AHA Scientific Sessions Program

A total of 165 original scientific papers, selected from a record 627 abstracts submitted for consideration, will be presented at the 34th annual Scientific Sessions of the American Heart Association. The sessions will be held from Friday, October 20 through Sunday, October 22 in the Americana Hotel, Bal Harbour, Miami Beach, Florida.

These presentations will be made during six sessions on clinical cardiology and at 15 other scientific sessions to be held concurrently throughout the three-day program under sponsorship of the Association's Councils. Additional presentations will be made at panels, symposia, and lectures.

Registrants holding confirmed hotel reservations before September 30 will receive a copy of the program prior to the meeting. Abstracts of papers to be presented will be published as Part II of the October, 1961 issue of *Circulation*.

Friday's program includes an opening address by Oglesby Paul, M.D., AHA President; the Conner Memorial Lecture, by Clark H. Millikan, M.D., Professor of Neurology, Mayo Clinic; symposia "Contribution of Phonocardiography to Auscultation," and "Coronary Arteriography"; a lecture on "Biplane Angiography"; concurrent sessions on various cardiovascular subjects; and a program for nurses.

The program on Saturday includes a panel on "Ventricular Arrhythmias"; a lecture on "Closed Chest Cardiac Resuscitation"; the Brown Memorial Lecture, by Robert W. Wilkins, M.D., Professor of Medicine, Boston University School of Medicine; a symposium on "Renal Failure"; and simultaneous sessions on basic science, cardiovascular surgery, and "Compensable Heart Disease, Strain and Trauma."

The Research Achievement Award of the AHA will be conferred on Saturday afternoon. This new award was established following announcement by the Lasker Foundation that no Lasker Award presentations will be made to scientists this year. The winner of the AHA award will receive an honorarium of $1000 and an illuminated scroll.

Conferences on a variety of cardiovascular topics are scheduled for Saturday evening. Included on Sunday's program are a symposium on "The Role of Hormones in Heart Failure"; panels on "Ventricular Hypertrophy and Bundle Branch Block" and "Newer Electrocardiographic Lead Systems"; a lecture, "ECG Clues Suggesting Myocardial Infarction"; and concurrent sessions on rheumatic fever and congenital heart disease and cardiovascular surgery. Two sessions on cardiovascular films, with introductions and commentary by the author or other authority on the subject, will be held on Sunday.

Registration and accommodation forms may be obtained from the American Heart Association, 44 East 23rd Street, New York 10, New York.
AHA Grant-In-Aid Applications
Deadline is November 1

Applications for Heart Association grants-in-aid for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1962 must be received by November 1, 1961, at the AHA National Office. The deadline for submitting applications for Research Fellowships and Established Investigatorships was September 15.

All applications for grants-in-aid must be made on forms obtainable from the Associate Medical Director for Research, AHA, 44 East 23rd Street, New York 10, New York. Grants are made to non-profit institutions in direct support of a particular investigator for a specific program of research under his direction. Awards are in support of research in the cardiovascular field or basic sciences for periods up to five years.

Council on Arteriosclerosis Meeting

Don W. Fawcett, M.D., Professor of Anatomy and Chairman of the Department, Harvard Medical School, will deliver the Lyman G. Duff Memorial Lecture at the Annual Meeting of the Association's Council on Arteriosclerosis on Wednesday, October 18, at 2 P.M. The meeting is scheduled from October 18-20 at the Hotel Balmoreal, Bal Harbour, Miami Beach, Florida.

Aaron Kellner, M.D., New York, Chairman of the Council, will address the annual business meeting on Thursday afternoon.

A total of 36 scientific papers will be presented during the Wednesday and Thursday sessions. An additional 18 papers will be presented within the framework of the opening session of the AHA Scientific Sessions.

North Carolina Scientist Named To Lifetime Research Post

Carl W. Gottschalk, M.D., Associate Professor of Medicine, University of North Carolina School of Medicine, has been named an AHA Career Investigator, the Association's Research Committee announced. He is the 11th medical scientist to receive this award since it was pioneered by the American Heart Association 10 years ago. It provides support throughout their professional lives to scientists of outstanding ability and achievement.

Dr. Gottschalk is conducting studies in kidney function, using micropuncture techniques.

A native of Salem, Va., Dr. Gottschalk received his B.S. degree from Roanoke College in Salem and his M.D. degree from the University of Virginia in 1945. He spent the past year in Copenhagen, working in the laboratory of Dr. H. H. Ussing, a world-famous authority on the metabolism of individual cells of the body, returning to the University of North Carolina this fall.

The Research Committee also announced the first appointment to be made under a new program which permits a Career Investigator to nominate one Research Fellow to assist in his studies. It named John S. Britten, M.D., to work with Dr. John V. Taggart, AHA Career Investigator, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, on metabolic aspects of renal function.

Heart Groups Donate $24,900 to Supplement National Research

Heart Associations in Delaware, Colorado and New York have provided $24,900 to supplement the Association's national research program for fiscal 1961-62.

