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REQUEST FOR CANDIDATES – Stop Heart Disease Researcher of the Year Award

Dear Colleague:

In order to promote and support excellence in cardiovascular research in the State of Florida, the Florida Heart Research Foundation (FHRF) announces the 19th annual **Stop Heart Disease Researcher of the Year Award**. This prestigious \$25,000 **award** is given annually to the Florida researcher who is felt to have the broadest impact on the advancement of knowledge in the diagnosis and/or treatment of cardiovascular disease.

Last year, the Florida Heart Research Foundation presented its 18th annual award to Ki Park, MD. Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine and an Interventional Cardiologist at the University of Florida and Malcolm Randall VA Medical Center in Gainesville, Florida. Dr. Park has published numerous manuscripts in the field of women's cardiovascular disease including research on microvascular dysfunction and adverse pregnancy outcomes and long-term cardiac risk. Dr. Park has also presented at national and international cardiology conferences on the topic of pregnancy and cardiovascular disease.

The Florida Heart Research Foundation will be assigning the next award in close collaboration with the Florida Chapter of the American College of Cardiology. **The actual award presentation will be made at the FCACC's annual meeting in Orlando, August 13-15 at Disney's Yacht Club Resort & Convention Center.** For more information on the meeting or to register online, please visit www.accfl.org.

In order to qualify for the award, the researcher must:

- ♥ Be active in the arena of clinical and/or basic cardiovascular research
- ♥ Have reported the results of her/his work in the peer review arena of scientific meetings and/or publications
- ♥ Be recommended for the award by a colleague(s)
- ♥ Be a resident of and conduct research in the State of Florida
- ♥ Be available and willing to accept the award at the annual meeting of the FCACC (expenses for registration for the annual meeting as well as attending the dinner are not included in the award)

Special consideration will be given to those areas of research that:

- ♥ Are felt to be particularly innovative
- ♥ Are unlikely to receive commercial support

All applicants are given serious consideration, even if previously applied and did not receive the award. Preference will be given to researchers in the early portion of their career in order to encourage advancement in the field.

Please submit the researcher's name and curriculum vitae **no later than May 15th** to:

Tracy McLeod at tracym@floridaheart.org

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions on this request. I can be reached at (305) 674-3020. Thank you for your interest in stopping heart disease through research, education and prevention.

Sincerely,

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