

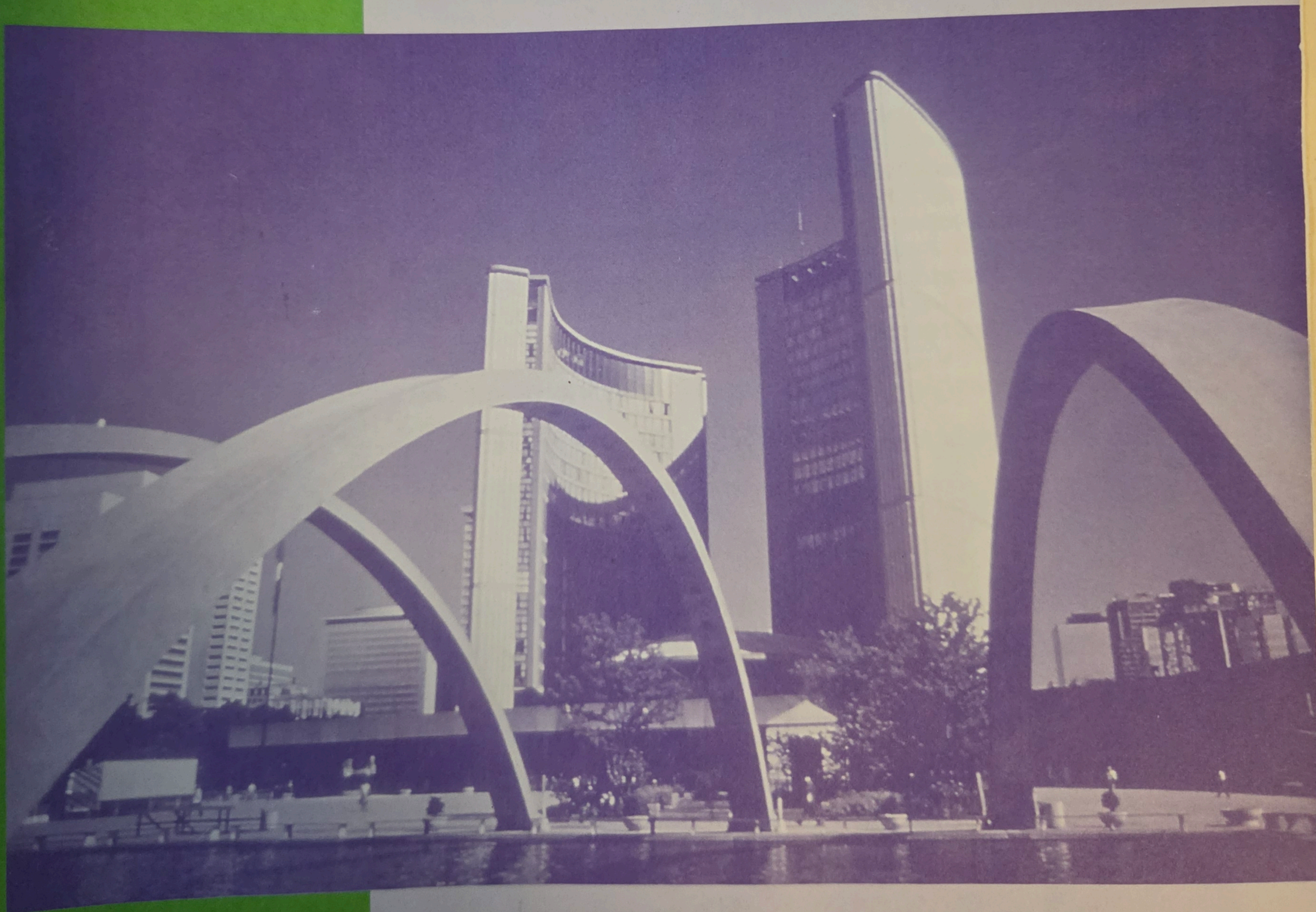
First North American Congress

CONGRESS OF
EPIDEMIOLOGY
2001

June 13-16, 2001

Westin Harbour Castle Hotel

Toronto, Ontario, Canada



Sponsored by:
American College of Epidemiology
American Public Health Association - Epidemiology Section
Canadian Society for Epidemiology and Biostatistics
Society for Epidemiologic Research

About the 2001 Congress

The 2001 Congress of Epidemiology will bring together members of four North American epidemiology societies and other epidemiologists for the first ever combined meeting of these groups. This momentous event will provide an opportunity to take stock of past achievements in the field, identify current strengths and weaknesses, identify future challenges, and prioritize goals for the future - especially regarding what needs to be accomplished during the next decade for epidemiology to thrive.

