

Organization Section

ADA FUTURE MEETINGS

35th Postgraduate Course: 13–15 January 1988, Marriott's Desert Spring Resort, Palm Desert, California.

48th Annual Meeting: 9–14 June 1988 (Scientific Sessions, 12–14 June), New Orleans Convention Center, New Orleans, Louisiana.

49th Annual Meeting: 1–6 June 1989, Detroit, Michigan.

ELEVENTH INTERNATIONAL DIABETES CAMPING AND YOUTH SERVICES CONFERENCE

The ADA will sponsor the 11th International Diabetes Camping and Youth Services Conference for professionals who staff diabetes resident and day camps at the Oglebay Resort in Wheeling, West Virginia, 28–31 October 1988. Located 50 miles outside Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Oglebay is one of the largest municipal facilities in the U.S. Golf, swimming, tennis, and horseback riding are among its outstanding features. The primary objective of the 3½-day conference is to present new ideas about areas of concern to camp professionals. Topics will include new tools for diabetes management, operational skills for camp management, program update, expansion of existing camp programs, and methods for handling psychosocial issues. For details contact Rebecca Mambert, American Diabetes Association, 1660 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. Tel.: 1-800-232-3472.

INTERNATIONAL DIABETES FEDERATION CONGRESS

The 13th International Diabetes Federation Congress will be held 20–25 November 1988 in Sydney, Australia. Address inquiries to the Congress Secretariat, Prof. J. Turtle, Department of Medicine, University of Sydney, Sydney, NSW 2006, Australia. Tel.: (02) 516-7073. Telex: AA26169 UNISYD.

The ADA has made arrangements for low-cost travel and touring from the United States to Sydney. For information, please write to US-IDF Congress Travel Program, American Diabetes Association, 1660 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314 USA.

TREATMENT OF THE DIABETIC CHILD AND ADOLESCENT

The Second ISGD (International Study Group of Diabetes in Children and Adolescents) Postgraduate Winter Course on the Treatment of the Diabetic Child and Adolescent will be held 12–18 March 1988 in Tonale Pass, Italy. The course is organized by ISGD in conjunction with the University of Verona (Italy) and the Beilinson Medical Center, Tel Aviv University (Israel). For information write to Dr. Leonardo Pinelli, Clinica Pediatrica dell'Universita di Verona, Centro Diabete Giovanile Policlinico, Borgo Romo, I-37134 Verona, Italy. Tel.: 39-45-933667.

FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON PANCREATIC AND ISLET TRANSPLANTATION

The First International Congress on Pancreatic and Islet Transplantation will be held 27–29 March 1988 at the Grand Hotel in Stockholm, Sweden. The multidisciplinary program will cover all aspects of pancreatic and islet transplantation in invited lectures, plenary sessions, paper symposia, and poster sessions. For information contact Krea Congrex, Box 5619, 114 86 Stockholm, Sweden. Tel.: 46-8-723-42-30. Telex: 169 49 KRECON S.

INSULIN AND THE CELL MEMBRANE

The International Symposium on Insulin and the Cell Membrane will be held 27–30 June 1988 at the Smolenice Castle, Czechoslovakia. Invited lectures, free original research communications, and poster sessions will include discussions on the insulin receptor, transduction of the insulin signal, effect of insulin on membrane ordering, and physiologic and clinical implications of insulin action on the cell membrane functions. The language of the symposium will be English. For further information contact the Secretariat, Iwar Klimeš, MD, PhD, Institute of Experimental Endocrinology, Centre of Physiological Sciences, Slovak Academy of Sciences, Vlárská 3, 833 06 Bratislava, Czechoslovakia.

DIABETES AND NUTRITION

The First European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD) Satellite Symposium on Diabetes and Nutrition will be held in Dijon, France, 2–4 September 1988. The main EASD meeting will be held 5–8 September in Paris. For further information contact Prof. Gérard Slama, MD, c/o CON-

VERGENCES DIANUT 88, 16 rue Jean-Jacques-Rousseau, 75001 Paris, France. Telex: 216911F.

INDO-U.S. DIABETES ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Indo-U.S. Diabetes Association [affiliate of the Research Society for the Study of Diabetes in India (RSSDI)] meeting will be held in New Delhi, India, 2–4 December 1988. This advanced course will consist of invited lectures, clinical case discussions, and management conferences, including dietetics. Participants should be affiliated with a university or teaching institution. For details contact Secretary, RSSDI, Department of Endocrinology, Metabolism and Diabetes, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi-110 029, India.

IMMUNOTHERAPY OF TYPE I DIABETES

The First International Symposium of the International Diabetes Immunotherapy Group (IDIG) will be held in Rome, Italy, 6–8 April 1989. The symposium is the official meeting of the IDIG and will address all aspects of strategies in the immunotherapy and prevention of type I diabetes. For further information contact Paolo Pozzilli, MD, P.O. Box 680, 00187 Rome, Italy. Tel.: 4952363.

