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The Endocrine Society Publications Committee proudly announces the appointment of Jeffrey E. Pessin, Ph.D., as Editor-in-Chief of *Endocrinology* from 2003-2007. Dr. Pessin is the University of Iowa Foundation Distinguished Professor of Endocrinology in the Department of Physiology & Biophysics at the University of Iowa College of Medicine, Iowa City, IA. He brings a wealth of experience to the journal, having previously served as Editor of *The American Journal of Physiology—Endocrinology/Metabolism* from 1994 to 2000. The Publications Committee scheduled a special meeting in Chicago on December 8 to interview the top candidates for the position.

The Publications Committee was extremely fortunate to interview three outstanding scientists and editors for the Editor-in-Chief position. As a result, the selection process was extremely difficult. Each candidate had wonderfully original ideas and was obviously dedicated to making *Endocrinology* the best journal in the field. However, in the end, the committee had to pick a single individual, and that was Dr. Pessin. Both the Publications Committee and Council are delighted that Dr. Pessin will be assuming this challenging position and have every confidence that his vision and dedication will greatly enhance the quality and stature of the Journal and the Society.

Dr. Pessin will work with Dr. Kenneth Korach, the current Editor-in-Chief of *Endocrinology*, to ensure a smooth transition. In addition, he will collaborate with Dr. John Nilson, the Editor-in-Chief of *Molecular Endocrinology*, to implement E-Review as soon as his term begins.

In accord with the long-standing plan of the Publications Committee and Council, the new *Endocrinology* office will be the first of the four editorial offices to be located in Bethesda, Maryland

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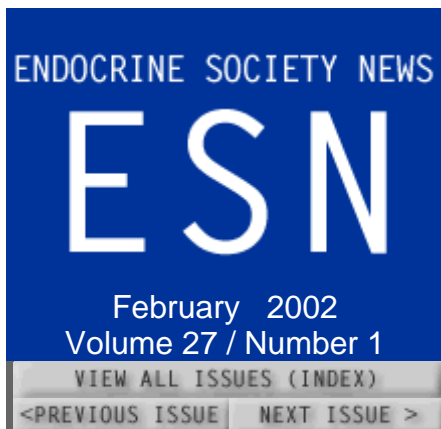
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within The Endocrine Society national offices. This change in the traditional location of the editorial offices will be enabled by the consolidation of manuscript submissions and tracking, and the management of peer review process through the Society's Web-based E-Review.

Additional information about the *Endocrinology* transition and new submissions will be available later this year.



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Daisy DeLeon, PhD., Minority Affairs Committee Chair, has accepted an invitation to serve on the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases' (NIDDK) Ad Hoc Task Force of the National Minority Research Institute (NMRI) Communication Network. Dr. DeLeon will serve a 2-year term commencing January 1, 2002.

Kenneth Burman, M.D., Director of Endocrinology at the Washington Hospital Center, Professor of Medicine at Georgetown University, George Washington University and the Uniformed Armed Forces School of Medicine, has been honored with a Faculty-Alumni Award from the University of Missouri Alumni Association.

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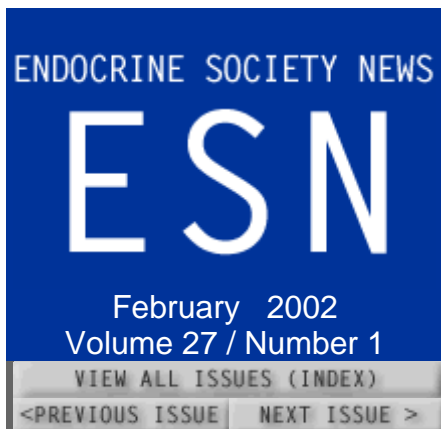
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ABIM's Recertification Program is now called the Pr home, open-book Self-Evaluation Process (SEP) and November. Diplomats must be enrolled in the CPD p exam.