The Congress will preserve many of the unique features of each of the sponsoring organization's own meeting traditions, while allowing for discussion and reflection on issues common to all epidemiologists. The meeting will feature five plenary sessions on cross-cutting themes, twenty symposia on a wide range of topics and disciplines, and twenty spotlight sessions created from submitted abstracts and designed to focus on specific challenges or insights. Prominently featured poster sessions will provide ample opportunity for one-on-one exchange of ideas. Roundtable discussions on controversial and timely subjects, and workshops and other continuing education opportunities will round out the meeting.

Since epidemiologists value numeracy, it is appropriate that we welcome the new millennium in the correct year, 2001.

Don't miss out. Register now, and join us for what promises to be a historic meeting.

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General Information

Congress Web site

The Congress Web site, www.epi2001.org has up-to-the-minute information about the meeting. Check the site for details about workshops, the latest schedule, accommodations and tourism, and to register on-line.

Special Addresses

The Presidents of each of the four sponsoring societies will address the Congress to share their vision of their organization and the field. The Awards Luncheon will feature remarks from distinguished epidemiologists who will be honored with a combined Congress award, named after the late Abraham Lilienfeld.

Plenary Sessions and Symposia

Five major plenary sessions and 20 symposia will be featured at the Congress. These have been selected to address issues that are common to all epidemiologists, such as research methods, and to represent the diversity across the sponsoring societies and within the profession.

Contributed Papers and Posters

There will be 20 sessions of contributed papers selected to address topics of particular interest or timeliness. These sessions will be chaired by noted leaders in the field. Three large poster sessions will provide an opportunity to socialize while you learn and promise to be a highlight of the meeting.

Roundtables

Breakfast roundtables will be held on Friday and Saturday morning from 7:00-8:30 a.m. Sessions include a discussion leader, ten lucky ticket holders, and a topic of mutual interest. Participants spend ninety minutes in conversation with an expert getting to know colleagues' views on timely scientific, ethical, professional, and (especially) controversial topics. Participants must have a ticket, which will be available on a first-come-first-served basis the day of the session, beginning at 6:30 a.m.

Continuing Education

ACE Workshops

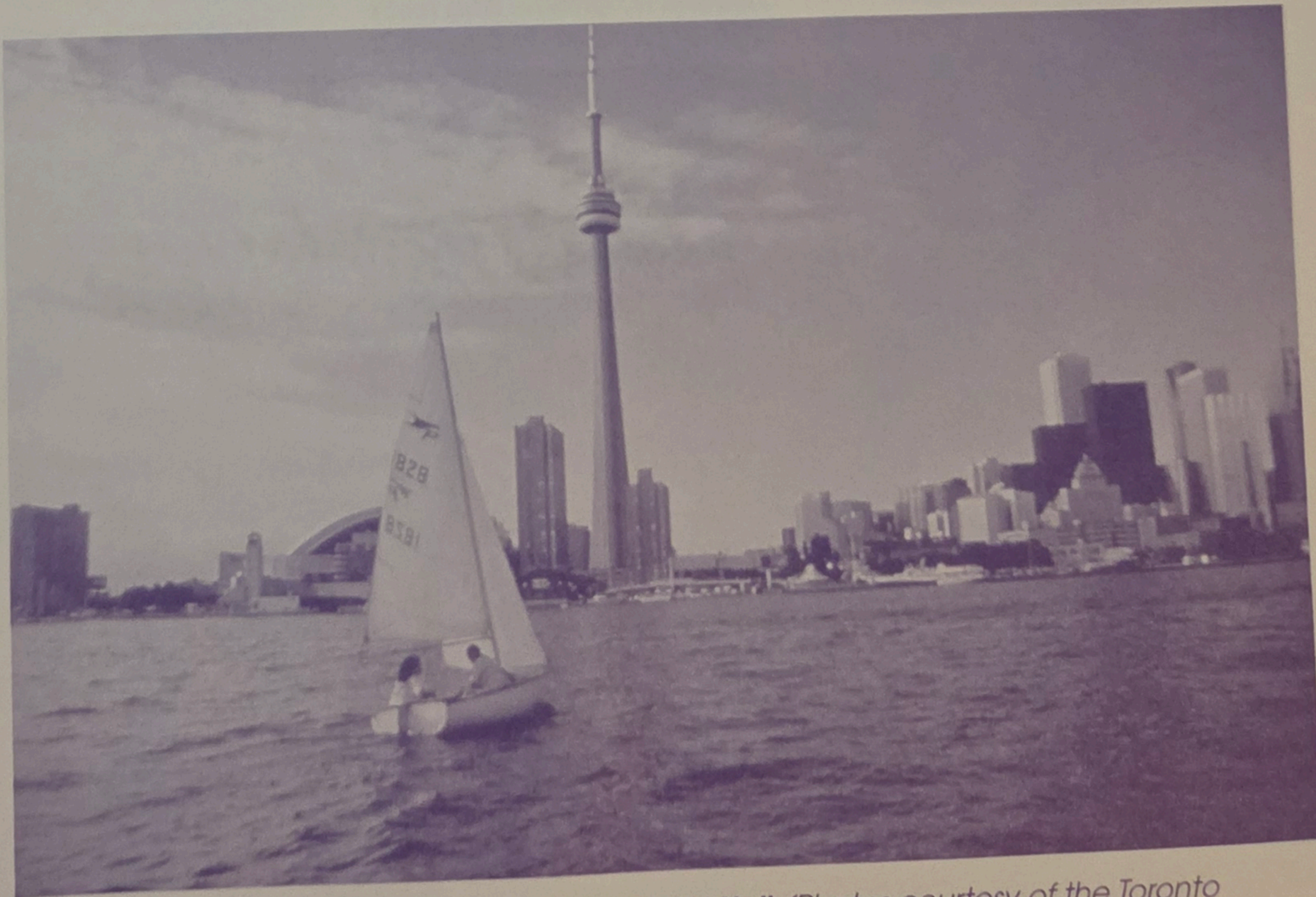
Continuing education workshops sponsored by the American College of Epidemiology will be offered on June 13, prior to the Congress. Workshops will be held at the conference hotel and on the campus of the University of

