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# LIGUE EUROPÉENNE CONTRE LE RHUMATISME

## SECOND EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF RHEUMATOLOGY, 1951

The Congress will be held in Barcelona, September 24 to 27, 1951, when the following subjects will be discussed. (The names of those taking part will be notified later.)

- (1) Non-articular rheumatism.
- (2) Effects of pituitary and adrenal cortex hormones in rheumatic diseases.
- (3) Ultrasonic therapy.
- (4) Ankylosing spondylitis.
- (5) Brucellar rheumatism.

Papers will not be restricted to the above, and intending participants are asked to send their abstracts to the General Secretary as soon as possible.

It has been decided to hold an exhibition of Books and Monographs on the Rheumatic Diseases, published during the last twenty years. It would be appreciated if members could send one or more copies of each publication for this exhibition.

A tour through Spain, after the Congress, is being organized; details of arrangements will be given later.

The official Committee, to whom enquiries should be addressed, is constituted as follows:

<i>President:</i>	Prof. A. Pedro Pons, Mallorca 293, Barcelona.
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## SOCIETÀ ITALIANA DI REUMATOLOGIA

### SECOND RHEUMATOLOGY DAY, ACQUI, ITALY

The second Rheumatology Day at Acqui, Italy, will take place on June 2, 1951, at the State Thermal Baths, with the support of the Società Italiana di Reumatologia. The winner of the Acqui Prize for Rheumatology will be announced. Lectures will be delivered by:

Dr. W. S. C. Copeman	President of the Ligue Européenne contre le Rhumatisme.
Prof. F. Françon	Vice-President of the Ligue Européenne.
Prof. E. Martin	Director of the University Medical Clinic, Geneva.

For information please apply to the Medical Director, Thermal Baths, Acqui, Piemonte, Italy.

# ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS

## CHRONIC RHEUMATIC DISEASES COMMITTEE

At a meeting of the Comitia of the Royal College of Physicians held on October 26, 1950, the following Committee was appointed "to consider the organization of the treatment of chronic rheumatic diseases, with special reference to the needs of the Health Service":

Dr. W. Russell Brain ( <i>President</i> ).	Prof. L. S. P. Davidson.
Dr. Anthony Feiling.	Dr. G. D. Kersley ( <i>Secretary</i> ).
Sir John Conybeare.	Dr. E. G. L. Bywaters.
Dr. Frank Howitt.	Sir Ernest Rock Carling.
Dr. W. S. C. Copeman.	Dr. F. S. Cooksey.
Dr. W. G. Barnard.	Mr. H. Osmond-Clarke.
Dr. E. T. Conybeare.	Sir Harold Boldero.

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*Organized by the British Board of Management of the International  
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### PRELIMINARY NOTICE

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Dr. Philippe Bauwens (Chairman of the Executive Committee).  
Dr. Frank S. Cooksey.  
*Honorary Secretary* : Dr. A. C. Boyle.

The Congress will be held in London from July 14 to 19, 1952.

In accordance with the regulations of the International Federation of Physical Medicine, the meetings of the Congress will be reserved for matters dealing with the clinical, remedial, prophylactic, and educational aspects of Physical Medicine, and with the diagnostic and therapeutic methods employed in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

In addition to the Scientific Programme, to which medical auxiliaries will be admitted as ancillary associate members, a full programme of social events and entertainment is being planned, and arrangements are being made for London and provincial visits of scientific and historical interest.

Full details will be notified later. Applications for the Preliminary Programme should be addressed to the Hon. Sec., International Congress of Physical Medicine (1952), 45 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2.