

Editorial

We are very pleased to present this special issue of the *Journal of Orthomolecular Medicine*. In it, we have combined the third and fourth quarters for 1991 in order to publish, under one cover, the papers given at the Second World Congress on Vitamin C held in San Diego, May 10, 11 and 12, 1991, along with four exciting articles from the Linus Pauling Institute of Science and Medicine. The articles from the Congress range in form from edited transcripts of informal speeches to formal papers read at the Congress. This important meeting brought together today's leading scientists and researchers in vitamin C, including the two-time Nobel laureate, Linus Pauling. Dr. Pauling's presence at the Congress wonderfully linked it to the First Congress held in 1978, when he was joined by three other great pioneers in vitamin C: Albert Szent-Gyorgyi, Irwin Stone, and Fred Klenner.

Rather than publish a transcript of his talk at the Congress, Dr. Pauling, and his colleague Matthias Rath, M.D., chose to submit four papers, developed over the last six months, to the *Journal of Orthomolecular Medicine*. The first of these, linking cardiovascular disease to ascorbate deficiency, had been accepted for publication in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* but when that decision was reversed (as explained in the article's foreword, page 125), we agreed to publish it. Drs. Pauling and Rath write: "We are indebted to the *Journal of Orthomolecular Medicine* for the publication of this article without delay and we know that this decision will not be to the disadvantage of this Journal. Above all, we are convinced that the uncompromised publication of this article lies in the interest of millions of patients and perhaps every human being." The second paper, "An Orthomolecular Theory of Human Health and

Disease", is a natural extension of their first paper, while the third paper thoroughly examines the importance of apoprotein(a) as an adhesive protein. A case report describing the amelioration of angina pectoris with lysine and ascorbate concludes this series of four articles. We are honored to have been chosen to publish these articles, and we trust that their significance will be rapidly and profoundly understood.

A new regular feature, *Cases from the Center*, begins with this issue of the Journal (p. 202). Each quarter, James Jackson, Ph.D., Professor and Chair, Clinical Sciences Dept., Wichita State University and Hugh Riordan, M.D., President, The Center for the Improvement of Human Functioning, will present a recent case of improved health through Orthomolecular medicine. We welcome their contribution and look forward to a great series of practical, clinical experiences.

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