AHA Scientific Sessions' Program Highlights Listed

The American Heart Association's 39th annual Scientific Sessions open on Friday morning, October 21, and continue through Sunday, October 23, at New York's Americana Hotel.

Included in the program are six sessions on Clinical Cardiology of special interest to practicing physicians and concurrent Scientific Sessions covering a broad range of cardiovascular research.

Following are highlights of the three-day program:

Friday, October 21

A general session opening the meeting will include the Presidential Address by Helen B. Taussig; presentation of the Association's 1966 Research Achievement Award; and the Lewis A. Conner Memorial Lecture, "Regulation of Pacemaker Activity in Embryonic Heart Cells," to be given by Robert L. DeHaan, Baltimore. The Clinical Sessions include a panel entitled "Idiopathic Ventricular Hypertrophy: Obstructive or Non-Obstructive?" moderated by Raymond D. Pruitt of Houston; a lecture on "Left Ventricular Reactions," by Peter G. F. Nixon, London, England; and a symposium, on "Mitral Valve Insufficiency," with W. Proctor Harvey, Washington, D. C., as moderator. Symposia at other sessions are tentatively entitled "Carbohydrate Metabolism, Blood Lipids and Vascular Disease," to be moderated by Marvin D. Siperstein of Dallas, and "Respiratory Problems in Children With Congenital Heart Disease," to be moderated by Jesse E. Edwards of St. Paul, Minn.

Saturday, October 22

Featured at the Clinical Sessions will be: a lecture by Eoin Aberdeen of London, England, "The Unnatural History of Heart Disease in Infants: The Results of Surgical Salvage;" a panel discussion tentatively titled "Renin and Aldosterone," to be moderated by William Hollander of Boston; and a symposium on "Cerebral Vascular Insufficiency and Its Treatment," moderated by Clark H. Millikan of Rochester, Minn. Highlighting the concurrent Scientific Sessions will be the George E. Brown Memorial Lecture, to be given by Henry A. Schroeder of Brattleboro, Vt., and a symposium on "Ultrastructure of the Myocardium," which David Spiro of New York City will moderate.

Twenty-one Cardiovascular Conferences to provide physicians with an opportunity for small group discussion of timely problems will be held on Saturday evening.

Sunday, October 23

Included in the Clinical meetings are lectures on the "Natural History of Ventricular Septal Defect" by Julien I. E. Hoffman of New York City, and on "Bacterial Endocarditis: Therapeutic Viewpoints and Problems" by Morton Hamburger of Cincinnati. A symposium on the "Care of Patients Undergoing Cardiac Surgery" will be moderated by Albert Starr of Portland, Ore., and another on "Clinical Pharmacology of the Adrenergic Nervous System" by Eugene Braunwald, Bethesda, Md. Scheduled during the concurrent Scientific Sessions are two symposia, one entitled "Mechanisms of Respiratory Control," with Christian J. Lambertson of Philadelphia as moderator and another entitled "Effects of Exercise on the Cardiovascular System," moderated by Jere H. Mitchell of Dallas.

Sunday's program also includes an all-day showing of new cardiovascular films. Scientific
and industrial exhibits will be on display throughout the meetings.

Registration is free for members of Heart Associations or of the eight Councils of the AHA, and for medical students, house officers, research fellows, graduate students and members of the armed forces. A $15 registration fee will apply to others. Registration forms, including hotel reservation requests, may be obtained from local Heart Associations or the AHA National Office.

AHA Fellowship Applications Are Due by September 15

Applications for Established Investigatorships and Advanced Research Fellowships, to be awarded by the Association for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1967, should be submitted by September 15, 1966. The deadline for Grants-in-Aid applications is November 1, 1966. Fellowship awards and their stipend ranges are: Established Investigatorships, $11,000 and increments of $1,000 yearly, departmental grant of $1,000 and fringe benefits; Advanced Research Fellowships begin at $6,500, plus dependency allowances, yearly stipend increments and $500 departmental grant. Application forms for fellowship and grants-in-aid awards may be obtained from the Director of Research, American Heart Association, 44 East 23rd Street, New York, N. Y. 10010.