The 2002 exam dates are:

<i>CPD Examination</i>	<i>Deadline for Subi</i>
May 7, 2002	March 1, 2002
November 6, 2002	September 1, 200

For more information and application forms, please vi

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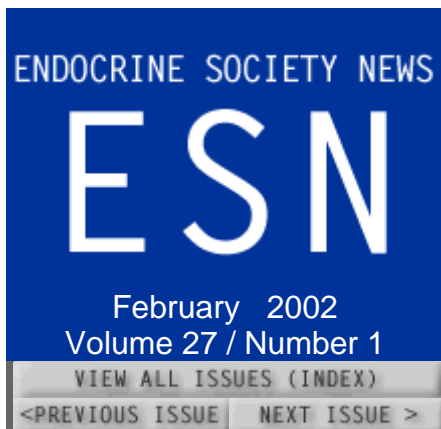
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by Ann Danoff, MD

Ethics Corner

Does race matter for medical practice and research?

There is a striking contradiction in the ways in which race is regarded among the scientific community. On the one hand, based on data emerging from the human genome project, most geneticists agree that race has no valid genetic basis. On the other, articles describing racial differences in a variety of disorders proliferate. Who is right? Does race matter for medical practice and research or is it an outmoded concept that should be discarded?

A useful place to begin to address this question is to simply look around the room. Anyone can see we each have different colored skin: it's obvious. However, less than a hair's breadth beneath the skin, agreement ceases. For some inexplicable reason, value is placed on those different colors we observe. And those values foster beliefs so divergent and so profound that on the basis of them people have been enslaved and wars have been waged.

The darker your skin color, the more likely that you will be living in poverty, have a poorer education and a lower paying job. You are also more likely to develop type 2 diabetes and certain hormonally modifiable malignancies. What is the reason for this? According to one view, the really profound differences between people are due to social and cultural variations, to educational

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opportunities and political structures. Those who subscribe to this viewpoint would assert that the only physical difference between black and white people is that the former have 10 more milligrams of melanin than the latter.

But surely one can't ignore the apparent racial predisposition towards simple heritable disorders, such as Tay-Sachs disease or the hemoglobinopathies, or the more complicated polygenically inherited diseases—even after correction for environmental influences. How can we explain the observation that on average, a Japanese woman with a BMI identical to that of a white woman will have more visceral fat and a greater chance of having diabetes? Is there a link between "Japanese," visceral adiposity, and diabetes? If we look with a very fine magnifying glass at that region of DNA where our differences reside, will we find that the loci for visceral adiposity is somehow coordinately regulated with a particular external phenotype?

Is it possible that mining those genetic differences will also unearth a hereditary predisposition to criminal behavior, intelligence, athletic ability, or a proclivity towards any number of diseases? And the unspeakable question: could melanin levels be a surrogate marker for these characteristics? Most would agree that, in principle, any clues to correctable problems would be welcome but, like any information, in the wrong hands, genetic information can also lead to serious adverse consequences. Given the legacy of the "medical experiments" of Tuskegee and the Holocaust, do we dare inquire whether there are genetic markers that could identify an individual as belonging to a particular racial group?

The answer in part lies in the moral traditions of medicine and the personal integrity of individual physicians. We must be mindful of the personal worth of each individual for whom we care, regardless of skin color, IQ, or particular genetic make-up. It is important for us to examine our personal attitudes and practices: whether the race or ethnicity of a patient influences our clinical decisions—for example, whether we are less inclined (as the statistics suggest is often the case) to order a

cardiac catheterization or pain medications for a patient of color. Sometimes this self-examination may be a difficult and painful task.

But the answer also lies in part in the cultural and political conditions of the society in which we live. Health care and health care research are fertile grounds for exploitation and people of color are undoubtedly among the most vulnerable. Here too, we have a responsibility to reflect and to act. It is our duty to speak out against racist behaviors, even when they are not motivated by racism. For example, as the beneficiaries of an affluent Western economy we cannot ignore exploitation in the name of medical research in Uganda, where placebo-controlled HIV trials are conducted with drugs priced out of reach of most of the affected people there.

