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Chairman's Message

The Joint Section on Tumors has extended its membership to 191 active, 10 resident, and 4 honorary members. A new category of adjunct membership has been developed to be composed of non-neurosurgeons who are active in brain tumor treatment or research. Candidates for adjunct membership must be proposed by two active members. Interested parties and those requesting active membership should contact the Membership Committee Chairman: Dennis Bullard, M.D., Department of Neurosurgery, Box 3128, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina, 27710.

The present section structure is as follows:

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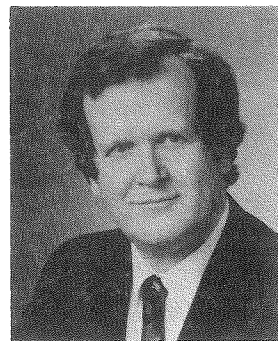
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The Section has developed an annual Preuss Foundation Resident's Research Award. The Preuss Foundation is a non-profit organization that was developed in 1985 by Mr. Peter Preuss to promote education and research in brain tumors; Dr. Lorraine Marin serves as

its Scientific Director. The award will alternate yearly between the annual meetings of the CNS and AANS. The winner will present his paper at the annual meeting and will receive travel, accommodations, and a \$1,000.00 stipend. Dr. John Zovickian is the first Preuss Foundation Resident's Research Award winner and will present his paper, titled "Immunotoxin Therapy of Central Nervous System Neoplasia," at the 1987 AANS meeting in Dallas. The second Research Award will be presented at the 1987 CNS meeting in Baltimore. Abstract forms will be distributed to Program Directors shortly. Those interested can contact the Awards Committee Chairman: Dr. Michael Salcman, Department of Neurosurgery, University of Maryland Medical School, 22 South Greene Street, Baltimore, Maryland, 21201.

A workshop on "The Biology and Treatment of Choroidomas" was held in New Orleans at the 1986 CNS
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Preuss Foundation Award Announced



Mr. Peter Preuss

The Preuss Foundation, Inc., is a non-profit foundation established by Mr. Peter Preuss in February, 1985 to support primary brain tumor research. The Foundation supports laboratory and clinical research of pediatric and adult brain tumors. The goals of the Foundation are to provide major financial support for brain tumor research and to facilitate and increase communication among these researchers.

Substantial funding began in autumn of 1985 and supports scientists in the United States and Europe, primarily to hire additional research staff. The Foundation hopes to significantly expand the number of researchers in primary brain tumor research by attracting and financially supporting exceptionally bright and motivated individuals.

Mr. Peter Preuss is a very energetic and dynamic mathematician who, 16 years ago, began what is now a publicly traded computer graphics software company.
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Preuss Foundation

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pany located in San Diego, California, ISSCO. Mr. Preuss is now Chairman of the Board of ISSCO, and Director of The Preuss Foundation. After an illness was diagnosed in his family, Mr. Preuss began The Preuss Foundation in response to a disappointing search for well-supported brain tumor research.

Dr. Lorraine Marin, who is the Scientific Director, began working for the Foundation in April, 1985. She is board certified in internal medicine, medical oncology, and radiation oncology. She has been involved in various areas of research during her oncologic training at The National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Maryland. In addition to this position, Dr. Marin now works for the City of Hope in Pasadena, California. Dr. Marin evaluates research and facilitates its exchange among members of the scientific community.



Dr. Lorraine Marin

Mr. Preuss is extremely committed to The Foundation. He has attempted to keep its organization simple and informal, both in terms of its staff and the format necessary to obtain grant funding. While unsolicited written grant requests are usually discouraged, verbal interactions and suggestions for possible new areas of support are highly encouraged.

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Meeting. The participants included James Rutka, Donlin Long, Narayan Sundaresan, and Mary Austin-Seymour, the first Preuss Foundation Senior Lecturer. A syllabus was prepared and will be distributed shortly to active members.

