

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pharmacoepidemiology

The 3rd International Conference on Pharmacoepidemiology, "Contributions of Pharmacoepidemiology to Public Health: Industry, Government, Academic and Clinical Practice Perspectives", will be held 9-11 September 1987 at the Radisson University Hotel, University of Minnesota campus, Minneapolis, Minnesota, U.S.A.

The purposes of this conference are to provide a forum for the exchange of information between academic researchers, medical care practitioners, health care administrators, the pharmaceutical industry and regulatory agencies on pharmacoepidemiological approaches to studying the efficacy and safety of pharmaceuticals and the contributions of pharmacoepidemiology to developing public health policy. The conference will include invited lectures, papers and posters submitted for presentation, and workshops.

Abstracts should pertain to one of the following five categories: Public policy and pharmacoepidemiology, Methodologic issues in post approval drug studies, Role of Observational studies in drug development, Cost-benefit and quality of life assessment and Current controversies.

Information: Dr. Stan Edlavitch or Ms. Nola Fortner, Division of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, University of Minnesota, 611 Beacon Street, SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55455, U.S.A.

Seasonal Analysis

The First Seminar in Applied Statistics, Statistical Methods for Cyclical and Seasonal Analyses, organized by the Interamerican Statistical Institute (IASI) will take place in Mar del Plata, Argentina, 31 August-2 September, 1987. The seminar will occur jointly with the XV Annual Meeting of the Argentine Statistical Society.

The purpose of the seminar is to promote in the Latin American and Caribbean countries, the use of standard and modern methods for cyclical and seasonal analyses. A good deal of technical information will be available, to encourage the use of the procedures in the participating institutions, and to develop an interest among statisticians, econometricians, economists, and others working in the region.

Information: Raúl P. Mentz, University of Tucumán, Casilla de Correo 209, 4000 Tucumán-Argentina or Evelio Fabbroni, IASI, 1889 F Street, N.W., (270E2), Washington, D.C. 20006 U.S.A.

Ohio Conference

The Fifteenth Annual Mathematics and Statistics Conference at Miami University,

Oxford, Ohio, will be held 9-10 October 1987. The theme for this year's conference will be "Computers and Mathematics".

Speakers: Robert E. Tarjan, AT&T Bell Laboratories and Princeton University; Anthony Ralston, SUNY at Buffalo; and A.K. Dewdney, University of Western Ontario and Editor of the Computer Recreations column of *Scientific American*. There will be contributed paper sessions which should be suitable for a diverse audience of mathematicians, statisticians, and students. Abstracts should be sent by 15 June 1987 to Professor Zevi Miller, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio 45056, U.S.A. Information regarding preregistration and housing may also be obtained from Professor Miller.

The Ohio Delta Chapter of Pi Mu Epsilon will hold its thirteenth annual Student Conference 9-10 October 1987. Undergraduate mathematics and statistics students are invited to contribute papers, and should send abstracts by 25 September 1987. Information: Professor Milton Cox, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio 45056, U.S.A.

Human Paleontology

The second meeting of the International Association for the Study of Human Paleontology will take place in Turin, Italy, from 28 September-3 October, 1987. Free communications will be presented as well as six symposia on the following topics:

- The Pre-Hominids
M. PICKFORD, Coordinator
- *Australopithecinae*
D.C. JOHANSON, Coordinator
- *Homo Habilis*
P. TOBIAS, Coordinator
- *Homo Erectus*
M-A. DE LUMLEY, Coordinator
- *Homo Sapiens Neanderthalensis*
G. GIACOBINI, Coordinator
- *Homo Sapiens Sapiens*
J. JELINEK, Coordinator

The Congress will take place at Torino Esposizioni, Corso M. D'Azeglio 17, Turin, Italy. The registration fee is 100,000 Italian Lire for full members and 60,000 Italian Lire for associate members and students.

Information: Secretary General of the Congress, Professor Giacomo Giacobini, Laboratory of Human Palaeontology, Dept. of Human Anatomy and Physiology, Corso M. D'Azeglio 52, 10126 Turin, Italy.

Statistical Modelling

The Second International Workshop on Statistical Modelling and Analysis of Data will take place in Perugia, Italy, 6-10 July 1987. The workshop, following the one held

in Innsbruck in July 1986, is intended to gather a number of people, mainly from European countries, wishing to discuss various issues arising from practical data analysis, with special attention to the theory and methodology which can be considered to fall under the general heading of Generalized Linear Models (GLM) and its extensions.

The program will include invited lectures, contributed papers and discussions. So far the following persons have agreed to present an invited paper:

P. Brown, Liverpool; D. Clayton, Leicester; G. Fischer, Wien; M. Green, Lancaster; P. Green, Durham; J. Mathieu, Toulouse; C. Rossi, Rome; F. Spizzichino, Rome; G. Tutz, Regensburg; J. Whittaker, Lancaster.
Information: A. Forcina, Instituto di Statistica, Università di Perugia, Via A. Pascoli, 60100 Perugia, Italy.

Bayesian Statistics

The Third Valencia International Meeting on Bayesian Statistics will be held in Spain, 1-5 June 1987. The scientific program will consist of about 30 invited lectures by leading statisticians. Each lecture will be followed by a discussion initiated by invited discussants. There will also be several sessions of contributed papers, which will be presented in poster form, in the informal atmosphere of evening parties. The members of the program committee are J.M. Bernardo, M.H. DeGroot, D.V. Lindley and A.F.M. Smith.

As in previous meetings, the Conference will be residential and will take place in a beach hotel on the Mediterranean shore, on this occasion in Altea, 120 km south of Valencia and 50km north of Alicante International Airport.

The official language of the meeting will be English. The Proceedings, including invited papers, discussions and a selection of contributed papers, will be published after a refereeing process in which the program committee will act as a panel of editors.

Information and pre-registration forms from: Professor M.H. DeGroot, Department of Statistics, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 U.S.A. or Professor J.M. Bernardo, Dept. Bioestadística, Fac. Medicina, Av. Blasco Ibañez 17, Valencia 46010, Spain.