The Delaware contribution of $12,500 will be applied to support grants-in-aid to Helen B. Tausig, M.D., Johns Hopkins University, Francis Wood, M.D.,, Stanley A. Briller, M.D., and Earl Barker, M.D., University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, and Emil Blair, M.D., University of Maryland School of Medicine.

The Colorado donation of $7,150 will support a grant to Colin H. M. Walker, M.D., University of Colorado Medical School.

The Orange County (New York) Heart
Association's $5,500 gift will support the grant of David F. Brown, M.D., Albany Medical College.

Such contributions over amounts regularly assigned by local Heart Associations for national research permit support of additional studies which could not otherwise be covered by the national research budget.

The Research Committee has also approved the funding of six additional grants-in-aid in the amount of $41,550. These became effective last July and bring to approximately $1,877,000 the sums expended in this category for fiscal 1961-62.

AHA to Issue “Circulation Research” As a Monthly Beginning in 1962

To accommodate the increasing volume of research papers on basic studies in the cardiovascular field, Circulation Research will be issued monthly instead of bi-monthly, beginning January, 1962.

The change reflects the steady expansion of research which has been taking place in the cardiovascular field during recent years. Circulation Research was established by the Association in 1953 as a 96-page publication, and has since been enlarged to its present 256-page size. This has not been sufficient, however, to keep pace with the growing volume of worthwhile manuscripts received. Publication of Circulation Research on a monthly basis will help speed the transmission of research findings to investigators.

Subscription rates for the journal as a monthly will be $14 annually in the U.S. and Canada, $15 elsewhere. It will be available at a reduced rate of $9 for full-time research fellows, interns, residents and medical students. A combined subscription to Circulation Research and Circulation will be $25 yearly, $28 outside the U.S. and Canada.

Materials from AHA Journals Are Available in Volume Form

Four new volumes bringing together materials of interest to physicians and scientists have been published by the Association, as follows:

Hypertension-Chemical and Hormonal Factors, Volume IX of the Proceedings of the Association's Council on High Blood Pressure Research, a compilation of papers given by leading authorities in the field at the Council’s Annual Meeting in Cleveland last November ($2.50), printed as a supplement to Circulation Research, May 1961.

Symposium on Coronary Heart Disease, No. 2 in the AHA monograph series, a compilation of articles originally published in Circulation from August 1960-January 1961 ($2.50).

Cardiovascular Abstracts I—1960 contains more than 700 abstracts of significant papers on cardiovascular subjects published in 86 scientific journals in the U.S. and abroad ($2.75), formerly published in sections of Circulation.

The Myocardium—Its Biochemistry and Biophysics includes presentations given at a New York Heart Association symposium in December 1960 ($2.50) also published as a supplement to the August issue of Circulation.

Copies of all volumes are available from the Distribution Department, American Heart Association, 44 East 23rd Street, New York 10, New York, through local Heart Associations or through medical bookstores.

Gift Subscriptions to AHA Journals Urged for Needy Countries

As an aid to world-wide dissemination of cardiovascular knowledge, physicians and scientists in the United States are urged to donate subscriptions to Circulation Research and Circulation to medical university libraries, schools and professional groups in underdeveloped and newly independent countries.

Those wishing to offer such gift subscriptions may do so through the Association’s Publishing Office, 44 East 23rd Street, New York 10, New York. The cost of each subscription will be: $15 for Circulation, $10, Circulation Research. Subscriptions to the combined journals are $23.
1959-60 Volumes of
"Modern Concepts" Ready
The bound volume of Modern Concepts of Cardiovascular Disease covering the years 1959-60 is now available at $3.00 a copy. The volume, indexed according to author and subject, may be obtained from local Heart Associations or through the American Heart Association, 44 East 23rd Street, New York 10, New York.

National Institutes of Health
Sponsor Lipid Distribution
Through a cooperative project of the Division of Research Grants and National Heart Institute, ampoules containing 200 mg. of mixtures of pure fatty acid methyl esters will soon be available for distribution to qualified investigators for whose research work such materials are needed.

Requests for the samples, describing briefly the research purposes for which they are to be used, may be addressed in duplicate to Dr. William H. Goldwater, Executive Secretary, Metabolism Study Section, Division of Research Grants, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda 14, Maryland.

Meetings Calendar
September 26-29: American Roentgen Ray Society, Miami Beach. C. A. Good, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.
October 12-14: International College of Surgeons, Regional Meeting, Atlantic City. W. F. James, 1516 Lake Shore Dr., Chicago 10, Illinois.
October 26-27: The Organization of Bio-Medical Instrumentation and Engineering in Universities and Hospitals, Omaha. Office of Medical Extension, University of Nebraska, Omaha 5, Nebraska.
November 13-15: Canadian Heart Association and National Heart Foundation of Canada, Annual Meeting and Scientific Sessions, Vancouver. J. B. Armstrong, National Heart Foundation of Canada, 501 Yonge St., Toronto, 5, Canada.
November 16-18: International Symposium "Etiology of Myocardial Infarction," Detroit. Thomas N. James, Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit 2, Michigan.

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Abroad

October 7-13: Fourth World Congress of Cardiology, Mexico City. I. Costero, Secretary General, Ave. Cuauhtemoc 300, Mexico 7, D.F.
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