

14th annual meeting of the American Society for Cell Biology to be held in San Diego

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More than 2,000 scientists from throughout the United States are expected to attend the 14th annual meeting of the American Society for Cell Biology Nov. 20-23 at the Charles C. Dail Convention and Performing Arts Center in San Diego.

Approximately 770 papers on various aspects of cell biology will be presented at the meeting, according to Dr. Silvio S. Varon, associate professor of biology at the University of California, San Diego and local arrangements chairman of the event.

Topics will include the use of tiny lasers to perform microsurgery, increasing the life span of cells with vitamin E and combining human and cancerous mouse cells to study malignancy.

Among the highlights of the meeting will be a discussion about women in science at 8 p.m. Nov. 21 in Rooms 206-209 of the Community Concourse. Dr. Janet Brown, director of the Office of Opportunity in Science of the American Association for the. Advancement of Science, will be the principal speaker in the session titled, "The Vanishing Myth: No Qualified Women in Biology."

Dr. George E. Palade, of Yale University and co-recipient of this year's Nobel Prize in Medicine, will moderate the opening symposium on interactions among cell membranes at 8:30 p.m. Nov. 20 in the Civic Theater.

The role of biologists in national science policy will be the subject of a luncheon discussion at noon Nov. 22 in Golden Hall. Dr. William D. McElroy, UCSD chancellor and former head of the National Science Foundation, will be a featured panel member.

Ways to increase agricultural production will be discussed in a symposium on new techniques in plant genetics at 8:30 a.m. Nov. 22 in the Civic Theater.

High school students will be especially welcome at a public symposium Nov. 23. They will be able to tour the convention exhibits from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in Plaza Hall and attend a lecture and film presentation on "How the Amoeba Moves" at 11 a.m. in the Civic Theater.

Free tickets for the public session may be obtained from the high school biology and science teachers, or Dr. Willie C. Brown of the UCSD Biology Department.

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