



SOCIETY TO JOINTLY SPONSOR VASCULAR BIOLOGY '97 MEETING

*Included with this Newsletter are:
President's Message, Information
for Society Awards, Nominating
Form for Officers, and Spring
Meeting Abstract Submission and
Preregistration Forms*

As approved by the membership last April, The Microcirculatory Society annual meeting for 1997 will be jointly sponsored with three other societies: North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO), American Society for Investigative Pathology (ASIP), and American Heart Association (AHA) section on Atherosclerosis, Thrombosis and Hemostasis. The joint meeting will be held April 3-6 in New Orleans, with all of The Microcirculatory Society activities programmed on April 4-5, Friday and Saturday, including all MCS posters, the President-Elect's Symposium, and the Landis Award lecture, the MCS business meeting, and the MCS Banquet. This joint meeting has the potential of being an exceptional meeting in that there will be a larger selection of vascular science from which to select, yet the very successful MCS meeting format will also be available for those who want to stick with our 42 year history of an intimate meeting atmosphere. The "meeting-within-a-meeting" style will be an experiment. As with all experiments, there will be refinements and improvements. Be sure to communicate with us so that we can make optimal use of the immense brain power of our membership. Betsy Nabel of NAVBO has been the primary organizer for the 1997 meeting. I have suggested a rotating primary sponsorship for any future joint meetings. With this in mind, MCS has already begun site selection for the April 16-18, 1998 meeting in the greater San Francisco area that may or may not include the four societies (or others) involved in the 1997 meeting, depending on what

our Society membership decides.

A description of Society Awards is attached. Please read it carefully to make sure your nominee is qualified for the particular award. Submit award nominations to Martha O'Donnell by December 12.

Meeting Abstract Submission and Preregistration Forms accompany this newsletter. Although the registration fee is higher than usual, the meeting is much larger and offers much more science from which to select. The Abstract Receipt Deadline is **December 2**. The abstracts will likely be published as a supplement in *Microcirculation*.

IMPORTANT: Disks with your abstract in MS Word (Mac) or Word for Windows (PC) must be sent to Julian Lombard along with your printed abstract for inclusion on the MCS Web Page.

The Nomination Form for Officers (President-Elect and Secretary) and Councillors is included. Send in your nominations to Steve House. Last year, failure to adhere to the deadline caused difficulties for the Nominating Committee, so please stick to the Dec. 12 deadline.

Newsletters continue to be mailed by Associated Management Services. If you did not receive this newsletter at the same time as others at your institution, contact Laura Downes at 847-228-3304. This spring, Laura should be able to attend our meeting in New Orleans so that everyone will have an opportunity to meet her.

Bruce Klitzman

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

from

Dr. Virginia Huxley

It does not seem possible that the summer has passed so quickly, but pulling out the sweatshirt and long pants while pattering around the house in the pitch black, stumbling over the dog, this morning made it difficult to ignore the passage of the seasons. I was ready to write something about our spring meeting in Washington when I discovered that the free moment to do just that never came; now Bruce tells me that it is time for the Autumn Newsletter and one more chance is about to disappear. In fact much has been happening since we all gathered in Washington.

First, many of us were able to travel to Germany for the 6th World Congress for Microcirculation meeting held at the Klinikum Grosshadern in the City of Munich. We were treated to non-stop science beginning with satellite meetings in advance of the congress all the way through to Friday afternoon. We played on the Tuesday evening at the Bavarian Evening in the beer tent - a good time was had by all. I was pleased to get back on a plane so as to have 9 and a half hours to digest what I had heard (not all that time was spent in repose as we had a fire in the galley as we flew over Greenland). In Munich we heard of the plans for the 7th World Congress for Microcirculation. The meeting will be held in Sydney (August 19-23, 2001) just prior to the IUPS Congress in New Zealand (August 26 -31, 2001). Dr. Michael Perry and the local programme committee have coordinated dates to help us to make the most of a trip to the antipodes. Should you not think that this is advance planning, you might enjoy becoming aware of the fact that the 8th World Congress in 2006 is scheduled to be held back in the Americas. In fact the Society, especially the Long-

range Planning Committee, will be starting to make plans for 2006. If you have ideas of places in the Americas (North, South or Central) willing and able to hold a Congress, do not hesitate to bring them forward to Council.

The greatest honor and most fun for me at the Congress was the chance to introduce our highest awardee, Professor Olga Hudlicka', before the Zwiefach Award Lecture and to present her with the trappings of the award (a calligraphic vellum certificate, a gold medal of Professor Zwiefach, and a check) on the night of the banquet with Ben Zwiefach in attendance. Her lecture will be appearing in *Microcirculation* in the months to come.