The results of the recent questionnaire sent to all section members (85 responded) were as follows:

- A. Desired method to distribute information presented at Section-sponsored workshops:
mailed syllabi 79; audiotapes 6; videotapes 4.
- B. Information desired on:
 1. Future tumor-related meetings - yes 82, no 2
 2. Discounts on tumor publications - yes 67, no 15

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3. Reviews of active clinical protocols -
yes 74, no 9

4. Abstract reviews of tumor articles -
yes 78, no 8

C. Cancergrams (government abstract service)
Order yourself 34, Section order for you 49

As a consequence of your desires, we plan: 1. To continue to distribute workshop syllabi; 2. Newsletter will contain information on future tumor meetings and reviews of particularly noteworthy articles appearing in non-neurosurgical journals; 3. The Membership Services Committee will attempt to get discounts from publishing companies; 4. The Research Committee is initiating a survey of active clinical protocols and research opportunities in the US and abroad; 5. Recently, the cost of cancergrams has decreased significantly as a consequence of the Government Printing Office taking over the responsibility for publication. Such literature-review service should help all practicing neurosurgeons stay abreast with recent developments in brain tumor therapy and research. Since the Section exists in part to promote education in the brain tumor field, we will pay for a subscription to the cancergram titled "CNS Malignancies: Diagnosis, Treatment" for each active and adjunct member. In order to receive this and future syllabi we must have you on record as having paid your annual dues; a renewal request has recently been distributed by the Secretary/Treasurer's office.

Sincerely,


Mark L. Rosenblum, M.D.
Chairman, Joint Section on
Tumors of the AANS and CNS

Tumor Section to Sponsor Workshop at 1987 AANS Annual Meeting

The Joint Tumor Section will sponsor a workshop at the 1987 AANS meeting in Dallas entitled "Medulloblastoma: A Curable Tumor?". Topics and speakers are as follows: Dr. Peter Berger, Duke University, "Pathology - Recent Developments and Controversies"; Larry Kun, M.D., St. Jude's Hospital, "Radiation Therapy - Positive and Negative Aspects"; Michael Edwards, M.D., UCSF, "Chemotherapy - Is There a Role?"; and Fred Epstein, M.D., NYU, "Surgery - Its Role and Problems". A Syllabus is being prepared.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Organization/Subject	Date/Place	Topic	Contact
Barrow Neurological Institute	February 22-25, 1987 Marriott Mountain Shadows Resort, Scottsdale, AZ	Magnetic Resonance Imaging Conference	Toby Jardine, Barrow Neurological Institute 350 West Thomas Road Phoenix, AZ 85013
Third Annual Update in Neuro-oncology '87	February 24-25, 1987 St. Petersburg, FL	Neurooncology	Surasak Phuphanich, M.D. 12901 North 30th St., Box 69 Tampa, FL 33612
Edward Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, Washington University School of Medicine	March 30-April 2, 1987 Washington University School of Medicine St. Louis, MO	Symposium/Course on Positron Emis- sion Tomography	Diane Zaltsman Div. of Radiation Sciences Washington University School of Medicine 510 S. Kingshighway Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63110
Fifth Annual Meeting of the Laser Association of Neurological Surgeons International	April 9-12, 1987 Chicago, IL	Laser Technology	Leonard J. Cerullo, M.D. University Neurosurgeons, S.C. 676 North St. Clair, #1950 Chicago, IL 60611
American Association of Neurological Surgeons/Annual Meeting	May 3-7, 1987 Dallas, TX	Neurosurgery, including neurooncology	Carl H. Hauber The American Association of of Neurological Surgeons 22 S. Washington St., Suite 100 Park Ridge, IL 60068
American Society for Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery	June 3-6, 1987 Montreal, Canada	Neurosurgery	Dr. Andre Olivier Montreal Neurological Institute 3801 University Street Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3A 2B4
8th European Congress of Neurosurgery	September 6-11, 1987 Barcelona, Spain	Neurosurgery, including neurooncology	Dr. Fabian Ismat European Congress of Neurosurgery Palacio de Congresos Avenida Reina M. Cristina 08004 Barcelona, Spain
37th Annual Meeting, Congress of Neurological Surgeons	October 25-30, 1987 Baltimore, MD	Neurosurgery, including neurooncology	Dr. Michael Salzman, Secy. Congress of Neurological Surgeons University of Maryland Hospital 22 South Greene Street Baltimore, MD 21201