Toronto. Six full day workshops will be offered on topics ranging from molecular genetics to risk communication. Separate registration fees apply. Workshops will run from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For those not up for a full day of molecular genetics, the workshop may be taken as a half-day course, with the basics offered in the morning, and more advanced topics covered in the afternoon. See the Congress Web site (www.epi2001.org) for full details and course descriptions.

Career Development Workshop

A half-day career development workshop – "Uncovering how the System Works" – will be held on June 13th from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. This is offered free of charge to meeting registrants, but you must register in advance to participate. The session is intended for post-doctoral trainees and junior faculty but even more advanced professionals may find it useful.

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Above: Toronto Skyline; Front Cover: Toronto City Hall (Photos courtesy of the Toronto Convention and Visitors Association)

SER Student Workshop

This successful SER workshop is once again being offered for qualifying graduate students. The workshop will be held on June 13, prior to the start of the meeting.

Awards Lunch

In addition to the presentation of the Lilienfeld Awards for excellence in the field, student award winners will also be recognized at the Awards Lunch on Friday, June 15 from 12:00 N - 2:00 p.m. Tickets for the Awards Lunch are limited, and must be purchased in advance. Don't miss this opportunity to hear remarks from distinguished leaders of our profession.

Social Event and Reception

Your local hosts have chosen the Art Gallery of Ontario for the social event on Thursday, June 14 from 7:00-9:30 p.m. During the reception in the Atrium, tours of the gallery will be available from

qualified docents. Refreshments and a cash bar will be provided during the evening. Additional tickets can be purchased for your guests at US\$25.

Business Meetings

Business meetings for each of the organizations will be held Friday June 15 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Alumni Reunions

Friday, June 15 - 7:00-8:00 p.m. has been reserved for alumni reunions. Please contact the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel, (416) 869-1600 and ask for the catering department to make logistical arrangements.

Location

The site of the Congress of Epidemiology 2001 is Toronto. As the capital of Ontario province, Toronto is the business and financial center of Canada. Toronto, the largest city in Canada, will provide exciting and unique

opportunities such as sporting events, opera, ballet and theater. You can also dig your toes into one of the city's sandy beaches or hop a ferry to the Toronto Islands. The Congress Web site links to more Toronto tourist information.

Conference Hotel

The meeting will take place at the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel, One Harbour Square, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 1A6, Canada. The conference room rate is CAN \$160 plus tax (single or double). As of February 2001, the CAN \$160 rate was US\$110. Please verify the rate when you make your reservation by calling 416-869-1600, or 1-800-228-3000 within the U.S. and Canada. Be sure to mention the Congress of Epidemiology 2001 to receive the special rate. **The deadline for reservations at the conference rate is May 14, 2001.** The Congress Web site links to the Westin for more information.

The Westin offers spacious guestrooms and a variety of suites. Each guest room and suite includes voicemail, two telephones, data ports, hair dryer, iron and ironing board, air conditioning, refreshment center, remote-control color television with in-room movies and other amenities. Guests can enjoy the fully equipped complimentary health club, indoor swimming pool and spas, business center, retail shops and hair salon, 24-hour room service, or dine at one of the hotel's four restaurants. Non-smoking rooms are available upon request.