Applications Being Accepted For Medical Education Studies

Applications for Fellowships in Medical Education are now being accepted by the Association for the 1967-68 academic year.

The program is designed to stimulate careers in the field of research in medical education. Fellows receive training in a medical school's department of Research in Medical Education, where they are taught to analyze learning processes and modern teaching methods in preclinical and clinical fields. In addition, they study behavioral psychology and participate in pilot projects in continuing education conducted by the American Heart Association.

U.S. citizens or those intending to become citizens, who hold an M.D., Ph.D., Sc.D. degree or its equivalent, are eligible to apply. To meet the needs of candidates with varied backgrounds and experience, the stipend will be based on qualifications, but will be at least on the senior postdoctoral level.

Application forms may be obtained from the Director of Medical Education, American Heart Association, 44 East 23rd St., New York 10010. September 15, 1966 is the deadline for receipt of applications.

Stroke Syndrome Slides Issued by Association

A set of 36 color slides and accompanying script entitled “The Stroke Syndrome—Pathogenesis” has been issued by the American Heart Association and its affiliates.

The slides present a brief review of the normal functional anatomy and blood supply of the cerebral hemispheres and brain. Chief emphasis is given to vascular disease processes concerned in the pathogenesis of the stroke syndrome. A short presentation is made of non-vascular disease processes which may cause strokes.

The material was prepared for the Committee on Medical Education and the AHA’s Coordinating Committee on Nationwide Stroke Program by Gilbert S. Ross and Arthur Klassen. The set is meant for individual study by physicians and for use in medical schools and hospitals. Inquiries concerning the sets should be directed to local Heart Associations.

AHA Accepting Proposals For 5-Year Teaching Scholarships

Candidates for five-year teaching scholarships in cardiology are now being considered by the American Heart Association for the academic year beginning July 1, 1967.

To be eligible, U.S. physicians or scientists or those here on permanent residence visas must be sponsored by medical schools with well-defined programs of cardiovascular education and research. Candidates should show promise of excellent future development as
teachers or have proven their ability as medical teachers.

The scholarships carry a base stipend of $11,000 with $1,000 annual increments to a $15,000 maximum. An additional $1,000 will be available for travel, equipment or other necessary items. The sponsoring medical school is expected to supplement the stipend to a level commensurate with the teacher's experience. Supplements may not, however, be made contingent on duties contrary to the scholarship's purpose.

Teaching scholars work primarily on the undergraduate level of education in the cardiovascular field, devoting their major effort to teaching.

Additional information and forms for proposing candidates may be obtained from the Director of Medical Education, American Heart Association, 44 East 23rd Street, New York, N.Y. 10010.

Research Award Offered For Work in Puerto Rico

A new program of research support for work to be conducted in Puerto Rico has been instituted by the Puerto Rico Heart Association and American Heart Association in conjunction with the University of Puerto Rico School of Medicine.

Under the program, a three-year award will be made annually to a U.S. citizen holding an M.D., Ph.D. or equivalent degree. The investigator will spend essentially full time conducting independent studies in the broad field of cardiovascular disease and function in any department of the University's School of Medicine in San Juan.

Stipends for the investigatorship will exceed $10,000 annually, plus an initial departmental grant of $2,000, fringe benefits and a yearly increment. The investigator will concurrently hold an academic title at the University's School of Medicine.

The award is to be known as the Cardiovascular Research Investigatorship. Deadline for receipt of applications is September 15, 1966, for an award becoming effective in July, 1967. Requests for additional information and application forms should be addressed to the Research Committee Chairman, Puerto Rico Heart Association, Box 8215, Fernandez Juncos Station, Santurce, Puerto Rico, 00910.

Nephrology Sessions Set For September, October

The first $50,000 Stouffer Prize for advances in arteriosclerosis and hypertension will be presented during a "Symposium on Renal Hypertension" to be held from Oct. 5-7 in Cleveland. The meeting will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the American Heart Association's Council for High Blood Pressure Research which is co-sponsoring the Symposium with the Cleveland Clinic.

