

APS Plenary Session

FASEB Spring Meeting

April 4, 1984

Second Annual APS Physiology in Perspective Lecture

Wednesday, April 4, 1984

Clarion Hotel (formerly Stouffers Riverfront)
St. Louis, MO

9:00 A.M. Prostacyclin—From Discovery to the Clinic

J. R. Vane, Director

Group Research and Development
The Wellcome Research Laboratories
Beckenham, Kent, UK

9:45 A.M. APS Business Meeting

A. P. Fishman, President

American Physiological Society

10:30 A.M.—1:30 P.M.

Free Time to Visit the Exhibits

(APS Symposia and Sessions will *not* be scheduled
during this period)

Immediately after the lecture, the American Physiological Society will hold its Business Meeting. No scientific sessions other than Dr. Vane's lecture will be scheduled by APS for Wednesday morning. Following the Business Meeting, the remainder of the morning will be left free for visiting the exhibits at the Convention Center.

APS Centennial Collection of Physiological Instruments and Equipment

As part of the Centennial Celebration of the American Physiological Society, we would like to form a small collection of physiological instruments and equipment to be placed on exhibit at the Centennial meeting and afterward at the APS headquarters. Instruments, devices, and methods useful in the detection, measurement, and recording of physiological functions have played a major role in the progress of physiology over the last century. Some of these instruments have been borrowed from other disciplines, but many have been specially invented by physiologists and have opened up whole new areas of research. At times a simple gadget, later relegated to the trashcan, played an important role. There are presently no available collections of this material. Even the most familiar laboratory instruments of a generation ago are not being saved. A Centennial Collection, it is hoped, will serve as a tangible reminder of past achievements.

We are eager to hear from members of the Society or any other readers of possible available contributions. If you have such equipment that you would be willing to donate to the APS Centennial Collection, please send us a description of it. Or if you have items of historical value that you do not wish to donate but would be willing to loan, or know where such items may be located, please let us know. We would especially welcome examples of the most common laboratory instruments of the past.

Please write to M. C. Shelesnyak, Task Force Director, Centennial Celebration Committee.

Section on the History of Physiology Organizational Meeting

An organizational meeting of the Section on the History of Physiology will be held at 4:45 P.M., Tuesday, April 3, 1984, in the Mississippi Room of the Clarion Hotel, St. Louis. At that time, the Section will be discussed and officers elected.

Young Investigator Prize in Environmental Physiology

The Environmental, Thermal and Exercise Physiology Section of APS will again present the annual prize for outstanding research in environmental physiology by a graduate student. The prize includes a cash award of \$200, which will be presented at the Temperature Regulation Dinner during FASEB week. To be eligible for the award, the graduate student must have presented or will present a paper at the 1983 Fall or 1984 Spring Meeting and must be the first author on the published abstract. Either a typewritten copy of the presentation or a manuscript related to the research should be submitted by March 15 to Dr. E. R. Nadel, John B. Pierce Foundation Laboratory, 290 Congress Ave., New Haven, CT 06519. The Award Committee will notify all applicants of its decision by March 30.

Previous prize winners are B. Pinshow, Duke University (1975); M. Maron, University of California, Santa Barbara (1976); L. K. Vaughn, University of Michigan (1977); D. E. Lemons, Portland State University (1978); J. M. Steffan, University of New Mexico (1979); M. O'Donnell, University of California, Davis (1980); R. Moalli, Brown University (1981); K. J. A. Davies, University of California, Berkeley (1982); and N. Rousch, Mayo Medical School (1983).

Comparative Physiology Section

The Comparative Physiology Section of the American Physiological Society held a business meeting August 23, 1983 in the Honolulu Room of the Sheraton Waikiki in Honolulu, HI. Because there was not a quorum present, official business could not be conducted. However, discussion of the possibility of implementing an award for a graduate student presentation at APS Fall Meetings was discussed. Those present agreed that this matter should be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of this section to be held in Lexington, KY.

It was announced that Dr. Robert Blake Reeves, Dept. of Physiology, School of Medicine, State University of New York, Buffalo, NY, was elected as the new counsellor for our section for a three-year term expiring in 1986. The officers for the coming year are H. T. Hammel, Chairman (term expires in 1984); M. R. Fedde, Secretary (term expires in 1984); D. C. Jackson, Program Advisory Committee, APS (term expires in 1984); and S. C. Wood, Counsellor (term expires in 1985); and R. B. Reeves, Counsellor (term expires in 1986).

M. R. Fedde, Secretary