Duling (competing not the surname, e.g. not you Brian) meetings seem to be a bit of a problem for all of us with affiliations outside of microcirculation. Many of our members attended the International Vascular Biology Meeting in Vancouver, which was reported to be another full and stimulating program. In fact, as you will recall, council voted, and the membership ratified, that our 1997 meeting will be held April 3-6, in New Orleans in collaboration with NAVBO, the American Heart Association, and the American Society for Investigative Pathology. This collaborative effort is being referred to as VB'97. You will find the Microcirculatory Society meeting as a meeting-within-a-meeting with the majority of our activities occurring on Friday April 5 and Saturday April 6. We have retained the mainly poster format, with Dr. Lombard's President-elect's symposium and the Landis Award lecture on Saturday. Immediately following VB'97 are the Cardiovascular Biology theme programs at EB'97 running through to Wednesday April 9. We are planning for a travel award program to assist our student members in attending the meeting - so watch for details in the next newsletter. In fact, the details for applications for travel awards to attend IUPS in St. Petersburg next summer are contained in the APS newsletter - the deadline is approaching rapidly.

AWARDS OF THE MICROCIRCULATORY SOCIETY



The Microcirculatory Society requests nominations for the Eugene M. Landis Award, the Microcirculatory Society Travel Award, the August Krogh Young Investigator Award, and the IPM Innovative Instrumentation Award. An original and 5 copies of the correspondence concerning all awards should be forwarded to:

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Letters of nomination for each award (see below) must be received by December 12, 1996. The Awards Committee will select all awardees.

LANDIS AWARD

The Landis Award is given annually by the Society to an outstanding investigator who has published and continues to provide meritorious research related to the microcirculation in the United States and Canada. The nominator should provide:

1. a letter of nomination which includes a brief description of the major contributions of the nominee to the subject of microcirculation.
2. a current *curriculum vitae* of the nominee.
3. a list of the nominee's 10 most significant publications in the last 10 years. The nominator may provide this list as part of his/her letter of nomination or may simply highlight these publications in each copy of the nominee's *curriculum vitae*.

MICROCIRCULATORY SOCIETY TRAVEL AWARD

The Microcirculatory Society Travel Award is given annually to support the recipient's travel to one or more overseas scientific laboratories of his or her choice. This award is intended for a person who has received a doctorate or completed a first residency within 12 years prior to the deadline for nominations. The nominator should provide:

1. a letter of nomination which includes a brief description of the reasons why the award will benefit the nominee's career and advance knowledge in the field of microcirculation.

2. a current curriculum vitae.
3. a letter from the nominee outlining a provisional itinerary listing laboratories they would like to visit and a description of the benefits they would gain from visiting each listed laboratory.

AUGUST KROGH YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD

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This award will be given to a young investigator (graduate student or a person who has received a doctorate or completed a first residency within 3 years prior to the deadline for nomination) in the field of microcirculation. Those persons wishing to apply for this award should provide:

1. the original and 5 copies of a short manuscript (strict limit of 6 pages total for text, tables, and figures).
2. 6 copies of the abstract on which the manuscript is based.
3. the original and 5 copies of a sponsoring letter from a regular member of the Society.

The evaluation is based on the originality and competence of the submitted paper. Each abstract for the competition should be so designated on the abstract form.

INSTRUMENTATION FOR PHYSIOLOGY AND MEDICINE INNOVATIVE INSTRUMENTATION AWARD

This award is given to the most meritorious presentation that deals with new methodology or the novel application of existing instrumentation. Those persons wishing to have their presentation considered for this award should provide:

1. the original and 5 copies of a short manuscript (strict limit of 6 pages total for text, tables, and figures).
2. 6 copies of the abstract on which the manuscript is based.
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MUNICH WORLD CONGRESS

A GREAT SUCCESS

We congratulate Peter Gaehtgens and Konrad Messmer for programming and local organizing of a great 6th World Congress for Microcirculation last month in Munich. The science and socializing were outstanding and maintained the highest standards for World Congresses. This marked the first World Congress that had its own Web page. One of the Congress highlights was Olga Hudlicka (a long time Society member) receiving the Zweifach Award from our Society president, Virginia Huxley, with Ben Zweifach in attendance. The opening ceremony for the Congress included Charles Michel giving a lecture commemorating the 100th anniversary of Starling publishing his "Hypothesis" for water movement across capillaries. Plenary lectures by our Society members included Brian Duling presenting the continuing controversy surrounding the endothelial glycocalyx, Rakesh Jain delivery of molecular medicine to tumors, Mark Dewhirst presenting new developments on modifications of tumor oxygenation, and David Lewis talking about the past, present and future for microcirculation research.



Olga Hudlicka (center) receives the Zweifach Award, given only at World Congresses, from Virginia Huxley (right) with Ben Zweifach (left) joining in the festivities.



Brian Duling (right) engages Peter Gaehtgens (left) in a lively discussion following Brian's plenary lecture on "The Endothelial Glycocalyx"

As the Chair of the 7th World Congress for Microcirculation, Michael Perry will have his work cut out for him and his team to continue the excellent tradition of making World Congresses meetings that are not to be missed. We will all look forward to early Spring in Sydney, August 19-23, 2001. This will be one year after the Olympic Games are held in Sydney, which should be an ideal time to visit this most fascinating part of the world. Start your planning now! To be put on the mailing list for future information, contact:

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