Sky Dome (Photo courtesy of the Toronto Convention and Visitors Association)

Student Housing

A limited number of dormitory rooms are available. **The cut-off date for room reservations is April 12th, 2001.** Please indicate the Congress 2001 meeting when making reservations.

Victoria University at the University of Toronto

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Twin Room:

Air Conditioned:
CAN \$60 + Tax

Non Air Conditioned:
CAN \$52 + Tax

Single Room

Air Conditioned:
CAN \$42 + Tax

Non Air Conditioned:
CAN \$36 + Tax

Transportation

Delta Air Lines is offering a 5% discount on Delta's published round-trip fares within the continental U.S., Hawaii, Alaska, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, San Juan, Nassau, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. By purchasing your ticket 60 days or more prior to your departure date, you can receive an additional 5% bonus discount. To make reservations call 1-800-241-6760; mention the name of the conference and refer to File #133690A.

ACE/Olson Management's travel office is available to help with other transportation arrangements. Call 1-800-448-6989.

Avis is offering special car rental rates to Congress attendees. For rates and reservations, call 1-800-331-1600, refer to File #A679899.

Ground Transportation from the airport is also available through Airport Express Shuttle. Tickets may be purchased from Airport Express located near the baggage claim area.

Member Qualification

To qualify as a member for the meeting and the ACE courses, you must belong to one of the sponsoring organizations: American College of Epidemiology (ACE), American Public Health Association (APHA), Canadian Society for Epidemiology and Biostatistics (CSEB), or Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER).

Registration

Registration fees include attendance at all conference sessions, conference materials, opening reception, continental breakfasts and refreshment breaks, and an evening social at the Art Gallery of Ontario. Registration may be completed by mail, fax, E-mail or via the Internet at: <http://www.epi2001.org>. **The early registration deadline is May 14, 2001.**



Front and Wellington Streets (Photo courtesy of the Toronto Convention and Visitors Association)

A confirmation letter will be sent upon receipt of the completed registration form. Payment can be made by check, purchase order, Visa or MasterCard.

Additional registration information can be found on the Web site or can be obtained from:

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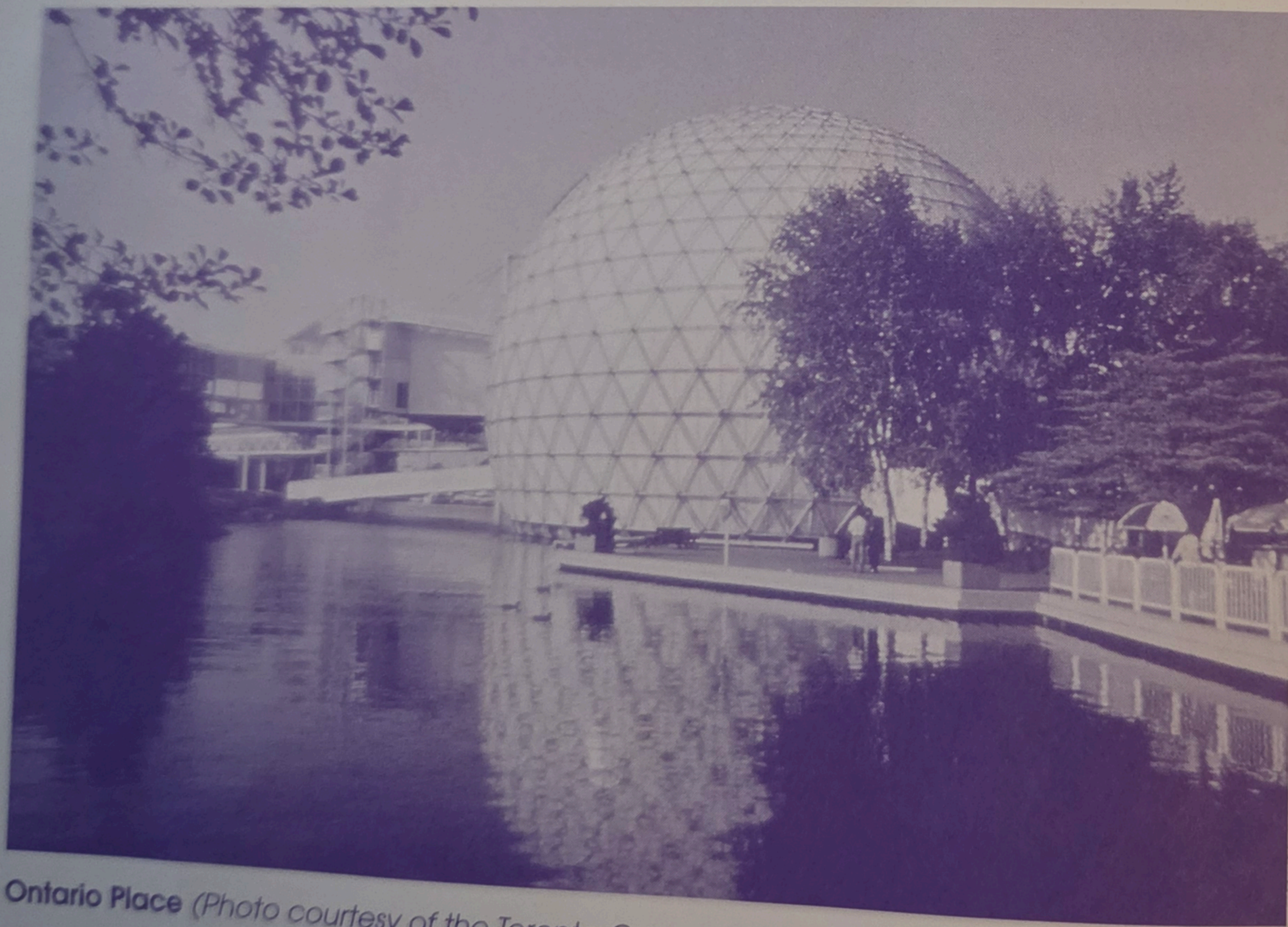
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Important Deadlines

