies to white cell disorders to non-haematological diseases studied by fetal blood. Please contact Dr Blanche P Alter, Polly Annenberg Levee Hematology Center, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, 1 Gustave Levy Place, New York, NY 10029, USA to obtain Registry forms and further information.

LONDON SCHOOL OF HYGIENE AND TROPICAL MEDICINE DIPLOMA IN HUMAN AND CLINICAL GENETICS

The course is offered for medical graduates requiring training in clinical genetics. A wide range of teachers from University College and many other Schools of the University of London offer this new course at the MSc level for one academic year full time. A series of lectures, practicals, seminars, and demonstrations cover a wide range of topics in human genetics and human teratology, including cytogenetics, biochemical genetics, population genetics, molecular biology, developmental biology, and clinical genetics. Emphasis is given to recent developments in rapidly advancing fields, particu-

larly in the primary prevention and the antenatal diagnosis of congenital malformations. Genetic counselling and aspects of genetic engineering and their ethical implications are also covered. Course co-ordinator: Professor J H Renwick. Further details may be obtained from the Registrar, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Keppel Street, London WC1E 7HT, UK.

MEDICAL GENETICS: 1984

There will be a 3 day course on Medical Genetics: 1984 on 10 to 12 May 1984 in Washington DC. The course is organised by members of the NIH Inter-Institute Medical Genetics Program and will include didactic and problem oriented sessions. Topics include gene and chromosome structure and function, population genetics, dysmorphology, in-born errors of metabolism, and the genetics of cancer, endocrine, neurological, and other common diseases as well as antenatal diagnosis, counselling, and treatment. The course is intended, in part, as a review for candidates for the examinations of the American Board of Medical Genetics, but will not ignore the excitement of current research. The course is approved for AMA Category 1 credit. Further information is available from: Medical Genetics, c/o FAES, The National Institutes of Health, Building 10, Room B1-L-101, Bethesda, Maryland 20205, USA. Tel: (301) 496-7976.