MEETINGS

The Silver Jubilee Year of the Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh will be celebrated July 6 and 7, 1988. For a detailed program of events, contact the Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh 160012, India.

The 17th Congress of the South African Renal Society will meet in Durban, South Africa on July 10–14, 1988. For further information, contact D. S. Naicker, Department of Medicine, University of Natal, P.O. Box 17039, Congella 4013, South Africa.

The 7th Annual Meeting of the North American Symposium for Dialysis and Transplantation will be held at the Stouffer’s Wailea Resort Hotel, Maui, Hawaii, on July 10–14, 1988. For information, registration and abstract submission contact Dr. Wadi N. Suki, Renal Section, 6565 Fannin, M.S. F-505, Houston, Texas 77030, USA. Telephone (713) 790-3275.

The Sixth International Symposium on Urolithiasis and Related Clinical Research will be held July 24–28, 1988 in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. The symposium will include state-of-the-art addresses, symposia, general and theme poster sessions, case reports, and other features that will promote research in kidney stone disease. For further information, contact Venue West Conference Management, 801-750 Jervis Street, Vancouver, B.C., Canada V6E 2A9.

The Second Annual Symposium on Magnetic Resonance Imaging will be presented at the fabulous Ritz-Carlton Resort Hotel in Laguna Niguel, California, July 28–31, 1988. The course is designed to update the clinician and radiologist on current MRI use and introduce new applications. For more information contact Dawne Ryals, Ryals & Associates, P.O. Box 920113, Norcross, Georgia, (404)641-9773.

Modern Radiology Practice will be held August 1–5, 1988, at the Fess Parker Red Lion Resort in Santa Barbara, California. This course focuses on the most rapidly evolving areas in the daily process of radiology and will include managing the modern radiology practice. For more information contact Dawne Ryals, Ryals & Associates, P.O. Box 920113, Norcross, Georgia 30092-0113, (404)641-9773.

The XII International Congress of the Transplantation Society will be held August 14–19, 1988 in Sydney, Australia. The program will be balanced between basic research and all forms of clinical transplantation. The deadline for abstracts is 15 January 1988. For further information contact Mr. Kevin Wickham, Congress Organiser, P.O. Box 235, North Balwyn, Victoria 3104, Australia. Telephone 03 859 1885.

The Fourth Annual Physics and Biology of Radiology courses will be held August 25–28, 1988, at the La Jolla Village Inn, La Jolla, California. Two separate, concurrent, intensive courses are presented to review all of the essential topics of physics and biology of: diagnostic and nuclear radiology and radiation oncology. For more information contact Dawn Ryals, Ryals & Associates, P.O. Box 920113, Norcross, Georgia 30092-0113, (404)641-9773.

The XIX International Congress on Internal Medicine will be held in Brussels from August 29–September 2, 1988. For further information and registration contact Dr. A. Dupont, Scientific Secretariat, Department of Pharmacology, University Hospital VUB, Laarbeeklaan 103, B-1090 Brussels or Mrs. D. Shanni, Administrative Secretariat, SDR Associated, Rue Vilain XIII 17a, B-1050 Brussels.

The Fifth International Congress on Nutrition and Metabolism in Renal Disease will be held in Strasbourg, France on September 1–3, 1988, immediately preceding the European Dialysis and Transplant Association Meeting in Madrid on September 5–8, 1988. Abstracts must be received by April 22, 1988. Topics will include: metabolic disorders, diet in the prevention of progression of renal failure, nutritional management of CAPD, vitamins nutrition and metabolism, hypertension, immunology, and uremic toxicity. For further information, contact Joel D. Kopple, M.D., Division of Nephrology and Hypertension, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, 1000 West Carson Street, Torrance, California 90509, USA; or Henri A. Jahn, M.D., Service de Néphrologie et d’Hémodialyse, Hospices Civils de Strasbourg, 67091 Strasbourg Cedex, France.

The XVIIth Annual Conference of the European Dialysis and Transplant Nurses Association/European Renal Care Association will be held in Brighton, on the south coast of England, from September 4–7, 1988. For further information contact EDTNA/ERCA Congress Secretariat, Confer House, 69 Kingston Road, New Malden, Surrey KT3 3PB, England.

The Second International Symposium on Hypertension associated with Diabetes Mellitus will be held as a satellite meeting of the 24th Congress of the European Association for the Study of Diabetes, in Paris, France on September 9 and 10, 1988. Contact Professor Philippe Passa, Hopital Saint-Louis, 2, Place du Docteur Alfred Fournier, 75475 Paris Cedex 10, France.

The International Symposium on Prevention, Treatment and Diagnosis of Acute Renal Failure: From the Laboratory to the Clinic will be held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada on September 17–20, 1988. Particular emphasis will be placed on the extrapolation of information obtained from experimental studies of the prevention and treatment of acute renal failure to the clinical arena. Special emphasis will be placed on acute renal failure in renal allografts, cyclosporine nephrotoxicity and renal nuclear magnetic resonance studies. For further information, contact Kim Solez, M.D., Professor and Chairman, Department of Pathology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6G 2R7. Telephone: (403) 432-2252.

