International Society of Nephrology

**ISN Sponsorship of Meetings**

The International Society of Nephrology (ISN) encourages the organizers of scientific symposia, workshops, and conferences held independently of the International Congress of Nephrology to apply to hold these meetings under the auspices of ISN.

In general, such an arrangement does not include an offer of financial support on the part of ISN. In special cases, however, the Society may be able to offer seed money.

Organizers who wish to apply to hold their meetings under the auspices of the Society should include the following information in their applications:

1. Topic and purpose of meeting.
2. Location and date of meeting.
3. Names of members of scientific organizing committee.
4. Names of co-sponsors and sources of financial support.
5. Names and topics of invited speakers.
6. Statement regarding whether or not free communications will be sought.

Applications will not be accepted from organizers of regularly, or routinely, scheduled regional, national, or international meetings.

Applicants should be submitted to Dr. Claude Amiel, Secretary General, ISN, Département de Physiologie, 16, rue Henri-Huchard, 75018 Paris, France.

Publications and announcements of meetings held under ISN’s auspices should include the statement of acknowledgement: “. . . was held under the auspices of the International Society of Nephrology.”

**Membership**

Any member of a national society of nephrology is eligible for proposal to membership in the International Society of Nephrology and receipt of the Society’s official Journal, *Kidney International*. A subscription to *Kidney International* (including all Supplements) for calendar year 1991 is included in the annual 1991 dues of US $100.00. Potential members can secure applications for membership by writing directly to Dr. C. Craig Tisher, Treasurer, International Society of Nephrology, P.O. Box J-231, J. Hillis Miller Health Center, 1600 SW Archer Rd., University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32610, USA. The completed application form must be signed by two sponsors who are current Fellow members of the ISN and then returned to Dr. Tisher along with a check or money order for the first year’s dues of $100.00. (Checks should be made payable to the International Society of Nephrology. Checks from outside the USA can be paid through any United States bank.)

**Guidelines for sponsorship of symposia, postgraduate courses, or workshops by the International Society of Nephrology**

The International Society of Nephrology (ISN) encourages the organizers of scientific symposia, postgraduate courses, or workshops to apply to the Society for sponsorship. ISN sponsorship will provide: (1) use of the Society’s name as a sponsor or co-sponsor; (2) announcement of the meeting in *Kidney International*, contingent upon the receipt of written information in the Editorial office at least 6 months in advance of the meeting; (3) the possibility of partial financial support. Applications must include the following information: (1) the topic, purpose, location and date(s) of the meeting; (2) the names and titles of the members of the scientific organizing committee; (3) a list of all co-sponsoring institutions, if any, and sources of financial support; (4) the total revenue and expense budget for the proposed meeting, by major category; (5) the names and institutions of origin of all invited speakers, and their topics; (6) a statement as to whether manuscripts will be solicited from invited speakers, or free communications sought from others; (7) an expression of willingness to include the following acknowledgment on all publications: “. . . was held under the auspices of the International Society of Nephrology.”

These guidelines do not apply to satellite symposia to be held in close proximity to a triennial Congress. Furthermore, the ISN will not sponsor or co-sponsor any regularly scheduled or routine international, national, or regional meeting, nor will it co-sponsor postgraduate courses with other international societies or groups.

Applications for sponsorship must be submitted directly to Dr. Roscoe R. Robinson, President, International Society of Nephrology, D-3300 Medical Center North, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, 21st Avenue South at Garland, Nashville, Tennessee 37232, USA.

**ISN Archive**

Dr. Carl Gottschalk has accepted the responsibility to establish an Archive of the International Society of Nephrology. The Archive will consist of photographs, announcements, activities, and names of Council Members and Officers of the Society. Relevant information, documents, or photographs that are pertinent to the development and evolution of the ISN will be assembled in the Archive.

Members of the ISN or other readers of *Kidney International* having such material are requested to forward it to Dr. Gottschalk at the following address: Carl W. Gottschalk, M.D., Department of Medicine 226-H, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514 USA.

