APPLICATIONS FOR AHA RESEARCH SUPPORT NOW BEING INVITED

Applications by research investigators for support of projects to be developed during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1958 are now being accepted by the Association.

The deadline for research fellowship applications and established investigatorships is September 15, 1957. Applications for grants-in-aid must be made by November 1, 1957.

Funds for Association-supported research in the cardiovascular field are provided by public contributions to the Heart Fund. At least half of all funds received by the American Heart Association’s National Office are allocated to research. Approximately $20 million have been allocated for research support by the Association and its state and local affiliates or chapters in the past nine years.

Applications may be made for awards in the following categories:

Established Investigatorships: Awarded for periods of up to five years, subject to annual review, in amounts ranging from $6,000 to $8,000 yearly, to scientists of proven ability who have developed in their research careers to the point where they are independent investigators. Applicants for Established Investigatorships may apply for grants-in-aid to support their research at the same time they apply for Established Investigatorships.

Research Fellowships: Awarded to young men and women with doctoral degrees for periods of one or two years to enable them to train as investigators under experienced supervision. Annual stipends range from $3,800 to $5,700.

Advanced Research Fellowships are to be awarded for the first time next year for periods of one or two years to postdoctoral applicants who have had some research training and experience but who are not yet clearly qualified to conduct their own independent research. They will be permitted to spend up to 25 per cent of their time in professional and scientific activities not strictly of research nature, providing that these will contribute to their professional development and do not involve services for a fee. These new stipends range from $4,600 to $6,500 annually.

Grants-in-Aid: Made to experienced investigators to provide support for specified projects.

The Association also maintains another and unique form of research support, the Career Investigatorship. This is given to a limited number of scientific investigators of unusual capacity and accomplishment to assure them of financial support throughout their productive lives. Career investigators are selected on the initiative of the Research Committee of the Association and not by application.

Further information and applications may be obtained from the Medical Director, American Heart Association, 44 East 23rd. Street, New York 10, N. Y. Research fellowship application forms are to be used in making application for the Advanced Research Fellowship award. Classification of the applicant as Research Fellow or Advanced Research Fellow is at the discretion of the American Heart Association’s Research Committee.

MEMORIAL LECTURERS CHOSEN FOR SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

The Memorial Lecturers who have been chosen for the 30th Scientific Sessions of the American Heart Association (Chicago, October 25–28), are: Charles W. Rammelkamp, Jr., M.D., Professor of Medicine, Western Reserve University, who will give the Lewis A. Conner Memorial Lecture on Saturday morning, October 26, and Nelson W. Barker, M.D., Professor of Medicine, Mayo Foundation, who will deliver the George E. Brown Memorial Lecture on Sunday morning.

Dr. Rammelkamp has made outstanding contributions in the field of streptococcal
control and prevention of rheumatic fever. Dr. Barker is one of the leading clinicians in the field of peripheral vascular disease and has published many papers on the subject.

The Association’s Scientific Sessions, to be held at the Hotel Sherman, will commemorate the Tercentenary of William Harvey.

One of the innovations this year will be an all-day scientific program on Friday, October 26, for physicians in general practice. The morning session will be devoted to “Prevention and Management of Cardiovascular Emergencies.” An afternoon panel will be held on the same subject, to be followed by a second panel on “Unsettled Questions in Relation to Management of Cardiovascular Disease.” Among these questions are diet, rehabilitation and indications for referral to surgery.

A special Friday evening scientific program will be held on “Instrumental Methods in Cardiovascular Diagnosis.”

The regular Scientific Sessions will get underway Saturday morning with a brief dedication ceremony honoring William Harvey. Scheduled for Saturday morning, in addition to the Corner Memorial Lecture, are presentation of the Albert Lasker Award of the American Heart Association and a General Session. The Council on Rheumatic Fever and Congenital Heart Disease will hold a luncheon on Saturday.

The Saturday afternoon program includes Special Sessions of the Sections on Clinical Cardiology and on Circulation, and of the Council on Rheumatic Fever and Congenital Heart Disease.

A General Session is scheduled for Sunday morning, and will include the Brown Memorial Lecture. The Community Service and Education Council will hold a luncheon on Sunday, which includes an address and the election of the Council’s officers. The Council has also scheduled a Sunday afternoon session, jointly with the Staff Conference of Heart Associations, on “Community Service—Its Significance for Heart Associations.” This program is of interest to all physicians who have responsibilities for community service programs conducted by Heart Associations.

In addition, the Community Service and Education Council will sponsor a Sunday afternoon scientific panel, to be organized by Dr. Herbert Pollack, on “The Present Status of Fat Metabolism and Atherosclerosis.”

The Association’s Annual Dinner, including the presentation of awards, will be held Sunday evening.

Special Sessions of the Sections on Basic Science and on Cardiovascular Surgery and the Council for High Blood Pressure Research will conclude the Scientific Sessions on Monday morning.

Six Assembly Panels will be in session on Monday. The Panels will deal with Research; Fund Raising and Public Relations; Relationships and Responsibilities between national, state and local Heart Associations; Community Service; Heart Association Support of Medical Schools; and Heart Association Services to Professional Groups. Recommendations made by these six Panels will be reviewed by the full Assembly on Tuesday morning, at which time officers of the Association and Board members will be elected.

MICHAEL REESE HOSPITAL, CHICAGO, OFFERS ECG COURSE

A course in Electrocardiographic Interpretation for graduate physicians will be given at the Michael Reese Hospital, Chicago, by Louis N. Katz, M.D., Director of the Cardiovascular Department, Medical Research Institute, and his associates. Classes will meet daily from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., August 19 through August 31.

Further information and a lecture schedule may be obtained by writing to Mrs. Margaret Stern, Administrative Assistant, Cardiovascular Department, Medical Research Institute, Michael Reese Hospital, Chicago 16, Ill.

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October 14-18: American College of Surgeons, Atlantic City, N. J. Michael L. Mason, 40 E. Erie St., Chicago 11, Ill.
October 14-19: American Society of Anesthesiologists, Los Angeles, Calif. J. E. Remlinger, Jr., 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.
October 23-25: American Association of Medical Clinics, Kansas City, Mo. Harold D. Caylor, Caylor-Nickel Clinic, Bluffton, Ind.
November 3-4: American Society for the Study of Arteriosclerosis, Chicago, Ill. O. J. Pollak, M.D., P.O. Box 228, Dover, Del.
November 11-15: American Public Health Association, Cleveland, Ohio. R. M. Atwater, 1790 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.

ABROAD

June 23-28: International Congress on Rheumatic Diseases, Toronto, Ont. International Congress on Rheumatic Diseases, P.O. Box 237, Terminal “A”, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
July 7-13: Brazilian Congress of Cardiology and Angiology, Rio de Janeiro. Dr. A. de Carvalho Azevedo, Rua Domingos Ferreira 28, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
July 14-19: International Gerontological Congress, Merano-Bolzano, Italy. Segreteria, Quarto Congresso Internazionale de Gerontologia, Viale Morgagni 85, Firenze, Italy.
September 29-October 5: World Medical Association, Istanbul, Turkey. Louis H. Bauer, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 19, N. Y.
October 27-November 2: Congress of International Society of Surgery, Mexico City, Mexico. Dr. L. Dejardin, 141 rue Belliard, Brussels, Belgium.
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