The International Symposium on Prevention, Treatment and Diagnosis of Acute Renal Failure: From the Laboratory to the Clinic will be held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, from September 18–21, 1988. The symposium will consist of invited addresses, poster sessions, and free communications pertaining to acute renal failure and drug nephrotoxicity. Particular emphasis will be on application of laboratory data to the clinical arena. Deadline for abstract submissions is May 1, 1988. For further information, contact Acute Renal Failure 1988, c/o Kim Solez, M.D., Department of Pathology. 5B4.02 WC Mackenzie...
The latest psychosocial developments in the understanding and will be held in Chicago, Illinois, USA on October 14—16, 1988. Dennis A. Ausiello, M.D., Chief, Renal Unit, Massachusetts General Hospital, 32 Fruit Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02114, USA.

The 2nd Verona Seminar on Nephrology—The Progressive Nature of Renal Disease: Myths and Facts will be held September 29—October 1, 1988, in Verona, Italy. The purpose of this meeting is to evaluate the experimental and clinical evidence supporting the progressive nature of renal disease; to examine the various possibilities of counteracting progression in clinical practice; and to establish nutritional guidelines for the uremic patient. For further information contact L. Oldrizzi, M.D., Division Nefrologia, Istituti Ospitalieri 37126 Verona, Italy. Phone (045) 932521-932528.

The 28th Annual Scientific Symposium on Kidney Disease will be held on October 15, 1988 in Ventura, California, USA. Current information on nephrology and complications of ESRD will be presented, and individual sessions will be held for physicians, nurses, dietitians, social workers, and technicians. For further information, contact Mary Bertrand, Kidney Foundation Office, 6820 La Tijera Blvd., Suite 111, Los Angeles, California 90045, USA. Telephone: (213) 464-8152.

A conference on Chloride, Bicarbonate and Proton Transport Systems, sponsored by The New York Academy of Sciences, will be held January 19—21, 1989 at the Sheraton Centre, New York, New York, USA. The mechanism of these transport systems will be covered at the membrane and molecular levels through conductive, antiport, symport and active electrogenic pathways in animal and plant cells, organelles and reconstituted channels. Deadline for submission of abstracts is September 15, 1988. For further information, contact Conference Department, The New York Academy of Sciences, 2 East 63rd Street, New York, New York 10021, USA. Telephone: (212) 838-0230.

The 5th Annual “Current Issues in Nephrology” to benefit the National Kidney Foundation of Central Florida will be held October 19—22, 1988, at Walt Disney World’s Contemporary Resort Hotel. The program will include topics relevant to nephrology. Joseph W. Warren, M.D., is Program Director. For additional information contact Mary Richardson, National Kidney Foundation of Central Florida, P.O. Box 1222, Winter Park, FL 32790, USA, or call (407) 894-7345.

The Annual Meeting of the Société de Néphrologie will be held at the Hyatt Hotel in Brussels, Belgium on October 20 and 21, 1988. Workshops and round-table discussions will be organized on the following topics: clinical use of erythropoietin and of monoclonal antibodies, temporary vascular accesses, iron load in dialysis, cyclosporine nephrotoxicity, diabetic nephropathy, renal diseases in Africa, renal osteodystrophy, management of anedites, present strategies in dialysis, use of computers in dialysis and transplant patients, management of hypertension in renal failure, kidney diseases in patients with SIDA and toxicomania, intrarenal mediators, and dialysis membranes. The meeting will be followed on October 22, 1988, by a Symposium “Autoimmunity in Glomerular Diseases” with the participation of known European experts in the field. Further information may be obtained through Charles Toussaint, M.D., Service de Néphrologie, CUB Hôpital Erasme, 808 route de Lennik, 1070 Brussels, Belgium (Tel. 2/568.33.34).

The 1st Berliner Dialyse-Seminar will be held November 18—19, 1988, in Berlin (West). The main purpose of the meeting is to provide basic knowledge on the entire field of renal replacement therapy. There will be only invited lectures. For further information please write: Mrs. D. Weiβelberg, c/o Prof. Dr. Klaus Schaefer, St. Joseph-Krankenhaus 1, Bäumerplan 24, 1000 Berlin 42, Federal Republic of Germany.

A meeting on Radionuclides in Nephro-Urology will be held in Jerusalem, Israel from March 12—16, 1989. The scientific program will include plenary sessions by invited keynote speakers, oral presentations, posters and workshops. A few of the topics that will be offered: osteoblast regulation and function, bone marrow and osteogenesis, biominalization, chemical and electrical modulation of bone, phosphate transport and blockers, aluminum associated and other metabolic bone diseases, and biophosphonates. For further information contact S. Wientroub, M.D., Department of Histology and Cell Biology, Sackler Faculty of Medicine, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv 69978, Israel.

A meeting on Radionuclides in Nephro-Urology will be held
in Williamsburg, Virginia, May 7–10, 1989. The International Society of Nephrology is a sponsor of the symposium. For further information contact Dr. M. Donald Blaufox, Department of Nuclear Medicine, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, 1300 Morris Park Avenue, Bronx, New York 10461, USA.

