## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## FOURTH INTERNATIONAL VASOPRESSIN CONFERENCE

The Fourth International Vasopressin Conference, a satellite symposium to the XII ISN congress, will be held in Berlin, Germany, on May 23-27, 1993. State-of-the-art lectures and main sessions will cover the following; molecular biology of vasopressin and oxytocin receptors; vasopressin gene regulation; vasopressin and oxtocin receptors in the nephron; molecular biology of water channels; renal concentrating mechanism; vasopressin in clinical disorders; vasopressin functions in the cardiovascular and central nervous systems; familial disorders of vasopressin; vasopressin and oxytocin antagonists. For further information contact; P. Gross, M.D., Nephrology, Klinikum Steglitz, Hindenburgdamm 30, D-1000 Berlin 45, Germany.

## XIIth INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF NEPHROLOGY

The XII International Congress of Nephrology will be held in Jerusalem, Israel, June 13–18, 1993. It is organized by the International Society of Nephrology. The main themes of the conference will be biology of glomerular injury, biology of the tubule epithelial cell, regulation of the immune reponse, hypertension, acute renal failure, dialysis, and diabetic glomerulopathy. The abstract deadline is December 15, 1992. Contact: U.S.A.—Gil Kenes 1617 J.F.K. Blvd. Suite 946, Philadelphia, PA 19103; Telephone (800) 223-3855, FAX (215) 568-0696. Other Countries—XIIth International Congress of Nephrology, Secretariat, P.O. Box 50006, Tel Aviv, 61500 Israel: Telephone 972 3 517-4571, FAX +972 3 660-325.

## SECOND INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON ALPORT SYNDROME

The Second International Workshop on Alport Syndrome will be held in New Haven, Connecticut, on Friday, February 26 and Saturday, February 27, 1993. The workshop will cover basement membrance collagens, their genes, biochemisty, and regulation in the context of Alport syndrome. Members of the workshop will compile a current list of Alport syndrome mutations. There will be a roundtable discussion of the best ways in which to use the genetic data for DNA based diagnosis. The organizers are Dr. Steve Reeders and Dr. Jing Zhou, both of Yale University. For further information, please contact: Ms. Sidney McGaughey, Yale University School of Medicine, Boyer Center for Molecular Medicine, 295 Congress Avenue, Suite 136, New Haven, CT 06536-0812; Telephone (203)737-4416, FAX: (203) 624-8213.