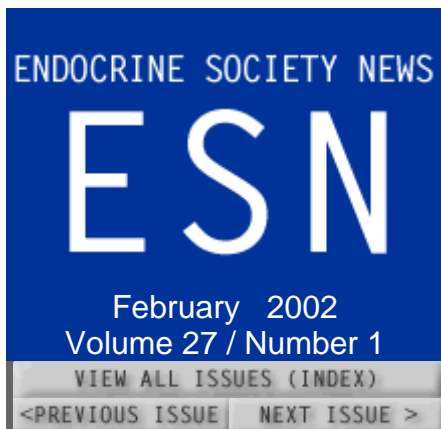
If we reclaim our moral traditions and commit—as individuals and as a society—to improving the lives of those less fortunate, one can be optimistic about the outcomes of genetic research into race. If, on the one hand, it turns out that the only genetic marker for race is melanin and its associated regulatory elements, we will be able to use that information to debunk old racist myths. If, on the other hand, there are genetic markers that genuinely link melanin production with disease processes, this will provide new opportunities for the treatment of disease and the preservation of health.

Does race matter? Absolutely. Is race "matter"? Will we discover the encryption of a person's race in their DNA? The jury is still out on that one. For now, we have to live with that uncertainty. Are we nearing the conclusion of the nature/nurture debate? Perhaps. But whatever we find hidden among the relatively small differences that make members of the human race distinctive from other, living things or from each other, there is certainly an enormous amount of work to be done. That work involves scientific discovery, improving the social and natural environments and reflecting on our own personal conduct. As healers in today's complex world, we must act as guardians of those who entrust themselves to us, and

struggle to insure that care remains at the core of health and research.

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The "Ethics Corner," which is now a regular feature of the Endocrine Society Newsletter, aims to present ideas and stimulate discussion about the ethical and social aspects of medicine and medical research. It is intended to provide a forum for the expression of diverse viewpoints, some of which, we hope, will be controversial and will provoke ongoing debate.

The Endocrine Society strongly supports the principle of fostering open debate and critical reflection on contemporary issues. It is important to stress, however, that the opinions expressed in this column are presented in this spirit and do not represent the official views of the Society.

Readers are invited to submit contributions on any topic of potential interest to the membership of the Society. Letters in response to articles will also be welcomed. Submitted articles will be reviewed by the Ethics Advisory Committee and, where appropriate, by independent reviewers.

If you have questions please feel free to contact us. You may call or email the Society directly c/o Jeanie Dow at jdow@endo-society.org or 301-951-2612 or email the Ethics Advisory Committee Chair, Paul Komesaroff, at paul.komesaroff@baker.edu.au

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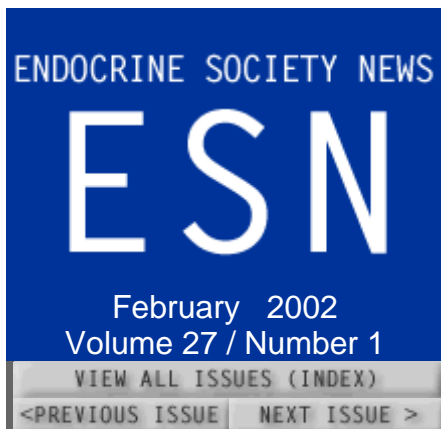
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by William Crowley, M.D.

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[Dear Fellow Endocrine Society Member,](#)

At the beginning of this year, I commissioned three separate Task Forces to investigate potential new initiatives for The Endocrine Society that I believe to be important to our future. One of these is the area of clinical trials. I initiated this Task Force with the belief that an organized effort by the Society would be a service to our patients, our practitioners, and our clinical investigators. I am pleased to report that several Endocrine Society members have become involved with various aspects of our planning in this area and are clearly looking to the Society to provide future leadership, innovation and opportunities in this area. What follows is the Society's progress in this arena over the past year.

In February, 2001, Council agreed to form a Clinical Trials Task Force (CTTF) to investigate what role, if any, the Society should have in clinical trials in the future. Under the able chairmanship of Randy Whitcomb, the CTTF conducted needs assessment surveys and undertook feasibility studies to make recommendations to Council with regard to key activity areas, which include education in the area of clinical trials and their performance as well as the formulation of an Endocrine Trials Organization (ETO) pilot project. At the same time, the Corporate Liaison Board (CLB), with funding from the Society's Annual Renewal Fund, contracted to create a clinical trials database for endocrine-related activities. Over the past several months, the CLB collaborated with the CTTF on this project. Both groups have been extremely successful. Numerous services and products for the

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Society's membership have been developed as a result of their combined efforts and more are planned for the future.