**MEETINGS**

*The Nahariya Conference on Calcium and Calcium Related Diseases* has been postponed to a future date, as yet undecided.
This decision has been taken by the organizers, unfortunately, because of the present political situation prevailing in the area. The new date will be announced as soon as possible. For further information, contact Dr. Franklin H. Epstein, Department of Medicine, Beth Israel Hospital, 330 Brookline Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02215, USA. Telephone (617) 735-4104.

The 31st Annual Scientific Symposium on Kidney Disease, sponsored by the National Kidney Foundation of Southern California, will be held on October 12, 1991 in La Jolla, California, USA. Current information about nephropathy and complications of CRF will be presented. Individual sessions will be held for physicians, nurses, dietitians, social workers, and technicians. For further information, contact Sylvie Tarro, Kidney Foundation office, 5777 W. Century Blvd., Suite 395, Los Angeles, California 90045, USA. Telephone: (213) 641-8152.

The Seventh Symposium of Nephrology at Montecatini will focus on “Kidney, Proteins and Drugs,” in Montecatini Terme, Italy on October 14–16, 1991. Topics will include: advances in protein hormones research, proteinuria (pathophysiology and management), proteins and progression of kidney disease, and nephrotoxicity of drugs. Chairman of the Symposium are: Velio Bocci (Siena), Frank A. Carone (Chicago), Ralph Rabkin (Palo Alto), and Claudio Bianchi (Pisa). For further information, contact Claudio Bianchi, M.D., Professor of Nephrology, Unità di Nefrologia, Clinica Medica 2, University of Pisa, 56100 Pisa, Italy. Telephone: 050-592573.

The VIII Congress of the Latin American Society of Nephrology will be held at the Casa de la Cultura Ecuatoriana, Quito, Ecuador on October 20–24, 1991. Topics will include: renal physiology, acute renal insufficiency, chronic renal insufficiency, dialysis and transplantation, mineral metabolism and nutrition, arterial hypertension, and clinical nephrology. For further information, contact the Secretariat of the Organizing Committee, P.O. Box 11495 CCNU, Quito, Ecuador, South America. FAX: (593-2) 554947.

The Festschrft in honor of Priscilla Kincaid-Smith will be held in Melbourne, Australia on November 5–8, 1991. The scientific program will include topics in: glomerulonephritis (pathogenesis, current concepts, urinalysis); renal pathology (new techniques, renal receptors, gene expression); hypertension, pregnancy (renal hypertension, hormones, modern management); tubulo-interstitial disease (analgésic nephropathy, lithium nephrotoxicity, PKD, reflux nephropathy); and transplantation (recurrent glomerulopathy, management of rejection). For further information, contact The Festschrft Organizing Committee, c/o Department of Nephrology, The Royal Melbourne Hospital, Victoria 3050, Australia.

The 1991 American Society of Nephrology Annual Meeting will be held on November 17–20, 1991 at the Baltimore Convention Center, Baltimore, Maryland. For further information contact the American Society of Nephrology, Suite 700, 1101 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. Telephone: (202) 857-1190; FAX: (202) 223-4579.

The 3rd International Symposium on Hypertension Associated with Diabetes Mellitus will be held in Boston, Massachusetts on November 21–23, 1991. For further information, contact Andrezej Krolewski, Joslin Diabetes Center, Section on Epidemiology and Genetics, One Joslin Place, Boston, Massachusetts 02215, USA. Telephone: (617) 732-2574; FAX: (617) 327-7578.

