ABSTRACTS ARE PICKED FOR STROKE CONFERENCE

Abstracts have been selected for the 4th annual international joint stroke conference to be held Feb. 8-10, 1979 in the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Phoenix, AZ. They will be published in the January-February, 1979 issue of STROKE, A Journal of Cerebral Circulation.

The meeting is held in conjunction with the Cerebrovascular Surgery Section, American Association of Neurological Surgeons, Canadian Stroke Society, Canadian Heart Association and the Society for Vascular Surgery. It is sponsored by the Stroke Council of the American Heart Association.

Dr. Robert G. Siekert of Mayo Clinic is conference chairman. Inquiries may be directed to: Postgraduate Programs, AHA, 7320 Greenville Ave., Dallas, TX.

Grants-in Aid Awards Are Announced by AHA

New and continuing Grants-in-Aid for 1978-79, totalling $4.9 million, have been announced by the American Heart Association. This will increase total estimated research spending by the National Center and 55 affiliates to more than $20.2 million for the year.

The grants covered 97 new projects and continued 170 more from last year. These were in addition to several hundred junior and senior rank scientists sponsored by AHA for work in basic science and cardiovascular disease. Approximately 1,400 investigators throughout the country will receive support from affiliates.

AHA research support since 1949 now totals more than $320 million.

(The list of Grants-in-Aid is published in November CIRCULATION, News from the American Heart Association section.)

Chinese Cardiologists To Attend AHA Sessions

For the first time a group of cardiologists from the People's Republic of China will attend the Scientific Sessions of the American Heart Association. This 51st annual meeting will be in the Dallas Convention Center Nov. 13-16.

The dozen Chinese physicians will make special presentations at a session scheduled for Wednesday evening, Nov. 15.

About 14,000 physicians, investigators, nurses and other health workers are expected to attend the 4-day scientific sessions where approximately 1,000 papers, lectures, symposia, "How To" and cardiovascular conferences, and Postgraduate Seminars will be scheduled days and some evenings. Also part of the sessions will be the CV Nursing sessions and the meetings of the National Conference on Thrombosis & Hemostasis.

Physicians, Investigators Told of New Publication

The American Heart Association has mailed announcements to physicians and research workers informing them that the definitive scientific journal HYPERTENSION will publish its first issue January-February 1979.

The journal, edited by Harriett P. Dustan, M.D., is published by the American Heart Association. Subscriptions to the six-issues-per-year publication may be obtained from AHA Publishing Office in Dallas ($35 U.S., $40 abroad, $17.50 for students, house officers and fellows).

Editorial Board

Members of the Editorial Board are: Rosemary Bevan, University of California, Los Angeles, W. H. Birkenhager, the Netherlands, Sidney Blumenthal, Somers, NY, David F. Bohr, University of Michigan, Emmanuel L. Bravo, Cleveland Clinic, Michael J. Brody, University of Iowa, Oscar A. Carretero, Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Kevin J. Catt, Bethesda, Jay N. Cohn, University of Minnesota, Thomas G. Coleman, University of Mississippi, H. Croxatto, Universidad Catolica de Chile, J. Cutilleta, Baltimore, James O. Davis, University of Missouri, W. De Jong, the Netherlands, Jacques Genest, Montreal, Frans Gross, Heidelberg, Francis J. Haddy, Bethesda, B. Johansson, Sweden, P. Kincaid-Smith, Australia, O. Kuchel, Montreal, H. G. Langford, University of Mississiippi.


Hypertension Proceedings Published as Supplement

"Hypertension: Renal, Hormonal, and Neural Mechanisms, Proceedings of the AHA Council for High Blood Pressure Research (October 27, 28, 1977)" has been published as a supplement to CIRCULATION RESEARCH (July 1978). The volume, edited by Jay N. Cohn, M.D., is Volume 26 in
the Hypertension series published by AHA. Copies are available from AHA, Dallas, at $5.00 (73-044-A).

CV Surgery Monograph

“Cardiovascular Surgery 1977,” selected papers from the meetings of the Council on CV Surgery at the 1977 AHA Scientific Sessions, has been published as a supplement to September CIRCULATION and is now available as AHA Monograph 59.

Edited by Mortimer J. Buckley, M.D., of Harvard Medical School, the volume comprises 39 articles and 231 pages. Copies may be purchased from AHA (ask for 73-045 A) in Dallas at $3.00.

Report on Diet

“Diet and Coronary Heart Disease,” a statement for physicians and other health professionals by the American Heart Association Committee on Nutrition, has been published in October CIRCULATION.

It follows the publication in August CIRCULATION of “Value and Safety of Diet Modification to Control Hyperlipidemia in Childhood and Adolescence.” This was prepared by the Ad Hoc Committee of the Steering Committee for Medical and Community Program.

Also published in September CIRCULATION were ten abstracts from the U.S.S.R. as part of the fifth exchange between the United States and the U.S.S.R. in medical science and public health. They are edited by the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute and printed annually in CIRCULATION.

“Brief Reviews” Published

“Brief Reviews from CIRCULATION RESEARCH 1978” has been published as an AHA Monograph. It comprises 12 articles invited by the Editor, Brian F. Hoffman, M.D., in 1977 “to provide the non-expert in the field with a concise picture of the development, current state of the art and major unsolved problems” in cardiovascular science.

