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Dear Colleagues

SEMDSA / NOFSA CONGRESS, 19-22 April 2012

The combined NOFSA (19-20 April) and SEMDSA (20 – 22 April) Congress will be held at the Protea President Hotel, Bantry Bay, Cape Town. DESSA will hold their annual workshop on Friday the 20th April 2012, in parallel with NOFSA

The congress promises to be an extremely exciting and stimulating event and will include plenary and meet-the-expert sessions, lively debates on clinically relevant issues, oral and poster presentations.

We have been fortunate in securing the participation of a large number of eminent overseas experts in the fields of diabetes, general endocrinology and osteoporosis. These include:

- Annamaria Colao (Naples, Italy)
- Edwin Gale (Bristol, UK)
- Bob Millar (Edinburgh, UK)
- David Nathan (Harvard, USA)
- Steven Cummings (San Francisco, USA)
- Roger Bouillon (Leuven, Belgium)
- Roberto Pacifici (Atlanta, USA)

Moreover, an appetizing menu of topics have been tabled by the overseas and local experts, which includes:

- ❖ Medical management of functional pituitary tumours.
- ❖ Osteopenia – a disease we created and now need to treat.
- ❖ Insulin Therapy in T2DM – are we pouring oil on the flames?
- ❖ Novel treatments for osteoporosis
- ❖ Manipulating receptors to treat diabetes and endocrine diseases
- ❖ Androgens and bone
- ❖ Treatment of T1DM : Biologics to Bionics
- ❖ The myth of prediabetes
- ❖ Vitamin D: A clinical perspective
- ❖ Bisphosphonate therapy: When to stop

- ❖ Medical management of GEP-NET tumours
- ❖ Postmenopausal bone loss: an osteo-immunological perspective
- ❖ Epidemiology of osteoporosis in South Africa
- ❖ Kisspeptin – puberty, reproduction and bone health
- ❖ Kyphoplasty – yes or no
- ❖ HIV and bone
- ❖ Incretin therapy – is it the holy grail?
- ❖ HbA1c for diagnosis/screening – is it appropriate for Africa?

Further details regarding the provisional programme, registration, accommodation etc. can be found on our websites www.semdsa.org.za / www.osteoporosis.org.za under 2012 Congress. Registration forms together with the relevant fees must be forwarded to the SEMDSA office.

We look forward to seeing you in Cape Town in April.

Yours sincerely



Prof Brynne Ascott-Evans
CHAIRPERSON
2012 SEMDSA CONGRESS



Prof Stephen Hough
CHAIRPERSON
2012 NOFSA CONGRESS

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 18 APRIL 2012

09:00 – 18:00 Set up of Stands

THURSDAY 19 APRIL 2012

07:00 onwards Registration for Congress

08:00 – 18:00 NOFSA Congress

19:30 NOFSA Dinner

FRIDAY 20 APRIL 2012

07:00 onwards Registration for Congress

08:00 – 16:00 NOFSA Congress

08:00 – 16:00 DESSA Congress

16:00 – 18:00 SEMDSA/NOFSA Overlap Session

18:00 NOFSA Congress closes

18:00 – 19:30 SEMDSA AGM

Free Evening

SATURDAY 21 APRIL 2012

08:00 – 18:00 SEMDSA Congress

09:00 – 14:00 NOFSA Council Meeting

19:30 SEMDSA Awards Evening

SUNDAY 22 APRIL 2012

08:00 – 16:30 SEMDSA Congress

16:30 SEMDSA Congress closes

15:30 Breakdown of stands

REGISTRATION FEES SEMDSA/NOFSA CONGRESS AND DESSA WORKSHOP

NOTE: Registration fees have been reduced for those delegates registering before the 10 February 2012.

REGISTRATION FEES FOR ATTENDANCE OF SEMDSA/NOFSA CONGRESS AND DESSA WORKSHOP

MEMBERS	EARLY REGISTRATION FEE (Before 10/02/2012)	LATE REGISTRATION FEE
SEMDSA/NOFSA Member	R1700,00	R2000,00
Non-SEMDSA/NOFSA Member	R2300,00	R2600,00
Accompanying Persons	R1100,00	R1400,00
Day Registrations	R1400,00	R1800,00
Overseas Delegates	Eur600,00	Eur750,00
Trade Delegates	R1700,00	R2000,00
Annual SEMDSA/NOFSA Membership Fee (renewable on registration of congress)	R450,00	R450,00

CANCELLATIONS

Notice of cancellation must be received in writing no later than **28 FEBRUARY 2012** and a **R600, 00 (Eur 150, 00) administration fee** will be payable, should cancellation be received. No refunds of registration fees will be made after the **28 FEBRUARY 2012**.

REGISTRATION FEE FOR CONGRESS INCLUDES:

Attendance of Scientific Sessions
Teas/Coffees and Refreshments

Social Functions

Luncheons at congress venue
Registrations bags and programmes

PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEES

EITHER:

Internet Transfer/Deposit into our Nedbank account:

Account Name: SEMDSA Account No: 1970416556 Branch: Sandton (197005)

Please use your SURNAME as a reference and email/fax proof of payment to:

Shelley Harris – shelley@semdsa.org.za or 0866537005.

OR:

Cheques can be posted in advance to SEMDSA, PO Box 783155, Sandton 2146.

ACCOMMODATION

Block reservations have been made at Protea Hotel President, Bantry Bay.

STANDARD MOUNTAIN FACING ROOMS

Single Accommodation: R980, 00 per person per night bed & breakfast
Double Accommodation: R595, 00 per person sharing per night bed & breakfast

The above includes 14% VAT but excludes Tourism Levy of 1%.

