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Cardiovascular Section Newsletter

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Deadlines to Note:

The deadline for purchase of tickets for the Annual Cardiovascular Section Awards Banquet is **March 15, 2006**.

The deadline for proposals for Featured Topics and Symposia for Experimental Biology '07 is **March 1, 2006**.

The deadline call for papers on the topic of "Computational Analyses in Ion Channelopathies" is **March 31, 2006**.

1. News From the Chair:

Your section and its Steering Committee have been quite active. I would like to provide an update by highlighting some of the key achievements and planned events.

The CV Section Annual Banquet and Business Meeting. Gerry Meininger has identified a fabulous site for our banquet, the Chenery House. *The banquet will be held on Monday evening, April 3, 2006. The reception begins at 7:00 p.m. and dinner at 8:00 p.m. This year there will also be a special Trainee Reception for Students and Postdoctoral Fellows. The trainee reception begins at 6:00 p.m.* It is hard to imagine that he could match last year's venue, but 2006 promises to be even better. The Chenery House (for color go to: www.cheneryhouse.com), shown below, is San Francisco's most elegant mansion nestled in a breathtaking setting overlooking the city of San Francisco and displaying a gallery of priceless fine art and sculpture. The banquet will be preceded by a social hour for trainees and students followed by the general reception for the membership and dinner. At the banquet we will honor this year's Berne and Wiggers awardees, as well as our young investigator and travel awardees. There will be no speaker this year (the Berne and Wiggers lectures will be accommodated within the program this year), but there will be the traditional (short) business meeting with updates from Section leadership and by Dr. Alberto Nasjletti, Editor-In-Chief who will highlight exciting achievements and plans for the *American Journal of Physiology- Heart and Circulatory Physiology*.



I am very happy to announce that ticket prices are unchanged from last year. Ticket price is \$50.00 for regular members and \$40.00 for postdoctoral fellows and students. Deadline for pre-meeting purchase is receipt is March 15, 2006.

Please send a check or money order written out to APS-CVS to Linda Allen at APS: APS Cardiovascular Section, 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814-3991, Tel: 301-634-7172, Fax: 301-634-7241, Email: <Lallen@The-APS.org>. Credit Card payment is possible. Email Linda Allen or me below for the appropriate credit card payment form. Tickets can also be purchased using the Banquet Order Form that is attached below and is available on-line at:

<http://www.the-aps.org/sections/cardio/index.htm>

We have a number of friends of our section to thank for helping to sponsor this year's CVS Awards Banquet-2006. Please join us in thanking the following list of sponsors that are committed to cardiovascular research and fighting cardiovascular disease.

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b. Keynote Lectures. Please be sure to attend the "Robert Berne Distinguished Lecture" (Monday, April 3, 2006, 10:30-11:30 AM, Moscone Convention Center North, Room 131) and the "Carl Wiggers Memorial Lectureship" (April 3, 2006, 3:15-5:15 PM, Moscone Convention Center North, Room 130).



Tom Hintze, PhD – 2006 Berne Distinguished Lecturer

This year's Berne Lecturer is **Tom Hintze, PhD** from NYMC, Valhalla, NY. Tom has made seminal discoveries in the area of neural and reflex control of the circulation. More recently he has pioneered novel research areas in myocardial metabolism by linking free-radical generation (most notably NO) with myocardial metabolism. This mechanism of metabolic regulation has opened new vistas in the understanding of cardiac biology. Dr. Hintze's presentation is entitled "***The other action of NO: control of cardiac mitochondrial oxygen consumption and substrate use in health and disease***"

This year's Berne Lecturer is sponsored by Dr. Gabe Kaley-Department of Physiology, New York Medical College.



Paul Vanhoutte, MD
Wiggers Memorial Lecturer

Paul Vanhoutte, MD is our Wiggers Awardee and lecturer this year. Dr. Vanhoutte is internationally recognized as one of the foremost authorities on endothelial function. He played a critical role in identifying the importance of endothelial derived factors in vasomotor regulation, performing groundbreaking research in the identification of and role of nitric oxide as EDRF, and paving the way for the characterization of endothelial derived hyperpolarizing factor(s). Dr. Vanhoutte has been responsible for training numerous highly successful academic progeny many of whom have risen to join him as leaders in the vascular biology. His presentation will be entitled: "***Consequences of Endothelial Dysfunction***".

This year's Wiggers Award Lecture is sponsored by Dr. Glen Laine-DeBaakey Cardiovascular Research Institute, Texas A&M University.

The Cardiovascular Section is doing well. In addition to growing fiscally we have added 14 new members with primary affiliations. We are also considering one of the largest number of fellowship candidates in history at the upcoming EB meeting. The Section is growing and new opportunities are becoming available. I encourage you to participate in them.

Sincerely,

David Gutterman
Chairperson

2. Election Results 2006:

The voting tallies are in. There were 234 votes cast for Secy/Treas. and 244 cast for Nominating Committee members.

Gerald A. Meininger was elected as Secretary Treasurer of the Section for a 3 year term.