- The first product, launched in October, was ENDOTrials: The Endocrine Clinical Trials Network, a database focused on providing Society members with information about endocrine-related clinical trials.
- The CTTF is currently developing ENDOTrials Education, which will be launched at this year's Annual Meeting in San Francisco.
- Also, in October, the Society's Council approved the next phase of the exploration of an Endocrine Trials Organization (ETO) "Pilot Project." This next phase will involve research regarding the most appropriate business model for this potential new venture.

[ENDOTrials: The Endocrine Clinical Trials Network](#)

Through a partnership between The Endocrine Society and CenterWatch, the leader in clinical trial market intelligence, ENDOTrials: The Endocrine Clinical Trials Network was launched as a service for all Society members. You might wish to add this site to your list of favorites on your Internet browser should your patients or their family members request updated information from you (<http://www.endo-society.org/clinicaltrials/index.cfm>). You may recall that this new members-only service was highlighted in the December issue of *Endocrine Society News*. ENDOTrials enables The Endocrine Society to provide all of its members with the latest in scientific and drug development. Additionally, ENDOTrials provides each of the Society's committees with the ability to monitor endocrine-related clinical trials. This database will help you quickly discover cutting-edge treatments for your patients' endocrine disorders and identify promising new drugs that are being studied in Phase I-IV endocrine-related clinical trials worldwide. The Society will continually upgrade this service to make it more useful to you and eventually to your patients via an as-yet-to-be-established link with the Hormone Foundation's Web site. In December, we also added International Trials to the database to better serve our international members and patients.

[ENDOTrials: Education](#)

Through its research, the Clinical Trials Task Force (CTTF) determined that there was great interest in and need for more in-depth, business-oriented education on clinical trials. Under the direction of Michael McClung, one of our practitioner members who is actively integrating clinical trial activities into his practice, the CTTF developed ENDOTrials Education, which will be launched at the Annual Meeting in June. This program, entitled "Building a Clinical Trials Program: A Management & Professional Conference," will be held on Tuesday, June 18th from 4-7 p.m. The program will:

- Review the clinical trials industry and discuss emerging trends in drug development;
- Examine issues relating to setting up and running a clinical trial center within a medical practice;
- Address various regulatory and ethical issues relating to managing a clinical trials center; and
- Investigate grant opportunities and methodologies to recruit study volunteers.

In addition to this three-hour conference, there will be two lunchtime workshop sessions that will review two of the topics in more detail—"Setting up and running a clinical trial" and "Locating grant opportunities and finding and recruiting study volunteers." I urge any of our clinicians and clinical investigators who might be interested in establishing clinical trial activities within their practices to attend.

[Endocrine Trials Organization "Pilot Project"](#)

The Society is also actively investigating the possibility of forming a new business venture, most likely a partnership. We are calling it an "Endocrine Trials Organization (ETO)." We are in the very formative stages of developing what this relationship will ultimately look like. In addition, I am working with the Society's leaders to develop a framework of how the Society can enable its members to be on the cutting edge of scientific research and drug discovery. By working with members, industry, clinical research organizations, consultants and experts in the field, we will determine the best way to enable our members to become more involved in pharma and biotech drug discovery. We are in the process of developing the plan and conducting

our due diligence to maximize the opportunities for you that lie in this area. I will keep you updated throughout the coming months on the progress of this new and innovative idea.

The Society has also recently opened an active dialogue with the Endocrine Division of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Scott Hunt and I recently met with David Orloff, the Director of the Division of Metabolic and Endocrine Drug products at the FDA and a member of The Endocrine Society, to see how we can assist the FDA with their important work of evaluating and approving new therapeutic applications in a timely fashion.

As a result of all of these activities, in December, the Executive Committee approved the creation of an ad hoc Clinical Trials Committee to serve as a transition between the current CTTF, which has done excellent work, and the final structure that might evolve in collaboration with outside help. This committee will continue to examine ways to incorporate clinical trials activities into the structure of the Society. Over the next nine to twelve months, it will also work to create a clinical trials framework of activity and complete the task of researching the ETO "Pilot Project" concept.

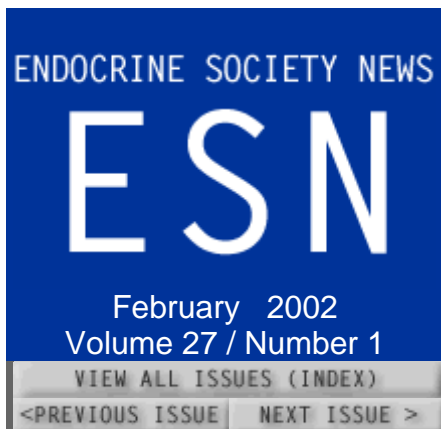
There are other opportunities that the Clinical Trials Committee and other groups like the CLB are investigating with regards to the Society's increased involvement in clinical trials. Areas such as rapid publishing of high quality, peer-reviewed clinical trials in the *Journal of Clinical Endocrinology & Metabolism*, journal reprints, submission and presentation of clinical trials at ENDO, media coverage of clinical trials and even a clinical trials award are all being discussed.

This is an area of great excitement and opportunity for our members, our Society, and our patients. Endocrine patients will soon benefit from the involvement of the Hormone Foundation, which will offer information about and, possibly access to, high quality clinical trials. These benefits will help your patients and your practice and will eventually facilitate the transfer of basic scientific

discovery into medical practice.

I look forward to providing you with updates on the progress of the committees in the coming months. If you have any comments or suggestions, please email me at president@endo-society.org

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Thank you to those of you who participated in the Annual Meeting Preference Survey. The results of this survey will aid us in the scheduling of future Annual Meetings. Two survey respondents were randomly selected to receive free registration to ENDO 2002 in San Francisco along with a \$500 travel allowance. The winners are:

- Geoffrey Dahl, M.S., Ph.D., University of Illinois
- Sheba Mohan Kumar, M.S., BVSc, Ph.D., Michigan State University.

The survey responses will be analyzed by a professional survey research firm and all responses will remain confidential. The survey results will be presented to Society leaders and announced in the April issue of *Endocrine Society News*.

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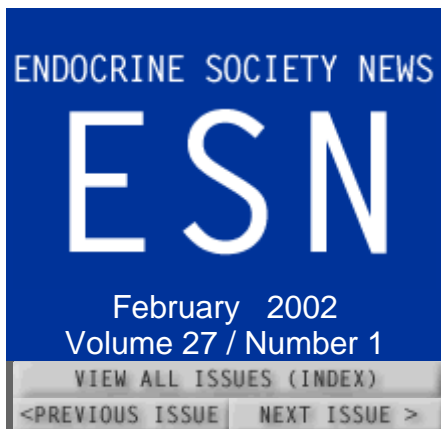
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The Minority Affairs Committee (MAC) of The Endocrine Society was awarded a National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) grant in 1997 to offer shortcourses in endocrinology at undergraduate institutions with a large percentage of students from underrepresented communities. The grant recently received a five-year renewal to support the successful program. This effort is part of the Society's commitment to increase cultural diversity in the area of endocrinology. Presently, the Committee is planning to conduct 30-40 short courses per academic year.

MAC is currently looking for established educators with experience in minority issues. Guest presenters will spend three to five days at an undergraduate minority campus where they will lecture on basic and/or advanced endocrinology and lead discussions/workshops on opportunities for graduate or professional school, his or her own research and opportunities in private industry, government and other institutions. The shortcourse may be integrated into an existing biology class or it can be offered as a freestanding workshop/discussion. The lecturer will work closely with the host institution on the appropriate format for the shortcourse.

