News from the American Heart Association

10 Europe HBP Meetings Join With International As May-June Satellites

Ten satellite symposia in Europe have been scheduled for May and June in connection with the 8th Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Hypertension.

The International meeting will be held May 31 to June 3 in Milan, organized by Prof. Alberto Zanchetti (Istituto di Ricerche Cardiovascolari dell’Università di Milano, Via F. Sforza, 35, 20122 Milan). The related meetings are:


June 4-5: 2nd International Symposium on Blood Pressure Variability. Gent, Belgium. Dr. Denis L. Clement organizer (Dr. Clement, University Hospital, Dept. Cardiology, De Pintelaan 135, 9000 Gent, Belgium).

June 4: Systolic Hypertension. Brescia, Italy. Prof. Giulio Mulesan organizer (Prof. C. Alicant, Clinica Medica V, Università di Milano, Spedali Civili, 25100 Brescia, Italy).

June 5: Hypertension and Atherosclerosis. Venice, Italy. Prof. Cesare Dal Palù (Clinica Medica II, Policlinico Universitario, Via Giustiamenti, 2, 35100 Padua, Italy).

June 6-7: Alpha- and Beta-Blockers in Therapeutics of Hypertension. Venice, Italy. Prof. Cesare Dal Palù, Dr. J. Ian S. Robertson, Prof. Alberto Zanchetti organizers (Dr. Zanchetti, see address above, May 30-31).

June 7-15: 8th International Congress of Nephrology, Athens, Greece. (Congress Secretariat, Aghia Sophia Hospital, Thessaloniki, Greece).

HBP Control Conference Holds Program May 3–5

Awards honoring an individual and an organization which have made important contributions to high blood pressure control will be presented at the National Conference on High Blood Pressure Control meeting in the New York Hilton Hotel, New York City, May 3–5.

This is the second year of the awards presented by the National High Blood Pressure Education Program which is supported by 19 organizations, including the American Heart Association. David W. Richardson, M.D., representing the American College of Physicians, is the 1981 awards committee chairman. Dr. Theodore Cooper of Kalamazoo, MI, is conference chairman.

Dr. Jeremiah Stamler of Chicago will open the Conference May 3 with a review of past accomplishments and future plans for high blood pressure control. Workshops, reviews, papers and poster sessions will also be part of the program.

Abstracts have been invited on changing behavior in high blood pressure control, evaluation of state and community high blood pressure control programs, quality assurance, high blood pressure in special populations, diagnostic and therapeutic advances, etiology and pathophysiology of high blood pressure.

More than 70 percent of the approximately 1,000 persons expected to attend the Conference are expected to be physicians, nurses, and public health professionals. Inquiries may go to NCHBCP, 1501 Wilson Blvd, Suite 600, Arlington, VA 22209. Tel. 703-558-3700.

Bypass Surgery Session To Hear Social Issues

A forum to discuss economic, ethical and social issues related to coronary artery bypass surgery will be held April 21–23 at the Sheraton Washington Hotel, Washington, D.C.

The meeting, sponsored by the National Center for Health Care Technology and the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, follows a consensus conference on bypass surgery held in December. A panel chaired by Dr. Robert L. Frye of Mayo Clinic and including Dr. W. Gerald Austen, former AHA President (1977-78), and Dr. Elliot Rapaport, Editor of Circulation, agreed in a draft report that coronary artery bypass surgery represented a major advance in treatment.

The April meeting will discuss costs, ethical considerations, qualities of life and psychological impact. Participants will include not only cardiologists and cardiac surgeons but economists, specialists in health care delivery, behavioral and social scientists as well as members of the public.

Reminders . . .

Applications for Clinician-Scientist Awards, Established Investigatorships and British American Research Fellowships of the American Heart Association are due at the National Center, Dallas, by July 1. The due date for Grants-in-Aid applications is October 1.

Renewals for calendar year subscriptions to AHA Scientific Journals circulation, circulation research, stroke and hypertension should be made by March to maintain subscription continuity.

Abstracts for the AHA 54th Scientific Sessions are due in Dallas by May 22. The Sessions will be held in Dallas, Nov. 16–19.