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The University of Toronto Centre for the Study of Pain Presents:

Dr. Ze'ev Seltzer, Physiology Branch, Faculty of Dental Medicine, Hebrew University, Jerusalem

Topic: **"Neurogenetics of pain: from animal models to chronic pain in humans"**

Date: **Thursday, April 26, 2001**

Time: **10:00 a.m.**

Location: **Room 4279** Medical Sciences Building, 1 King's College Circle

Dr. Ian Meng, Department of Neurology, University of California, San Francisco, CA

Topic: **"Contribution of the amygdala to cannabinoid analgesia"**

Date: **Thursday, May 3, 2001**

Time: **10:00 a.m.**

Location: **Room 4279**, Medical Sciences Building, 1 King's College Circle

Dr. David Andrew, Division of Neurosurgery, Barrow Neurological Institute, St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Centre, Phoenix, AZ

Topic: **"Spinal cord mechanisms of itch and pain: modality-selective spinothalamic lamina 1 neurons"**

Date: **Monday, May 28, 2001**

Time: **10:00 a.m.**

Location: **Room 4279**, Medical Sciences Building, 1 King's College Circle

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS:

New Book:

James Lund, Gilles Lavigne, Ronald Dubner, Barry Sessle (eds) **"Orofacial Pain: From basic scientist to clinical management (The transfer of knowledge in pain research to education)** – Quintessence Books, ISBN 0-86715-4, 2001

Book Info: The text includes major topics found in an undergraduate curriculum, in particular, acute pain and chronic pain states other than TMD. Presented as papers at a symposium held on Vancouver in March 10, 1999, in conjunction with the American and Canadian Association of Dental and the International Association of Dental Research. Soft cover. DNLN: Facial Pain.

Listed at \$38.00 US on Amazon.com and at \$56.50 CAD on Indigo.ca

UPCOMING MEETINGS/SYMPOSIUM/LECTURES/CONFERENCES:

Wasser Pain Management Clinic – Education Rounds

12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.

April 25, 2001 – Marilyn Galonski will present on the use of Hypnotherapy

May 2, 2001 – Dr. Angela Mailis will lead a case discussion on CRPS

Wasser Pain Management Clinic

Mount Sinai Hospital

600 University Avenue, Room 1163

Pain 2001: An Odyssey of Discovery

Sponsored by The Canadian Pain Society

May 10-12, 2001

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Chair

Local Arrangements Committee

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26th Amercian Society of Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine Annual Meeting

Vancouver, BC

May 10-13, 2001

For further information, contact:

ASRA

P.O. Box 11086

1910 Byrd Avenue

Suite 100

Richmond, VA 23230-1086

Tel: 804-282-0010

Fax: 804-282-0090

e-mail: asra@societyhq.com

or visit the website at: <http://www.asra.com>

MUPPUT – Multi-Professional Pain Group at the University of Toronto

May 17, 2001

Topic: “Chronic orofacial pain: Is it all in your head?”

Time: 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Location: Room 203, Tanz Building, University of Toronto

4th Annual Pain Management Conference: New Frontiers in Pain

Sponsored by the Toronto Rehab Institute

June 7, 2001

8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Jane Mallet Theatre, St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts

Toronto

For further details and to register on-line, visit the website at:

<http://www.torontorehab.com/education/conferences/default.asp?aID=796>

UC Davis 10th Annual Review and Update of Pain Management

Yosemite, California, USA

June 7-10, 2001

For further information, contact:

Continuing Medical Education

Univ. California Davis

2315 Stockton Blvd, Rm 1020

Camellia Cottage

Sacramento, CA 95817-2282

Tel: 916-734-5390

Fax: 916-734-8966

12th National Meeting for State Cancer Pain Initiatives

Madison, Wisconsin

June 14-16, 2001

For further information, contact:

ACCPI

1300 University Ave #4720

Madison, WI 53706 USA

Tel: 608-265-4013

Principles and Practice of Pain Medicine

Sponsored by Harvard Medical School

Boston, Massachusetts, USA

June 17-19, 2001

For further information, visit the website at:

<http://www.cme.med.harvard.edu>

GRANTS/AWARDS/FELLOWSHIPS – CALLS FOR APPLICATIONS/NOMINATIONS

2001 IASP Collaborative Research Grants

Deadline for receipt of application: April 30, 2001

IASP is pleased to announce a new grants program, IASP Collaborative Research Grants, the first of which will be awarded in 2001. These will be small grant awards, maximum US\$ 10,000, subject to the conditions described below. Awards will be announced by June 30, 2001. Please contact IASP at the address below for an application form.