Many of those participating in the Symposium will have previously attended the Third International Congress of Nephrology, scheduled for Sept. 25-30 in Washington, D.C., with an expected attendance of some 2,500 physicians and scientists from throughout the world. This is sponsored by the International Society of Nephrology. The American Heart Association's Council on Circulation (Renal Section) is U.S. sponsor in cooperation with the Washington (D.C.) Heart Association and various professional societies.

The Stouffer Prize, world's largest medical award, was established in February by the Vernon Stouffer Foundation of Cleveland. It is to be presented annually to an individual scientist or scientific team for outstanding research into the causes, prevention, and treatment of arteriosclerosis and hypertension.

New Volumes Available In AHA Monograph Series

"Cardiovascular Surgery, 1965" and a "Symposium on Cerebrovascular Disease" have been published as volumes 13 and 14 respectively in the American Heart Association's Monograph Series.


The cerebrovascular symposium, published through a grant from the National Society
for Crippled Children and Adults, was edited by Robert G. Sickert. Its 55 pages consist of selected papers presented at the Association's 1965 Scientific Sessions on clinical therapeutics, clinical experimental studies and experimental physiologic studies.

Both volumes are available from local Heart Associations or the AHA National Office. Volume 13 costs $3.00; volume 14, $2.50.

**Hypertension Statistics Published by HEW**


**New Journal in Britain**

The British Medical Association and British Cardiac Society have jointly announced that a new journal, *Cardiovascular Research*, will be published towards the end of 1966 in conjunction with the *British Heart Journal*. J. P. Shillingford will be editor of the publication.

**Meetings Calendar**

**August 28-September 2**: American Congress of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, San Francisco, Creston C. Herold, 30 N. Michigan, Chicago 60602.

**August 29-September 1**: American Hospital Association, Chicago. Dr. Edwin L. Crosby, 840 Lake Shore Dr., Chicago 60611.

**September 21-23**: 3 Days of Cardiology (Hypertension: A Detailed Enquiry Into Mechanisms and Clinical Management), Iowa City, Iowa. Medical Education Department, AHA, 44 E. 23rd St., New York 10010.

**September 25-30**: International Congress of Nephrology (3rd), Washington, D.C. Dr. George E. Schreiner, 9650 Wisconsin Ave., Washington, D.C. 20014.

**September 27-30**: American Roentgen Ray Society, San Francisco. Dr. C. Allen Good, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn. 55901.

**October 7-14**: American Academy of General Practice, Boston. Mac F. Cahal, Volker at Brookside, Kansas City, Mo. 64112.

**October 10-14**: American College of Surgeons, San Francisco. Dr. John P. North, 55 N. Erie, Chicago 60611.


**October 20-26**: Association of American Medical Colleges, San Francisco. Dr. R. H. Young, 333 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago 60611.


**October 24-28**: American Dietetic Association (Annual Meeting), Boston. Mrs. Thelma Pollen, 620 N. Michigan, Chicago 60611.

**October 31-November 4**: American Public Health Association (Annual Meeting), San Francisco. Dr. Berwyn F. Mattison, 1790 Broadway, New York 10019.

**November 9-11**: 3 Days of Cardiology (Auscultation of the Heart), Washington, D.C. Medical Education Department, AHA, 44 E. 23rd St., New York 10010.


**November 27-30**: American Medical Association (Clinical Convention), Las Vegas. Dr. F. J. L. Blasingame, 535 N. Dearborn, Chicago 60610.

**December 4-7**: American Society of Hematology, New Orleans. Dr. J. F. Mustard, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada.

**December 26-30**: American Association for the Advancement of Science, Washington, D.C. R. L. Taylor, 1515 Massachusetts Ave., Washington 5, D.C.

**Abroad**

**September 1-5**: International College of Angiology (Annual Meeting), Madrid. Dr. H. E. Shaftel, 50 Broadway, New York 10004.

**October 1-4**: International College of Surgeons, Mexico City. S. E. Henwood, 1516 Lake Shore Dr., Chicago 60610.

**October 30-November 5**: World Congress of Cardiology (5th), New Delhi, India. Dr. S. Padmavati, 118 Bangla Sahib Marg, New Delhi, India.

**November 20-25**: World Conference on Medical Education, New Delhi, India. Dr. A. Z. Rosmualdez, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 10019.
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