

# The Microcirculatory Society, Inc.

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## NOTICE!!!!

If you do not receive e-mail notices from Bob Gore related to the Microcirculatory Society you must log on to our web site at:

<http://microcirc.org>



and update your data entry in our searchable directory including a VALID e-mail address. This is VERY important! If you don't take care of this ASAP you will soon be missing out on all information related to the Society as we intend to provide the Newsletter only in electronic form as soon as possible to speed up its delivery to you. Bob and his colleagues have worked very hard on the Database but he can only make it 100% accurate with your help.

**Do it today!**

## *President's Message*

*Ronald Tuma*

Considerable progress has been made in compensating for problems created by the outside management group. Numerous individuals have contributed to the improved state of the Society, but special thanks and recognition must be directed to Bob Gore and Paul

McDonagh for working so hard to bring things together. Although our membership list has been vastly improved your help is still needed. If you have not already done so please log on to the web site (<http://microcirc.org>) to check that your membership information is current

and correct. Although a hard copy of the newsletter will continue to be mailed to all members that still wish to receive it, please let Mary Ellsworth know if you are happy to simply download the newsletter from the web site. This will save trees and mailing costs.

We have made every effort to insure that problems caused by incorrect or incomplete information about dues status would not interfere with delivery of the journal to the members. It is, however, critical that the members of the society wishing to remain active continue to pay their dues. This has been a significant problem in the past, with many members not paying their dues for several years. Although there is certainly no desire to be punitive, after the first of the year we will have to suspend mailing the journal to members that have not remained current in paying their dues. The society can not afford to operate in any other way.

Walter Duran has been working diligently to plan for the San Diego Meeting in April of 2000. He is interfacing with APS to optimize all aspects of the meeting, which I am confident will be extremely stimulating and a great success. Walter has planned a very exciting President-Elect's Symposium that should be of interest to the members of the Society. Plans for the World Congress in Sydney in 2001 are in their formative stages. Your suggestions for activity and programs for this meeting would be most welcome.

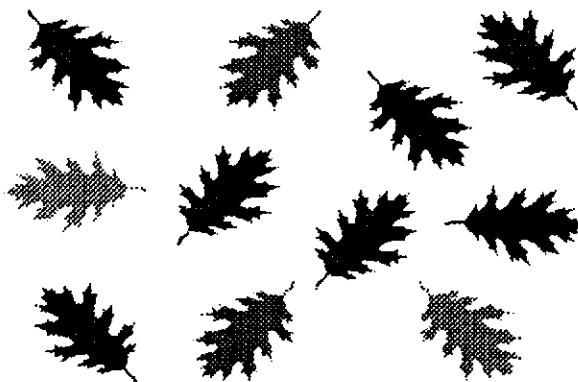
It has been pointed out that we need to become much more active in recruiting new, young scientists into the society. One suggest mechanism is to expand the number of travel awards for young investigators to the World Congress. This might stimulate students or young investigators that are not currently considering membership in the Society to submit abstracts or papers in a competition for these awards. This idea is under exploration. Please consider other ways to attract young investigators to the exciting field of microvascular research. We would look forward to hearing your suggestions.

Please give thought to nominations for the annual awards of the Microcirculatory Society. This is a unique opportunity to honor some of our senior established members and to give an important boost to the careers of some of our younger members. The number of individuals nominated for these important awards has unfortunately been very small in recent years. I think that in our busy lives many of us overlook the opportunity to help insure that deserving individuals are recognized for their accomplishments. It is a wonderful feeling to have someone you have nominated win one of these awards.

Another area that we need to enhance our activity is in obtaining financial support for the Society from industry and foundations. Herb Lipowsky has generously agreed to head the Development Committee. I know he will work very hard to improve our track record in this area but he could really use your help in developing new strategies for fund raising for the society. Suggestions from members working in industry or for foundations could be especially useful.

Lastly, I am currently exploring the possibility of having the Society involved in updating the Microcirculation section of the Handbook of Physiology. I am exploring the potential interest of the American Physiological Society to continue this publication, and new publication formats that might allow more frequent updating of the chapters.

Best wishes for a productive and enjoyable fall.



# Secretary's Corner

## Meeting Information

The 2000 meeting of the Microcirculatory Society will be held April in San Diego, CA. Our meeting is being held prior to and in conjunction with Experimental Biology 2000. Posters will be presented Friday afternoon and Saturday morning and afternoon. The President-Elect's symposium entitled "Biochemical Signaling in the Control of Microcirculatory Function" will be presented Saturday April 15th, 3:15 - 5:15 with the Landis Award lecture scheduled for Sunday, April 16th from 2:00-3:00.

***Abstract Deadline:  
Nov. 8, 1999***

Experimental Biology will again be handling the arrangements for the meeting. Therefore, you will be receiving abstract and meeting materials directly from them. It is important that you make note of the following:

1. There will be separate category codes for Microcirculatory Society sessions so members need to be sure and pick from those categories as appropriate and NOT from the regular EB list otherwise the abstract will be programmed into EB time slots (Sun-Wed) rather than within the Microcirculatory Society meeting (Fri-Sat).

2. The abstract form does NOT contain a box for you to check if you wish to be considered for the August Krogh Young Investigator Award described in detail elsewhere. Therefore, it is important for you to forward a separate copy of your abstract to Harvey Mayrovitz, Chairman of the Awards Committee indicating your desire to be considered.

## Nominations for New Officers

It is once again time to submit nominations for next year's officers. We will be electing a President-Elect, Treasurer and two Councilors. A nomination form is provided in this Newsletter. Please consider these nominations seriously as the Society depends on strong leadership. Mail or FAX your nominations to Roger Adamson, Chairman of the Nominating Committee as soon as possible but no later than November 1, 1999. An election ballot will be sent with the Winter Newsletter which will need to be returned by January 5, 2000.

***We need your involvement in choosing our Society's leaders. You can make a difference!***

**Don't Forget to  
Pay Your  
Dues!**



If you don't know if you have paid or not check our web site as that information is provided in conjunction with your directory entry. If you have not, please forward your checks to:

Dr. Paul McDonagh  
Treasurer, Microcirculatory Society  
Department of Surgery  
University of Arizona, College of Medicine  
Tucson, AZ 85724

***Please Help!***

I am in search of ideas for a site to hold the Society Banquet at our annual meeting in San Diego in April. Anyone with experience in the San Diego who knows of an interesting and/or unique environment to hold the banquet, please let me know as soon as possible. All help will be greatly appreciated. Ellsworthm@slu.edu

## Annual Awards of the Microcirculatory Society

The Microcirculatory Society requests nominations for 4 awards presented annually by the Society. These awards include the Eugene M. Landis Award, the Microcirculatory Society Travel Award, the August Krogh Young Investigator Award, and the Christian Crone Travel Award. For all awards, an original and 5 copies of all requested materials should be forwarded to:

**Dr. Harvey Mayrovitz**  
**Department of Physiology**  
**Nova Southeastern University**  
**College of Medical Sciences**  
**3200 S. University Drive**  
**Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33328**

### DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ALL MATERIALS: November 1, 1999

#### Eugene M. Landis Award

The Landis Award is given 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 included a brief summary of the major contributions of the nominee to the subject of the 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 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 the 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

This award is 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.

#### Christian Crone Travel Award

The Christian Crone Travel Award is a new Award which is given to a young scientist from overseas to support the recipient's travel to one or more scientific laboratories of his or her choice in North America. 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 the laboratories they would like to visit and a description of the benefits they would gain from visiting each listed laboratory.