INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF LYMPHOLOGY BUSINESS REPORT (1983/1985)

In the course of this business period 48 new members were accepted; 50 memberships were discontinued, for the usual reasons (retirement, non-payment, change of scientific interest). Total

membership has been stable for the past 5 years. It now numbers 343 members from 35 countries. (288 active members, 50 associate members, 2 junior members, 3 honorary members).

Argentina	4	Denmark	2	Iran	1	Romania	1
Australia	6	Egypt	1	Israel	5	Spain	4
Austria	5	China	1	Italy	16	Sweden	13
Bangladesh	1	Finland	5	Japan	65	Switzerland	21
Belgium	12	France	15	Mexico	4	United Kingdor	n 9
Brazil	6	Greece	5	Netherlands	7	USA	58
Canada	8	Hungary	3	Norway	3	West Germany	45
Columbia	1	India	2	Poland	2	Yugoslavia	3
CSSR	4	Indonesia	3	Portugal	2		

The 9th International Congress of Lymphology was held in October 1983 in Tel Aviv, Israel. The Society expresses its appreciation to Zvi Braf for the excellent organization. Some 200 papers were presented during 18 sessions, as well as 2 panel discussions, poster sessions and a closing session. Resolutions taken in the course of two Board meetings and the General-Assemblymeeting were the following:

The journal LYMPHOLOGY should continue to serve as official organ and will be edited and printed in Tucson, Arizona, USA.

The 11th International Congress is scheduled for Vienna, Austria, in 1987 and will be organized by Eva-Maria Mannheimer.

The following officers were appointed or confirmed:

President: J.R. Casley-Smith Secretary-General: M. Foldi Other Board members: P. Balas, V. Bartos, Z. Braf, J.M. Edwards, R. Musumeci, W. Olszewski, N. Piller, K. Seki, K. Tallroth, Ch. Witte Nominating Committee: J.A. Gruwez, S. Leeds Auditors: J.A. Gruwez, W. Wirth

The Society regretfully accepted the resignation of Horst Weissleder, as Secretary-General but expressed its deep gratitude and thanks for his 10 years of cooperation and skillful management. The new Secretary-General, Michael Foldi, took over the Central Office in January 1984. We are indebted to him for his valuable

time, great efforts and distinguished qualifications. The fact that the office remains in Freiburg assures continuity in the administration.

The Minutes of the General Assembly are published in the ISL Bulletin Nr. 28.

The Proceedings of the Congress have been edited by Lyle R. Heim, Ph.D. and are published as Progress in Lymphology, Proceedings of the 9th International Congress of Lymphology, Tel Aviv 1983. In: Immunology and Hematology Research. Monograph No. 2, 1984.

Eight issues of the journal LYMPHOLOGY were published in vol. 16 (1983) and in vol. 17 (1984) under the guidance of Drs. M. and Ch. Witte. The Society is indebted to Peter E. Peters, the resigning editor, who served for 10 years as chief-editor to the journal.

Two issues of the ISL-Bulletin were published. With Nr. 29, this publication was discontinued due to financial reasons.

The activities of the Central Office included — among usual administrative tasks — the mailing of a questionnaire to the members, in order to investigate their interests and anticipations and the future trends of the Society, its Journal and Congresses. New members have been recruited by screening the literature and inviting prominent authors.

One of the major problems that remains is the formation of regional groups and their affiliations. The society strongly supports all lymphological activities and consequently also the formation of working groups. So far, the following groups been formed:

Japanese Society of Lymphology Italian Society of Lymphology Groupement Europeen de Lymphologie (GEL) Association de Lymphologie de Langue Francaise North American Chapter of ISL

The Secretary-General has initiated the foundation of a German speaking chapter of the ISL and appointed as its secretary Eva-Maria Mannheimer in Vienna. The Chapter will hold its first meeting in Vienna, in October 1985.

E. Tosatti has agreed to the secretary general's request to transform the Italian Society of Lymphology into a chapter of the ISL. In addition, he is in charge of organizing a Latin chapter of the ISL, including the Mediterranean and South American lymphological societies.

