## S/CAR '92—Symposium for Computed Assisted Radiology

THE SYMPOSIUM for Computed Assisted Radiology (S/CAR) will be hosted by the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions and the University of Maryland Medical Systems in Baltimore on June 14-17, 1992. The Symposium will be the 11th Conference on Computer Applications in Radiology, a series of national meetings that began in 1964. It will also be the sixth Conference on Computer Assisted Radiology, a series of international meetings that began in 1985. The sponsoring organizations include the American College of Radiology, Computer Assisted Radiology, the Radiology Information System Consortium, and the Society for Computer Applications in Radiology. The Symposium's program represents the mutual interests of the several sponsoring organizations and the departments of radiology at the host institutions, which currently emphasize advances in computer technology that affect radiology information systems, image management applications, and communication networks.

S/CAR '92 has been organized to provide a platform for a broad spectrum of health care professionals to present recent advances in and the benefits of using computer technology to improve the clinical practice of radiology and to manage health care resources more effectively. The impact of recent developments in digital imaging technology and related applications to information management systems and networks, concerns radiologists, other physicians, physicists, engineers, administrators, computer scientists and technologists. Attendance at S/CAR '92 is appropriate for all of the disciplines concerned with medical imaging.

The Symposium will feature scientific papers,

tutorials, and technical exhibits at the Omni Hotel and demonstrations of current applications at the host institutions. Arrangements have been made for continuing medical education credit for those who attend. It is anticipated that the social highlight of the 3-day program will be the reception on Monday evening, June 15 at the National Aquarium located at Baltimore's newly refurbished Inner Harbor, which is within walking distance of the Omni Hotel.

Many abstracts have been proffered by colleagues from Europe and Japan as a result of the coordination by Drs Atsuko Heshiki from the Saitama Medical School, and Heinz Lemke of the Technische Universitat Berlin. The increased participation by representatives from abroad is evidence of the need for international standards to further the development and application of advanced technology in medical imaging. This is one of the subjects that will receive special attention at the Symposium.

The Course Directors, Drs William Brody and Gerald Johnston of Hopkins and Maryland, respectively, are confident that those who attend will find the presentations stimulating, the social events enjoyable, and the comradery rewarding. If you plan to attend or would like more information please write to Dr William R. Brody, S/CAR '92, PO Box 8800, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8800, fax 717-561-5360, or telephone 717-561-5255.

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