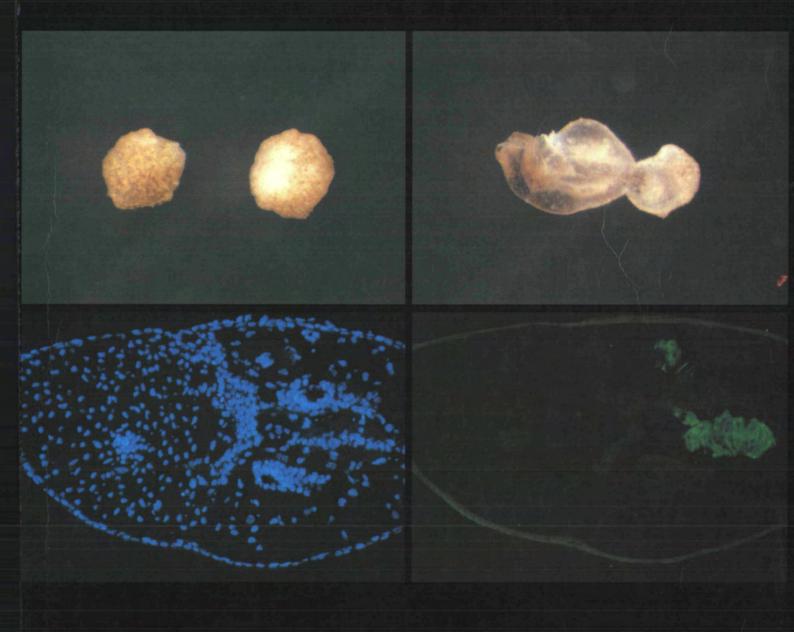
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The effects of a *Xenopus* cell line mesoderm-inducing factor on isolated blastula animal pole tissue. (1) Isolated animal pole regions allowed to develop in the absence of mesoderm-inducing activity form ciliated spheres of epidermis. (2) An animal cap exposed to mesoderm-inducing activity becomes elongated and acquires some internal structure. (3) A section of an induced explant similar to 2, stained with DAPI to show the nuclei. (4) The same section as 3, stained with an antibody to myosin heavy chain, to indicate that muscle (a mesodermal derivative) has formed.

For full details see the paper by J. C. Smith on pages 3–14 of this issue.

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University of Oxford 23–26 March 1987

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The BSCB and the BSDB will again hold their Spring Meetings concurrently, all sessions being open to members of either society.

Conference organizers

Gillian Morriss-Kay, Peter Newell, Nigel Holder, Clive Lloyd.

PRINCIPAL TOPICS

Cell Behaviour: Shape, Adhesion and Motility

(The 2nd Abercrombie Conference). This will be the BSCB/The Company of Biologists Limited main symposium.

Organizers: Adam Middleton, Joan Heaysman and Fiona Watt.

There will be *concurrent* BSCB symposia:

- 1. *Junctions* organized by Nancy Lane, with an evening workshop.
- 2. The Nucleus organized by David Lane.
- 3. Thresholds organized by Lewis Wolpert.

Participants include:

Cell behaviour: Oster (Berkeley), Vasiliev (Moscow), Ireland (Oxford),

Dow (Glasgow), Dunn (London), Wilkinson (Glasgow), Harris (North Carolina), Schor (Manchester), Mareel (Ghent), Parish (Zurich), Thorogood (Southampton), Keller (Berkeley), Kucera (Lausanne), Wylie (London), Morriss-Kay (Oxford), Grinnell (Texas), Burridge (North Carolina), Buck (Philadelphia), Hughes (London), Geiger (Rehovot), Ben-Ze'ev (Rehovot), Spiegelman (Boston), Watt (London), Mauchamp (Marseille), Bissell (Berkeley)

Junctions: M. S. Steinberg, D. Garrod, B. R. Stevenson, B. Kachar,

D. L. Paul, M. Finbow and N. J. Lane

The Nucleus U. K. Laemmli, W. Franke, W. Richardson, C. Dingwall,

D. Glover, G. Evan, S. Dilworth and G. Foulkes

Thresholds P. Nurse, T. Michison, D. Noble, A. Goldbeter and K.

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Posters

There will be a poster session during the meeting

Applications to Dr G. Morriss-Kay, Department of Human Anatomy, South Parks Road, Oxford, OX1 3QX.

Closing date 28 January. It may be possible to book after this date but a late booking fee will be charged.

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SYMPOSIUM MEETING — SPRING 1987 Oxford 24-25 March

The Mammalian Y Chromosome: Molecular Search for the Sex Determining Gene

> Organized by P. Goodfellow, J. Wolfe and I. Craig in conjunction with BSDB and The Company of Biologists Limited

The meeting will consider the rapid progress that is being made towards cloning the male sex determining (TDF) gene and elucidating its mode of action

Participants include:

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Autumn Discussion Meeting in Durham, 16-18 September 1987 Topics: A joint meeting with the Feto-maternal Immunology Group to cover the maternal-fetal interface. PLUS a major session on Developmental Immunobiology of Xenopus with an international list of speakers.

Autumn Symposium Meeting in Bath in conjunction with The COB Craniofacial Development, 21-23 September 1987. Organized by P. Thorogood and C. Tickle, this meeting will examine the repertoire of cell behaviour and tissue properties which are important in development of the craniofacial region.

Further information about BSDB Meetings can be obtained from Dr N. Holder, BSDB Meetings Secretary, Department of Anatomy & Human Biology, King's College London, Strand, London WC2R 2LS.