If you are interested in working with the MAC on this important program, please complete the application located at www.endo-society.org/diversity/volunteer.cfm and return it with a brief statement identifying your interest in the program. Please include your

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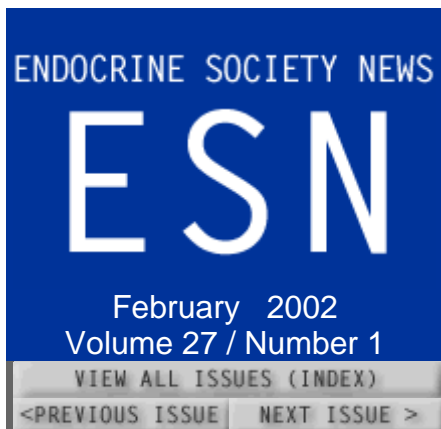
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CV and return the materials to The Endocrine Society by Thursday, February 28, 2002. If you need additional information, please contact Dr. James Mrotek at jmrotek@msn.com, Veronica Parcan at vparcan@endo-society.org, or call The Endocrine Society at 301-951-2601.



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In November, members of the Minority Affairs Committee (MAC) continued its outreach efforts by representing the Society at the first Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students (ABRCMS) in Orlando, Florida. The conference, which was managed by the American Society for Microbiology, was designed to encourage students of underrepresented groups to pursue advanced training and careers in the biomedical sciences and to facilitate their success. The conference provided MAC with an opportunity to recruit new Fellow/Student Associate members. In addition, the MAC representatives participated in several networking activities, including volunteering to review abstracts and poster judging. Four students attending the conference were awarded for outstanding poster presentations on endocrine-related topics. Each of the winners received a cash award and certificate from The Endocrine Society as well as one year free online subscriptions to *Endocrine Reviews* and free student memberships to the Society for one year. The Society would like to congratulate the four winners:

- Cordula Davis
- Luis Jacome
- Ndiya Ogba
- Magalie Volcy

MAC will be continuing its outreach efforts throughout the year at other conferences aimed at promoting opportunities for students choosing advanced training and careers in research and medicine.

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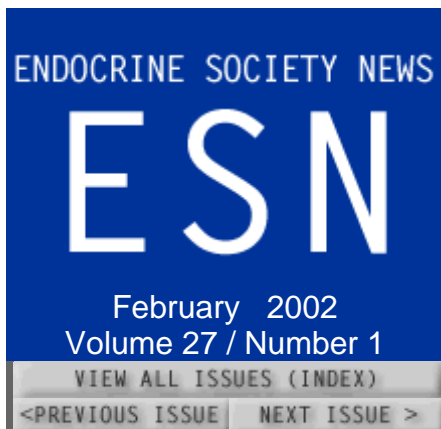
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Five years ago, The Endocrine Society worked very hard to become members of the American Medical Association (AMA). Through our membership in the Specialty and Service Societies (SSS), The Endocrine Society has an official delegate in the AMA House of Delegates and voting privileges on all house issues. The AMA has a major presence on Capitol Hill and with other federal agencies. Through their advocacy efforts, the Society has personally benefited from the AMA's efforts in Medicare reimbursement, working with the Health Care Financing Administration on appropriate coding requirements, and lobbying for a patient bill of rights that includes access to specialty care.

Every five years members of the SSS are reviewed for compliance. The Endocrine Society is scheduled for review in June, 2002. In order to meet membership compliance either 1,000 or 35% of eligible Society members must also be members of the AMA.

If you are not already a member of the AMA, you will receive additional membership information from the Society over the next couple of months. Please give thoughtful consideration to this request. Your participation is imperative to the continuation of the Society having a voice in the AMA. If you have any questions, or would like additional information, please contact Susan

Koppi at skoppi@endo-society.org

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The Awards Committee is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2002 Annual Awards. The 2002 Award recipients are:

Fred Conrad Koch Award	Jan-Ake Gustafsson
Robert H. Williams Distinguished Leadership Award	Samuel Refetoff
Edwin B. Astwood Award Lecture	P. Reed Larsen
Clinical Investigator Award Lecture	Anne Klibanski
Sidney H. Ingbar Distinguished Service Award	John W. Funder
Gerald D. Aurbach Award Lecture	Agnes Schonbrunn
Distinguished Educator Award	William F. Ganong
Distinguished Physician Award	Lisa H. Fish
Roy O. Greep Award Lecture	Aaron J.W. Hsueh
Ernst Oppenheimer Award	Leonard P. Freedman
Richard E. Weitzman Memorial Award	Jonathan Lee Tilly

All awards will be presented in June during ENDO 2002 in San Francisco, California. The Call for Nominations for the 2003 awards will be mailed in early February; nominations must be received by March 30, 2002. Contact Jeanie Dow at 301-951-2612 or jdow@endo-society.org for additional information.

