The Department of Pathology invites you to meet Kurt Benirschke and celebrate the contributions of M. Daria Haust at a reception immediately following the lecture in Richardson 102 & 107.





# THE FIRST M. DARIA HAUST VISITING LECTURER

## DR. KURT BENIRSCHKE

Dr. Benirschke is an Emeritus Professor of Pathology & Reproductive Medicine, University Medical Center, San Diego, California

"Challenges of the Pathology of Twinning"

Monday, October 1, 2001 1630 hours (4:30 p.m.) Etherington Auditorium Queen's University

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#### The M. Daria Haust Lectureship

M. Daria Haust was born in Poland, and graduated summa cum laude from medical school in Heidelberg in 1951. She emigrated to Montreal as a newlywed with her husband Heinz in January of 1952 and they soon entered rotating internships at the Kingston General Hospital. After a year of atherosclerosis research with Drs. Henry Movat and Robert More, she entered the general pathology residency program at Queen's finishing in 1959 and then spent 14 months as a postdoctoral fellow in pediatric pathology in Cincinnati. She joined the Faculty at Queen's in 1960, successfully nurtured two sons and a career in experimental atherosclerosis and pediatric pathology, and in 1967 moved to the University of Western Ontario where she is now Professor Emeritus.

Dr. Daria Haust has had a distinguished career in basic research identifying smooth muscle cells in atherosclerotic lesions and the process of elastogenesis, as a teacher, and in the initiation and promotion of national and international scientific societies. Her contributions have been honoured through a multiplicity of awards such as the Canada Council Killam Prize in Medicine, First Presidency of the Canadian Atherosclerosis Society, Gold Medal Award from the International Atherosclerosis Society, the Special Distinguished Colleague Award of the Pediatric Pathology Society, Honorary membership of the Academy of Science of Heidelberg, Best Teacher Awards of the University of Western Ontario, the William Boyd Lectureship of the Canadian Association of Pathology, the Andreas Vesalius Medal for scholastic and scientific contributions by the University of Padua, and honorary doctorates at Universities in Krakow, Prague and Havana.

Through this lectureship the department honours Daria Haust's scholarly achievements, her contributions to her profession, and her continuing passionate devotion to our department and to

#### Queen's University.

### Dr. Kurt Benirschke

Kurt Benirschke was born in Glückstadt, Germany and graduated from Medical School in Hamburg. He emigrated to the USA in 1949 and completed a residency in pathology at Harvard with rotations at the Peter Bent Brigham, the Boston Lying-in Hospital, the Free Hospital for Women and the Children's Hospital. After joining the Faculty at Harvard he quickly rose to be Pathologist-in-Chief at the Boston Lying-in Hospital in 1956. Four years later he was recruited to Dartmouth as the Professor and Chair. In 1970 his westward migration ended at the University of California at San Diego.

His accomplishments have been remarkable for their extent and their variety. Although his career has focussed on issues of human growth and development with a special focus on the placenta and its central role in affecting the development of the fetus, his interests have also encompassed veterinary pathology. In addition to serving on a NIH Study Committee and being President of the American Society for Investigative Pathology and the Perinatal Research Society, he has also been the Director of Research for the San Diego Zoo and on the Editorial Board of the American Journal of Primatology.

He has been prodigiously productive with 28 books published and 481 scientific papers. He has also been frequently recognized for his professional and public achievements as President of the New England and the New Hampshire Societies of Pathology, commencement speaker at the Dartmouth Medical School, winner of the Conservation Medal of the Zoological Society of San Diego and member of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences.