News from the American Heart Association

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Scientific Sessions to Hear
Record Number of Papers

A record number of papers will be presented during the Association's four-day Scientific Sessions to be held in the Hotel Americana, Bal Harbour, Fla., from Thursday, Nov. 21 through Sunday, Nov. 24.

Abstracts of the papers to be presented and other abstracts selected by the Committee on Scientific Sessions Program were published as Supplement No. 6 in the October issue of Circulation.

Preceding the Scientific Sessions, the Association's Council on Arteriosclerosis has scheduled its two-day Annual Meeting on Tuesday and Wednesday Nov. 19-20 in the Hotel Americana. Abstracts of papers being presented at the Council meeting were also included in Supplement No. 6.

Five all-day postgraduate seminars sponsored by AHA Councils will also precede the scientific program. These will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 20 in the Hotel Americana.

The Association's Committee on Nursing Education has sponsored a Clinical Nursing Conference for Friday and Saturday, Nov. 22-23 in Miami Beach's Hotel Deauville.

The Scientific Sessions program includes eight sessions on Clinical Cardiology of special interest to the practicing physician and concurrent programs covering a broad range of cardiovascular research. Panels, lectures, symposia and a wide variety of cardiovascular-related topics are included.

Featured on the opening day program are the Lewis A. Conner Memorial Lecture, "Basic Concepts of Therapy in Cardiac Disease—The Progress and the Promise of Two Decades," by C. Walton Lillehei, and presentation of the 1968 Research Achievement Award.

A highlight of Friday's program will be the second annual presentation of AHA's International Lecture. This will be on "Immunological Tolerance—Organ Transplantation—Fair Prospect or Fanciful Folly?" by Prof. G. J. V. Nossal of Victoria, Australia. Also, the George E. Brown Memorial Lecture will be presented at Friday's Scientific Sessions by William E. Huckabee on "Regulation of Cardiac Minute Volume."

As in the past, Saturday evening will be devoted to small group discussions of cardiovascular problems. These will take place at 23 Cardiovascular Conferences for which tickets may be obtained without charge on a first come, first served basis at the Registration Desk beginning Saturday morning.

New cardiovascular films will be screened all day Sunday. Scientific and industrial exhibits will be displayed throughout the Scientific Sessions.

The Association's Annual Dinner will be held on Sunday, Nov. 24 in the Hotel Americana.

A registration fee of $25 is charged for the four-day scientific meeting. No fee is required for members of Heart Associations or AHA Councils upon presentation of membership card, or for medical students, house officers, research fellows, graduate students and members of the Armed Forces upon presentation of a letter of certification.

Registration forms, which include applications for hotel reservations, are available from local Heart Associations or from the Association's National Office.
**Angiotensin Investigators Share 1968 Stouffer Prize**

Two American and two European scientists shared the 1968 $50,000 Stouffer Prize for their studies of angiotensin which contributed broadly to an understanding of how blood pressure is controlled. The recipients were:

Leonard T. SKEEGS, Ph.D., and F. MERLIN BUMPUS, Ph.D., both of Cleveland, William STANLEY Peart, M.D., London, and ROBERT SCHWYZER, Ph.D., Zurich, Switzerland.

The awards were presented at a dinner held in conjunction with the annual scientific meeting of the American Heart Association's Council for High Blood Pressure Research in Cleveland, October 11.

Established in 1966 by the Vernon Stouffer Foundation for outstanding research in the fields of arteriosclerosis and hypertension, the award initially was shared by Harry Goldblatt of Cleveland and Ernest Klenk of Cologne, Germany. The 1967 Prize was divided by U. S. von Euler of Sweden, Peter Holtz of Germany and the team of J. W. Conforth and George J. Popjak of England.

**Plasma Cholesterol Study Summarized in Reprint**

The summary, conclusion and tables of a report on "The Effect of Plasma Cholesterol Lowering Diet in Male Survivors of Myocardial Infarction" have been reprinted for distribution by the American Heart Association.

The material was excerpted from the complete report by PAUL LEREN, M.D., of a five-year study of 412 males, aged 30-64, discharged from medical departments in Oslo, Norway, with a first diagnosis of myocardial infarction.