Reduced-rate meeting registration
May 14, 2001

Hotel reservations
May 14, 2001

Dormitory reservations
April 12, 2001



Ontario Place (Photo courtesy of the Toronto Convention and Visitors Association)

Preliminary Program

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9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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Career Development: Uncovering How the System Works

Diana Buist

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POSTER SESSION I

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Opening Reception

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Douglas Weed

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Janet Bobo

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Stanislav Kasl

Judith Hays

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Aurora Pageau

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Breakfast Roundtables

Rosanne McTyre

Increasing Diversity Among Epidemiologists

Bill Jenkins

Moving from Mentee to Mentor

Nigel Paneth

How to Be a Peer-Reviewer

Richard Rothenberg

Ethics, Epidemiology and Reproduction

Germaine Buck

Kenneth Goodman

Epidemiologic Evidence and Non-Evidence Shaping Public Health Policy: Vaccination

Jose Cordero

Access to Medical Records and the New Privacy Rules: How They Can Benefit Patients, Research, and Public Health Surveillance

G. Marie Swanson

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Is it Time to Stop Studying the Effects of Cigarette Smoking?

Richard Peto

A Proposal for an International Society for Urban Health Research

Sandra Galea

Plenary Sessions - Part 1

Clinical and Classical Epidemiology: A Comparison of Standards of Evidence

Jack Sinclair

Stephen Walter

The Fall and Rise of Infectious Disease

Stanley Weiss

James Koopman

10:00 am - 10:30 am

Coffee Break

10:30 am - 12:00 N

Plenary Sessions - Part 2

Comparison of Evidence

Jack Sinclair

Stephen Walter

Infectious Disease

Stanley Weiss

James Koopman



Casa Loma (Photo courtesy of the Toronto Convention and Visitors Association)

10:30 am - 12:00 N

Concurrent Contributed
Paper Sessions (6)

12:00 N - 2:00 pm

AWARDS LUNCH

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Symposia

**Nuts and Bolts of Field Studies:
Things They Didn't Teach You
in School**

*Dale Sandler
Jane Hoppin*

Perinatal Biomarkers

*David Savitz
Michelle Williams*

**An Epidemiologic Conundrum:
Assuring the Safety of Drugs
Used in Pregnancy**

Stanley Edlavitch

**Global HIV/STD Epidemiology
in the New Millennium**

Ward Cates

**Climate Change and Health:
Controversies and Epidemio-
logical Responses**

Alistair Woodward

**Biomarkers of Nutritional
Exposure and Nutritional
Status**

Jo Freudenheim

**Occupational Causes of
Cancer: Are We at a
Cul-de-sac?**

Jack Siemiatycki

**Food Safety: Challenges to
Epidemiology**

*Tamar Lasky
Ruth Etzel*

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Workshop

Halving Premature Death

Richard Peto

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

POSTER SESSION III

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Business Meetings

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Alumni Receptions and
Student Reception**