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The Endocrine Society proudly announces the candidates for the 2002 society elections. Please take the opportunity to vote. Active and Emeritus Society members should receive their ballots in the mail in early February.

President-Elect (Clinical Researcher or Practitioner)

Robert M. Carey

E. Chester Ridgway

Council—Physician-Scientist Seat

Ora H. Pescovitz

William Rosner

Council—At Large Seats (2)

Donald McDonnell

Richard Santen

Martin Surks

Margaret Wierman

Nominating Committee—Basic Scientist Seat

Marvin Gershengorn

Judith Turgeon

Nominating Committee—Physician-

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Scientist Seat

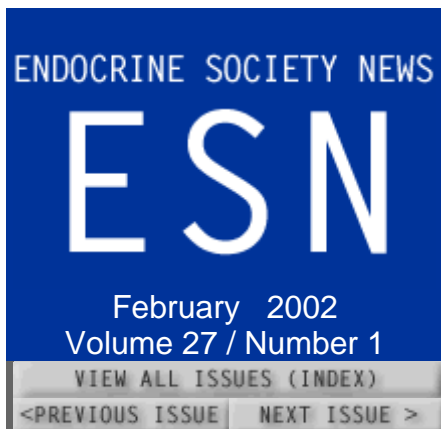
Nanette Santoro

Andrew Stewart

Nominating Committee—Physician in Practice Seat

Gilbert Daniels

Susan Sherman



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The Hormone Foundation, the public education and outreach affiliate of The Endocrine Society, recently launched its new and improved Web site featuring hormone-related health information. The highly interactive site, which is located at www.hormone.org, offers consumers, patients and health care providers the most comprehensive online collection of information on the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of disease in which hormones play a role.

Recognizing a scarcity of online resources that address hormone-related information, The Hormone Foundation set out to fill the void by creating a visual, dynamic, health-education Web site. The result is a reliable resource on the Internet where patients can find the latest information on a wide variety of hormone-related conditions including menopause, obesity, thyroid disease, diabetes, growth, prostate disease, osteoporosis, and pituitary imbalances.

The new portal features unique tools for physicians to educate and empower their patients including:

- The physician referral database, which allows patients to access endocrinologists by geographic location;
- The ENDOTrials database where patients can find information about ongoing clinical trials and how to enroll (a more detailed listing for physicians can be found on The Endocrine Society Web site at www.endo-society.org);
- Patient publications for physicians to distribute in their practice, which can be downloaded or ordered in large quantities via an e-mail feature on the site;
- UpToDate scientific fact sheets, which include

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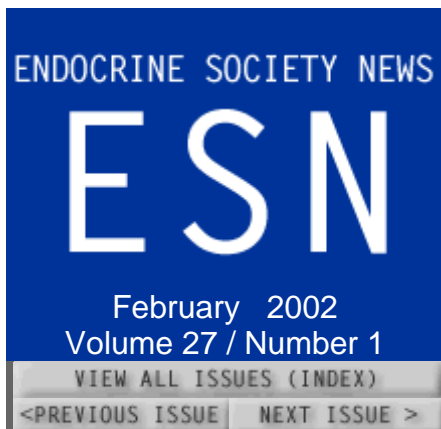
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patient articles with the latest information about their conditions and professional publications containing advanced discussion on the latest medical research and knowledge; and

- Useful links to related Web sites, organizations, patient support groups and more.

Launching and maintaining www.hormone.org is one of many projects of The Hormone Foundation, which boasts a successful public education track record. The Foundation aims to inform the public about the role of hormones in health and disease and is currently developing programs about metabolic syndrome, hormone abuse, obesity, thyroid disease, osteoporosis and prostate disease.

To list your practice in the physician referral database, email societyservices@endo-society.org For more information about The Hormone Foundation, email hormone@endo-society.org or call 1-800-HORMONE.



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trainees will take place on June 18, 2002, in San

The increasingly popular program provides trainee
workshop's morning session allows participants
industry. During the afternoon, participants atten
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Early registration is encouraged. To receive the f
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