

Joint Survey of Pesticide Residues in Food-stuffs sold in England and Wales prepared by the associations of county and district councils, the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, and the Association of Public Analysts. High levels of fungicides continue to be found in some samples of lettuce, tomatoes, and cucumbers; but overall the results show "no undue cause for alarm."

People in the news

Professor E McC McGirr, FRSE, has been appointed honorary consultant physician to the Army in Scotland in succession to Sir John Halliday Croom, who is retiring.

Professor Sir Cyril Clarke, FRS, president of the Royal College of Physicians of London, has been elected chairman of council of Bedford College in succession to Sir Patrick Reilly, who has retired.

Dr Hugh E Huxley, FRS, of the MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology at Cambridge, has received an annual award worth \$10 000 from the Gairdner Foundation of Ontario.

Air Commodore C J W Soutar has been appointed principal medical officer of Strike Command with the acting rank of Air Vice-Marshal, in succession to Air Vice-Marshal R J A Morris.

Mr C Engel, director of the Department of Audio-Visual Communication of the British Medical Association, has been appointed associate professor in medical education in the new Faculty of Medicine of the University of Newcastle, New South Wales.

COMING EVENTS

International Society of Psychosomatic Obstetrics and Gynaecology—Annual meeting of British section, 4 December, London. Details from Professor Norman Morris, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, West London Hospital, London W6.

"Teaching of statistics to medical, biological, and agricultural students"—Conference organised by the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications, 15-16 December, London. Details and application forms from the Secretary and Registrar, Institute of Mathematics and its Applications, Maitland House, Warrior Square, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS1 2JY. (Tel 0702 612177.)

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

For attending lectures marked * a fee is charged or a ticket is required. Applications should be made first to the institution concerned.

Monday, 17 November

HUNTERIAN SOCIETY—At Plantation House, 7 for 7.30 pm, symposium dinner meeting.
POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL CENTRE—At Charing Cross Hospital (Fulham), 5 pm, Dr W B Ober: Experimental toxemia of pregnancy.

Tuesday, 18 November

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON—5 pm, F E Williams lecture by Professor A N Exton-Smith: Ecological aspects of old age.
DISTA PRODUCTS—At Royal Society of Medicine, 2 pm, open forum: Management of rheumatoid patients on penicillamine.

Wednesday, 19 November

GLASGOW ORTHOPAEDIC TRAINING COMMITTEE—At Glasgow Royal Infirmary, 5 pm, John Gibson Fleming orthopaedic lecture by Mr R Wilson: The surgery of civil violence.

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY—6 pm, Sandoz Foundation lectures, Professor A N Davison: Taurine—neurotransmitter or modulator. Dr P K P Harvey: Neuropharmacology of epilepsy.

INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS—11 am, Dr P D Byers: Malignant tumours of orthopaedic interest. Recent advances in treatment of malignant tumours (i), 6 pm, Professor K D Bagshawe: Principles of chemotherapy. 7 pm, Dr J S Malpas: Practice of chemotherapy.

INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—5.30 pm, Dr P H Connell: An adolescent inpatient psychiatric unit. **MEDICAL EDUCATION CENTRE, WHIPPS CROSS HOSPITAL**—8.30 pm, symposium on antibiotics. Preceded by supper, 7.30 pm.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PATHOLOGISTS—At Royal College of Physicians, 5.30 pm, twelfth foundation lecture by Sir Peter Medawar, FRS: The story of tumour immunity.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL—5 pm, Dr J Almeida: Viral hepatitis.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD—5 pm, Professor J O'D McGee: Regulation of collagen synthesis in disease.

Thursday, 20 November

INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—5.30 pm, Fourth Aubrey Lewis lecture, Dr Morris Carstairs: The recognition and treatment of mental morbidity in a developing country.

BRITISH INSTITUTE OF RADIOLOGY—5.45 pm, discussion group: New ways to improve radiotherapy: neutrons, pions, hypoxic cell radiosensitisers, and unconventional fractionation. 7.15 pm: High energy apparatus for radiotherapy.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PSYCHIATRISTS—At Royal Society of Medicine, 8.15 pm, Dr R Gosling: Internalisation of the trainer's behaviour in professional training.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF TROPICAL MEDICINE AND HYGIENE—At London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 7.30 pm, laboratory meeting.

ST MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL—5.15 pm, Aleck Bourne lecture by Professor G P Madruzzato (Italy): Results of perinatal care in a community hospital.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON—At University College, 5.30 pm, Professor W D Keidel: Single cell activity in the awake cat's midbrain and geniculate, telemetrically recorded (speech elements decoding at geniculate level).

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON—1.20 pm, Professor D R Laurence: New drugs: efficacy and safety.

Friday, 21 November

CENTRE FOR POSTGRADUATE PSYCHIATRY—At Charles Burns Clinic, Birmingham, 4 pm, Dr A R Nicol: Some aspects of operational research into maladjustment in schools.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGISTS—At British Institute of Radiology, 4.30 pm, Skinner lecture by Sir Michael Woodruff: Is tumour immunology clinically relevant?