Saturday, June 16

7:00 am - 8:30 am

Breakfast Roundtables
Rosanne McTyre

**Privacy, Promises, and
Data Sharing**

Elizabeth Fontham

**Setting Research and Training
Priorities in Women's Health**

Marlene Goldman

**Epidemiologic Practice:
Epidemiology in State and
Local Health Departments**

Sarah Patrick

**Joining Forces: The Future
of Epidemiology Societies in
North America**

Betsy Foxman

**Measuring the Impacts of
Racism on Health**

Camara Jones

**Educating Students for
Non-Traditional Careers in
Epidemiology: Public Health
Practice and Policy**

Michael Stoto

**Gene-Environment and
Gene-Gene Interactions in
Studies of Chronic (and
Infectious) Diseases**

*T. O'Brien
Richard Kaslow*

**A Proposal for an International
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David Vlahov

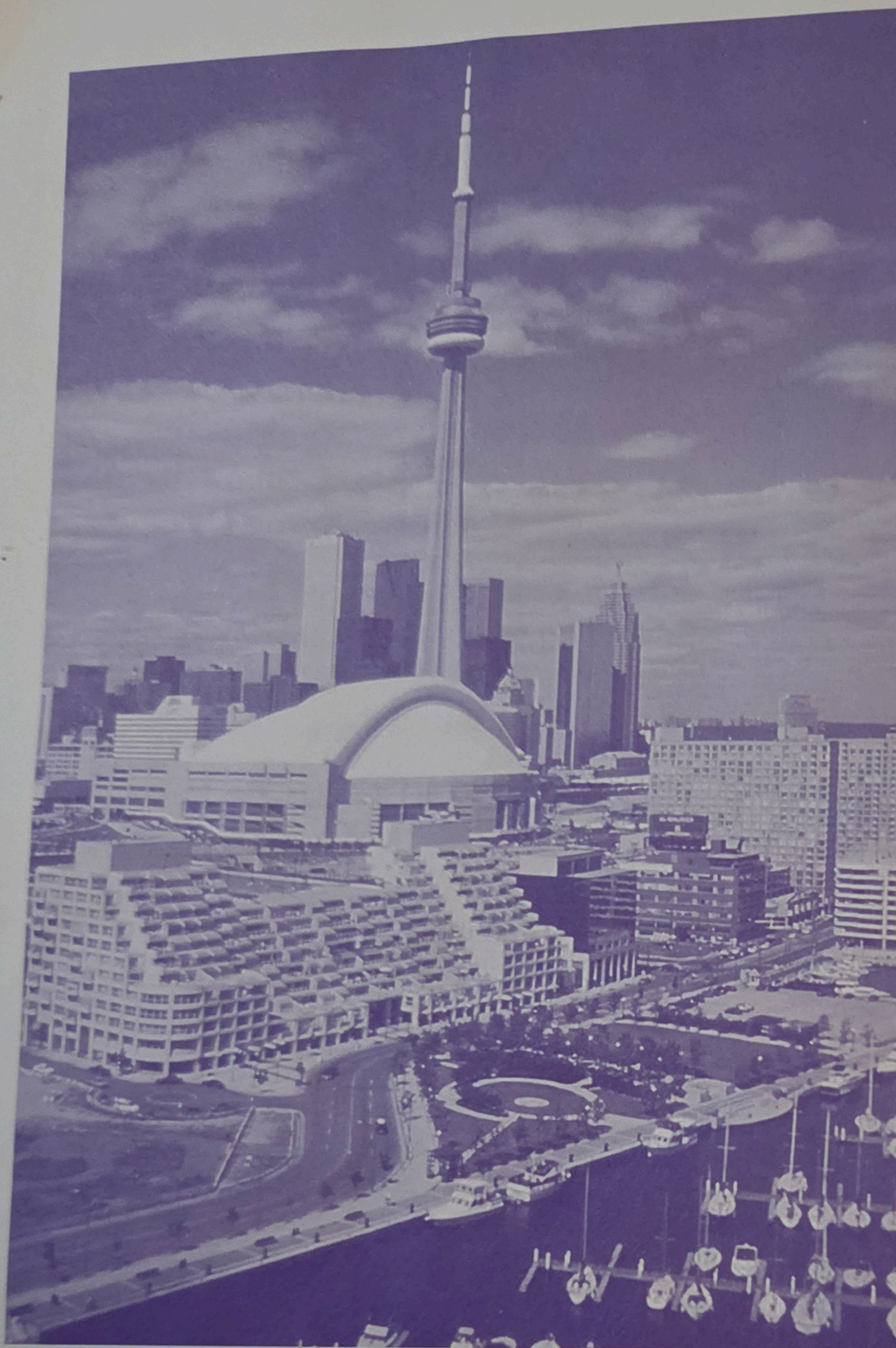
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Plenary Sessions - Part 1