Should all standard rooms be sold out, the applicable upgrade fees will be applicable
Upgrades; available at the following cost, over and above the standard room rates. Applicable per room per night:

R200 – standard sea facing
R400 – one bedroom apartment non-sea facing
R600 – one bedroom apartment sea facing
R1050 – two bedroom, one bathroom apartment, sea facing
R1250 – two bedroom, two bathroom apartment, sea facing

Should you wish to reserve accommodation please fax/email the attached form directly to Thandi Gxono as follows:

Fax No: 086 546 3321
Email Address: ThandiGxono@presidenthotel.co.za

FIRST DEADLINE DATE: 15 FEBRUARY 2012
FINAL DEADLINE DATE: 1 MARCH 2012

TRANSFERS

Shane Jacobs from Enroute Tourism will do the shuttles to/fm the airport and his details are as follows:

Enroute Tourism and Adventure Centre
Corner Buitensingel and New Church Street Tamboerskloof
+27 827395812
Fax to email: 0867319342
Email: shane1@absamail.co.za

Rates are:

1 person	R270,00
2 people	R290,00
3 people	R310,00
4 people	R330,00

5 people R350,00

Maximum 5 people per transfer.

Bookings must include time of arrival in Cape Town or time of departure from Cape Town as well as flight numbers.

CONGRESS REGISTRATION FORM

DEADLINE DATE: 10 FEBRUARY 2012

SURNAME:

FIRST NAME:

ACCOMPANIED BY:

HPCSA NO:

SEMDSA MEMBERSHIP NO:

POSTAL ADDRESS:

..... **CODE**

TELEPHONE: **HOME:** **WORK:**

FAX NO: **CELL NO:**

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

SPECIAL FOOD REQUIREMENT: **VEGETARIAN:** **FISH:**

REGISTRATION FEES:

DELEGATE: R

ACCOMPANYING PERSON: R

DESSA WORKSHOP ONLY: R
(applicable if not attending SEMDSA)

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FEE: R 450,00

SEMDSA NOFSA
(Please tick appropriate box)

TOTAL: R

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM DULY COMPLETED TOGETHER WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FEE TO SEMDSA, PO BOX 783155, SANDTON 2146 OR EMAIL TO shelley@semdsa.org.za TOGETHER WITH PROOF OF PAYMENT.

CHEQUES MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO: SEMDSA

DO YOU INTEND ATTENDING THE FOLLOWING?

NO. OF PERSONS

NOFSA DINNER (THURSDAY 19 APRIL 2012)

**APPLICATION FOR TRAVEL ASSISTANCE
SEMDSA CONGRESS**

DEADLINE DATE: 10 FEBRUARY 2012

SURNAME:

FIRST NAME:

POSTAL ADDRESS:
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TELEPHONE: **HOME:** **WORK:**

FAX NO: **CELL NO:**

EMAIL ADDRESS:

I AM PRESENTING AN ABSTRACT:

TITLE OF ABSTRACT:
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HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR ASSISTANCE FROM AN INSTITUTION? **YES** **NO**

HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR ASSISTANCE FROM A PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY? **YES** **NO**

HOW MUCH ASSISTANCE HAVE YOU BEEN PROMISED?

HAVE YOU RECEIVED ASSISTANCE FROM SEMDSA FOR PREVIOUS CONGRESSES? **YES** **NO**

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

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2. Single space all typing. Use full width of frame. Do not leave top or left margins within the rectangle. Short abstracts should NOT be centred in the typing space. Font must be arial, size 12 and black in colour.
3. Organise TITLE AND AUTHOR(S) at the top. CAPITALISE the entire title. Do not indent title. Authors and institutions to follow on next line. No space between authors and institution. Initials or names to precede surnames. Underline name of presenting author.
4. Fit the BODY of the abstract below and organise as follows:
 - State specific object of study;
 - Brief description of methods;
 - Summarise results obtained;
 - State conclusions reached.

Abstracts that state “results will be presented” are not acceptable.

Use of standard abbreviations is required. Simple tables of graphs may be included if they fit within the form. No space between paragraphs. Indent each paragraph 3 spaces.

5. PLEASE NOTE THAT NO FAX COPIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.
6. Abstracts may also be submitted electronically via email to shelley@semdsa.org.za. All details can be found on our website www.semdsa.org.za under 2012 Congress. Please do not submit the same abstract in paper form if you have already submitted it via email. Abstracts must be emailed as a word attachment only.
7. Case reports of exceptional interest are also encouraged for submission as poster presentations.
8. **DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ABSTRACTS: 10 FEBRUARY 2012.** Should you wish to post an original please use the address below:

THE CONGRESS SECRETARIAT
SEMDSA
PO BOX 783155
SANDTON
2146
9. Data Projectors will be available for presentations only. The Data Projector accommodates only Powerpoint.
10. Disclosures/Conflict of interest should be mentioned when submitting abstracts.

**ABSTRACT FORM – DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT – 10 FEBRUARY
2012**

TITLE:

**AUTHOR(S):
(and PLACE OF
WORK)**

ABSTRACT BODY:

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SEMDSA (ORAL)		NOFSA (ORAL ONLY)	
SEMDSA (POSTER)			
SEMDSA (ORAL/POSTER)			

3. Please tick those blocks which are applicable to you:

Within 5 years post specialisation

Within 3 years post PHD

Presented at less than 3 SEMDSA Congresses

4. Name and Address of Presenting Author:

Name:

Address:
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Tel: **Fax:** **Email:**