J.R. Casley-Smith President

FINANCIAL REPORT

The accounts of 1983 and 1984 were examined by J.A Gruwez and W. Wirth, the auditors of our Society. They declared them to be correct and recommend approval by the General Assembly.

At the beginning of 1984, M. Schamaun resigned as treasurer. The Society expresses its appreciation to him for 3 years of efficient collaboration. I was nominated as his successor in April 1984. The nomination needs confirmation during the next General Assembly meeting. Consequently, the treasury was transferred from Zurich to Paris. In connection with this transaction, the daily routine work was reduced in order to economize the workload. Members' records were computerized, which simplifies payment control.

The transfer of documents and the beginning of my collaboration with the International Society of Lymphology as treasurer have been greatly facilitated through the assistance of Ms. Brigit Laubli to whom our Society is indebted and grateful. We hope that this fruitful cooperation will be continued.

The main problem which we had to face in the first half of this business period was the financial status of our journal. Fortunately, after 2 contributions as starting aid, editors, Marlys and Charles Witte, succeeded in making the journal self-supporting, which is indeed a favorable development.

In 1983 the books of the Society show a positive balance of SFr. 9,407.-, whereas in 1984, the expenses exceed the income by SFr. 15,334.-.

The assets at the end of 1983 are SFr. 60,585, and at the end of 1984 SFr. 47,019...

A long-term investment of Shell bonds of SFr 20,000. ended in August 1983. The total amount was put into the cashing account.

The contribution of US \$10.- per member attending the Tel Aviv congress was transferred to the ISL by Zvi Braf and is gratefully acknowledged.

The Japanese Society of Lymphology which is affiliated with the ISL as associate member, paid SFr. 1,500.- per year. Our appreciation is addressed to K. Seki.

The North American Chapter of the ISL made a remittance of SFr. 200.- in 1984, which is acknowledged to J. Beninson.

The policy of the future years should concentrate on maintaining a stock of assets of some SFr. 50,000.

The mailing of invoices and reminders has still a poor and irregular response. The first call of payment, for instance, mailed before March, according to the Constitution, resulted in a 45% rate of payments. Furthermore, 30% of payments included the fees of the previous years. The reminder consisted of members who had not paid either for 1984 or for 1983, including honorary and junior members.

Strict principles of exclusion will have to be applied after effectuating the last reminders.

Prompt payment of fees is an obligation to each member. The Treasury would greatly appreciate receiving regular payments, before expiration of the deadline set by the Constitution, i.e. end of March. This would avoid unnecessary work and costs involved with the mailing of reminders.

The Budget for the next period presents as follows:

Revenues:	SFr.
Membership Fees	25,000
Interest	1,500
Congress Contribution	2,000
	28,500
Expenditures:	
Office expenses	4,000
Wages	10,000
Congress expenses	4,000
Printing	2,000
	20,000

Robert Cluzan, Treasurer

PUBLICATIONS

PROCEEDINGS OF THE IXth INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF LYMPHOLOGY, 1983, Tel Aviv. In: Immunology & Hematology Research Monographs, Monograph No. 2, US\$35.00 (Book rate surface mail; airmail + \$10.00), Orders to be made through: Immunology Research Foundation, Inc., c/o Dr. Lyle R. Heim, 5022 W. Timberwood Drive, Newburgh, IN 47630, USA. Payment by check or international postal order in US\$.

NEW MEMBERS

Andrieu, Raymond, MSc, MBA, Bioengineering, Fribourg, Switzerland

Bowman, Carol, M.D. Mason Clinic, Seattle, Washington

Castenholz, Anton, Prof. Dr., Human Biology, Kassel, Germany

Chandy, John, Dr., Radiology, Coventry, Great Britain

Chang, Ti-Sheng, M.D., Prof., Plastic Surgery, Shanghai, China (Assoc. Member)

Christenson, Jan Torsten, M.D., Ph.D., Dept. of Surgery, Kuwait University, Safat, Kuwait

Crandall, Catherine, Ph.D., Department of Pathology, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