The 4th Berliner Dialyseseminar will be held in Berlin, Germany on November 17–20, 1991. The scientific program will focus on: advances in glomerulonephritis, current concepts, urinalysis; renal pathology (new techniques, renal receptors, gene expression); hypertension, pregnancy (renal hypertension, hormones, modern management); tubulo-interstitial disease (analgésic nephropathy, lithium nephrotoxicity, PKD, reflux nephropathy); and transplantation (recurrent glomerulopathy, management of rejection). For further information, contact Dr. Albert Kurella, c/o Department of Nephrology, Berliner Krankenhäuser, Berlin, Germany. Telephone: (69) 344-7755; FAX: (69) 344-7755.
Germany on December 6–7, 1991. Basic knowledge on the entire field of renal replacement therapy will be presented in invited lectures. For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. K. Schaefer, St. Joseph-Krankenhaus I—Med. Abt. II, Bäumerplan 24, DW-1000 Berlin 42, Germany. FAX: 030/7882 2669.

**Forefronts in Nephrology**

*Forefronts in Nephrology Symposium on Ion Channels* will be held at Asilomar, California, USA, on January 28–31, 1992. The program will include invited speakers from inside and outside the field of nephrology, as well as poster sessions involving all participants. Space is limited. To apply to attend the symposium, or for further information, please contact Dr. Lawrence Palmer, Department of Physiology, Cornell University Medical College, 1300 York Avenue, New York, New York 10021, USA. FAX: (212) 746-6355.

**Recent Developments in Alkaline Phosphatase Research: Clinical and Fundamental Aspects** is an international symposium to be held in Antwerp, Belgium on March 13–14, 1992. Topics will include: bone mineralization, mechanisms of secretion, membrane release of alkaline phosphatase, enzyme structure and function, serum alkaline phosphatase as a disease marker, and tumoral expression-targeting. For further information, please contact Dr. Marc E. De Broe, Department of Nephrology-Hypertension, University Hospital Antwerp, Wilrijkstraat 10, B-2650 Edegem/Antwerpen, Belgium. Telephone: 32/3/829.11.11 (ext. 1452); FAX: 32/3/829.01.00.

**Molecular Approaches to Nephrology: Prospects in Diagnosis and Management** is an international meeting to be held in Bari, Italy on March 19–21, 1992. Recent developments in molecular biology in nephrology will be discussed in lectures, round tables and poster sessions. For further information, contact Prof. F. Paolo Schena, Institute of Nephrology, University of Bari, Polyclinic, 70124 Bari, Italy. Telephone: 39-80-271237.

**The Seventh International Symposium on Salt** will be held on April 6–9, 1992 in Kyoto, Japan. The symposium is open to scientists, engineers, miners, briners and physicians. Topics will include: sodium and other electrolytes in hypertension, salt and additives in nutrition, physiological role of salt, salt appetite, problems in epidemiological study and history of salt. Related topics include: geochemistry, mineralogy, dissolution theory, cavern utilization, solar evaporation, seawater desalination by-products and chemistry, and soil and plant culture. For further information, please contact Secretariat, Seventh International Symposium on Salt, c/o Japan Tobacco Inc., 8th Floor, Shinkasumigaseki Building 3-2, Kasumigaseki 3-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100, Japan. Telephone: 03-592-8470; FAX: 03-595-2429.

**The III International Conference on SLE** will be held in the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, Westminster, London, United Kingdom on April 13–15, 1992. For further information, contact Dr. Graham Hughes, Rheumatology Department, St. Thomas' Hospital, London SE1 7EH, England, United Kingdom. Telephone and FAX number: (01) 633-9422.

**The First International Congress on Transplantation in Developing Countries** will be held in Singapore on April 29–May 3, 1992. The event is sponsored by the National Kidney Foundation of Singapore and is endorsed by the Transplantation Society. Dr. Joseph Murray, the 1990 Nobel Prize winner in Medicine/Physiology, will deliver the keynote address. For further information, please contact The National Kidney Foundation, 705 Serangoon Road, Singapore 1232. Telephone: (65) 299-0200; FAX: (65) 299-3164.

**The 8th International Symposium on Radionuclides in Nephrourology** will be held on May 6–8, 1992 at the Chester Grosvenor, Chester, England. For further information, contact P.H. O'Reilly, M.D., Department of Urology, Stepping Hill Hospital, Stockport, Cheshire, SK2 7JE England, United Kingdom. Telephone: 061-419 5484/5; FAX: 061-419 5699.