Michael Wolin and Virginia Huxley were elected to the Nominating Committee for 3 year terms. Congratulations to Gerry, Mike, and Ginger. Thank you to all of you who ran in this election.

3. Joint Programming Committee (David Busija, MD, and Ron Korthuis, PhD):

We wish to encourage all Cardiovascular Section members to consider submission of proposals for Featured Topics and Symposia for Experimental Biology '07. The forms for submission can be found at <http://www.the-aps.org/meetings/eb.htm>, are very easy to complete, and should be submitted to our section's representatives: Ron Korthuis (Korthuis@health.missouri.edu) or Dave Busija (dbusija@wfubmc.edu) by 1 March 2006. It is not necessary to confirm participation of suggested speakers before this date. The American Physiological Society provides complimentary meeting registration and \$4,000 to support travel expenses for symposia participants and \$2,000 for Featured Topic participants, distributed at the discretion of the organizer(s). The Cardiovascular Section programs 5 symposia and 7 featured topics for the Experimental Biology meetings.

We also wish to highlight the newly established Don Reis Featured Topic session that features the Don Reis Memorial Fellowship award winner. The Cardiovascular, Central Nervous System, and Neural Control of Autonomic Regulation Sections rotate using one of their Featured Topic allotments for this session (our section this year). Six trainee participants (two from each section) are selected based on their abstracts to present in this session. Their abstracts will be judged to identify the Award winner. Funds for this fellowship are provided by the Donald J. Reis Fund in honor of his outstanding contributions to the field of neural control of the circulation. Cardiovascular Section participants at this year's EB meeting are **Jasenska Zubcevic** (University of Bristol and University of Florida) and **Rasna Sabharwal** (University of Iowa).

As new discoveries create emerging areas of research interest, we also seek suggestions for future emphasis regarding Topic Category designations for abstract submission. Current Topic Category designations for our section are listed in the Preliminary Program and Call for Abstracts that each of you received for Experimental Biology '06. Please send your suggestions for new Topic Categories designations to our section's representatives: Ron Korthuis (Korthuis@health.missouri.edu) or Dave Busija (dbusija@wfubmc.edu) by 1 March 2006.

Finally, we want to remind everyone that the APS Conferences provide the ultimate in programming opportunities, with the organizing committee selecting the theme, meeting format, abstract categories, method of presentation, and duration of the meeting. The APS provides up to \$30,000 toward reimbursement of invited speaker direct costs and registration. Proposals are reviewed by the Joint Programming Committee for potential recommendation to APS Council, as they are received, so there is no due date for submission. Specific guidelines and forms are available at <http://www.the-aps.org/meetings/aps/conf-proposal.htm>. Any questions regarding the organization of such meetings should be directed to Curt D. Sigmund, PhD, Chair of the Joint Programming Committee or Linda Allen, in the APS meetings department.

4. Industry Liaison Committee of the CV Section (Adrienne Zion, PhD):

The ILC has met monthly during the past year. In addition to revitalizing the membership, they have succeeded in several areas.

David K. Spierer, EdD, new Assistant Professor, Sports Sciences, Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus, and member of the ILC initiated a program that will be presented at EB 2006, entitled, The Physiology of Performance: From Mechanisms to Application. Discussants and titles are: Peter Wagner, MD: Exercise Performance and Muscle Gene Therapy; Richard A. Stein, MD: Endothelial Function and Performance; Suzanne Oparil, MD: Lifestyle, Gender, and the Their Effects on Vascular Integrity in Health and Disease; Kevin S. Malley, EdD: High Intensity Activity: Physical and Environmental Stresses on the Cardiovascular System.

This symposium, chaired by D. Spierer and AS Zion, has been selected by the APS to be highlighted in materials given to reporters who will cover the meeting.

Christopher Hardin, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Medical Pharmacology and Physiology, University of Missouri, and member of the ILC, has been instrumental in identifying key features for the development of an expertise database opinion leader database of APS members that could be used to bring awareness to industry of the society's members' strengths.

5. NIH/NHLBI Liaison Committee (Virginia Miller, PhD):

As in the past, the committee has been involved in suggesting members for service on study sections. However it has taken on some new directions. Under Dr. Miller's direction, the CV Section has worked with the APS Public Affairs Committee to establish a pilot program of outreach to key contacts within the Sections for purposes of informing members of major public policy issues, and to engage them in advocacy. This links the PA committee, one of the busiest in the APS, directly with the Section and extends to impact of both in terms of policy advocacy. The CV Section is the test group for this project that will also be offered to other Sections that have similar NIH liaison subcommittees.