Hutzschenreuter, Paul Ott, Dr., Experimental Surgery, Ulm, Germany

Lawrence, Bruce, Dr., Kalbarri, West. Australia

Levillain, Pierre-Marie, Dr., Anatomie Pathologique, Dijon, France

Marchetti, Carla, Associate Professor, Pavia, Italy

Orlandella, Anthony Wilfred, Dr., Urology, Laguna Niguel, USA

Pecking, Alain, Dr., Saint-Cloud, France Sutton, Rodney Neville, Dr., Anatomy, Victoria, Australia

Swedborg, Iwona, Ph.D., Assoc. Prof., Rehabilitation, Stockholm, Sweden

Tavassoli, Mehdi, M.D., Veterans Administration Medical Center, Jackson, Mississippi, USA

Todini, Anna-Rita, Dr., Angiology, Roma, Italy

Yoffey, Joseph M., M.D., Anatomy & Embryology, Jerusalem, Israel (Honorary Member)

Yoshinaka, Heiji, M.D., Surgery, Kagoshima City, Japan

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Proc. Int. Cong. Lymphology, Adelaide, 1985. Ed. J.R. Casley-Smith and N.B. Piller, University of Adelaide Press, 1985, Box 498 G.P.O. Adelaide, S.A. 5001, Australia.

NATIONAL AND REGIONAL SOCIETIES

Society of German Speaking Lymphologists

In the course of a Congress on "Therapy of the Lymphedema" in Vienna, October 10-13, 1985 the "Gesellschaft deutschsprachiger Lymphologen" was founded. Formation of this German-speaking section was initiated by M. Foldi and composed of a committee of 15 charter members, 12 of whom are members of the ISL. It was resolved to edit a new journal "Oedem", in German, and to hold regular meetings, at least once per year. The Society's goal is to stimulate lymphological investigations, and foster frequent exchange of ideas and knowledge. Dissemination world-wide will be via the News section in LYM-PHOLOGY and by International Congresses of the ISL. Satellite meetings may also be held. The Society is affiliated with the ISL. The first congress was efficiently organized by E.M. Mannheimer. The Congress President was F. Kaindl. The meeting was held at the Parkhotel Schonbrunn, which is a delightful locale adjacent to the Imperial Palace. It will be the official site of the International Congress of the ISL in 1987. The meeting was attended by 50 active members from Austria, Germany, Switzerland, CSSR, Hungary, Netherlands, Sweden and Japan. The program contained 40 papers on diagnostic assessment, and non-operative and operative therapy of lymphedema, and other aspects of lymph stasis syndromes. Excellent attendance and lively, thorough discussion amply justified formation of the Society.

Participants enjoyed the high scientific quality, familiar atmosphere (i.e. linguistic convenience of German) and the smooth organization. The social program included a visit to the highly acclaimed collection of anatomical wax preparations at the Institute of Medical History.

The GEL-Groupement Europeen de Lymphologie

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The European group of Lymphology (G.E.L.) was established in 1980 in Brussels, Belgium. It is affiliated with the ISL, consists of 35 members, 11 of whom are members of the ISL (Drs. Bourgeois, E. Foldi, M. Foldi, Godart, Gruwez, Hidden, Leduc, Franco, Pflug, Pissas, Rogiers). The office address is: Dr. A. Pissas, V.U.B., Laarbeeklaan, B-1090 Bruxelles.

The INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF LYMPHOLOGY encourages collaboration with national societies, which may be affiliated with the ISL as associate members in accordance with Regulations and Guidelines for the Affiliation of national or regional societies and chapters available through the central office. National societies are welcome to publish regular reports on their meetings, activities, training programs and items of general interest in LYM-PHOLOGY.

The ISL is anxious to serve as an international link between national societies and thereby facilitate establishment of contacts worldwide. Each congress enhances, enlightens, and stimulates progress in understanding lymphology and lymphologic disorders.

The following national societies are currently affiliated with the ISL:

- Japanese Society of Lymphology
- North American Society of Lymphology
- German Speaking Society of Lymphology
- Groupement Europeen de Lymphologie