The 26th Congress of the European Renal Association and the 19th Congress of the European Dialysis and Transplant Nurses’ Association will be held June 12–18, 1989 at the Swedish Trade Fairs conference center in Gothenburg, Sweden. For further information, contact Svenska Mässan Stiftelse, Box 5222, S-402 24 Göteborg, Sweden. Telephone: 46 31 20 00 00; telex: 20 600 maessan s.

The Fourth Asian-Pacific Congress of Nephrology will be held in Beijing, China on September 3–8, 1989. For further information, contact Xue-Hai Du, M.D., Secretary General, Department of Nephrology, China-Japan Friendship Hospital, Beijing, 100013, People’s Republic of China.

The 11th International Congress of Nephrology will be held at the Takanawa Prince Hotel in Tokyo, Japan, from July 15–20, 1990. The congress president will be Dr. Kenzo Oshima and the chairman of the organizing committee will be Dr. Michinobu Hatano. For further details and to ensure that your name is on the mailing list, please contact Dr. Susumu Takahashi, 2nd Dept. of Internal Medicine, Nihon University School of Medicine, Oyaguchi-Kami 30, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo 173, Japan (Phone: Tokyo 972-8111, Telefax: Tokyo 530-8580) or Congress Secretariat, c/o Japan Convention Services, Inc., 2-2-1, Uchisaiwai-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100, Japan (Phone: Tokyo 508-1213, Telefax: Tokyo 508-0820, Telex: J33104 JCS TOKYO).

The Second Copenhagen Symposium on Uroradiology, Imaging and Intervention will be held at Herlev Hospital, University of Copenhagen, Herlev, Denmark, on August 27–30, 1990. Featured topics will include: upper urinary tract imaging and intervention, contrast medium nephrotoxicity, hydronephrosis obstruction, the urinary bladder, genital radiology, the adrenal glands, and free communications. Deadline for abstracts is March 1, 1990. For further information, contact Henrik S. Thomsen, M.D., Ph.D., Dept. of Diagnostic Radiology 54E2, Herlev Hospital, DK-2730 Herlev, Denmark. Phone: +45 2 94 27 33 ext. 278.

Continuing Education

The second examination in Diagnostic Laboratory Immunology will be administered by the American Boards of Allergy and Immunology, Internal Medicine, and Pediatrics in St. Louis, Missouri, on October 7, 1988. For further information and application contact the American Board of Allergy and Immunology, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104, USA.

Case Reports on Diseases of the Colon is a new videotape produced by the Network for Continuing Medical Education. Patient cases illustrate five main points: bloody diarrhea—diagnosis by exclusion; the newercom with long-standing pancolitis; Crohn’s disease—five years after diagnosis; routine exam—positive stool; and the geriatric patient—history of diverticulosis. The program, coproduced by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine and Roche Laboratories, is acceptable for two prescribed hours by the American Academy of Family Physicians and for two credit hours in Category 1 of the Physician’s Recognition Award of the AMA. For information contact Jim Disque, The Network for Continuing Medical Education, One Harmon Plaza, Secaucus, New Jersey 07094, 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, c/o Charles B. Slack, Inc., 6900 Grove Road, Thorofare, New Jersey 08086 USA.

Awards and Grants

The Society of Italian-American Nephrologists has established a fellowship for young Italian nephrologists. The fellowships are for one year, renewable, and have to be performed in American universities. The winners of fellowships for this academic year are Pietro Castellino (sponsor: Ralph DeFronzo, M.D.), Alessandro Fornasieri (sponsor: Curtis Wilson, M.D.), Bruno Di Paolo (sponsor: Allen Arieff, M.D.) and Giuseppe Rombola (sponsor: Daniel Battle, M.D.). Italian nephrologists interested in applying for these fellowships should contact Dr. Vito M. Campese, LAC/USC School of Medicine, Division of Nephrology, 2025 Zonal Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90033, USA, or Dr. Lino Scarpioni, P.O. Box 169, 29100 Piacenza, Italy. These fellowships are made possible by grants of Fiuggi S.p.A. (Italy), and Baxter-Travenol (USA-Italy).

Invitation to submit for the Nils Alwall Prize 1989

This prize is awarded to young scientists engaged in clinical research in German speaking regions in the field of nephrology, with particular emphasis on activities involving dialysis or similar methods of extracorporeal elimination or kidney transplants. The award is the Nils Alwall Medal, a certificate and the prize money of DM 15,000, and may be awarded to up to three nominees. Candidates up to 45 years old are required to submit either non-published work, work published up to one year before submission, or a summary of original extended research work (but not a habilitation thesis).

A total of six copies of the paper submitted are required. These are to be anonymous in form, and accompanied by a short curriculum vitae and information regarding the candidate’s present professional activities. Mail all documents to Professor Dr. G.A. Jutzi, Director of the Department of Nephrology no later than January 31, 1989, Medizinische Universitätsklinik und Poliklinik, D-6650 Homburg/Saar, Federal Republic of Germany.