

to learn that the precise mechanism of bilirubin, encephalopathy remains unknown and no technique can be recommended which provides a reliable predictive index of the risk of bilirubin encephalopathy in the individual infant. All chapters critically review the current state of knowledge and define a perspective for further studies. The book will be an essential companion for those interested in bilirubin metabolism. For paediatricians it provides a comprehensive review on all aspects of kernicterus and its prevention, while for the internist the chapters on genetic disorders will be of particular interest.

As is perhaps invariable with a multiple author book, the majority of references date from 1983, or earlier though in some chapters references up to 1985 have been added in proof. In spite of this criticism this book should be available in all libraries used by gastroenterologists and paediatricians.

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## News

### BSG Research Award 1987

A three page summary of personal research work is invited by The British Society of Gastroenterology for the 1987 Research Medal. A bibliography may also be submitted if desired. The Award consists of a medal and £100 prize. The recipient of the Award will be aged 40 years or less when delivering the lecture during the Autumn Meeting of the Society in September 1987. All (or a substantial part) of the work must have been performed in the UK or Eire. Applications (*six* copies) should be made to: The Honorary Secretary, BSG, 3 St. Andrew's Place, London NW1 4LB, by 1 May 1987.

### First ESPEN Scientific Symposium

This symposium covering current perspectives in nutrition and infection will be held from 13-17 March, 1987 in Jerusalem, Israel. Further details from Dr HR Freund, Symposium Chairman, PO Box 983, Jerusalem 91009, Israel.

### Clinical Controversies in Inflammatory Bowel Diseases

A symposium on the above will be held from 9-11 September, 1987 at the Palazzo della Cultura, Bologna, Italy. Further information from Mrs Claudia Servi, SO.GE.PA.CO. Spa, piazza Costituzione, 5/c - 40128, Bologna, Italy.

### European Association for Gastroenterology and Endoscopy

The 19th congress of EAGE is to be held from 18-20 June, 1987 in Milan, Italy. Details from Hospital 'L Sacco', Gastrointestinal Unit, Via GB Grassi, 74-20157 - Milan, Italy.

### Vth International Workshop on Operative Digestive Endoscopy

This workshop will be held from 15-18 June 1987 at the Erasme Hospital, ULB, Brussels, Belgium. Further details from Dr Nadine Bourgeois, Erasme Hospital, 808, Route de Lennik, B-1070 Brussels, Belgium.

### Sixth International Symposium on Viral Hepatitis and Liver Disease

This symposium will be held from 26-28 May 1987 at the Barbican Centre in London. Details from Dr Ralph Kohn, Advisory Service Medical Symposium Ltd, 79 Wimpole St, London W1M 7DD.

### XIIth International Update on Liver Disease

To be held from 9-11 July 1987 at the Royal Free Hospital, London. Details from Professor Neil McIntyre, Academic Department of Medicine, Royal Free Hospital, Pond St, London NW3 2QG. Tel: 01-794-0500, ext. 3969

### Computers in Gastroenterology

This first UK meeting will be held on 12 and 13 May 1987 at the Academic Centre, Whittington Hospital, London. Details from Dr FR Vicary, Whittington Hospital, Highgate Hill, London N19.

### Correction

Re Sonnenberg, *Gut*, 1986; 27: 1369-72. An error occurred in Figure 1 of this paper and the correct version is printed below.

