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Dear Colleague:

We are very pleased to announce that the Academy of Cardiovascular Research Excellence (ACRE) and the Chinese American Heart Association (CnAHA) will jointly host an "Annual Cardiovascular Research Symposium: the Era of Translational Medicine" on **Saturday, November 12, 2011, one day prior to the annual American Heart Association (AHA) scientific sessions**. This event will provide an excellent platform not only for the reunion of the ACRE and CnAHA members but also for the continued communications between the members of the two organizations and many members of several other similar organizations in the cardiovascular community around the world. You are cordially invited to join us to promote cardiovascular research excellence in the era of translational medicine.

Preliminary program:

1. Featured scientific presentations
2. Abstract oral presentations
3. "China night" event (Dinner/Social/Network)
4. Brief annual report of ACRE and CnAHA presidents
5. Abstract Award Ceremony
6. ACRE annual award ceremony
7. CnAHA annual award ceremony.

**Registration & Abstract submission: August 1 - October 1, 2011**

**Symposium Location:** Orange County Convention Center  
Room 110 A, Orlando, Florida, USA

**Symposium Time:** Nov 12 (Saturday), 2011, 2-6 pm

**China Night Location:** Rosen Center Hotel, Orlando, Florida, USA

**China Night Time:** Nov 12 (Saturday), 2011, 6:30-10 pm

Registration fee\*: \$60 for active ACRE or CnAHA members.  
\$100 for non-members or onsite registration

\* Registration fee is for both scientific program and dinner at China Night. Generous contribution and donations are highly encouraged and appreciated. Payment by check should be payable to the ACRE in US dollars. Official ACRE receipts will be provided for reimbursement and tax benefit purposes. Travel Award is available by application to subsidize registration fees.

\*\* China Night dinner tickets are limited and will be issued at the first come first serve basis. Please register for the meeting and RSVP for the dinner ASAP.

Send your registration and RSVP forms (see attached) and registration fees before October 1, 2011 to:

Dr. Yingjie Chen, General Secretary of the ACRE, Division of Cardiology, Department of Medicine Lillehei Heart Institute, University of Minnesota Developmental Biology Center, 4-105 Nils Hasselmo Hall, 312 Church St. SE, 312 Church St. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55455 (email: [chenx106@umn.edu](mailto:chenx106@umn.edu).)

Sincerely,

Committee of ACRE/CnAHA Cardiovascular Research Symposium



## Letter from the Co-Chairs of the Symposium Committee

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Dear Colleague:

On behalf of Committee of ACRE/CnAHA Cardiovascular Research Symposium, it is our pleasure to welcome you to the Annual Cardiovascular Research Symposium: the Era of Translational Medicine. The conference will open on **Saturday (noon-10:00pm), November 12, 2011, in Orlando, Florida, one day prior to the annual American Heart Association (AHA) scientific sessions.**

This symposium will bring together experts in basic science, as well as clinical cardiovascular medicine, to discuss the emerging basic science, preclinical animal models and potential clinical applications. This event will provide an excellent platform not only for the reunion of the ACRE and CnAHA members but also for the continued communications between the members of the two organizations and many members of several other similar organizations in the cardiovascular community around the world.

The Symposium's goals are to promote the best science, to facilitate communication and network, and to build a strong and collaborative community in cardiovascular research.

During this half-day conference, state-of-the-art lectures will be presented by renowned experts from basic and clinical science. This symposium will introduce the latest translational and therapeutic advances for cardiovascular disease. We will also have abstract oral presentations for competition, beginning at 5:00 pm. The winner will be announced at the "China Night" dinner. Other award winners will also be recognized at that time.

As your hosts of the symposium, please let us know if there is anything we can do for you. We thank you all for coming such long distances to share your insight and expertise and we look forward to greeting all of you.

With warmest regards,

Hong Wang, MD, PhD, EMBA,

JieCheng, MD, PhD

Co- chairs of the ACRE/CnAHA Research Symposium Committee



**ACRE-CnAHA Symposium Preliminary Program:**  
Orange County Convention Center, Room 110 A, Orlando, Florida

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12:00 - 1:30 pm: **ACRE and CnAHA board lunch meeting**

1:30 pm: Registration and set up meeting room

2:00 - 2:05 pm: Welcome (5min)

2:05 - 4:05pm: **Featured Scientific Presentation.** 6 presentations, 20min each (talk+question)

#### **Redox regulation of endothelial cell phenotypes**

- **Minghui Zou** MD PhD FAHA; Professor of Medicine, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Chief, Section of Molecular Medicine, Vice Chair for Research, Department of Medicine, Warren Chair in Diabetes Research, University of Oklahoma Health Science Center, BSEB 306A, 941 Stanton L. Young Blvd. Oklahoma City, OK 73104, USA, Phone: 405-271-3974, Fax: 405-271-3973, <http://www.oumedicine.com/body.cfm?id=6122>

