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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### ASSOCIATION OF GERONTOLOGY (INDIA)

The first Conference of the Association of Gerontology (India) shall be held from October 2 to 4, 1982, in the Department of Zoology, Banaras Hindu University. It will cover Biological, Clinical and Socio-psychological aspects of aging. Each of the three areas shall have a Symposium of 30 min. duration and several free papers of 15 mins. All correspondence regarding participation should be addressed to Prof. M.S. Kanungo, Department of Zoology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi 221 005. May 31, 1982 is the last date for acceptance of papers.

### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LEAF PROTEIN RESEARCH

An International Conference of Leaf Protein Research will be held on 5-8 October 1982 at Aurangabad in India, under the host-auspices of the Botany Department of Marathwada University. This Conference is being organised by the Society for Green Vegetation Research and co-sponsored by the Indian Universities and institutes involved in leaf protein research. Conference programme includes five scientific sessions covering of vegetation for choice of raw materials, cultivation and agronomic studies for assessment of yields of leaf protein, technical and technological aspects of processing and production, nutritional and biochemical investigations for quality assessment and improvement, and the results of bulk production and utilisation studies. Last day has been kept aside for equipment demonstration and farm visits. Intending participants are requested to write as soon as possible and send the paper abstract before July end 1982.

The organisers, with no funds for travel and other grants, will support requests, being made to the funding agencies. British Commonwealth Foundation will sympathetically consider application for travel grant from the citizens within the Commonwealth; F.A.O. suggests for the people from developing countries to make request directly through their national authorities for use of UNDP funds.

Details can be had from the following Conference Secretariat: Organising Secretary: Dr. Narendra Singh, Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysore 570 013; Local Secretary: Dr. R. N. Joshi, Department of Botany, Marathwada University, Aurangabad 431 004; International Adviser: Prof. N. W. Pirie, F.R.S., Rothamsted Experimental Station, Harpenden AL5 2JQ, UK.

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### IX INTERNATIONAL LIQUID CRYSTAL CONFERENCE

Following the conferences at Kent, Ohio (1965, 1968, 1972 and 1976), West Berlin (1970), Stockholm (1974), Bordeaux (1978) and Kyoto (1980), the Ninth International Liquid Crystal Conference will be held in Bangalore, India, from December 6-10, 1982 under the chairmanship of Professor S. Chandrasekhar, Raman Research Institute. The conference will cover all aspects of the subject: (A) Synthesis and Characterization of Liquid Crystals, (B) Structure and Dynamics, (C) Thermodynamics and Phase Transitions, (D) Mechanical Properties and Defects, (E) Magnetic, Electric and Optical Properties, (F) Interfacial Effects and Anchoring, (G) Liquid Crystals of Disc-like Molecules, (H) Polymer Liquid Crystals, (I) Amphiphilic and Biological Systems, (J) Display Devices and other Applications.

Those interested in participating should write immediately to

Professor S. Chandrasekhar  
IX International Liquid Crystal Conference,  
Raman Research Institute, Bangalore 560 080.

The Proceedings of the conference will be published in *Molecular Crystals and Liquid Crystals* (Gordon & Breach Science Publishers). The next conference, the tenth in the series, will be held in 1984 in York, England under the chairmanship of Professor G. W. Gray.