1. The purpose of these grants is to encourage and support collaborative research between two or more research groups located in different countries.
2. These grants will be known as IASP Collaborative Research Grants. All publications and public documents arising from work supported by these grants should acknowledge this source of funding.
3. The grants are intended to foster multidisciplinary and international collaborations. Priority will be given to collaborations between basic science and clinical research groups.
4. The investigator in charge of the overall project must be a member of IASP of at least one year standing.
5. The grants will cover, in full or in part, the cost of the travel and accommodation of investigators of one group working in another of the collaborating laboratories. Evidence must be provided that the costs of the actual research can be covered with other funds.
6. The maximum grant awarded will be of US\$ 10,000. Successful applicants will be required to submit a detailed financial and scientific report at the end of the collaboration or two years after the award whichever is the sooner.
7. Application forms will be available from the IASP office. Applicants must submit with these forms a description of the research and the CVs of the principal investigators in each collaborating institution.
8. The IASP Committee on Research will evaluate all proposals submitted and recommend to Council the funding of proposals taking into account the following criteria:
 - a. research topic of scientific merit
 - b. evidence of multidisciplinary or of basic-clinical collaboration
 - c. CV of the investigators involved
9. The recommendations of the IASP Committee on Research will be subject to the approval of the IASP Council. To speed matters the process of selection and approval will be conducted by electronic mail or fax.
10. IASP sponsorship will be in the form of a personal grant to the overall principal investigator. He/She will be responsible for the financial management of the funds. IASP will not accept any liability for financial mismanagement.

Request applications from and send correspondence to:

IASP Secretariat, Collaborative Grants
909 NE 43rd St., Suite 306
Seattle WA 98105-6020 USA
Tel: 206-547-6409

Fax: 206-547-1703
email: IASP@locke.hs.washington.edu
web: <http://www.halcyon.com/iasp>

2001 Muscle Pain Research Award (International)

Deadline for receipt of application: April 30, 2001

Sponsored by: The Wissenschaftlicher interdisziplinärer Arbeitskreis Muskeltonus und Schmerz (Scientific interdisciplinary Working Group, Muscle Tone and Pain) announces its Muscle Pain Research Award (Euro 10.000.-) for the year 2001. The 2001 award is sponsored by grants from Aventis Pharma Deutschland GmbH, Novartis Pharma GmbH, Deutschland, and Sanofi-Synthelabo GmbH.

Eligibility and Guidelines: The award is intended to acknowledge major achievements in basic or clinical research on pathogenesis, diagnosis and management of muscle pain including alterations of muscle tone and spasticity. Manuscripts accepted or published in 1999/2000 issues of reviewed scientific journals can be submitted and will be evaluated by an independent scientific committee. Research groups that have a continuous record of successful research in the field of muscle pain will also be considered for the award.

For further information contact: Wissenschaftlicher interdisziplinärer Arbeitskreis Muskeltonus und Schmerz, Dr. Michael Spaeth, MD, Friedrich-Baur-Institut, Medizinische Klinik, Klinikum der Universität, Innenstadt, Ziemssenstraße 1, D-80336 Munich, Germany. Tel: 49-89-51607557; Fax: 49-89-51604750; email: Michael.Spaeth@lrz.uni-muenchen.de

Research Program in the Area of Legal, Regulatory, and Financing Issues in Pain Relief (New Mayday Scholars Program) (North America)

Deadline for receipt of application: June 1, 2001

The American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics announces a new research program, the goal of which is to broaden and deepen both the published scholarship addressing the legal, regulatory and financing issues of undertreated pain and to increase the number of law, economics, and public policy scholars familiar with pain relief in all types of health care delivery systems.

