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# RSSDI NEWS

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# **RSSDI 2001: THEME SUBJECTS**

# Nutrition Section WEIGHT GAIN AND DIABETES DECONTROL

The major limiting factor of traditional therapy of type 2 diabetes mellitus has been the exclusive targetting of B cell with insulin secretogogues rather than addressing insulin resistance. All insulin secretogogues and exogenous insulin therapy have the inevitable side effect of weight gain to the tune of 4-5 kg as documented in several studies. With unphysiologic large doses of insulin or sulfonylureas, magnitude of weight gain can be larger, offsetting the beneficial effects of glycemic control. The undue weight gain further accentuate insulin resistance and the concomitant cardiovascular risk. Since metformin by its insulin sensitizing effect and direct suppression of hepatic glucose output, does not lead to weight gain, its combination with sulfonylureas and insulin, is widely favoured. Even in type 1 diabetes, addition of metformin to insulin therapy prevents weight gain and consequently, decreases insulin requirement. The new class of insulin sensitizers, `thiazolidinediones' improve the metabolic profile associated with insulin resistance syndrome, but lead to weight gain through direct effects on adipose tissue. Hence long term benefits and adverse effects of these drugs on cardiovascular risk need scrutiny. Emphasis on non-pharmacologic measures like physical activity and diet, use of minimum effective doses of insulin and regular use of insulin sensitizers like metformin can circumvent unacceptable weight gain as a complication of treatment of diabetes.

# Scientific Section: Ahuja Symposium ENDOCRINE DIABETES

Traditionally diabetes mellitus has been perceived as a metabolic disorder rather an endocrine disorder, though pathogenetically it shares the essential ingredients of other endocrine disorders namely hormone deficiency and hormone resistance. The meeting ground of traditional endocrinology and diabetes is exemplified by a sub group of secondary diabetes, `diabetes (or impaired glucose tolerance) secondary to other endocrine disorders' or endocrinopathic diabetes. They include diabetes seen in hypersecretion of cortisol (Cushing's syndrome), growth hormone (acromegaly) and catecholamines (pheochromocytoma). The common denominator of these conditions is insulin-resistance from counter regulatory hormone excess with or without insulin deficiency. More complex metabolic mechanisms operate in hyperparathyroidism and thyrotoxicosis. Treatment of the underlying endocrine condition may reverse the metabolic alterations, though complete normalization may not be achieved, where an inherent genetic predisposition to type 2 diabetes exists. The interest in these disorders is largely due to the fascinating interactions of the counter-regulatory hormones with insulin secretion and insulin action.

## 29th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Research Society for the Study of Diabetes in India

### Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research

#### CME on December 14, 2001 and Scientific Meeting on December 15, 16 and 17, 2001 at Chandigarh

Please send your research abstracts for oral/poster presentations to **Professor B.K. Sahay**, Chairman, RSSDI Scientific Committee, My Nest, 6-3-852/A, Ameerpet, Hyderabad 500 016 to reach before October 31, 2001. Young researchers may apply for 10 travel grants of Rs.2,000 each along with their abstracts to the Chairman, Scientific Committee. Rs.5,000, Rs.3,000 and Rs.2,000 as First, Second and Third Prizes will be awarded to selected poster/oral presentations preferably on theme subjects during the Annual Scientific Meeting.

Chandigarh can be approached in three hours by Shatabdi Express, leaving about 7.00 am, 11.30 am and 5.15 pm from Delhi. Regular buses ply 1/2 hourly from Delhi ISBT to reach Chandigarh in 5 hours. Sight seeing programmes will be arranged after the conference dates.

Current Registration Fee is Rs.3,500 for RSSDI members and Rs.4,000 for others till October 31, 2001. All remittances must be made by bank draft/bankers cheque to DIABETICON 2001 payable at Chandigarh. Out station cheques should carry an additional amount of Rs. 50 towards banking charges. All registration enquiries should be mailed to Conference Secretariat: **Professor R.J. Dash**, Head, Department of Endocrinology, Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh 160 012 tel 0172 744977, 747585-99 ext 275 fax 744401, 745078 email: rjdash@rediffmail.com, dashrj@satyam.net.in, medinst@pgi.chd.nic.in.

