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The Symposium on Acute Renal Failure with special emphasis on sepsis will be held in Halkidiki, Greece on June 20–23, 1993 as a Satellite Symposium to the XII International Congress of Nephrology. The scientific meetings (guest lectures, symposia, free communications and poster sessions) will focus on the achievements in experimental and clinical acute renal failure and multiple organ failure. For further information, contact Dr. E. Alexopoulos, Secretary General, Hippokraton General Hospital, Department of Nephrology, 50 Papanastasiou Str., Thessaloniki 546 42, Greece. Telephone: 031 837921 (1003); FAX: 0030 31 818254.

The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the International Society of Blood Purification will be held on September 8–10, 1993 in Trondheim, Norway. Topics of discussion will include: all types of therapeutic blood purification, such as hemodialysis, hemofiltration and peritoneal dialysis, absorption and apheresis, calculations of dosages, immunological and metabolic response related to artificial extracorporeal treatment, blood banking, and new trends in membrane research. For further information, contact Dr. Størker Jørstad, Section of Nephrology, Medical Department, The Regional Hospital of Trondheim, N-7006 Trondheim, Norway.

The 30th Congress of the European Dialysis and Transplant Association/European Renal Association (EDTA/ERA) will be held in Glasgow, Scotland on September 15–18, 1993. For further information, contact Dr. BJR, Junor, Renal Unit, Western Infirmary, Glasgow, G11 6NT Scotland, United Kingdom. Telephone: 041-339-8822.

The 22nd Annual Conference of the European Dialysis and Transplant Nurses Association/European Renal Care Association (EDTNA/ERCA), will be held in Glasgow, Scotland on September 16–19, 1993. For further information contact Ms. M. Kennedy, Renal Unit, Stobhill General Hospital, Glasgow, Scotland U.K.

A joint meeting of the *IXth Congress of the International Society for Artificial Organs (ISAO)* and the *XXth Congress of the European Society for Artificial Organs (ESAO)* will be held in Amsterdam, The Netherlands on September 28–October 2, 1993. Topics will include: present status and future prospects in design, development, production and clinical use of artificial organs. For further information, contact the Center for Biomedical Technology, State University of Groningen, c/o University Hospital, Oostersingel 59, 9713 EZ Groningen, The Netherlands. Telephone: (31)-(0)50-612354; FAX: (31)-(0)50-633113.

The 1993 American Society of Nephrology Annual Meeting will be held on November 14–17, 1993 at the Hynes Convention Center, Boston, Massachusetts. For further information contact the American Society of Nephrology, Suite 700, 1101 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. Telephone: (202) 857-1190.

The 1994 American Society of Nephrology Annual Meeting will be held on October 26–29, 1994 at the Orlando Convention Center, Orlando, Florida, USA. For further information contact the American Society of Nephrology, Suite 700, 1101

Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. Telephone: (202) 857-1190.

Continuing Education

The Conference on Transcriptional Control and Differentiation, sponsored by the American Society of Nephrology, will be held June 6–9, 1992 in Phoenix, Arizona. Mechanisms by which the kidney differentiates in renal development, recovery from insults, and response to disease will be covered. This continuing medical education activity meets the criteria for 15 hours in Category 1 of the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association. Attendance is limited to 250; the registration fee is \$200. For further information contact ASN Conference Registration, Department 3100, Washington, D.C. 20042-3100.

Renal Disease for the Internist and Nephrologist will be held at the Given Institute in Aspen, Colorado on July 20–24, 1992. Sponsored by the University of Colorado School of Medicine, it will offer approximately 23 Category 1 AMA Hours. Topics will include: genitourinary disease; ESRD; renal potpourri; hypertension; and edematous disorders. For further information, contact the Office of Continuing Medical Education, University of Colorado School of Medicine, 4200 East Ninth Avenue, Box C-295, Denver, Colorado 80262, USA. Telephone: (303) 270-5195; FAX (303) 270-6761.