ADA FEASIBILITY GRANT PROGRAM

Applications for Feasibility Grants from the ADA are due 5 February or 5 August 1988 to be considered for funding beginning 1 July 1988 or 1 January 1989, respectively. Applications for 2 years of support for amounts up to \$35,000/year will be considered. Funding for the second year depends on approval of the recipient's progress report and budget. An investigator can submit only one Feasibility Grant application in a 12-month period regardless of the nature of work proposed. An unfunded application cannot be resubmitted within a 12-month period under the name of another principal investigator. Grants are limited to institutions within the United States and U.S. possessions. These grants carry no commitment for overhead costs or tuition. The funds may not be used for training stipends, postdoctoral fellowships, professional salaries, or other nontechnical salaries. Otherwise, funds are unencumbered except that they are to be used in research activities related to diabetes mellitus for the project described in the year

of the award. The funds may be used for equipment, supplies, and/or salary for technical assistance. Funds up to \$1000 may also be used for travel to diabetes-related scientific meetings. The purpose of this program is to assist investigators who want to test new and innovative diabetes-related ideas to obtain the preliminary data needed to apply for long-term funding by the NIH or other funding agencies. The program is intended for any investigator with or without prior NIH or other significant support. For investigators in the field of diabetes, the proposed project must constitute a new and exciting line of investigation not currently funded or able to be funded from existing support. Investigators in other fields must be proposing projects in which they will transfer their special expertise to diabetes-related research. All other factors being equal, preference will be given to newly independent investigators (i.e., those with 5 years or less postdoctoral research experience). Descriptive outlines and application forms may be obtained from the contracts and grants office of your institution or from Sharon Alleyne, American Diabetes Association, Inc., National Service Center, 1660 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

ADA RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AWARD

Applications for Research and Development Awards for the academic years 1988–89, 1989–90, and 1990–91 are due 5 February or 5 August 1988 for funding commencing 1 July 1988 or 1 January 1989, respectively. An investigator may submit only one Research and Development Award application in a 12-month period.

Eligibility. Applicants must be members of university-affiliated institutions within the U.S. or U.S. possessions and be U.S. citizens or have permanent-resident status; have an MD or PhD degree or, in the case of other health professions, an appropriate advanced degree; have at the time of the award a minimum of 2, and no more than 5, years of postdoctoral research experience with relevant diabetes-related accomplishments and publications (time spent in residency training is not considered equivalent to research experience); must hold an independent faculty position or the equivalent, or provide documentation that they will receive such

a position on receipt of this award; agree to devote at least 70% of time and effort to their research project during the period of the award; and be a member or agree to become a member of the ADA's National Professional Section if funded.

Stipend. Support is for a period of 3 years and is nonrenewable. The salary stipend for the principal investigator is restricted to a maximum of \$40,000/year including customary fringe benefits of the sponsoring institution. The institution may supplement the salary to the level appropriate to the institution. Other grant support will be restricted to a maximum of \$35,000/year. These funds are intended to defray the support each year of a technician and/or the cost of supplies, with travel for the recipient restricted to a maximum of \$1000 and equipment restricted to a maximum of \$5000. The total award cannot exceed \$60,000/year. A recipient will not be eligible to receive a separate American Diabetes Association Feasibility Grant during the term of the Research and Development Award.

Term. The award will be made for 3 academic years, from July 1 to June 30, but funding of the second and third years is contingent on ADA approval of the recipient's research progress report and budget.

Application Forms. Descriptive outlines and application forms may be obtained from the contracts and grants office of your institution or from Sharon Alleyne, American Diabetes Association, Inc., National Service Center, 1660 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAM

The ADA has again been selected to administer the Lions Clubs International Research Program for 1988. This program funds research grants in the United States and throughout the world. Applications from investigators outside the United States are encouraged. Awards are restricted to research related to diabetic retinopathy and may be in the form of Feasibility Grants, Research and Development Awards, and Fellowships. Funds are awarded for a 2-year period; however, funding for the second year will depend on approval of the recipient's progress report and budget. The Re-

search and Development Award is designed to help exceptionally promising young investigators make the transition to becoming independent investigators. The award provides salary and grant support for 2 years. The salary stipend for the principal investigator is restricted to a maximum of \$40,000/year (U.S.), including customary fringe benefits of the sponsoring institution. The institution may supplement the salary to the level appropriate to the institution. Other grant support is restricted to a maximum of \$35,000/year (U.S.). These funds are intended to defray the support each year of a technician and/or the cost of supplies, with travel for the recipients restricted to a maximum of \$1000 and equipment restricted to a maximum of \$5000. The total award cannot exceed \$60,000/year. Applicants must have an MD or PhD degree; have at the time of award a minimum of 2 and no more than 5 years of postdoctoral research experience; and agree to devote at least 70% of time and effort to their research project during the term of the award. Feasibility Grants help investigators who want to test new and innovative ideas in diabetes retinopathy-related research to gather preliminary data needed to apply for long-term funding. Grants are restricted to a maximum of \$35,000/year (U.S.) for 2 years. These grants are intended for any investigator with or without NIH or other significant support. For investigators in the field of diabetic retinopathy, the proposed project must constitute a new and exciting line of investigation not currently funded or able to be funded from existing support. Investigators in other fields must be proposing projects in which they will transfer their special expertise to diabetic retinopathy-related research. Fellowships are designed to support training of physicians toward careers in investigative and clinical aspects of diabetes (specifically diabetic retinopathy) and to encourage PhD scientists to undertake basic research in the area of diabetic retinopathy. The 2-year Fellowships are restricted to a maximum of \$20,000/year (U.S.).

The deadline for receipt of applications is 5 February 1988 for funding beginning 1 July 1988. For application forms, contact the contracts and grants office of your institution or Sharon Alleyne, American Diabetes Association, Inc., National Service Center, 1660 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.