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 DEESSA 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

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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
- Luncheons at congress venue
- Teas/Coffees and Refreshments
- Registrations bags and programmes
- Social Functions

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

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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.
SEMDSA/NOFSA HOTEL ACCOMMODATION RESERVATION
PROTEA PRESIDENT HOTEL, BANTRY BAY
PLEASE FAX/EMAIL BACK TO: PROTEA PRESIDENT HOTEL

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

PLEASE COMPLETE FORM AND RETURN TO PROTEA PRESIDENT HOTEL:
(FAX: 086 546 3321 OR EMAIL: ThandiGxono@presidenthotel.co.za)

SURNAME: ………………………………………………………………………………………………

FIRST NAME: ……………………………………………………………………………………………

ACCOMPANIED BY: ……………………………………………………………………………………

ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED: SINGLE: ………………… DOUBLE: ………………………………

ACCOMPANYING CHILDREN: …………………………………………………………………………

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: (EG COTS) ………………………………………………………………

I WILLSHARE WITH (IF RELEVANT): ………………………………………………………………

CONTACT DETAILS: TEL: ……………………… FAX: ………………………

CELL: ……………………… EMAIL: ………………………

DATE OF ARRIVAL AT HOTEL: ……………………………………………………………………

DATE OF DEPARTURE FROM HOTEL: ………………………………………………………………

Credit Card Details for payment of your Accommodation:

Expiry Date: …………………………… Last 3 or 4 digits on back of card: ………………………

Year: ……………………… Month: ………………………

I, ……………………………, the holder of the abovementioned credit card, hereby authorize the Protea President Hotel to DEBIT my account for the payment of accommodation, as above.

Signature: ______________________________

NB: PLEASE NOTE THAT 1 NIGHT’S HOTEL ACCOMMODATION IS DUE TO SECURE YOUR RESERVATION AND THIS WILL BE DEBITED BY PRESIDENT PROTEA HOTEL. PLEASE FAX A COPY OF THE FRONT AND BACK OF YOUR CARD WHEN YOU SEND THIS RESERVATION FORM.

NB: THE REMAINING ACCOMMODATION BILL MUST BE SETTLED DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL ON DEPARTURE.
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  
[    ] 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

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I AM PRESENTING AN ABSTRACT:

TITLE OF ABSTRACT:

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

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