AHA–Parke-Davis Clinician-Scientist Awardees Announced

The American Heart Association has named the first two AHA–Parke-Davis Clinician-Scientist Awardees in Lipoprotein Metabolism and Atherosclerosis. They are Doctors Geoffrey S. Ginsburg, Beth Israel Hospital, Boston, and Brian W. Walsh, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston.

In May 1989, Warner-Lambert Companies’ Parke-Davis Group pledged $1 million for four Clinician-Scientist Awards in lipoprotein metabolism and atherosclerosis. The new funds will provide approximately $250,000 for the support of each awardee over five years.

The objective of the award is to encourage promising, clinically trained physicians to undertake careers in investigative science. Awardees are supported during an initial three-year period of rigorous, full-time research training and a subsequent period of independent research.

Dr. James T. Willerson, chairman of the AHA’s National Center Research Committee, said, “This gift from Parke-Davis will allow us to provide research opportunities for promising, highly qualified physician-scientists who will devote their research efforts to the study and correction of lipid abnormalities.”

Dr. Ginsburg will investigate the association between gene coding for protein constituents of high-density lipoproteins, coronary artery disease, and dyslipoproteinemias. He will examine the genes for mutations and identify specific factors in the regulation of their expression. Dr. Walsh’s work will determine the effect of exogenous and endogenous sex hormones on lipoprotein metabolism, particularly very low-density lipoproteins and low-density lipoproteins.

The next application deadline for AHA Clinician-Scientist Awards is June 1, 1990. More information may be obtained by writing the American Heart Association, Division of Research Administration, 7320 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231, or calling 214-706-1453.

15th International Stroke Conference to Meet

The 15th International Joint Conference on Stroke and Cerebral Circulation will be held February 15–17, 1990, at Marriott’s Orlando World Center, Orlando, Florida. Considered the premier meeting for stroke specialists, the conference is sponsored by the American Heart Association’s Stroke Council.

This two-day educational experience for neurologists, surgeons, and general physicians in the fields of cerebrovascular disease and physiology and pathology of cerebral circulation will feature slide and poster presentations. In addition, symposia on cerebral ischemia and magnetic resonance imaging angiography as well as two breakfast seminars are planned.

Vladimir C. Hachinski chaired the program committee. The other members of the committee are James N. Davis, Jerry Goldstone, John R. Marler, Robert A. Ratcheson, and David G. Sherman.

The program begins Thursday afternoon with the first of a two-part symposium. “Brain Temperature and Cerebral Ischemia” is chaired by James N. Davis and Eugene Flamm. Topics include cellular mechanisms of hypothermia, hyperthermia and N-methyl-D-aspartate antagonists, and hypothermia in large animals and clinical trials. Part 2, “Magnetic Resonance Imaging Angiography,” is chaired by Robert A. Ratcheson and Christopher M. Loftus.

Afterward, James F. Toole will present the Willis Lecture. His talk is titled “Has the Concept ‘TIA’ Served Its Purpose?” Poster sessions follow the lecture.

On Friday, a breakfast seminar entitled “New Therapies in the Treatment of Vasospasm” is chaired by Robert R. Smith and Marc R. Mayberg. The topics are thrombolytic therapy and clot removal, calcium channel blockers, anti-inflammatory agents, and angioplasty. Friday’s sessions center on arterioventricular malformations and aneurysms, the heart and hypertension, cerebral ischemia, and therapy. In addition, the Robert G. Sickert Young Investigator Award in Stroke will be presented.

On Saturday, John R. Marler and Harold P. Adams Jr. chair a breakfast seminar entitled “Medical and Surgical Management of Acute Intracerebral Hemorrhage.” Saturday’s sessions will focus on thrombosis and thrombolysis and prevention.

Cosponsors of the joint conference are the Joint Section of Cerebrovascular Surgery of the American Association of Neurological Sur-
Newsmakers and the Congress of Neurological Surgeons; the Canadian Stroke Society of the Canadian Heart Foundation; the Society for Vascular Surgery; and the American Neurological Association.

New Smoke-Free Class of 2000 Materials Ready for Second Grade Students

The quest for a smoke-free society in the United States by the year 2000 is moving another step forward through the efforts of three of the nation’s largest voluntary health organizations and the Walt Disney Co.

Approximately 112,000 antismoking educational kits have been mailed to local and state coalitions of the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, and the American Lung Association. The kits include materials created by Disney Educational Productions and will be distributed free to second-grade classrooms that are participating in the Smoke-Free Class of 2000 Project.

The SFC 2000 project is the educational and awareness project developed by the three health organizations in response to the US Surgeon general’s call for a smoke-free society by the year 2000. At the turn of the century, when students participating in the project graduate from high school, they will become the nation’s symbolic smoke-free generation.

The project was launched last year in more than 65,000 first grade classrooms as a way of reaching young people and encouraging them to not start smoking. Rather than focusing on the health effects of smoking, the SFC 2000 project helps children make a decision not to smoke before they encounter peer pressure to start smoking, which occurs in the fourth grade.

Gregory the Dragon, a character created especially for the project by the Disney organization, will be featured in the kits for second grade students. The materials include an outline of learning objectives, a script for an antismoking play, suggested activities, and a resources sheet.

The three health organizations believe that schools should reinforce the antismoking message with other comprehensive health education programs, and each offers such a program for the lower elementary grades. The programs are entitled “An Early Start to Good Health” (American Cancer Society), “Lungs for Life” (American Lung Association), and “Getting to Know Your Heart” (AHA).

New Educational Materials

A number of new educational materials for the public and the health professional are available from the American Heart Association. They include:

Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery. This brochure was designed for both the patient who is considering surgery and his or her family. It answers basic questions about coronary artery disease, bypass surgery, and recovery. Order No. 50-1027.

How You Can Help Your Doctor Treat Your High Blood Pressure. This updated booklet describes high blood pressure, how it develops, and ways to treat it. Medications for high blood pressure and their possible side effects are discussed. Foods high in potassium and low in sodium are also listed. Order No. 50-1021.

Silent Epidemic: The Truth About Women and Heart Disease. This pamphlet, aimed primarily toward women, is designed to create awareness of the seriousness of heart disease and dispel the notion that heart disease is a man’s problem. Risk factors, methods of control, and steps in prevention are described, and the role of estrogen is discussed in detail. Order No. 64-9571.

Women & Heart Disease Video. This video discusses heart disease, treatment methods, risk factors, and prevention. It is available in two forms, 1/2”, Order No. 24-7220, and 3/4”, Order No. 24-7221.

Hypertension Research Award Announced

Dr. Allen Everett, Charlottesville, Virginia, is the winner of the Marion Hypertension Research Clinical Fellowship Award, presented at the 43rd annual conference of the American Heart Association’s Council for High Blood Pressure Research in Cleveland. The award-winning study, titled “Renin Release and Gene Expression in Intact Kidney Microvessels and Single Cells,” found that
blood pressure in fetal and neonatal rats is largely controlled by renin.

The $25,000 award was established by the Council for High Blood Pressure Research through an educational grant from Marion Laboratories, Inc. It is designed to encourage young physicians to pursue careers in clinical and fundamental hypertension research.

Other finalists for the award and their projects were Doctors Douglas Chapman, "Myocardial Fibrosis and Hypertrophy Are Under Different Regulatory Mechanisms in Renovascular Hypertension," and Richard Z. Lewanczuk, "The Importance of the Parathyroid Gland in Some Forms of Essential Hypertension."

**Oregon Affiliate to Offer Symposium**

"New Directions in Cardiology" is the title of a symposium to be offered by the Oregon Affiliate of the American Heart Association. Cosponsored by the affiliate and the Providence Medical Center, the symposium will take place April 26–28, 1990, in Portland, Oregon. Cardiologists, internists, and cardiovascular nurses are invited to attend the two and one-half day meeting, which will feature presentations by clinical practitioners and researchers from across the country. Speakers include Samuel Caplan, Steven R. Bailey, J.L. Hollman, John B. Simpson, and Eric R. Bates.

Additional information may be obtained from Gayle Love at 800-452-9445 or 503-226-2575.

**Aspen Conference Set for August**

The Annual Aspen Hepatic Cholesterol and Lipoprotein Conference will be held August 18–21, 1990, at the Given Institute of Pathobiology in Aspen. Conference organizers are Doctors Godfrey Getz and Daniel Steinberg. The meeting is sponsored by the Aspen Cholesterol Conference.

The theme of this year's conference will be "Hepatic Cholesterol and Postprandial Lipoproteins." Sessions will cover enterocytes in lipid absorption, lipases, modification of postprandial lipoproteins, and uptake of postprandial lipoproteins.

Limited funds are available for students, research fellows, and young faculty. Applicants for these funds should send a curriculum vitae and a short abstract of their research to the conference coordinator. All participants are invited to submit abstracts for poster presentations. The deadline for receipt of abstracts is April 15, 1990.

Applications and inquiries should be directed to Bernie C. Kern, Conference Coordinator, Aspen Bile Acid/Cholesterol Conference, 501 Madison Street, Denver, CO 80206.

**At Heart**

- The February issue of *Modern Concepts of Cardiovascular Disease* is entitled "Thrombolytic Therapy in the Management of Acute Myocardial Infarction, Part 1: Effects on Coronary Reperfusion and Left Ventricular Function." The authors are Gary Martin and J. Ward Kennedy, Seattle.

- The February issue of *Circulation* features a special report, "Recommendations for Standardization and Specifications in Automated Electrocardiography: Bandwidth and Digital Signal Processing." The report was written by an ad hoc writing group of the Committee on Electrocardiography and Cardiac Electrophysiology of the Council on Clinical Cardiology.
March 2–4: **Advanced Seminars in Diagnostic Imaging.** Ritz-Carlton Resort Hotel, Laguna Niguel, Calif. Sponsored by the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine. David S. Feigin, MD, program director. Inquiries: Dawne Ryals, Ryals & Associates, PO Box 1925, Roswell, GA 30077-1925. Tel 404-641-9773.

March 2–5: **Echo Doppler Symposium.** Biltmore Hotel, Coral Gables, Fla. Sponsored by the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. Inquiries: The Cleveland Clinic Educational Foundation, Department of Continuing Education, 9500 Euclid Ave, TT31, Cleveland, OH 44195-5241. Tel 800-762-8172 (Ohio) or 800-762-8173 (elsewhere).

March 3–7: **Fourth Annual Magnetic Resonance Imaging Conference.** Marriott’s Camelback Inn Resort, Scottsdale, Ariz. Sponsored by Barrow Neurological Institute of St Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center. Inquiries: Kevin King, RT, Education Coordinator, Radiologic Education Center, St Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center, 350 W Thomas Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85013. Tel 602-285-3956.


March 4–9: **11th Annual Mammoth Mountain Emergency Medicine Ski Conference.** Mammoth Lakes, Calif. Sponsored by the University of California, Irvine. Inquiries: Medical Conferences, Inc, PO Box 52-B, Newport Beach, CA 92662. Tel 714-650-4156.

March 5–7: **Neuroradiology Update.** Hotel del Coronado, Coronado (San Diego), Calif. Sponsored by the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine. John R. Hesselink, MD, and Robert F. Mattrey, MD, program directors. Inquiries: Dawne Ryals, Ryals & Associates, PO Box 1925, Roswell, GA 30077-1925. Tel 404-641-9773.

March 5–9: **Combined Neuroradiology Update and Magnetic Resonance Imaging.** Hotel del Coronado, Coronado (San Diego), Calif. Sponsored by the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine. John R. Hesselink, MD, and Robert F. Mattrey, MD, program directors. Inquiries: Dawne Ryals, Ryals & Associates, PO Box 1925, Roswell, GA 30077-1925. Tel 404-641-9773.

March 5–9: **Fifth Annual San Diego Postgraduate Magnetic Resonance Imaging Course.** Hotel del Coronado, Coronado (San Diego), Calif. Sponsored by the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine. John R. Hesselink, program director. Inquiries: Dawne Ryals, Ryals & Associates, PO Box 1925, Roswell, GA 30077-1925. Tel 404-641-9773. Fax 404-552-9859.

March 5–10: **25th Annual Family Practice Symposium.** (Repealed April 30–May 5.) Medical College of Georgia, Augusta. Inquiries: Division of Continuing Education, Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, GA 30912-1400. Tel 404-721-3967 (Georgia) or 800-221-6437 (elsewhere).

March 6–9: **Magnetic Resonance Imaging.** Hotel del Coronado, Coronado (San Diego), Calif. Sponsored by the University of California, San Diego...
March 7–8: **Advances in Endocrinology and Metabolism.** Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco. Sponsored by the University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine. Steven T. Harris, MD, program chairman. Inquiries: Postgraduate Program, 521 Parnassus Ave, C-405, University of California, San Francisco, CA 94143-0656. Tel 415-476-5208.

March 9–10: **Diabetes Update.** Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco. Sponsored by the University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine. Steven T. Harris, MD, program chairman. Inquiries: Postgraduate Program, 521 Parnassus Ave, C-405, University of California, San Francisco, CA 94143-0656. Tel 415-476-5208.

March 12–15: **Critical Care Medicine: 28th Annual Symposium.** Las Vegas Hilton. Sponsored by the University of Southern California School of Medicine, Postgraduate Division. Inquiries: Associate Dean, USC School of Medicine, Postgraduate Division, 1975 Zonal Ave, KAM 307, Los Angeles, CA 90033. Tel 213-224-7051, 1-800-421-6729 (outside California), or 1-800-521-1929 (inside California).


March 16–17: **Sixth Annual Symposium on Recent Advances in Doppler Color Flow Mapping.** New Orleans. Inquiries: Dr Navin C. Nanda, Course Director, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Heart Station SWB W001, Birmingham, AL 35294.

March 18–22: **39th Annual Scientific Session of the American College of Cardiology.** New Orleans. Inquiries: Meetings Services Department, ACC, 9111 Old Georgetown Rd, Bethesda, MD 20814. Tel 1-800-253-4636 or 301-897-5400 (Maryland or outside US).

March 19–23: **33rd Annual Diagnostic Radiology Postgraduate Course.** Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco. Sponsored by the University of California School of Medicine, San Francisco. Charles A. Gooding, MD, program chairman. Inquiries: Radiology Postgraduate Education, University of California, San Francisco, Room C324, San Francisco, CA 94143-0628. Tel 415-476-5731.


March 30–31: **University of Wisconsin CT Conference.** Edgewater Hotel, Madison, Wis. Sponsored by the University of Wisconsin. Inquiries: Sarah Z. Aslakson, University of Wisconsin School of Allied Health, Continuing Education, 2715 Marshall Court, Madison, WI 53705. Tel 608-263-2856.

March 31: **pH, Carbon Dioxide, Bicarbonate, and Cellular Function.** University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia. Sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. Inquiries: Dr Ronald F. Coburn, B204 Richards Bldg, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA 19104. Tel 215-898-8069.

April 2–7: **Comprehensive Review of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.** New York University Medical Center, New York City. Inquiries: NYU Medical Center, Postgraduate Medical School, 550 First Ave, New York, NY 10016. Tel 212-340-5295.

April 3–5: **Introduction to Doppler Echocardiography.** St Louis University Medical Center. Sponsored by St Louis University Medical Center, School of Medicine. Inquiries: Anita Herbst, St Louis University Medical Center, School of Medicine, Continuing Medical Education, 1402 S. Grand Blvd, St Louis, MO 63104-1083. Tel 314-577-8167.


April 19–21: **31st National Student Research Forum.** University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston. Inquiries: National Student Research Forum, Room 209, Family Medicine Building, Route
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May 3-7: The Heart of Cardiology Is (Still) Echoangiography. Pfister Hotel, Milwaukee. Sponsored by the University of Wisconsin Medical School. Rami Gal, MD, program director. Inquiries: Sarah Z. Aslakson, University of Wisconsin Medical School, Continuing Medical Education, 2715 Marshall Court, Madison, WI 53705. Tel 608-263-2856.


May 8-10: Introduction to Doppler Echocardiography. St Louis University Medical Center. Sponsored by St Louis University Medical Center, School of Medicine. Inquiries: Anita Herbst, St Louis University Medical Center, School of Medicine, Continuing Medical Education, 1402 S. Grand Blvd, St Louis, MO 63104-1083. Tel 314-577-8167.


May 9-11: Clinical Augmentation of the Heart. Georgetown University Medical Center, Washington, DC. Sponsored by the American College of Cardiology and Georgetown University School of Medicine. Inquiries: Registration Secretary, Extramural Programs Department, ACC, 9111 Old Georgetown Rd, Bethesda, MD 20814. Tel 800-253-4636 or 301-897-5400, ext 226 (Maryland).