Description: Mayday Scholars will undertake their own research projects. The Society will provide peer reviewers for the written product of the Scholars' projects. The Scholars will present their work at a Scholars' Workshop, which will be supported by the project. The Society has identified the following topics as priorities, but candidates are encouraged to design their own projects as well: (a) Access to pain relief and Medicaid fraud and abuse; (b) Workers' compensation and chronic pain; (c) experience of Boards of Nursing in monitoring prescribing practices of advanced practice nurses; (d) Managed care and pain relief (including policies and payment issues relating to referrals, discharge, choice of treatment); (e) Treatment of pain in prisons; (f) improving the investigation process of professional disciplinary agencies for prescribing practices related to pain management; (g) Pharmaceutical benefits management and the assessment of pain and discomfort; and (h) Specific institutional and regulatory contexts for pain management

(e.g., nursing facilities, home care). The Society will select four new Mayday Scholars and funding ranges from \$6,000 to \$10,000 to be used for a stipend, research assistance, or general administrative support and supplies. Payment for general overhead is not available. Each Scholar will also be supported for travel expenses associated with the Scholars' Workshop and will receive assistance in publication of final product.

Applicants should submit the following: description of the proposed project (including statement of the problem and research strategy); description of the applicant's prior or current research and publications; curriculum vitae; and disclosure of financial support from or interest in related commercial entities.

For further information:

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Ronald Dubner Research Prize

Deadline for receipt of application: September 1, 2001

Nominations are being sought for candidates for the Ronald Dubner Research Prize, an award for trainees, which will be presented at the 10th World Congress on Pain® in San Diego, CA, USA, August 17-22, 2002. The award was initiated in 1993 and is presented every three years for the best clinical or basic science research paper, or series of papers, or doctoral thesis in the field of pain, published or in press while in training as a student, intern, resident, predoctoral fellow, postdoctoral fellow, or equivalent.

Eligibility:

The candidate must be less than 35 years of age. The candidate should have performed work mainly under the guidance and supervision of senior researchers. Only work published in international refereed journals or periodicals will be considered. The candidate should be proposed by a senior researcher who provides expert opinion on the scientific standing of the candidate. The awardee should be prepared to attend the 2002 IASP Congress .

Nominations should include the following:

- A letter of nomination by the mentor including statements as to why the paper is important and verification that the nominee was in training at the time the paper was published or in press.
- A copy of the candidate's curriculum vitae.
- A copy of the paper.

Award:

- Plaque to be presented at the Congress
- Travel/per diem expenses to the Congress (economy [apex type] airfare and accommodations)
- A cash award of \$US 2,500.

Nomination, CV, and reprint must be received by IASP no later than September 1, 2001.

Send applications to:

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2001 John J. Bonica Trainee Fellowship

Deadline for receipt of application: September 1, 2001

IASP is pleased to announce the call for applications for the John J. Bonica Trainee Fellowship to be awarded in 2001 Awards will be announced by December 1, 2001.

Please contact IASP at the address below for an application form.

1. The John J. Bonica Trainee Fellowship was established in 1998 in memory of the founder of the International Association for the Study of Pain, Professor John Bonica, to support training in clinical and basic science research in the field of pain.
2. One 12-month Fellowship is awarded per year. The applicant will be expected to designate the institution and mentor of his/her proposed training.
3. A stipend of \$US 25,000 per year will be provided for the trainee's salary for the 12-month period. The stipend may not be used for indirect costs (overhead or handling fees) or for the purchase of any supplies or equipment. A grant to defer the cost of travel to and from the mentor's laboratory may be awarded upon the recommendation of the chair of the IASP Committee on Research and at the discretion of the IASP Executive Committee.

Any such travel award may not exceed \$US 3,000 and will cover advanced purchase economy (apex) class airfare or comparable rail fare or mileage (whichever is less).

4. The award is ordinarily made for 12 consecutive months, but minor exceptions (e.g., two six-month periods separated by a month or two) may be granted by the chair of the IASP Committee on Research.

5. There are no restrictions as to the trainee's age or degree(s), but it is understood that the trainee will generally be in an early stage of his/her career.

6. The mentor shall be a member of the International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP), and the trainee shall either be a member of IASP or apply for membership upon award of the Fellowship.

7. Applications for the Fellowship shall consist of two parts: information about the applicant and information about the mentor. A complete set of the following materials must be submitted by mail or fax at the time of application (no submissions via email):

Applicant: (Request application from IASP)

a. Curriculum vitae

b. An application which includes:

1. Name, degrees, mailing address, telephone number, fax number
2. Proposed dates of training
3. Proposed location of training (name of institute and name of mentor)
4. Description of training sought
5. Reasons for choosing the mentor
6. Specific research project to be pursued
7. Discussion of the applicability of the training to the applicant's future research career

c. Two letters of recommendation from IASP members (other than the proposing mentor)

Mentor:

a. Curriculum vitae (current)

b. A letter agreeing to be the trainee's mentor and confirming that the mentor has sufficient time and resources to accomplish the training

c. Confirmation that the host institution will agree to accept a grant for payment of salary only and will not charge indirect costs (overhead and handling fees) to IASP.