**The 9th Asian Colloquium in Nephrology** will be held on May 17–22, 1992 in Seoul, Korea. For further information, contact Professor Myung-Jae Kim, M.D., The Korean Society of Nephrology, Division of Nephrology, Department of Internal Medicine, Kyung Hee University Medical Center, #1 Hoiki-Dong, Dongdaemoon-Ku, Seoul, Korea 130-702. Telephone: (02) 967-3971-5; FAX (02) 744-0682.

**The 4th International Meeting on Current Therapy in Nephrology** will be held in Sorrento, Italy on May 31–June 3, 1992. Topics will include: EPO therapy, renal tuberculosis, TIN, glomerulonephritis therapy, osteodystrophy in chronic dialytic patients, membrane biocompatibility, nutrition in HD patients, growth problems in uremic children, immunosuppressive agents, infections in transplantation and dialysis, and biotmpical diagnosis of rejection. For further information, contact Professor Antonio Del Canton, M.D., Department of Nephrology, Second Faculty of Medicine, Via S. Pansini 5, 80131 Napoli, Italy. Telephone: 39/81/7462023; FAX (before 1 p.m. Italian time): 39/961/775360, or (after 4 p.m. Italian time) 39/81/7546844.

**The 4th International Congress of the World Apheresis Association** will be held in Sapporo, Japan on June 3–5, 1992. Topics will include: replacement fluid and immunoadsorption, plasma exchange, erythrocyte collection and storage, blood banking and storage, graft vs. host disease, apheresis in bone marrow transplantation, biocompatibility, and anticoagulation for apheresis. The abstract deadline is October 31, 1991. For further information, contact the Congress Secretariat, 4th International Congress of the World Apheresis Association, c/o Sapporo Hokuyu Hospital, 6-6 Higashisapporo, Shiroishi-ku Sapporo 003, Japan. Telephone: (81) 011-862-5758; FAX: (81) 011-865-9719.

**The XXIXth Congress of the European Dialysis and Transplant Association—European Renal Association (EDTA—ERA)** will be held at the Palais des Congrès in Paris, France on June 28–July 1, 1992. For further information, contact Prof. C. Jacobs, Congress President, Service de Néphrologie, Hôpital de la Pitié, 83 bd de l’Hôpital, 75013 Paris, France. FAX: 331 44 23 99 84. You may also contact the organizing Secretariat: Convergences—EDTA 1992, 120 av. Gambetta, 75020 Paris, France. FAX 331 40 30 01 65.

**The VIth International Symposium on Urolithiasis and Related Clinical Research** will be held on August 24–27, 1992 in Cairns, Australia. For further information, contact Dr. Rosemary Ryall, Urology Unit, Department of Surgery, Flinders Medical Centre, Bedford Park 5042, Australia.

**The Third European Symposium on Uroradiology Imaging and Intervention** will be held at Herlev Hospital, University of
The 7th APLAR Congress of Rheumatology will be held in Bali, Indonesia on September 13–18, 1992. The Indonesian Rheumatology Association, under the auspices of the Asia Pacific League Against Rheumatism (APLAR) and the International League Against Rheumatism (ILAR) is organizing the event. For further information, please contact 7th APLAR Congress of Rheumatology, Flat L3, Kompleks BNI 1946, Jalan Let. Jen. S Parman, Slipi, Palmerah, Jakarta 11410, Indonesia.

**Hypertension: Cause and Consequence of Renal Disease** is the primary topic of the 4th Verona Seminar on Nephrology, to be held in Verona, Italy on September 17–19, 1992. Topics will include: onset and development of renal damage in hypertension, hypertension in renal disease, and pharmacological treatment in essential hypertension and in hypertension secondary to chronic renal disease. For further information, please contact Lamberto Oldrizzi, M.D., Department of Nephrology, Ospedale Civile Maggiore, I-37126 Verona, Italy. Telephone: 0039 45 932521; FAX: 0039 45 915176.

