

Calendar of Recent & Forthcoming Conferences

AMERICAN MASSAGE THERAPY ASSOCIATION (AMTA) 2008 NATIONAL CONVENTION

September 17 – 20, 2008; Phoenix, AZ

The 2008 AMTA Convention included as a component of its overall program a Massage Therapy Foundation-sponsored massage research track spanning a poster session and five educational sessions.

For further details on the 2008 convention program, inclusive of the massage research-specific sessions, please visit:

<http://www.amtamassage.org/education/NationalConvention2008.html>

IN-CAM 5TH ANNUAL RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM: "RESEARCH THAT MATTERS: LINKING RESEARCHERS, PRACTITIONERS, DECISION-MAKERS, AND THE PUBLIC."

November 7 – 9, 2008; University of Toronto; Toronto, ON, Canada

The Canadian Interdisciplinary Network for Complementary & Alternative Medicine Research (IN-CAM) recently held its 5th Annual Research Consortium.

For further information on the 2008 symposium program, please visit:

<http://incam.paralucent.com:81/index.php?id=19.0.0.1.0.0&menu=6>.

WORLD MESSAGE CONFERENCE

November 17 – 22, 2008; World Massage Conference Website Classroom

This virtual conference used the power of the web to bring together over 50 of the world's top massage experts over a six-day period from November 17 - 22, 2008. Recorded replays of all presentations—replete with online notes or slideshows—are available until May 31, 2009.

For further information regarding registration for access to the recorded replays, please visit:

<http://www.worldmassageconference.com/>.

SIO 5TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE: "INTEGRATION ACROSS THE SPECTRUM OF CANCER CARE."

November 20 – 21, 2008; Hyatt Regency Atlanta; Atlanta, GA

The Society for Integrative Oncology's (SIO) Fifth International Conference included oral and poster presentations describing preclinical research, clinical trials, and clinical practice experience in the areas of integrative oncology including studies of natural products, acupuncture, massage, music therapy, mind-body medicine, and other areas of research. The 2008 meeting had a principal, though not exclusive, focus on survivorship topics.

For further details on the 2008 conference program, please visit:

http://www.cmbm.org/mind_body_medicine_EVEN_TS/SIO%20Brochure.pdf.

CAHCIM NORTH AMERICAN RESEARCH CONFERENCE ON COMPLEMENTARY AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE

May 12 – 15, 2009; Hilton Minneapolis; Minneapolis, MN

The Consortium of Academic Health Centers in Integrative Medicine (CAHCIM) announces its 2009 North American Research Conference on Complementary and Alternative Medicine.

For further details on the 2009 conference, please visit:

http://www.imconsortium-conference.org/info/call_abstracts.php.

SECOND INTERNATIONAL FASCIA RESEARCH CONGRESS

October 27 - 30, 2009; Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Recent basic and applied research and reviews in soft connective tissue sciences at all levels: Molecular, cellular, tissue, organ, compartment, and limb or trunk and whole body . . . and in all disciplines: e.g. molecular biology, cytology, histology, anatomy, physiology, biochemistry, biomechanics, neurology, surgery. The conference will include: (a) Free oral and poster presentations of peer reviewed research. (b) Special panels and presentations will also address the research interests of clinical practitioners in acupuncture, chiropractic, massage, neuromuscular therapies, osteopathy, physiatry, physical therapy, sports medicine, structural bodywork and surgery. (c) Clinical practice techniques will be demonstrated at both podium and small group sessions aimed at bringing manual therapy clinicians and scientists together to enhance common research interests and communication.

Call for Abstracts: Submission Deadline—February 15, 2009. For complete information, online registration, and paper submission, please visit: www.fasciacongress.org.

NCCAM Grant Application Announcements

Title: Biology of Manual Therapies (R21)

Program Number: 87574

Sponsor: National Center for Complementary & Alternative Medicine/NIH/DHHS

Synopsis: The sponsors offer support for studies of the basic science and mechanisms of action underlying the biomechanical, immunological, endocrinological, and/or neurophysiological consequences of manual therapies, such as spinal manipulation, mobilization, and massage therapy. This program will use the NIH Exploratory/Developmental (R21) grant mechanism.

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Program url: <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-06-312.html>

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Deadline Note: The deadlines for receipt of standard applications under this announcement are: February 16, June 16, and October 16 annually. The deadlines for receipt of AIDS-related applications are: January 7, May 7, and September 7 annually. This program will expire on September 8, 2009.

Title: Basic and Preclinical Research on Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) (R01)

Program Number: 88339

Sponsor: National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine/NIH/DHHS

Synopsis: The sponsors offer support for basic and/or preclinical research on CAM areas of special interest with an aim to understand the mechanisms of action of a CAM modality. This program will use the NIH Research Project Grant (R01) award mechanism.

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Program url: <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-09-010.html>

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Deadline Note: Applications may be submitted to Grants.gov in response to this announcement on or after January 5, 2009. The deadlines for receipt of standard R01 applications under this announcement are: February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually. The deadlines for receipt of AIDS-related applications are: January 7, May 7, and September 7 annually. This program will expire on January 8, 2012. Electronic application submission is required for this FOA.

Additional Announcement

JBMT ACCEPTED FOR INDEXING IN MEDLINE

MEDLINE will start indexing entries in the *Journal of Bodywork and Movement Therapies* from the year of acceptance, viz., 2008, beginning with Volume 12(1). Backfiles extending to the year of the journal's inception, 1996, will also be available via PubMed. Congratulations to the JBMT's Editor, Leon Chaitow, ND, DO, and colleagues for this milestone accomplishment.

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