#### **Systems Genetics to Uncover Novel Mechanisms in Heart Failure**

- **Yibing Wang**, MD, PhD, Professor, Department of Anesthesiology, University of California, Los Angeles, Division of Molecular Medicine, BH-569 CHS, Box 957115, Los Angeles, CA 90095-7115, Phone: 310 206 5197, Fax: 310 206 5907, <http://www.anes.ucla.edu/~yibinwang/page.htm>

#### **Stem cell in cardiomyocyte repair**

- **Jianyi (Jay) Zhang** MD PhD, Professor, Department of Medicine/Cardiology, University of Minnesota Medical School, MMC 508, 420 Delaware ST. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55455, [http://www.med.umn.edu/lhi/research/JZhang\\_lab/home.html](http://www.med.umn.edu/lhi/research/JZhang_lab/home.html)

#### **From gene discovery to novel drug, cell and gene therapies**

- **Shuping Ge**, MD; Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Chief, Section of Cardiology, Co-Director, Heart Center for Children, Director, Cardiovascular Imaging and Research Laboratories, St. Christopher's Hospital for Children/Drexel University College of Medicine

#### **Non-pharmacological strategies in stroke prevention in atrial fibrillation**

- **Jie Cheng** MD PhD; Director, Cardiac Electrophysiology Research Laboratory Texas Heart Institute/St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital Clinical Associate Professor, Baylor College of Medicine, 6624 Fannin, STE 1719 Houston, TX 77030, <http://physician.cmgforum.net/foto.php?id=1661>

#### **TBD**

4:05 - 4:15 pm; Cafe break

4:15 - 6:00 pm; **Abstract Oral presentation**, 7 presentations, 15min each (talk+question)

**Presentations will be selected from the submitted abstracts and will be open to junior PI, fellow and students. A committee will select the speakers and awardees.**

6:30 - 9:30 pm: **“China night”** event (Dinner/Social/Network)



# “China Night”

## **A Joint Event\* Hosted by:**

Chinese American Heart Association (CnAHA)  
Academy of Cardiovascular Research Excellence (ACRE)

## **Supported by**

Chinese Society of Cardiology (CSC)  
American Heart Association (AHA)

## **Time and Location**

**6:30 – 9:30 pm, Saturday, November 12, 2011**

### **Rosen Center Hotel**

9840 International Drive, Orlando, Florida 32819

Phone: (866) 375-0497

## **Preliminary Program**

Co-Chairs: Jianming Li, MD, PhD; Dayue Darrel Duan, MD, PhD, FAHA

## **Reception & Dinner (6:30-7:30 pm)**

### **Welcome speeches (7:30-8:00 pm)**

Dr. Shuping Ge, MD, President of CnAHA (10 min)

Dr. Zhongjie Sun, MD, PhD, FAHA, President of ACRE (10 min)

AHA leadership (10 min)

### **Young Investigator Awards (8:00-8:10 pm)**

Basic Sciences (Chair: Hong Wang, MD, PhD, FAHA)

Clinical Sciences (Chair: Jie Cheng, MD, PhD)

### **Keynote Speech (8:10-8:30 pm)**

Qingbo Xu MD PhD, Professor, St George's University of London

**The role of stem/progenitor cells in atherogenesis**

### **Special Speech (8:30-8:45 pm)**

Dayi Hu, MD, President of Chinese Society of Cardiology

**Cardiovascular Disease in China: Challenges and Opportunities**

### **Special Speech (8:45-9:00 pm)**

**TBD**

\* This CME program (3 credits in category 1) will also be webcasted. CME credits can be obtained at the meeting in Orlando or online.

## **Key Information in Symposium Announcement:**

The Academy of Cardiovascular Research Excellence (<http://www.theacre.org>)  
Chinese American Heart Association (<http://www.cnaha.org>)



**Registration & Abstract submission:** July 1 - October 1, 2011

**Location:** Orlando, Fla, address to be announced

**Symposium Location:** Orange County Convention Center, Room 110 A, Orlando, Florida,

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## Faculty members:

**Jie Cheng MD, PhD;** Director, Cardiac Electrophysiology Research Laboratory Texas Heart Institute/St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital Clinical Associate Professor, Baylor College of Medicine

**Shuping Ge, MD;** Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Chief, Section of Cardiology, Co-Director, Heart Center for Children, Director, Cardiovascular Imaging and Research Laboratories, St. Christopher's Hospital for Children/Drexel University College of Medicine

**Dayi Hu, MD,** President of Chinese Society of Cardiology, Chief of the Heart Center at Peking University's People's Hospital; Dean of Clinical Research Institute, School of Public Health, Shanghai Fudan University;

**Qingbo Xu , MD PhD,** Professor, BHF John Parker Chair of Cardiovascular Sciences, Cardiovascular Division Kings College London, 125 Coldharbour Lane, London SE5 9NU, Tel: 020 7848 5322, Fax: 020 7848 5296,

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