**Epidemiology and Molecular
Genetics: Wave of the Future
or Tsunami**

*Allen Wilcox
Richard Kaslow*

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Social Epidemiology at the Crossroads: Conceptual and Methodologic Issues

George Kaplan

10:00 am - 10:30 am **Coffee Break**

10:30 am - 12:00 N **Plenary Sessions – Part 2**

Molecular Genetics

Allen Wilcox
Richard Kaslow

Social Epidemiology

George Kaplan

10:30 am - 12:00 N

Statistical Methods in Genetic Epidemiology

Shelley Bull

10:30 am - 12:00 N

Late Breaker Contributed Papers

Polly Marchbanks

10:30 am - 12:00 N

Concurrent Contributed Paper Sessions (4)

12:00 N - 2:00 pm

LUNCH

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Symposia

CVD Risk Factors in Children and Adolescents: The Epidemic of the New Century

Gilles Paradis

New Ecologic Survey of Rural China: Public Release of Data

Richard Peto

Urban Living & Mental Illness

Ezra Susser

US/Canada Comparisons in Health Services: Methodological Issues and Interpretation

Vivek Goel

International Collaborative Cancer Research - Sponsored by the IEA

Richard Gallagher

Elaine Ron

Biostatistics Contributions to the Epidemiology of Air Pollution and Mortality

Daniel Krewski

Aaron Cohen

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Concurrent Contributed Paper Sessions (2)

End of Congress

Registration Form

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Name _____ Organization _____
Street Address _____
City _____ State/Province _____
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Registration Fees (in US Dollars)

	By May 14	After May 14	
Member	\$300	\$350	\$
Non-member	\$350	\$400	\$
Student	\$200	\$250	\$
Exhibit Booth (1 representative)	\$450	\$500	\$
Additional Exhibitor Representatives	\$300	\$350	\$
Guest Social ticket (# guest tickets _____)	\$25	\$25	\$
Awards Luncheon (# of Tickets _____)	\$25	\$30	\$

ACE Workshop (indicate choice below)

Member - Full day Course	\$145	\$195	\$
Non-member - Full day Course	\$195	\$245	\$
Student - Full-day Course	\$95	\$145	\$
Member - Half-day (Molec. Genetics only)	\$95	\$145	\$
Non-member - Half-day (Molec. Genetics only)	\$145	\$195	\$
Student - Half-day (Molec. Genetics only)	\$55	\$105	\$
Career Development Workshop	No Charge	No Charge	\$

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED

IMPORTANT - Please indicate first choice with "1st", second choice with "2nd" and third choice with "3rd"

Choice

FULL DAY COURSES (Descriptions on www.epi2001.org)

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HALF-DAY COURSES

Molecular Genetics for Epidemiologists: Part 1 Basics
Molecular Genetics for Epidemiologists: Part 2 Advanced
Career Development: Uncovering How the System Works (1pm-5pm) NO CHARGE *

* If you list any other workshops as possible choices, please include the registration fee. If you are assigned to the career development workshop, your course registration fee will be refunded.

Payment Method

☐ Check enclosed (payable to the University of Utah - Tax ID 87-6000525)

☐ Bill my organization, attn: Purchase Order # _____

☐ Charge my credit card: ☐ MasterCard ☐ VISA

Card # _____ Exp. _____ Signature _____

Special Needs

The Congress seeks to provide equal access for persons with special needs. Please note any dietary or other requirements in the space below or direct your requests to Meghan Webb by e-mail mwebb@guesthouse.utah.edu or by phone 801-587-2982.

