

## TEMA 9 Meeting

### Minutes of TEMA Parent Committee Meetings held on 20 & 23 May 1996 at Banff, Canada

1. Agreed that Parent Committee should consist of :

Professor Ian Bremner (Chairman), Rowett Research Institute, Aberdeen, UK  
Dr. John R. Arthur (Secretary/Treasurer), Rowett Research Institute, Aberdeen, UK  
Professor Roger Sunde, University of Missouri, Columbia, USA  
Professor Joseph R. Prohaska, University of Minnesota, Duluth, USA  
Professor Manfred Anke, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität, Jena, Germany  
Dr. Berislav Momcilovic, Human Nutrition Research Center, Grand Forks, USA  
Professor Janet King, Human Nutrition Research Centre, San Francisco, USA  
Dr. Rosalind Gibson, University of Otago, New Zealand  
Dr. Nick D. Costa, Murdoch University, Perth, Australia  
Professor Alain Favier, University of Grenoble, France  
Dr. Peter W.F. Fischer, Health Canada, Ottawa, Canada

2. Agreed that the TEMA Secretariat would continue to be based at RRI. Executive Committee to consist of Ian Bremner/John Arthur/Roger Sunde.

3. Agreed that there should be a regular turnover of Parent Committee, with term of office generally consisting of 9 years (3 TEMA meetings). Ian Bremner intimated that he would stand down at next meeting. Manfred Anke and Berislav Momcilovic agreed that they would probably do likewise. The composition of the Committee should reflect country of origin, gender, area of expertise as well as scientific reputation.

4. Following a presentation by Anne-Marie Roussel from Grenoble it was agreed that TEMA-10 should be held in France in 1999, at a venue to be agreed. The Chairman of the Local Organising Committee would be Professor Alain Favier. Local Organising Committee representatives would be recruited from several French centres of trace element research, including INRA at Clermont-Ferrand. Possible venues would be Chamonix, Annecy or Grenoble, with May as the most likely month.

5. It was agreed that TEMA-11 would be held in California at a venue to be decided. The Local Organising Committee is likely to be led by Professor Janet King, with help from Bo Lonnerdal and Carl Keen. Animal scientists would also be involved in the Local Organising Committee.

6. In order to improve communication of information on TEMA developments to members, a Web Page will be set up as soon as possible. Responsibility for implementing this will lie with the Executive Committee.

7. Steps will be taken to attract sponsorship for TEMA scholarships to allow students and scientists from developing countries to attend TEMA meetings. It was suggested that commercial organisations might be approached for funding.

8. John Howell explained that some members had suggested that TEMA should play a more pro-active role with regard to trace element issues at national/international level, such as in setting toxicity or requirements levels. Ian Bremner to consider how this might be achieved.

9. Treasurer's Report accepted. This showed funds of &pound;7750 at present, but likely to be restored to about &pound;15k once TEMA-9 Local Organising Committee has repaid loan. Peter Fischer reported that TEMA-9 would probably have a surplus of about \$400 once the loan from the Parent Committee has been repaid. It was agreed that an advance would be made available to organisers of TEMA-10 (and 11) on the understanding that any surplus funds arising from these meetings would be transferred to central TEMA funds.

10. **Proceedings.** There was a brief discussion about the format of the Proceedings. The consensus view of the Parent Committee had been that there was a case for separate publication of (a) extended Abstracts of the short papers and posters (probably as a journal supplement) and (b) the main papers, as a state-of-the-art volume. The TEMA-9 Local Organising Committee had opted to stay with the old format. It was agreed that this issue should be discussed at an early stage with Alain Favier.

11. Berislav Momcilovic suggested that the TEMA proceedings should be routinely cited in *Current Contents*. However, Ian Bremner pointed out that this was very expensive (around &pound;2200 for TEMA-7) and that it could not be afforded. The alternative suggestion that the [titles of the papers be listed](#) (or purchase details when contents no longer available: *Note added 21 August 2001*) on the proposed TEMA Web Page was accepted as a good compromise.

**12. John Howell was formally thanked for his sterling work as Chairman of the Parent Committee.**