

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR ABSTRACTS: ANNUAL JOURNAL SYMPOSIUM

The American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) and its journal ANESTHESIOLOGY announce the 15th annual "Journal Symposium" to be held at the Annual Meeting of the ASA in October 2006, in Chicago, Illinois. The Journal Symposium highlights emerging and important concepts in anesthesia research and clinical practice.

For 2006, the Journal Symposium is entitled "**Postoperative Cognitive Dysfunction.**"

The Symposium will take place Tuesday, October 17, 2006, 9:00 AM-12:30 PM, in Chicago (exact location to be announced later).

The Symposium format will be a poster-discussion session in conjunction with formal lectures by four invited international experts. Abstracts for inclusion in the Journal Symposium will be chosen from among those submitted for presentation at the ASA's Annual Meeting. The selections will be made by the Symposium organizers, Dr. Michael M. Todd, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, Iowa (Editor-in-Chief, ANESTHESIOLOGY), and Dr. Mervyn Maze, Imperial College School of Medicine, London, England (Editor, ANESTHESIOLOGY).

Investigators from around the world with an interest in this subject are encouraged to submit their work to the ASA for the Annual Meeting. Abstracts from both basic and clinical sciences are encouraged. Studies examining or evaluating neurocognitive testing methodology, intraoperative factors influencing postoperative cognitive dysfunction, imaging studies, interventional trials, or epidemiology, as well as basic laboratory studies concerning the broad subject of perioperative neurobiology or mechanisms of nonischemic injury, are encouraged. Abstracts should be submitted *via* the usual online process (which can be accessed *via* the Web sites www.ASAhq.org and www.anesthesiology.org). Interested individuals should be sure to check the Journal Symposium box on the abstract submission form to be considered for inclusion in this special session. The deadline for abstract submission is April 1, 2006.

The authors of abstracts that are selected for the Symposium will also be offered an opportunity to submit their work to ANESTHESIOLOGY, for inclusion in the special Symposium issue to be published in March 2007.