Dr. Miller has also spearheaded a "Meet the Expert" program to be launched this year at EB. She has recruited a few key NIH officials who have graciously agreed to meet in small groups during EB to discuss changes going on at NIH. **Dr. Toni Scarpa** from the Office of the Director of the Center for Scientific Review will speak on changes at NIH, and the impact on funding (Sunday, April 2, 12:30 pm, Marriott Sierra B Room). In other sessions, Dr. Anshumali Chaudhari, SRA of the VCMB Study Section, NHLBI, and Dr. Richard Okita, Program Director of NIGMS will meet with interested investigators on Sunday April 2 at 4:00 pm in the Marriott Pacific Room C. On Monday April 3 at 12:30 pm in Marriott Pacific Room F, Dr. Ai Ping Zou, SRA of the Hypertension & Microvascular Study Section will meet together with Dr. Ralph Paxton, Endocrinology and Metabolism, Nutrition, and

Reproductive Science IRG, interested investigators. Finally on Tuesday April 4, Dr. Rajiv Kumar from the Electrical Signaling, Ion Transport & Arrhythmias (ESTA) Study Section, and Dr. Larry Boerboom from the Center for Scientific Review, Cardiovascular Sciences Integrated REVW GRP(HNG42) will meet interested investigators at 12:30 pm in the Marriott Pacific A Room. At these meetings, the NIH officials will meet with member of the Section to talk about issues involving NIH. This is a great time for junior or senior researchers to meet the key NIH personnel involved with reviewing their grants, and to ask questions about the grant review process, funding levels, the upcoming electronic submissions of grants, etc. It is also a good opportunity to glean tips on how to interact with your Scientific Review Administrator to facilitate the grant submission and/or resubmission process. This could be one of the most important contacts you make at NIH. *Because of the estimated high level of interest, it is important to reserve a spot at the table. Please call or email Georgia Stine (gstine@the-APS.org). Spots will be issued on a 1st come 1st served basis.* Sessions will last approximately 30-45 minutes and are informal.

Plans are being made for a speaker from NIH for EB'07. More later on that.

6. Call for Papers in the American Journal of Physiology: Heart and Circulatory Physiology:

There is a call for papers on the topic of "Computational Analyses in Ion Channelopathies". The deadline is March 31, 2006. Please consider submitting your articles. This venue highlights articles of similar interest, thereby providing greater visibility and exposure to the appropriate readership. More information can be found on line at: <http://ajpheart.physiology.org/>.

7. APS Seeks Research Mentors in Industry:

APS would like to expand its database of members in industry who would be willing to be included on the APS Researcher Contact List (<http://www.the-aps.org/education/contact.htm>).

The names of APS members on this list represent those who have indicated their willingness to be contacted by high school teachers interested in the Frontiers in Physiology fellowship program or undergraduate students interested in the Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowship program.

Both of these programs involve the teachers or students completing 8-10 weeks of laboratory research over the summer. Being on the list does not obligate you to take the teacher or student into your lab. It only requires that you point the teacher or student in the direction of someone either at your company or someone you know at another facility in your company who would be interested in that opportunity.

If you are willing to be included on this list, please visit <http://www.the-aps.org/education/contact/fellowshipinfo.htm> to sign up. For more information about the Frontiers in Physiology Fellowship program, please contact Kathleen Kelly, APS K-12 Programs Coordinator (kkelly@the-aps.org; 301-634-7231). For more information about the Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowship program, please contact Melinda Lowy, APS Higher Education Programs Coordinator (mlowy@the-aps.org; 301-634-7787).

Announcements and Committee News:

Cardiovascular Section Awards Committee

Descriptions of all our awards can be found on-line at the web link below. *New* this year all applications for Awards will be handled on line and can be accessed at:

<http://www.the-aps.org/meetings/eb06/awards/cv.htm>

If you experience any problems please contact Steve Segal the chair of the Awards Committee.

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Any one interested in serving on an APS Committee for 2007, please contact Glenn Bohlen at the address below. The APS web site has a complete listing of Committees and their responsibilities.

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The Cardiovascular Section has openings for members interested in serving the Section. If you are interested or if you have a colleague you would like to nominate please send a completed nomination form (attached) to Chair of the Nominating Committee, Michael S. Wolin, Ph.D. Email: mike_wolin@nymc.edu.

Committees with openings include: Nominating Committee, Fellowship Committee, Awards Committee and Industry-Foundations Liason Committee.

Nominees must be members with a primary or secondary affiliation with the Cardiovascular Section.

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Nominations for fellowship should be submitted to the Chair of the Fellowship Committee, Dirk J. Duncker, M.D./Ph.D., and should include the candidate's curriculum vitae and letters of nomination from 2 Cardiovascular Fellows. Please email the materials to d.duncker@erasmusmc.nl.

Prospective fellows must (1) be regular members of APS; (2) have their primary or secondary affiliation with the Cardiovascular Section; (3) publish meritorious physiological research in the cardiovascular field; and (4) be an established investigator.

Thank you for taking the time to ensure that deserving CV scientists are acknowledged.

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Please submit your applications for Symposia and Featured Topics for consideration for Experimental Biology 2007. Forms can be obtained at:

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Please copy David Busija and Ron Korthuis, co-chairs of our Programming Committee with your submissions. They would also be happy to respond to any questions.

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Future News Items:

Do you have any items of interest you would like included in a future CVS Newsletter? If so, send them to the attention of Gerald A. Meininger, Ph.D., Secretary and Treasurer, meininger@missouri.edu.



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