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.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

The Charles E. Culpeper Foundation Scholarships in Medical Science

Nominations will be accepted until August 14, 1992 for the Charles E. Culpeper Foundation scholarship program to support the career development of academic physicians. Up to three awards of \$100,000 each per year for up to three years will be made to United States medical schools on behalf of candidates who are US citizens, who received an M.D. degree from a U.S. medical school in 1984 or later, and who are judged worthy of support by virtue of the quality of their research proposals and their potential for successful careers in academic

medicine. For further information, please contact the Charles E. Culpeper Foundation, Financial Centre, 695 East Main Street, Suite 404, Stamford, CT 06901, USA. Telephone (203) 975-1240.

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 \$20,000 US 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.
- (7) Fellowships will be offered primarily for clinical training of one to two years duration.
- (8) Clinical training programs should be practical in their orientation, and applicable to the needs and conditions of the home country. The ability of the host institution to provide such training will be an important factor in the selection process.
- (9) Fellows must have received sufficient training in internal medicine or other fields to pass all host country examinations that are necessary to the care of patients. Fellowships may be awarded to senior individuals who seek additional training but, in general, preference will be given to younger physicians who are at the beginning of their permanent careers.
- (10) Specific instructions and the necessary application forms can be obtained by writing directly to Dr. Claude Amiel, Secretary General, International Society of Nephrology, Département de Physiologie, Faculté de Médecine Xavier Bichat, 16, rue Henri Huchard, 75018-Paris, France.

1991 ISN's International Fellowship Training Awards

- Aza J. J. Abdulla from Medical City Teaching Hospital, Baghdad, Iraq to go to The Royal Free Hospital, London, UK with John F. Moorhead, M.D.
- Maria del Carmen Avila Casado from Instituto Nacional de Cardiologia, Mexico to go to Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, MA, USA with Helmut G. Rennke, M.D.
- Gabriela Garcia Espinosa from Instituto Mexicano del Seguro Social, Mexico to go to University of California, San Diego, CA, USA with Roland C. Blantz, M.D.
- Tomasz Kozlowski from Institute of Surgery, Central University Hospital, Banacha la, Warsaw, Poland to go to Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden with C.G. Groth, M.D.
- Xiaomei Li from The First Hospital, Beijing Medical University, Beijing, PRC to go to University of Colorado, School of Medicine, Denver, CO, USA with Robert W. Schrier, M.D.
- Dragan Ljusic from Clinical Hospital "Firule", Split, Yugoslavia to go to Guy's and St Thomas's Hospitals, London, UK with J. Stewart Cameron, M.D.
- Martin John Luta from Kenyatta National Hospital, Nairobi, Kenya to go to Guy's Hospital, London, UK with George B. Haycock, M.D.
- Rafael Villar Ramon from Instituto Nacional de Cardiologia "Ignacio Chavez", Mexico to go to University of Miami, Miami, CA, USA with Jacques J. Bourgoignie, M.D.
- Maged Tawfic Tadros from The Cairo Kidney Center, Cairo, Egypt to go to Ente Ospedaliero San Carlo Borromeo, Milano, Italy with Giuseppe D'Amico, M.D.
- Zhong-fa Yuan from First Affiliated Hospital, Guangzhou, PRC to go to Canterbury Area Health Board, Christchurch Hospital, New Zealand, with Ross R. Bailey, M.D.
- Honorary*
- Yu Lei from Affiliated Hosp. of Guiyang Med. Coll., Guizhou, PRC to go to Ente Osp. San Carlo Borromeo, Milano, Italy with Giuseppe D'Amico, M.D.

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ogy. Please send the announcement, complete with dates, location of meeting, and correspondent's name, address, and phone number at least 7 months in advance of the time of the event. Announcements are inserted into the publication schedule when they arrive in the Editorial Office until the month of the event. Announcements should be sent to the above-stated address for the Editorial Office in Little Rock, Arkansas, USA.