The VIIth Congress of the International Society for Peritoneal Dialysis will be held on September 27–30, 1992 in Thessaloniki, Greece. For further information and abstract submission, contact Secretariat, VIIth Congress of the International Society for Peritoneal Dialysis, 1st Department of Internal Medicine, AHEPA University Hospital, 546 36 Thessaloniki, Greece.

**The Tenth Annual Meeting of the International Society of Nephrology** (ISN) will be held in Baltimore, Maryland on August 24–27, 1992. Topics will include: ESWL and intervention in renal calculi, pediatric uroradiology, renovascular hypertension, glomerular filtration rate, MRI in uroradiology, lower urinary tract cancer, female genital radiology, and scrotal imaging. For further information, contact Henrik S. Thomsen, M.D., Herlev Hospital, Herlev Ringvej 75, DK-2730 Herlev, Denmark. Telephone: 45 44 53 53 00 ext. 278; FAX 45 44 53 53 32 (Herlev Hospital).

The 9th Congress of the International Pediatric Nephrology Association (IPNA) will be held in Jerusalem, Israel on August 30–September 4, 1992. For further information, please contact the IPNA Secretariat, c/o Ortra Ltd., 2 Kaufman St., POB 50432, Tel Aviv 61500, Israel. Telephone: 972-3-664825; FAX: 972-3-660952.

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Patients between the ages of 12 and 65 with idiopathic or lupus membranous nephropathy who have proteinuria of more than 2 g/day are being sought for controlled therapeutic studies involving prednisone, cyclophosphamide and cyclosporine. Patients having received more than 3 months of cytotoxic drugs previously are not eligible. Detailed renal function tests, including permselectivity studies, will be performed. Inquiries may be directed to: Howard A. Austin, M.D. (301-496-3092), James E. Balow, M.D. (301-496-4181), or Karen MacKay, M.D. (301-496-3116) at the Kidney Disease Section, NIDDK; Bldg. 10, Rm. 3N-112; Bethesda, Maryland 20892; USA.

National Societies

The Secretary General of the International Society of Nephrology is endeavoring to bring the Society's list of national societies up-to-date. Many such national societies are not affiliated with the ISN or their affiliation has lapsed. To retain their affiliated status and to vote at the General Assembly, a list of individual members is required to be sent annually. Secretaries of national societies therefore are asked to provide the Secretary General with the address to which correspondence should be sent, together with a list of their officers and individual members, and a formal application for affiliation where this has lapsed. Please send these to Dr. Claude Amiel, Département de Physiologie, Faculté de Médecine Xavier Bichat, 16 rue Henri Huchard, 75018 Paris, France.

The American Society of Nephrology announces a service to its non-American colleagues. For an annual fee of US $55, the ASN will send its mailings and announcements, including a copy of the annual abstract book (first class rates only). Checks for $55, drawn only on a US bank, along with your name and desired mailing address should be sent to the ASN National Office, Suite 700, 1101 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036.

Awards and Grants

International Fellowship Training Awards

The International Society of Nephrology announces the establishment of an International Fellowship Training Program to provide training in clinical nephrology to physicians from developing countries. It is the objective of this program to support the growth of nephrology in developing countries through an educational program that admits qualified applicants to clinical training in recognized nephrology programs around the world, and then to return to their home country to practice and/or teach. In unique circumstances, applicants who wish basic research training may be considered if the environment in the home country will permit continued research upon the completion of training.

The guidelines for application are as follows:

(1) Fellowship awards will be made only to physicians from developing countries.
(2) Applicants must provide evidence of acceptance into a recognized and suitable training program before the award can be granted.
(3) The Fellow must return to his or her home country upon completion of approved training.
(4) The Fellow must provide evidence of a guaranteed position in a medical institution upon return to the home country.
(5) Fellows will receive a stipend from the Society such that, taking into account the home country and/or the host institution support that they may have, they achieve a US$ 15,000 revenue.
(6) Fellows must be able to read and speak the language of the host country. An interview may be required to assess verbal fluency.