

Announcements

7th European Peritoneal Dialysis Meeting

The 7th European Peritoneal Dialysis Meeting (EuroPD 7) will be held from October 15 to 18, 2005, at the Prague Congress Centre, Prague, Czech Republic. This year's meeting is being held in association with the Czech Society of Nephrology and under the patronage of the Czech Ministry of Health. The meeting will comprise symposia, clinical practice sessions, free communications and posters, as well as a pre-congress educational course and industry-sponsored symposia. Further details and information on abstract submission can be obtained from the EuroPD website www.europd.com. The abstract deadline is May 13, 2005. We look forward to welcoming you all to Prague.

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3rd Cachexia Conference

The 3rd Cachexia Conference will be held December 8 to 10, 2005, in Rome, Italy. More than 60 internationally renowned speakers will discuss both basic science and clinical topics with emphasis on management of patients with wasting syndrome and state-of-the-art and future potential therapies. This year's symposium will also address issues pertaining to malnutrition, inflammation, and wasting in chronic kidney disease. The deadline for abstract submission is September 15, 2005. For more information, contact Profs. F. Rossi Fanelli at filippo.rossifanelli@uniroma1.it or K. Kalantar-Zadeh at kamkal@ucla.edu, or visit www.cachexia.org.

5th Genoa Meeting on Hypertension, Diabetes, and Renal Disease

The 5th Genoa Meeting on Hypertension, Diabetes, and Renal Disease will be organized by Giacomo Deferrari and will be held February 23 to 25, 2006, in Genoa, Italy. This meeting aims to bring together

experts and practicing physicians to discuss current information related to high blood pressure, diabetes, renal damage, and hypertension. The main topics of the workshop will be as follows:

- Cardiovascular risk factors in chronic kidney disease: Pathogenetic and therapeutic insights
- New therapeutic approaches to diabetic kidney disease
- Antidiabetic effect of RAS inhibition in hypertension
- Late-breaking trials
- Percutaneous coronary intervention in chronic kidney disease: Indications and results
- Statin therapy and improvement in endothelial dysfunction
- New insights into renal and vascular inflammation: Role of PPAR as anti-inflammatory targets in kidney disease
- Management of patients with metabolic syndrome: The importance of multiple risk factors control
- Vascular calcification in chronic kidney disease: Pathogenesis and treatment
- Impact of meta-analyses on clinical practice: Balancing risks and benefits
- Renal dysfunction as a target for cardiovascular and renal protection
- Treating anemia at different stages of chronic kidney disease

For more information please visit the web site www.aristea.com/diredi2006.

National Kidney Foundation 2006 Clinical Meetings

The National Kidney Foundation Clinical Meetings provide comprehensive, multi-disciplinary, educational opportunities for professionals caring for chronic kidney disease patients across all stages, including transplantation. The Meetings offer hands-on workshops, interactive sessions, and lectures designed to provide cutting-edge knowledge in the field of nephrology for physicians, nurses, dietitians, and social workers.

April 19 to 23, 2006
Hyatt Regency Hotel
151 E. Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois

The National Kidney Foundation is the major voluntary health organization dedicated to preventing kidney and urinary tract diseases, improving the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by these diseases, and increasing the availability of all organs for transplantation.

7th IFKF International Conference

The 7th International Conference of the International Federation of Kidney Foundations (IFKF) will be held June 7 to 10, 2006, in Taormina, Italy. For further information contact Professor Guido Bellinghieri, President of the conference (E-mail: gbellinghieri@hotmail.com).