

# **nm/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP IN MEDICAL PHYSICS**

A postdoctoral fellowship in medical physics is available at the Memorial Hospital for Cancer and Allied Diseases in New York. This training program is designed for the recent Ph.D. who is interested in entering the field of medical physics and would like to become familiar with different aspects of this field. The training program allows the individual to spend time in each of the following areas: external treatment planning, implant dosimetry, calibration and dosimetry, computer programming, diagnostic x-ray physics, metabolic radionuclide procedures, hospital radiation safety and instrumentation. For further information, contact the Department of Medical Physics, Memorial Hospital for Cancer and Allied Diseases, 444 E. 68th St., New York, N.Y. 10021.

## **NEW CHAPTER OFFICERS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**

At its fall meeting the Northern California Chapter elected the following officers to serve for 1969-1970: president, Oscar Powell; president-elect, John Scholer; secretary-treasurer, Matthews B. Fish; chairman, nominating committee, Richard Shaw; and chairman, membership committee, Edward Siegel.

## **H. SAUL WINCHELL WINS VON HEVESY PRIZE**

H. Saul Winchell of Donner Laboratory, University of California at Berkeley, won the \$2,320 George von Hevesy prize awarded for the first time at the European Society of Nuclear Medicine Meeting in Zurich in September 1969. He was awarded the prize for his work with D. Mildrum Winstead of Bucknell University described in a paper entitled, "Visualization of Radioactivity in One Dog Following Administration of Various <sup>11</sup>C-Carboxylates." This work was selected from that submitted from 15 countries as leading contributions in nuclear medicine.

## **MORE ON REGISTRY ON ADVERSE REACTIONS TO RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS**

As reported in the December 1969 issue of the *Journal of Nuclear Medicine*, the Society of Nuclear Medicine has decided to establish a Registry on Adverse Reactions to Radiopharmaceuticals. Several registries for adverse drug reactions exist on a national and international basis, but experience has

shown that the most successful programs have been those that have been administered by individual medical centers. The success of these local programs is generally attributed to the easy availability of the results so that everyone involved with the administration of drugs becomes aware of the problems encountered. For radiopharmaceuticals this approach is obviously not suitable.

The new registry proposes to fill this void and provide for the dissemination of information about encountered problems. A short adverse-reaction report form is printed below, and everyone involved in the administration of radiopharmaceuticals is invited to cooperate. The identity of the person reporting and the patient will be strictly protected.

Reports will be published at reasonable intervals; semiannual reports are anticipated. If possible, an explanation of the mechanism of adverse drug reaction will be included. If it becomes apparent that solutions to adverse reactions are necessary, the information collected will be provided to anybody set up to make such suggestions.

### **Adverse Reaction Report Form**

Please follow the form given below for reporting adverse reactions. This information should be sent to Margaret Glos, Administrative Officer, Society of Nuclear Medicine, 211 E. 43rd St., New York, N.Y. 10017.

1. Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_
2. Patient's initials \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Disease under study of treatment \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name of compound suspected \_\_\_\_\_
4. Amount of drug administered \_\_\_\_\_ cc  
\_\_\_\_\_ mCi
5. Describe reaction \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Severity of reaction:  
Mild (incidental, required no treatment) ( )  
Moderate (required treatment) ( )  
Severe (fatal or life-threatening) ( )