As the current addressess of the following members are not known, all communications to them are withheld. If you know any of them, kindly intimate their present addresses immediately to the RSSDI Secretariat, to facilitate sending RSSDI News to them.

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# **ACCREDITATION PROGRAM**

for Primary Care Clinicians in Diabetes by

#### University Department of Endocrinology and Metabolism, Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences and

Vuk Vrhovac University Clinic for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Diseases, University of Zagreb, WHO Collaborating Center for Diabetes in Developing Countries

to empower primary care clinicians in India to detect and prevent long-term consequences of diabetes (secondary prevention)

#### OBJECTIVES

- 1. To provide up-to-date information on basic, clinical and management aspects of diabetes to primary care clinicians.
- 2. To impart competence to primary care clinicians in treating diabetes up to secondary level and preview for referring to tertiary care.

#### ELIGIBILITY

Continuing medical education in diabetes is open to qualified clinicians with MB BS.

#### CME

The following Continuing Medical Educational activity in diabetes is recognised for CME credits.

- 1. Training Program for Family Physicians [duration 3 days (24 hours) = 15 CME credits],
- 2. Scientific Meeting for Physicians [duration 2 days (16 hours) = 10 CME credits],
- 3. Continuing Medical Education [duration 1 day (8 hours) = 5 CME credits],
- 4. CME online (under construction) : www.diabetes.org.in [20 CME courses = 20 CME credits]
- 5. Full time clinical training of 12 months under the supervision of a recognized teacher, is equivalent to 90 CME credits
- 6. Annual Review Program in Diabetology by the Faculty from NIMS University and University of Zagreb [duration 2 days (16 hours) = 10 CME credits]

#### ACCREDITATION

These credits are prerequisite towards accreditation by the University Department of Endocrinology and Metabolism, Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, and Vuk Vrhovac University Clinic for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Diseases, of a primary care clinician.

#### EVALUATION

After attending 90 credit hours of CME activity, and submitting 20 diabetes case records including two type 1 and two pregnancy diabetes, clinicians will participate in self evaluation conducted by the faculty from the University Department of Endocrinology and Metabolism, Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, and Vuk Vrhovac University Clinic for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Diseases, during the Annual Review Program in Diabetology in December each year. *Professor Z. Metelko, Director, Vuk Vrhovac Institute, University of Zagreb and Vice President, IDF-Europe, will conduct the evaluation for Accreditation on December 9. For registration, call Professor P.V. Rao on 0 98480 32623.* 

#### DURATION

The length of time to complete this program is approximately one year.

#### ACCREDITATION

Accreditation is an attendance and self evaluation system of the continuing medical education activity for primary care clinicians. It is not equivalent to a Certificate, Diploma or Degree awarded by the Universities, and it does not confer any academic qualification or distinction on a clinician.

#### POST ACCREDITATION

Accredited Primary Care Clinicians will get an option on priority at NIMS University and recognized teaching hospitals for clinical training facility in

1. Secondary care in diabetes, and 2. Tertiary care in diabetes.

#### XIII RSSDI COURSE IN DIABETES MELLITUS

on November 2,3 and 4, 2001 at Leelavati Hospital, Bandra

*Course Director :* Dr. H.B Chandalia

Co Directors : Dr. R.S. Lamba,Dr. Vijay Panikar Faculty of eminent Diabetologists, Endocrinologists and related specialists from all over India.

Fully interactive course with virtually zero didatic content

Eligibility is minimum qualification of MB BS (Please enclose a copy of degree certificate)

Valid for 20 credit hours of RSSDI for first attendence and 10 credit hours for subsequent attendence

Number of delegates limited to a maximum of 100

Registration charges Rs.1500 by demand draft favoring **Diabetes Bulletin** at Mumbai.