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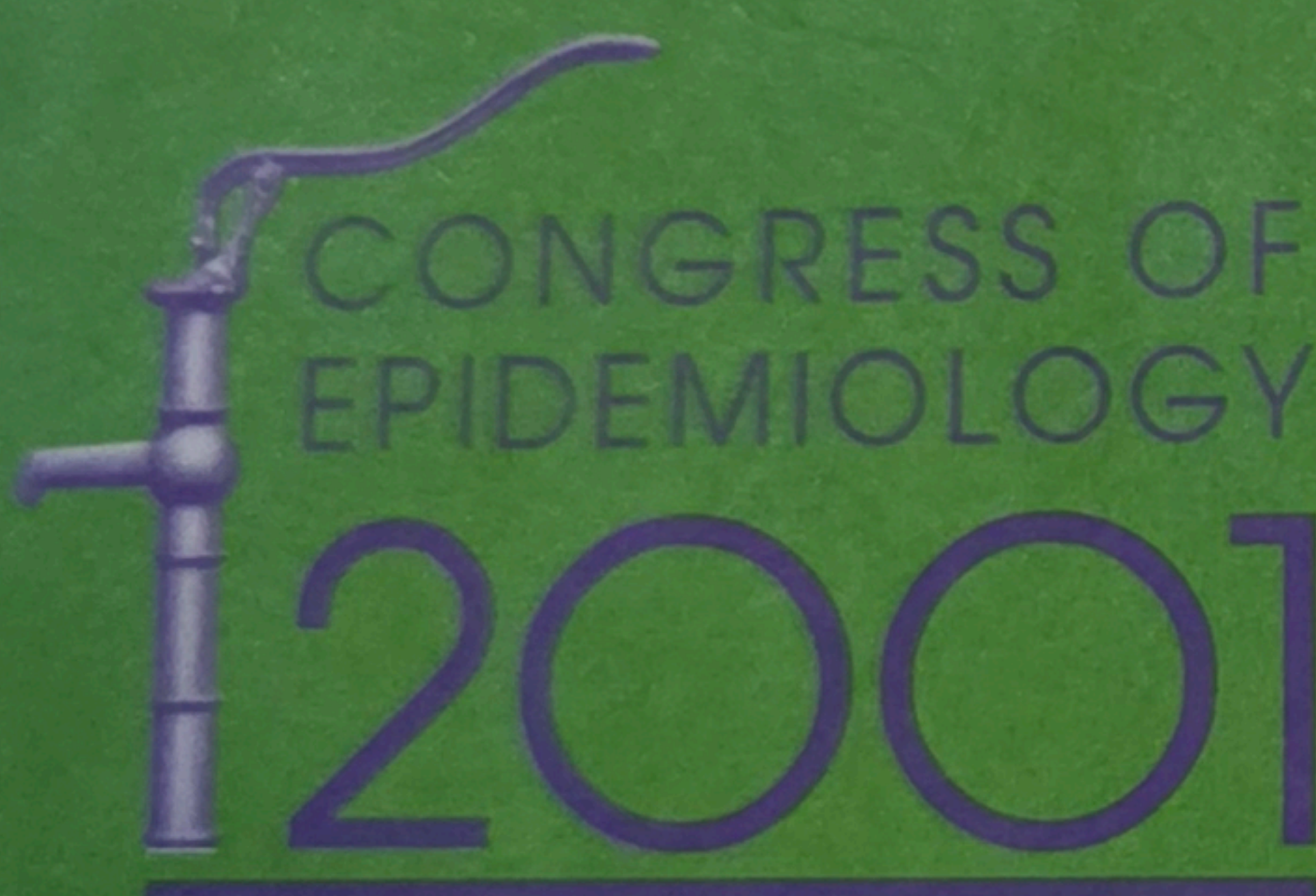
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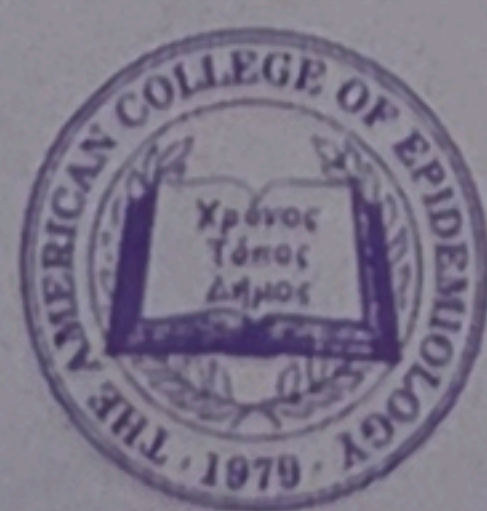
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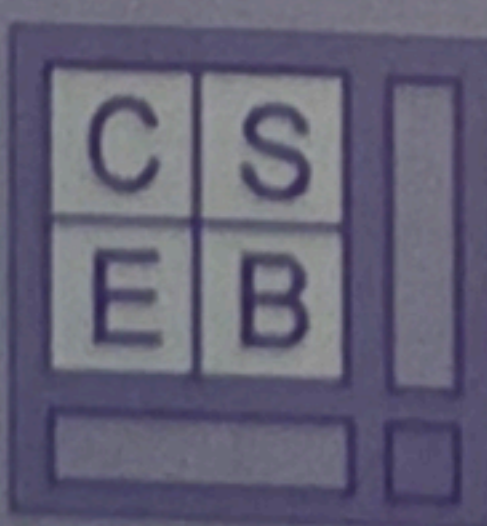
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