Since 1971, when Brief Reviews became a feature of CIRCULATION RESEARCH, an attempt has been made to cover all important aspects of the field. Two Brief Reviews volumes preceded this one which is Monograph No. 62. It is available from AHA in Dallas at $6.00 a copy.

AHA Briefs . . .

• “Clinical Relevance of Models of Focal Cerebral Ischemia” by Arthur G. Waltz, M.D., is the November-December issue of Current Concepts of Cerebrovascular Disease. “Physiology of Cardiac Tamponade and Pulsus Paradoxus. I. Mechanisms of Pulsus Paradoxus in Cardiac Tamponade” by Noble C. Fowler, M.D., is the November issue of Modern Concepts of Cardiovascular Disease.

• The Atherogenesis Branch of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute has invited grant applications for studies of endothelium in relation to atherogenesis. Applications should be received by March 1 or July 1, 1979 at NHLBI, Room 516, Federal Building, Bethesda, MD 20014.

• A training program for selected applicants for a Geriatric Nurse Practitioner Program has enrolled its third group of nurses at the Burke Rehabilitation Center in White Plains, N.Y. The program is under the auspices of Cornell University Medical College and School of Nursing and New York Hospital. It is funded by the Health Resources Administration of HEW. Arthur W. Seligmann, M.D., is medical director, Doris R. Schwartz, R.N. is co-director.

• An intensive clinical course, “Neurology for Non-Neurologists” has been scheduled by Drs. Laurence P. Levitt and Howard L. Weiner on March 23-25, 1979 in the Hotel Americana, New York. It is directed to family physicians, general practitioners, internists and psychiatrists.

NINCDS Briefs . . .

• Dr. Giovanni Di Chiro, Chief of the Neuroradiology and Computed Tomography Section of the National Institutes of Health, has been chosen president of the 12th Symposium Neuroradiologicum which will be held in Washington DC Oct. 10-16, 1982. He was elected at the 1978 symposium held in Wiesbaden, Germany.

• Dr. Murray Goldstein, Associate Editor of STROKE and Director of the National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke program on Stroke and Trauma, has received a new assignment. He will be Deputy Director to Dr. Donald B. Tower for Neurological Sciences and Disorders of NINCDS.

• Three new members have joined the NINCDS advisory council for 4-year terms. They are Drs. Franklin S. Cooper of New Haven, CT and Sidney Goldring, of St. Louis, and Mrs. Jennifer Jones Simon of Los Angeles.

• A Conference on Clinical Aspects of Alzheimer Disease and Senile Dementia will be held Dec. 6-8 at NIH, Bethesda, MD. The Conference is co-sponsored by NINCDS, NIMH and NIA.

• The development of a pilot data bank network in traumatic coma is proposed for study by NINCDS. The study is directed toward the development of a pilot multi-centered computer data bank network which would provide uniform longitudinal data to clinicians, researchers and medical educators. Award of several 3-year contracts is anticipated.

• Research grant applications for development of antiepileptic drugs have been invited by NINCDS. Applications are also encouraged for work on local neuronal interaction.

• Dr. Rolf Fredric Ulvestad, an otolaryngologist from the University of Minnesota, has joined the Communicative Disorders Program of NINCDS. He follows Dr. David G. Hanson who has moved to UCLA.
Meetings Calendar

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Jan. 8–Mar. 9: Course in Diagnostic Imaging. National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, MD. Includes radiostate techniques, nuclear medicine and diagnostic imaging. Inquiries: Richard F. Kieper, M.D., Nuclear Medicine Clinic, National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, MD 20014.

Jan. 15–17: Society of Thoracic Surgeons. Phoenix, AZ. Inquiries: STS, 111 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago, IL 60601.


Feb. 8–10: 4th International Joint Stroke Conference, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Phoenix AZ. Inquiries: AHA Postgraduate Programs, 7302 Greenville Ave., Dallas, TX 75231.


Apr. 23–25: 16th Annual Rocky Mountain Bioengineering Symposium. Fitzsimons Army Medical Center, Denver, CO. Inquiries: Dr. Neil Kindig, Pulmonary Function Lab, Fitzsimons AMC, Denver, CO 80240.


May 7–9: International Symposium on Role of Peptides in Neuronal Function. Bethesda, MD. Sponsored by NINCDS. Inquiries: Drs. J. Barker or T. G. Smith, Bldg. 36, Room 2C02, NIH, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20014.


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Feb. 11–16: 22nd Brazilian Congress of Angiology. Maceio-Alagoas, Brazil. Inquiries: Dr. Falcao-Travessa de Parahyba, 146 Farol, Maceio-Alagoas, Brazil.


Apr. 9–19: Symposium on Infant Size. Utrecht, the Netherlands. Pathophysiological aspects, clinical consequences. Inquiries: Dr. F. L. Meyer, Dept. Cardiology, University Hospital, Catharinesingel 101, 3500 CG Utrecht, the Netherlands.


May 1–4: 2nd International Congress on Patient Counselling and Education. The Hague, the Netherlands. Inquiries: Secretariat, PO Box 175, AD Boskoop, the Netherlands.


June 20–22: 3rd Symposium on Echocardiology. Erasmus University, Rotterdam. Inquiries: C. T. Lande, Echocardiology, Thoraxcenter EE 2302 A, PO Box 1738, 3000 DR Rotterdam, the Netherlands.
