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## **MEDIA ALERT**

**American Society of Nephrology's (ASN) 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Scientific Exposition to be held November 14-19, 2006 in San Diego, California**

**What:** Presenting research on the latest issues and scientific breakthroughs in nephrology.

**How:** ASN News Briefings on the kidney-heart connection and obesity in the kidney will address key renal issues.

### **The Kidney-Heart Connection**

**Thursday, November 16, 2006; 12:15 pm–1:20 pm**

**Room 12, San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, California, USA**

Moderator: Frank C. Brosius, III, MD

- **Hypertension in Pregnancy is Associated with Microalbuminuria and Cardiovascular Events Later in Life**, Vesna D. Garovic, MD  
*Free Communication [TH-FC050], Thursday, November 16, 4:24 pm–4:36 pm, Room 26*
- **Identifying Individuals at High Risk for Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes: Is There a Role for Metabolic Syndrome**, Michael Stern, MD  
*Basic and Clinical Science Symposium, Thursday, November 16, 1:30 pm–3:30 pm, Room 6 A*
- **The Framingham Risk Score is not Useful for Cardiovascular Risk Prediction in End Stage Renal Disease**, Darshan S. Dalal, MD and Rulan S. Parekh, MD, FASN  
*Free Communication [F-FC045], Friday, November 17, 4:00 pm–4:12 pm, Room 24*
- **Malnutrition, Inflammation and Cardiovascular Diseases (CVD) Interact and Strongly Predict 7-Years Mortality in a Prospective Cohort of Dialysis Patients**, Renée de Mutsert  
*Free Communication [TH-FC125], Thursday, November 16, 5:24 pm–5:36 pm, Room 23*
- **Chronic Kidney Disease: Cardiovascular Complications**, Adeera Levin, MD, FRCPC  
*Clinical Nephrology Conference, Thursday, November 16, 2006, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm, Room 6 A*

### **Obesity and the Kidney**

**Friday, November 17, 2006; 12:15 pm–1:20 pm**

**Room 12, San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, California, USA**

Moderator: Glenn M. Chertow, MD, FASN

- **Obesity and the Kidney**, Paul Muntner, PhD  
*Clinical Nephrology Conference, Saturday, November 18, 4:00 pm–6:00 pm, Room 5*
- **Body Mass Index and Mortality in Chronic Kidney Disease**, Magdalena Madero, MD  
*Poster Session [TH-PO428], Thursday, November 16, 10:00 am–12:00 pm, Halls A/B/C*

**MORE**

- **Effect of Obesity on Mortality in Patients at High Risk for Kidney Disease: Results from KEEP**, Claudine T. Jurkovitz, MD  
*Free Communication [TH-FC049], Thursday, November 16, 4:12 pm–4:24 pm, Room 26*
- **Higher Body Mass Index is Associated with Higher Filtration Fraction after Living Kidney Donation**, Mienieke Rook, MD  
*Poster Session [SA-PO524], Saturday, November 18, 10:00 am–12:00 pm, Halls A/B/C*
- **Increased Lithogenic Risk Factors Following Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass Surgery for Morbid Obesity**, John C. Lieske, MD, FASN  
*Poster Discussion Session [TH-F-DS871], Thursday, November 16, 10:00 am–12:00 pm, Room 3*

**Other Highlights:**

- **TH-PO444: Patients with Advanced Chronic Kidney Disease (ACKD) Have Unexpectedly High Rates of Death and Progression to End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)**, Rex L. Jamison, MD  
*Poster Session, Thursday, November 16, 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Halls A/B/C*
- **F-PO038: Urinary Potassium as a Clinical Marker of Diet Quality**, Andrew Mente, MSc  
*Poster Session, Friday, November 17, 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Halls A/B/C*
- **F-PO429: Enhanced Sodium Sensitivity and Disturbed Circadian Rhythm of Blood Pressure in Patients with Metabolic Syndrome**, Takashi Uzu, MD  
*Poster Session, Friday, November 17, 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Halls A/B/C*
- **F-FC086: Metabolic Syndrome Predicts the Progression of Chronic Kidney Disease in Hypertensive African-Americans**, Janice P. Lea, MD  
*Free Communications, Friday, November 17, 4:00 pm-6:00 pm, Room 2*
- **F-FC150: A National Survey of Pregnancies and Outcome in Live Kidney Donors**, Anna V. Reisaeter, MD  
*Free Communications, Friday, November 17, 4:00 pm-6:00 pm, Room 10*
- **SA-PO026: Effect of Vitamin E Coated Filter on Anemia in HD Patients**, Dinna Cruz  
*Poster Session, Saturday, November 18, 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Halls A/B/C*

**Where:** San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, California

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Wednesday, November 15-Sunday, November 19: ASN Press Room, San Diego Convention Center, Room 13, 619-525-6293 (Press Room), 202-558-8423 (after hours)

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**Please Note:** Additional highlights for Renal Week 2006 can be located within ASN's Press Guide. This information is obtainable through the media portion of the ASN website at <http://www.asn-online.org>. All individuals identified within this Media Alert are available for comments; see contact information above to arrange interviews.

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