Purpose of the study was to evaluate what effect a reduction of the plasma cholesterol concentration by means of diet would have on morbidity and mortality from coronary heart disease (CHD relapses) in male survivors of myocardial infarction.

Copies of the reprint may be obtained without charge from local Heart Associations or the AHA National Office. The complete report, at $7.50, may be secured from Norwegian University Press, Box 142, Boston, Mass. 02113.

**Editorial is Available On Diet-Heart Study**

An editorial by Irvine H. Page and Helen B. Brown entitled "Some Observations on the National Diet-Heart Study," which appeared in the March, 1968 issue of *Circulation*, has been reprinted by the Association for distribution to physicians, nutritionists and others concerned with diet.

The editorial presents in summary how the diet study was conducted and the results relative to decrease in serum cholesterol. It states that "after the most searching analysis of the results, the committee strongly recommended to the National Heart Institute (which supported the study) that a major definitive study of the effect of diet on the primary prevention of myocardial infarction be planned and put into operation as soon as possible."

The final report of the National Diet-Heart Study was published as a supplement to *Circulation* (Monograph Series No. 18). It is available through local Heart Associations, as are copies of the editorial.

**Modern Concepts Offered At Reduced Prices**

Bound sets of the AHA publication, *Modern Concepts of Cardiovascular Disease*, are now available at a special offer of six volumes for $10. The six volumes, each of which has been $3, cover the years 1940-43, 1952-54, 1955-56, 1957-58, 1961-62, and 1963-64.

Each issue of the publication contains a concise review of a subject of interest to physicians concerned with cardiovascular diseases. Issued continuously since 1932, it is the Association's most widely distributed scientific publication.

Orders for the specially-priced bound sets may be sent to AHA's Distribution Department, 44 E. 23rd St., New York, N. Y. 10010.
Pathologists to Meet
In Jerusalem, Sept. 1969

Pulmonary emphysema and the cardiomyopathies are the main topics to be discussed at the International Society of Geographical Pathology's 10th Conference, to be held in Jerusalem, Israel, from September 1-4, 1969.

Pathologists, epidemiologists and clinicians from various countries will participate in the sessions which will include symposia on the main topics and short communications on these and other subjects.

Further information on the conference may be obtained from Dr. I. S. Levij, Department of Pathology, Hebrew University—Hadassah Medical School, PO Box 1172, Jerusalem, Israel.

Meetings Calendar
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December 1-4: American Medical Association (Clinical Convention), Miami Beach. Dr. E. B. Howard, 535 N. Dearborn, Chicago 60610.

December 6-7: American Federation for Clinical Research, Boston. Dr. H. J. Levine, 171 Harrison Ave., Boston 02111.

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February 3-5: American College of Surgeons (Sectional Meeting), Omaha. Communications Div., ACS, 55 E. Erie, Chicago 60611.


February 24-26: American College of Surgeons (Sectional Meeting), Louisville. Communications Div., ACS, 55 E. Erie, Chicago 60611.


March 10-12: American College of Surgeons (Sectional Meeting), Boston. Communications Div., ACS, 55 E. Erie, Chicago 60611.

April 1-3: 3 Days of Cardiology (Changing Concepts in Electrocardiography, Course Director, Leo G. Horan), Augusta, Ga. Inquiries to: Medical Education Dept., AHA, 44 E. 23rd St., New York 10010.


April 21-25: American College of Physicians, Chicago. Dr. E. C. Rosenow, Jr., 4200 Fine St., Philadelphia 19104.


July 13-19: International Congress of Clinical Pathology, Montreal, Canada. P. O. Box 8, Station G., Montreal 18, Canada.

September 5-7: Cardiovascular Symposium (10th Annual), Williamsburg, Va. Tidewater Heart Assn., 523 Boush St., Norfolk, Va. 23510.

November 2-5: International Symposium on Atherosclerosis (2nd), Chicago. Dr. Alfred M. Bennett, AHA, 44 E. 23rd St., New York 10010.

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September 1-4: International Society of Geographical Pathology, Jerusalem. Dr. I. S. Levij, Hadassah Medical School, PO Box 1172, Jerusalem, Israel.

September 2-4: International Congress on Hyperbaric Medicine (4th), Sapporo, Japan. Dr. Juro Wada, Sapporo Medical College, South 1, West 16, Sapporo, Japan.


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