

Notices

The Volvo awards for low-back pain research

In order to encourage research in low-back pain, the Volvo Company of Göteborg, Sweden, for 1983 has sponsored three prizes of \$5,000 each. Awards will be made competitively on the basis of scientific merit in the area of clinical studies, basic science and engineering.

Papers entering the contest must contain original material not previously submitted for publication. A multiple authorship is acceptable. The manuscripts, in the English language, should be full-length, in a form suitable for submission as an original paper (not a thesis) to a scientific journal. Five copies of each paper in full must reach the address given below, not later than December 10, 1982.

One of the authors should be prepared to come to Cambridge, England at the time of the meeting of the International Society for the Study of the Lumbar Spine, April

7–10, 1983, to present the paper and to receive the prize.

The board of referees will be chaired by Professor Alf Nachemson, to whom all correspondence should be addressed, and will contain members from the fields of clinical medicine, bioengineering and biochemistry.

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An International Conference on Recent Advances in Neurotraumatology will be held in Edinburgh under the auspices of the Neurotraumatology Committee of the World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies, 20–22 September, 1982. Further information may be obtained from Douglas Crawford, The Polecon Company Ltd, 22A Rutland Square, Edinburgh EH1 2BB, Scotland.

A Consensus Statement on Computed Tomographic Scanning of the Brain is now available from the Office for Medical Applications of Research, National Institutes of Health. Free, single copies may be obtained from Michael Bernstein, Office for Medical Applications of Research, Building 1, Room 216, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland 20205, USA.

Correction

Transoral approach to the cervical spine—report of four cases by SA O'Laoire, DGT Thomas (*J Neurol Neurosurg Psychiatry* 1982;45:60–63). In the second sentence under Discussion, the authors intended to state that "Flexion of the head is preserved following atlanto-axial fusion by whatever route" (not "rotation of the head").