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ANNOUNCEMENTS

RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS — AN UPDATE ON MECHANISMS, MANAGEMENT AND FUTURE DRUG DEVELOPMENT (22nd/23rd February 1988, Regent Crest Hotel, London)

Rheumatoid arthritis and related inflammatory diseases afflict approximately 5% of the population and are associated with considerable morbidity. However, the mechanisms underlying this disease are poorly understood and our current treatment of such diseases is far from adequate. This meeting will discuss our current understanding of rheumatoid arthritis, its current management and the major areas of basic and clinical research that may hold the key to our future understanding and treatment. The conference should provide a valuable overview of

both clinical and basic aspects of this important disease and will be of interest to health professionals, clinicians, scientists and others interested in any aspect of its aetiology and treatment. The meeting will also be of interest to individuals involved in the development of novel therapeutic agents for the future treatment of this and related inflammatory diseases.

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NEW TREATMENTS FOR ASTHMA (21st/22nd March 1988, Royal Society of Medicine, London)

Asthma affects over 5% of the population and is becoming more prevalent and more severe, with an increasing mortality, despite an increase in anti-asthma drugs prescribed. There is now a great need for the advancement of new drugs and new approaches to therapy. The aim of this conference is

to discuss future developments in our understanding of the mechanisms of this increasingly common disease.

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