Interamerican Congress Program is Outlined

Registration and hotel reservation forms for the IXth Interamerican Congress of Cardiology are now available from the American Heart Association.

The meeting, scheduled from April 23-29, 1972 in San Francisco's Civic Auditorium, is sponsored by the Interamerican Society of Cardiology. It is being organized and hosted by the American Heart Association in cooperation with the California and San Francisco Heart Associations.

A tentative scientific program includes morning plenary sessions on such topics as acute myocardial infarction; hypertension; inflammatory heart disease; arterial thrombosis and stroke; arrhythmias; and coronary vein bypass surgery. Concurrent programs are scheduled throughout the afternoons, as are "free communications" sessions. Simultaneous Spanish-English translations will be presented.

A special event for Wednesday afternoon, April 26, will be symposia held in the area's hospitals and medical centers. Subjects to be discussed are "Intensive Cardiopulmonary Care," "Pediatric Cardiology," "Cardiac Transplantation," "Adult Congenital Heart Disease," "Hemodynamics of Myocardial Infarction," "Pre-hospital Phase of Myocardial Infarction," and "Coronary Artery Disease."

The scientific membership fee is $90 for registrations received before January 1, 1972 and $115 for those received later. The San Francisco Hilton has been chosen as headquarters hotel.

Forms to register for the Congress and to obtain hotel accommodations may be obtained from the Department of Councils and International Program, American Heart Association, 44 E. 23rd St., New York, N. Y. 10010.

Renal Disease Criteria Available to Physicians

The Association's Council on the Kidney in Cardiovascular Disease has developed criteria to assist in the more uniform description of the patient with chronic renal disease.

The "Criteria for the Evaluation of the Severity of Established Renal Disease" has been printed in leaflet form to serve the physician as a shorthand index of severity in individual patients and in presenting a more precise description of cases in medical literature.

Under each of three categories—classification of signs and symptoms by severity; of renal functional impairment; and of performance—the patient is to be measured by a clearly fixed scale of severity.

Copies of the leaflet may be obtained through local Heart Associations or the AHA National Office.

Activity Guidelines For Young Cardiacs

Guidelines for counseling young heart disease patients in their recreational and occupational activities have been prepared for physicians by the Association's Council on Rheumatic Fever and Congenital Heart Disease.

While the statement stresses the necessity for considering individual factors, it also provides recommendations for the average functional state of patients with specific defects. The many individual factors which must be considered to modify recommendations for the average functional state of the defect are described in detail.
Entitled "Recreational and Occupational Recommendations for Physicians Counseling Young Patients With Heart Disease," the six-page booklet is available through community groups or the Association's Central Office.

Inter-Society Reports
On Rheumatic Fever

A community system for prevention and treatment of rheumatic fever that would stress public education and reorganization of facilities for treatment among the poor has been recommended by the Inter-Society Commission for Heart Disease Resources as the seventh report in its series on Acute Care.

Headed "Community Resources for the Diagnosis and Acute Care of Patients With Rheumatic Fever," the report, prepared under chairmanship of Angelo Taranta, pinpoints areas that will require special attention in many communities, including public and professional education, development of supportive medical services and training of health personnel.

The report was printed in the July issue of Circulation. Reprints are available through local Heart groups or the AHA National Office.

Prize for Paper
On Neuroradiology

An annual prize for the best paper submitted on neuroradiology has been announced by the American Society of Neuroradiology. The competition is open to trainees in the field, residents of radiology and junior staff members in radiology or neuroradiology. Further information may be obtained from Dr. David O. Davis, University of Utah Medical Center, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84112.

Symposium Planned on
Surgical Heart Disease

New Zealand's National Heart Foundation is sponsoring an International Symposium on Surgical Heart Disease from February 21-25, 1972, at Green Lane Hospital in Auckland.

The course, designed to explore diagnostic, radiological, pathological and surgical aspects of congenital heart disease, will include papers, panels and case presentations. Contact Brian Barratt-Boyes, Green Lane Hospital, Auckland 3, New Zealand.

Meetings Calendar

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November 9-10: AHA Council on Arteriosclerosis (Annual Scientific Meeting), Anaheim, Cal. Dr. Alfred M. Bennett, AHA, 44 E. 23rd St., New York 10010.

November 10: Postgraduate Seminars (Sponsored by AHA Scientific Councils), Anaheim, Cal. Dr. Alfred M. Bennett, AHA, 44 E. 23rd St., New York 10010.


November 28-December 1: American Medical Association (Clinical Meeting), New Orleans. Dr. Ernest B. Howard, 535 N. Dearborn, Chicago 60610.

December 8-10: *Clinical Nephrology and Heart Disease, Miami Beach. Co-sponsors, Council on Kidney in CV Disease, Univ. of Miami Medical School, Mt. Sinai Hospital, Florida Heart Ass'n., Heart Ass'n. of Greater Miami. Dr. M. L. Meitus, Mt. Sinai Hospital, 4300 Alton Rd., Miami Beach.


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December 2-5: Cardiology Seminar of Rogers Heart Foundation, Acapulco, Mexico. Henry J. L. Marriott, Rogers Heart Foundation, St. Petersburg, Fla.

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February 21-24: American Society of Neuroradiology (Annual Meeting), Mexico City. Dr. Fred J. Hodges, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md. 21205.


March 23-24: Recent Advances in Cardiac Arrhythmias, Amsterdam. Dr. D. Durrer, Univ. of Amsterdam, Dep't. of Cardiology, Wilhelmina Gasthuis, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.


October 8-13: Asian-Pacific Congress of Cardiology (Fifth), Singapore. Dr. N. C. Tan, Faculty of Medicine, U. of Singapore, Sepoy Lines, Singapore 3.

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