BMA NOTICES

Diary of Central Meetings

NOVEMBER	
16 Sun	Welsh Council (195 Newport Road, Cardiff CF2 1UE), 10.30 am.
20 Thurs	Executive Subcommittee (CCHMS), 10 am.
20 Thurs	General Medical Services Committee, 10 am.
20 Thurs	Dermatologists Subcommittee (CCHMS), 11 am.
26 Wed	Finance and General Purposes Committee, 10 am.
26 Wed	BMA Council Executive, 2 pm.
26 Wed	Panel on Audio Visual Communication (Board of Science and Education), 5 pm.
28 Fri	Venerologists Group Committee, 2 pm.

DECEMBER	
4 Thurs	Central Committee for Hospital Medical Services, 10 am.
4 Thurs	General Purposes Subcommittee (GMSC), 10.30 am.

Branch and Division Meetings to be Held

Members proposing to attend meetings marked * are asked to notify in advance the honorary secretary concerned.

Aldershot and Farnham Division—At Frimley Park Hospital, Tuesday, 18 November, 8.30 pm, wine drinking evening.* (Guests are invited.)

Barking and Havering Division—Harold Wood Hospital, Thursday, 20 November, 7.30 for 8.30 pm, buffet supper followed by talk by Dr Stuart Mason: "Essex maps."

Birmingham Division—At Staff House, University of Birmingham, Wednesday, 19 November, 7.30 pm, French evening.*

Bromley Division—At Farnborough Hospital, Thursday, 20 November, 8 for 8.15 pm, short business meeting followed by Professor A Cameron: "Murders in this manor." (Guests are invited.)

Cambridge and Isle of Ely Division—At Addenbrooke's Hospital, Wednesday, 19 November, 8.15 pm, agm.

Coventry Division—At Hotel Leofric, Saturday, 22 November, 7.15 for 7.45 pm, annual dinner dance.* (Guests are invited.)

Doncaster Division—At Doncaster Royal Infirmary, Wednesday, 19 November, 7.15 for 7.45 pm, joint dinner lecture with Doncaster Medical Society, speaker Dr P Howard: "New ideas for domiciliary oxygen therapy."*

East Anglian Regional Committee for Hospital Medical Services—At Bell Hotel, Thetford, Monday, 17 November, 8.30 pm, meeting.

Hartlepool Division—At Grand Hotel, Thursday, 20 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, annual ball.*

Ipswich Division—At Film Theatre, Corn Exchange, Monday, 17 November, 7.30 pm, symposium on rabies.* (Guests are invited.)

Lambeth and Southwark Division—At Caledonian Club, Friday, 21 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, annual dinner.*

Mid-Northumberland Division—At St George's Hospital, Morpeth, Thursday, 20 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, clinical evening.*

Newcastle Division—At Royal Victoria Infirmary, Thursday, 20 November, 8 pm, Mr Rolf Wägenbaur: "The mutual recognition of qualifications in the EEC."

North and Mid Staffordshire Division—At Medical Institute, Hartshill, Wednesday, 19 November, 8.15 pm, Dr Ian Haslock: "Rheumatism and the gut."

North Northumberland Division—At Tankerville Arms Hotel, Wooler, Tuesday, 18 November, 8.30 pm, Mr G W Baker: "Pain in the arm."

Oxford Division—At Radcliffe Infirmary, Wednesday, 19 November, 8.30 pm, agm, and chairman's address.

Roehampton Division—At Apothecaries Hall, Thursday, 20 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, annual dinner.*

St Marylebone and North-east Westminster Division—At Royal Society of Medicine, Tuesday, 18 November, 8.30 pm discussion meeting on "The Castle crisis. The assault on private practice."

Shropshire Division—At Hawkstone Park, Saturday, 22 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, centenary celebration reception followed by dinner.* (Wives and guests are invited.)

Somerset Division—At County Hotel Ballroom, Taunton, Thursday, 20 November, annual dinner dance.* (Guests are invited.)

Southampton and South-west Hampshire Division—At Southampton General Hospital, Wednesday, 19 November, 8 for 8.30 pm, ordinary meeting on "Best buys on the superannuation field—added years or what?"

South Bedfordshire Division—At Medical Centre, Monday, 17 November, 8.30 pm, Boehringer Ingelheim lecture by the Rt Hon Lord Hill of Luton: "Some recollections."

South Middlesex Division—At Queen Mary Reservoir Sailing Club, Friday, 21 November, 7.30 pm, fork buffet supper dance.* (Guests are invited.)

Stockton Division—At Swallow Hotel, Monday, 17 November, 7.30 for 8 pm, dinner.* (Guests are welcome.)

Corrections

Queen's Gallantry Medal

We regret the misspelling of Dr John Norris's name (25 October, p 236).

Student views on continuous assessment at Birmingham University Medical School

We regret a printer's error in the name of the third author of this article (1 November, p 265). This should have read: F M C Besag, PhD.

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