8. Applications for the Fellowship will be reviewed once a year and must be received by the International Association for the Study of Pain by September 1st. Awards will be announced by December 15th .

9. Applications will be reviewed by the IASP Committee on Research which will make a recommendation to the IASP Council. The Committee will give due regard to a balance between clinical research and basic science research awards. The Committee will consider the qualifications of both applicant and mentor, and give due regard to the usefulness of the training to the applicant's future research career. IASP reserves the right to make no award.

10. Upon completion of the Fellowship, the trainee will be required to submit a report to the chair of the IASP Research Committee citing date of completion of the Fellowship and describing the research performed and training received.

11. The trainee will be required to acknowledge the John J. Bonica Trainee Fellowship in publications arising from work started or completed during the training period and to send copies of such publications to the chair of the IASP Committee on Research.

12. The full amount of the Fellowship award will be disbursed to the host institution at the start of the training period.

Request applications from and send correspondence to:

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Patrick D. Wall Young Investigator Award:

Deadline for receipt of application: September 1, 2001

Nominations are being sought for candidates for the Patrick D. Wall Young Investigator Award which will be presented at the 10th World Congress on Pain in San Diego, CA, USA, August 17-22, 2002. The award was initiated in 1987 and is presented every three years to an individual who has achieved a level of independence as a scholar in the field of pain.

Eligibility:

- The candidate must be less than 40 years of age
- The candidate should have performed independent research, i.e., the most recent work should not have been done under supervision of a senior scientist.
- Only work published in international refereed journals or periodicals will be considered.
- The candidate may be proposed by a senior scientist, or may personally apply for this prize.

The awardee should be prepared to attend the 2002 IASP Congress.

Nominations should include the following :

- Letter of nomination including statement of evidence that the candidate has achieved a level of independence as a scholar, or for self-nomination, a letter describing such level of independence.
- A copy of the candidate's curriculum vitae
- Reprints of up to 7 recent publications from refereed international journals

Award:

- Plaque to be presented at the Congress
- Travel/per diem expenses to the Congress (economy [apex type] airfare and accommodations)
- Cash award of \$US 1,000

Nomination, CV, and reprints must be received by IASP no later than September 1, 2001. Send applications to:

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RSD Fellowship (International)

Deadline for receipt of application: November 1, 2001

Sponsored by: RSDSA

Description: RSDSA invites applications for a fellowship devoted to basic or clinical research on the causes and treatment of RSD/CRPS. The fellowship brings a stipend of US\$24,000 for 1 year, with an additional year contingent upon satisfactory progress. Applicants should have a M.D., Ph.D., or comparable degree and less than 5 years postgraduate training. Submit 2 copies of the following: a CV, a detailed research plan, and a letter from a sponsoring laboratory that recommends the plan and assures material support for the research.

Mail all correspondence and applications to: RSDSA Research Committee, 116 Haddon Ave., Suite D, Haddonfield, NJ 08033

POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

Full-time tenure-track TMD and Orofacial Pain Assistant / Associate Professor

(Minneapolis, MN, USA)

The University of Minnesota School of Dentistry seeks applications for a full-time tenure-track position as assistant / associate professor in the TMD and Orofacial Pain Program, Department of Diagnostic and Surgical Sciences, available July 1, 2001. Major responsibilities include teaching in pre-doctoral and post-doctoral programs, conducting basic and/or clinical research, public/professional service activities, providing patient care.

Requirements include a dental degree and M.S. or Ph.D., plus experience in the field of TMD and orofacial pain. Preference given to candidates who have completed an advanced training program in TMD and orofacial pain, and who have clinical and research experience. Salary and academic rank commensurate with training and experience. Opportunity for intra- or extramural practice is available. Search will remain open until position filled.

Applicants should send letter of interest and curriculum vitae to:

Ms. Carol Leach

Department of Diagnostic and Surgical Sciences

University of Minnesota School of Dentistry

7-194 Moos Tower, 515 Delaware Street S.E.,

Minneapolis, MN 55455, USA.

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