

ERRATA

From the last two issues some errors have been detected and concerns been raised. These are addressed below:

1. In an article entitled, "**Lymph Vessels of the Rabbit Heart**" (see Marchetti, Poggi, Calligaro, Casasco; 18:90-95, 1985) the ABSTRACT contained several errors and is therefore reprinted correctly in its entirety.

ABSTRACT:

We examined the distribution and fine morphology of small lymph channels in the rabbit heart, and particularly in the ventricular myocardium. Light microscopy showed many small subepicardial lymphatics in both ventricles and in the subendocardium of papillary muscles and right side of the septum. By contrast, small lymphatics were scanty in the myocardium, ventricular endocardium and left portion of the septum. Electron microscopy revealed that the endothelial ultrastructure of these lymphatics was similar at different sites. The cytoplasm exhibited frequent adluminal expansions and contained numerous micropinocytotic vesicles opening both into the lumen and surrounding interstitium; bundles of microfilaments were commonly arranged in a parallel fashion. There were bilaminations of the endothelial wall between which relatively dense, finely granular material was seen. Intercellular contacts were characterized by cell superimpositions and interlockings, specialized junctions and occasional maculae adherentes. The basal membrane was discontinuous and often of variable thickness. In the surrounding connective tissue, thin filaments appeared adjacent to the

abluminal surface of the endothelial wall. Although the fine structure of the walls of small lymphatics in the rabbit ventricular myocardium was similar to that of small lymphatics at other sites, their distribution varied from other mammalian species.

2. As pointed out by M. Foldi, the term "Aplasia" is incorrect in the title of the article, "Retroperitoneal Nodal Aplasia, Asplenia, Chylous Effusion and Lymphatic Dysplasia: an Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome?" (Carini, Meregaglia, Galli, Segalini, Strada, Jones, Witte, Witte: 18: 31-36, 1985). *Aplasia* refers to lack of development and hence an inborn, not acquired, error. The title should have read, "Retroperitoneal Nodal Involution...."

3. One reader questioned the propriety in a scientific journal of a seemingly risqué pose in the photo series of great lymphologists at earlier congresses. I wish to assure the readers that pictures were taken either during scientific sessions or during perfectly proper official Congress social events such as barbeques or in the setting in question a long-train rhumba dance lesson from the world famous Mardi Gras troupe (CLW). See p. 121 for identification of faces.

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