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PREFACE

SIXTH EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY

This Special Issue contains the Abstracts of the VI. European Conference on Clinical Haemorheology, held from 15-17 June 1989 at Frankfurt am Main, F.R. Germany. The Chairman of the Conference is one of us (AME), aided by the Organizing Committee and the VI. European Clinical Haemorheology Coordinating Committee. The Abstracts are printed alphabetically with regard to their first Author. An Author Index refers to each Author of all Abstracts. The Abstracts were edited by the Conference Chairman and the other members of the Program Committee.

A Conference Program is issued separately for the participants of the Conference by the Conference Chairman and his Organizing Committee.

We believe that the Participants of the Conference and other Readers of CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY will be interested in 'The Robin Fåhræus Memorial Lecture: Robin Fåhræus - The Scientist and The Person' by one of us (ALC). The Lecture was given upon invitation in Stockholm on 1 December 1988 on the occasion of the Annual Meeting of the Swedish Society of Pathology in association with the Annual Meeting (Riksstämman) of the Swedish Medical Association.

We ask the Authors, who are presenting Plenary Lectures, and the Authors of Oral Communications to submit, without delay, their communications for inclusion in the Conference Proceedings, to be published in CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY.

PART I of the PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTH EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON CLINICAL HAEMORHEOLOGY will contain the Fåhræus Medal Award Lecture, the A.L. Copley Lecture for Young Investigators in Clinical Hemorheology and the Plenary Lectures. As Part I will be published as early as possible, we greatly appreciate the submission of the Lectures directly to one of us (ALC) at the earliest possible date. These manuscripts should be presented in accordance with our Instructions to Authors, printed in each issue

of CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY, and sent directly to the Executive Editorial Office of CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY at Polytechnic University, New York. Since they are Lectures, invited by the President and the Program Committee of the Conference, they will not be refereed.

We like to include in Part I of the Proceedings as many Oral Communications as possible. They will be edited by their Chairpersons, whom we ask to expedite the editorial work. It is our custom that Chairpersons, who are not Editors of CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY, are appointed by us to serve as Guest Editors of the invited communications in their sessions. As CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY has a wide reading public all over the globe, the rapid publication of the Conference Proceedings will be greatly appreciated by the growing scientific community, interested in the science of biorheology and its various fields, as well as, in particular, by physicians, surgeons and clinical investigators interested in clinical hemorheology.

Communications pertaining to theoretical and experimental hemorheology as well as to theoretical and experimental perihemorheology will be published in early issues of BIORHEOLOGY. Such communications should be submitted to an Editor of BIORHEOLOGY in accordance with the Author's choice. The Instructions to Authors are the same as for CLINICAL HEMORHEOLOGY.

Under the heading PROCEEDINGS OF THE VI. EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON CLINICAL HAEMORHEOLOGY we shall publish any Papers or Brief Communications pertaining to Oral Communications and Posters, presented at the Conference, as rapidly as possible. These Free Communications will have to be submitted to an Editor of the Author's choice.

OUR GREETINGS TO THE PARTICIPANTS OF THE VI. EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON CLINICAL HAEMORHEOLOGY AND OUR BEST WISHES FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE CONFERENCE!

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