

reading it and both they and their consultants will find it a useful reference work.

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Paraproteins in Disease. By W Pruzanski and E C Keystone. Pp. 195. £30.00. Churchill Livingstone: Edinburgh. 1985.

This eighth volume of the series—*Practical Methods in Clinical Immunology*—aims to describe the laboratory tests presently employed for investigation of paraproteinaemias

in relation to the clinical conditions with M components for the benefit of physicians, clinical biochemists, technologists, and students. A large part of the book sets out practical methods in detail and there is sufficient clinical background for the aim to be largely achieved. Several chapters deal with rather peripheral topics and/or are written in such a general way as to be of little practical use (e.g. the chapters on lymphocyte studies and hybridoma monoclonal antibodies); and I regretted the absence of anything dealing with anti-idiotypic reagents, preparation and use.

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Notes

IXth Panamerican Congress of Rheumatology

The congress will be held on 17–22 November 1986 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Abstracts in English, Portuguese or Spanish to be submitted by 2 May 1986. Further information from Dr O Hubscher, Secretary General, IX PANLAR Congress, Austria 2469–7° "A", 1425–Buenos Aires, Argentina.

XIth European Rheumatology Congress

The congress will be held in Athens, Greece from 28 June to 4 July 1987. Main topics will be adult inflammatory joint diseases; autoimmune connective tissue diseases; juvenile rheumatism; degenerative joint diseases; crystal induced arthropathies; metabolic bone diseases; soft tissue rheumatism and mechanical spine disorders; miscellaneous bone disorders and malignant tumours; orthopaedic intervention; rehabilitation and physical therapy in the rheumatic diseases; and medical-social aspects. Details of the scientific programme from Professor H H Moutsopoulos,

University of Ioannina Medical School, Ioannina, Greece.
General information from Horizon, 14 Nikis Street, GR-105 57 Athens, Greece.

Marisa Ara European Prize in Rheumatology

A prize of two million Italian lira will be awarded to a European woman rheumatologist on the basis of rheumatological research published during the past five years. Papers in Italian, French, English, or German will be considered. Closing date for entries is 30 April 1986. Further information from Professor Carla Caianiello, Via Posillipo 102–2, 80123 Napoli, Italy.

Correction: Anticardiolipin antibody, recurrent thrombosis and warfarin withdrawal

In the paper by Drs R A Asherson, J K Chan, E N Harris, A E Gharavi, and G R V Hughes (*Ann Rheum Dis* 1985; **44**: 823–5) the term ($>SD$) in the Summary should have read ($>7SD$); and reference 16 in the last sentence of the Discussion should have been deleted.