June 18–23: 21st Annual Internal Medicine Symposium. Kiawah Island, SC. Sponsored by Medical College of Georgia. Inquiries: Division of Continuing Education, Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, GA 30912-1400. Tel 404-721-3967 (Georgia) or 800-221-6437 (elsewhere).

June 20–24: Sixth International Conference on AIDS. San Francisco. Sponsored by the University of California, San Francisco; cosponsored by the World Health Organization. Attendance is limited. Inquiries: Sixth International Conference on AIDS, Suite 300, 655 15th St NW, Washington, DC 20005. Tel 202-639-5179. Fax 202-347-6109.
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July 16–20: 12th Annual Critical Care Medicine Symposium. Kiawah Island, SC. Sponsored by Medical College of Georgia. Inquiries: Division of Continuing Education, Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, GA 30912-1400. Tel 404-721-3967 (Georgia) or 800-221-6437 (elsewhere).


Sept 20–21: National Nursing Theory Conference and Dialogue With Nursing Theorists. Los Angeles. Sponsored by the University of California, Los Angeles. Inquiries: Elizabeth C. Poster, PhD, RN, Director, Nursing Research and Education, Center for the Health Sciences, 760 Westwood Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90024-1759. Tel 213-206-3718.


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March 14–16: Vth International Colloquium on Atherosclerosis: Dyslipidemias and Atherosclerosis. Brussels, Belgium. Sponsored by the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute. Inquiries: Prof C.L. Malmendier, Research Foundation on Atherosclerosis, Fac Medicine, Bât D, rue Evers 2, B-1000 Brussels, Belgium. Tel 02-536-60-63.


April 29–May 2: First Altschul Symposium: Atherosclerosis—Cellular and Molecular Interactions in the Artery Wall. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. Sponsored by the University of Saskatchewan. Inquiries: Dr Avrum I. Gotlieb, Vascular Research Laboratory, Toronto General Hospital Research Centre, 200 Elizabeth St, CCRW 1-857, Toronto, Ontario, MSG 2C4 Canada. Tel 416-340-4723. Fax 416-978-7361.


May 4–5: Stroke Rehabilitation. L’Hotel, Toronto. Sponsored by the Inter-Urban Stroke Academic Association. Inquiries: Education Services Department, The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, 550 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario MSG 2A2. Tel 416-597-3003.


May 13–17: Fourth International Symposium on Adenosine and Adenine Nucleotides. Yamashiki, Japan. Shoichi Imai, MD, PhD, chairman. Inquiries: Prof Shoichi Imai, Department of Pharmacology, Niigata University School of Medicine, Niigata 951, Japan. Tel 025-223-6161, ext 2270. Fax 025-225-6320.


May 18–19: Satellite Symposium of the Fourth International Symposium on Adenosine and Adenine Nucleotides. Kobe, Japan. Michitoshi Inoue, MD,
PhD. Inquiries: Dr Masatsugu Hori, First Department of Medicine, Osaka University School of Medicine, 1-1-50 Fukushima, Fukushima-ku, Osaka 553, Japan. Tel 06-451-8000. Fax 06-451-8660.

May 27–31: Second International Conference on Cardiac Doppler: Echo and Color Flow Imaging. Libertas Hotel, Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia. Anthony N. DeMaria, MD, and Nikša Drinković, MD, conference directors. Official language: English. Inquiries: ICCD, Dr Nikša Drinković, Department of Cardiovascular Diseases, University Hospital Centre, Kništićeva 12, 41000 Zagreb, Yugoslavia.


July 9–10: Significance of Peripheral Dopaminergic System in Cardiovascular and Renal Function. (Satellite meeting of XIth International Congress of Pharmacology.) Essen, Federal Republic of Germany. Inquiries: Dr. O.E. Brodde, Medizinische Klinik und Poliklinik, University of Essen, Hufelandstr 55, D-4300 Essen 1, Federal Republic of Germany. Tel 49-201-7324467. Fax 4-201-484085.

July 18–28: NATO Advanced Study Institute on Vascular Endothelium: Physiological Basis of Clinical Problems. Corfu Hilton, Corfu, Greece. Inquiries to Dr John D. Catravas, Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology, Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, GA 30912-2300. Tel 404-721-6338.


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