Last date of registration was August 1, 2001 (Further enquiries with Prof. H.B. Chandalia)

Application Form available at

http://www.rssdi.com and

Diabetes Endocrine Nutrition Management and Research Centre, 103-104, Maharishi Karve Road, Mumbai 400 021 tel 022 2871613 fax 3633695

All delegates must arrange for their own accommodation in Mumbai. Limited hostel / dormitory type accommodation at economical rates is being arranged.

Book early to avail this facility, as it will be offered on first come first served basis.

#### 12th Annual Conference DIABETES ASSOCIATION OF INDIA Southern Chapter

on September 29 and 30, 2001 at Hotel Carlton, Kodaikanal

tentatively approved for 10 RSSDI Credit hours

Register by sending Rs.1200 by draft favoring **DIACON 2001** payable at

Madurai to

Dr. A.J. Asirvatham Anna Bus Stand, Madurai 625 020 tel 0452 535266, 653006 98421 51977 daicon2001in@yahoo.com

# VI CONFERENCE OF NORTH EAST DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

on September 29 and 30, 2001 at Guwahati

tentatively approved for 5 RSSDI credit hours

Register by sending Rs.500 by draft favoring **NEDSCON** to

Dr. Shekhar Shah Trincas Building M.M. Road, Fancy Bazar Guwahati 781 001 AS Tel 0361 521623 522398 330659 522396 fax 0361 544350 331824 shekharshah@indiatimes.com

#### **RSSDI CME IN DIABETES**

on October 13 and 14, 2001 at Kota, Rajasthan tentatively approved for 10 RSSDI credit hours

Register by sending Rs.400 by draft favoring CME DIABETES 2001 to

Dr. Girish Verma KR 227/5 Doctors Quarters MBS Hospital Campus Kota 324 001 RJ fax 0744 321270

### ANNUAL REVIEW PROGRAM IN DIABETOLOGY

for primary care clinicians on December 7 and 8, 2001 at Hyderabad

by School of Diabetology, University Hospital, Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad and

WHO Collaborating Center for Diabetes in Developing countries, Vuk Vrhovac Institute, Univeristy of Zagreb, Croatia. *approved for 10 RSSDI Credit hours* 

> Register by sending Rs.1000 by draft favoring **Diabetology** before November 15, 2001 to

Prof. P.V. Rao School of Diabetology Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences Hyderabad 500 082

#### ACCREDITATION PROGRAM for Primary Care Clinicians in Diabetes

Professor Z. Metelko, Director, Vuk Vrhovac Institute for Diabetes, University of Zagreb and Vice President, IDF-Europe, will oversee the evaluation for Accreditation on December 9, 2001.

#### 10th Annual Meeting of ANDHRA PRADESH DIABETES FEDERATION

on October 27 and 28, 2001 at Sriharikota

tentatively approved for 5 RSSDI Credit hours

Registration fee till October 15 is Rs.500 by draft favouring **APDF - 2001** to

Dr. Anil Kumar Reddy.

16-1191, Kasturidevi Nagar, Pogathota, Nellore 524 001 AP

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#### INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON TYPE 2 DIABETES

- on December 1 and 2, 2001 at Cochin The faculty will include leading diabetologists from Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota; Joslin Clinic, Boston; Oxford University, England; Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, and leading diabetologists from India.
- The co-sponsors for this meeting include Association of American Physicians of Indian Origin, Association of Kerala Medical Graduates, API and RSSDI.

tentatively approved for 10 RSSDI credit hours For details please contact:

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#### LIFE MEMBERSHIP OF RSSDI

We encourage you to become Life Members of RSSDI. In addition to becoming a member of the most pretigious society of diabetologists in India, it entitles you to a free copy of the International Journal of Diabetes in Developing Countries which is published quarterly. The life membership subscription is Rs.1500 only. For cheques, add Rs. 50 as out station charges. For life membership of RSSDI, kindly make your cheque/bank draft payable to **RSSDI** at Hyderabad and send it to Prof. P.V. Rao, Department of Endocrinology and Metabolism, Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad 500 082 AP.

#### www.diabetes.org.in

All professional and organisational activities of diabetes are updated on this website. Please visit this site often.

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