

Professor Malcolm welcomed a variety of visitors from other countries – particularly South America, Stefan Mellander from Sweden and Pavel Hnik from Czechoslovakia – to the neurophysiological laboratories. He supervised a number of research assistants and postgraduate students working particularly on neurotransmitter actions as identified from evoked potential studies. Both staff and postgraduates were encouraged to travel to conferences and to work in other laboratories.

In 1975 Professor Malcolm retired early, returning to his native New Zealand, but settling in the north island with plans to grow an orchard of kiwi fruit. While his trees developed he worked at the new University of Auckland in both neurophysiological teaching and research, publishing his last paper in 1980.

Professor Malcolm maintained his interest in physiology to the end. His keen intellect ensured his enjoyment of IUPS meetings in Glasgow, UK, Prague, Czech Republic and, last of all, in Christchurch, New Zealand where he appeared delighted to meet old friends and full of life and energy, despite celebrating his 88th birthday at the Congress.

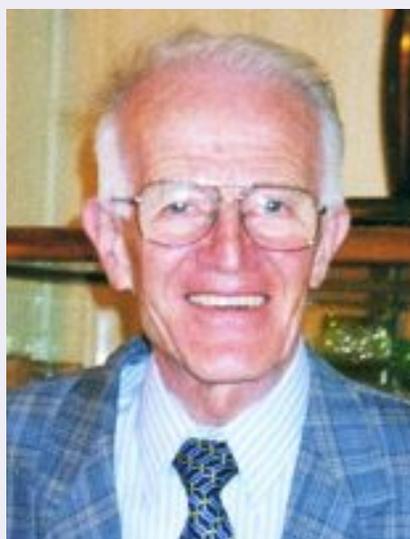
Laurence Malcolm had a wide range of interests – including hill walking and Rotary Club activities. He was actively involved as a lay preacher and vestry member in the Anglican church of New Zealand, working to form a New Zealand 'sea of faith' group.

### Ruth Payne

*Old Aberdeen, Scotland*

## Stanislav Tuček

1932 – 2002



Many readers will be saddened to hear that Stan Tuček died in Prague on 27 September, 2002. For the last three years of his life he had suffered uncomplainingly from leukaemia. Although not a Member he was known to the Society from his attendance as a Foreign Guest at UK meetings and as a co-organizer of our joint meeting with the Czech Physiological Society in 1998. Recently he held a grant under the Society's Centres of Excellence Support Scheme. He had a worldwide reputation as a neurochemist and was involved in arranging and editing numerous important symposia on the cholinergic nervous system. In the mid-1960s he worked with Catherine Hebb at Babraham, and later with S-C Cheng in New York.

Despite the constraints on research in iron-curtain days, his laboratory in the Institute of Physiology in Prague was extremely productive as can be seen from the bibliography in his 1978 monograph *Acetylcholine Synthesis in Neurons*. His productivity continued unabated to the end of his life: he was still working on a paper during his final spell in hospital.

Friends throughout the world will want to extend their sympathy to his widow Dana, his son Martin and his

daughter Lenka, in the loss of a charming, caring and courageous man.

### Ann Silver

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## Eberhard Buhl

It is with deep regret that we announce the untimely death of Professor Eberhard Buhl. After a long period of ill health his condition took a devastating turn for the worse over the New Year and he died of heart failure in the early hours of Saturday, 18 January in the Leeds General Infirmary. Eberhard was a young man, but at 43 he had achieved more than many academics whose lives have not been cut so tragically short. After gaining medical qualification in Germany he enjoyed many fruitful years as a neuroanatomist working in institutions within Europe and as far afield as Australia. He came to the UK to work at the MRC Anatomical Neuropharmacology Unit in Oxford. In 1999 he came to the University of Leeds to fill the chair in Neurobiology. At Leeds he rapidly established one of the world's leading neuronal network research groups and took over the reins as Head of the School of Biomedical Sciences in January 2002.

His demise is an immense loss to the University, his friends and colleagues throughout the world and his family. We extend our heartfelt condolences to his wife Dora Lozsadi.

### The Neuronal Oscillations Research Group

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A full obituary will be published in the next issue of *Physiology News*