



# Midwest Cardiovascular Research Foundation

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## Jesse Stoakes Research Award

Midwest Cardiovascular Research Foundation (MCRF) announces the establishment of the Jesse Stoakes Research Award, open to current high school and college students interested in working in the field of cardiovascular medical research. Up to five (5) students may be selected for the 8-week summer employment stipend of \$2000.

The award is established to honor the memory of Jesse Stoakes, who died in 1996 at the age of 16 as the result of an automobile accident. The son of Penny and David Stoakes of Bettendorf, Iowa, Jesse had an interest in cardiovascular medicine, as well as an enthusiastic zest for life. His mother, Penny, a certified clinical research coordinator for MCRF, has dedicated her knowledge and professionalism to further cardiovascular research.

Nicolas W. Shammass, MS, MD, President and Research Director of the foundation, announced the establishment of the award, citing the foundation's mission for cardiovascular research and education, and the sponsorship of the award to open the world of cardiovascular research to students.

Interested students should submit a letter of application to the foundation, stating their goals, interest and experience in science and research, and send, with their school transcript, to: The Jesse Stoakes Research Award, Midwest Cardiovascular Research Foundation, 1622 E. Lombard St., Davenport, IA 52803. All applications should be received at the MCRF office by March 15th. Announcement of award recipients will be made on April 10th.

Midwest Cardiovascular Research Foundation, established in 2002 by Nicolas W. Shammass, MS, MD, is a non-profit, tax-exempt educational and scientific research organization dedicated to heart health, education and awareness in the communities served through quality research and educational programs and projects. To learn more about the foundation, visit the website at [www.mcrfmd.com](http://www.mcrfmd.com). Tax-deductible contributions for the Jesse Stoakes Research Award Fund should be sent to 1622 E. Lombard Street, Davenport, IA 52803, and designated to the fund restricted solely for the Jesse Stoakes Research Award.



**Upcoming Events:** Log onto our website [www.mcrfmd.com](http://www.mcrfmd.com) for more information on the following events.

### Cardiovascular Interventions and Practice Guidelines (CIPG) 2006

The Cardiovascular Interventions and Practice Guidelines (CIPG) 2006 Annual Scientific Sessions will be held at the Radisson Quad City Plaza, Davenport, Iowa, October 13-14, 2006.

The sessions will begin at 1:00p.m. on Friday, October 13th, with combined educational seminars for both physicians and allied health care professionals.

On Saturday, October 14th, concurrent sessions will be held, beginning at 8:00a.m., one track for physicians and one for allied health care professionals. The sessions will conclude by 4:00p.m. Saturday.



### Drug Eluting Stent Conference

The Drug Eluting Stent conference is a point-counterpoint session being held at The FIGGE Art Museum, Davenport, Iowa, June 9, 2006.

This conference is held to present an educational session featuring speakers in point-counterpoint presentations on the features and benefits of the Cypher Stent and Future DES Stents, and the Taxus Stent.

The session will begin at 6:20p.m. on Friday, June 9th, with a point presentation on the Cypher stent and Future Drug Eluting Stents" and a counterpoint presentation on the "Late lumen loss and the Taxus stent: Clinically these stents are equivalent". Speakers TBA (to be announced).

## Clinical Trials

The following clinical trials are on-going at MCRF:

- ♥ COSTAR: Cobalt chromium STent with Antiproliferative for Restenosis II Trial....Principal Investigator: Eric Dippel, MD, Clinical Coordinator: Caroline Sloane, RN, Contact Phone Number: 563-324-4384, Sponsor: Conor Medsystems
- ♥ EXACT: Emboshield and Xact Post Approval Carotid Stent Trial using the Emboshield® Bare Wire™ Rapid Exchange Embolic and Xact® Rapid Exchange Carotid Stent System ...Principal Investigator: Eric Dippel, MD, Clinical Coordinator: Penny Stoakes, RN, Contact Phone Number: 563-324-4384, Sponsor: Abbott Vascular Devices
- ♥ FUSION II: Follow-up serial infusions of Natreacor® (nesiritide) for the management of patients with heart failure....Prinicpal Investigator: Nicolas Shammass, MD, Clinical Coordinator: Penny Stoakes, RN, Contact Phone Number: 563-324-4384, Sponsor: Scios
- ♥ GENASIS (VEGF): A multi-center, randomized, double-blind, dose ranging placebo-controlled study evaluating defined doses of percutaneously delivered via boston scientific stiletto™ endocardial direct injection catheter system pvgi.1 (vegf2) (placebo, 20, 200, or 800µg) in patients with class III or IV angina ....Principal Investigator: Eric Dippel, MD, Clinical Coordinator: Penny Stoakes, RN, Contact Phone Number: 563-324-4384, Sponsor: Corautus/Boston Scientific
- ♥ IMPROVE-IT: A multi-center, double-blind randomized study to establish the clinical benefit and safety of Vytorin (Ezetimibe/Simvastatin Tablet) vs. Simvastatin Monotherapy in high-risk subjects presenting with acute coronary syndrome (IMProved Reduction of Outcomes: Vytorin EffiCaCY International ....Principal Investigator: Nicola Shammass, MD, Clinical Coordinator: Caroline Sloane, RN, Contact Phone Number: 563-324-4384, Sponsor: Schering-Plough
- ♥ IVUS: Phase III multi-center, double-blind, randomized, parallel group evaluation of the fixed combination torcetrapid/atorvastatin, administered orally, once daily (qd), compared with atorvastatin alone, on the occurrence of major cardiovascular events in subjects with coronary heart disease or risk equivalents....Principal Investigator: Eric Dippel, MD, Clinical Coordinator: Caroline Sloane, RN, Contact Phone Number: 563-324-4384, Sponsor: Pfizer
- ♥ RESIST: A prospective, randomized, multi-center study comparing the safety and efficacy of Renal Artery Stenting with and withtour the use of a Distal Protection Device (AngioGuard) and with and without the use of a Platelet Aggregator Inhibitor (Abciximab)....Principal Investigator: Eric Dippel, MD, Clinical Coordinator: Penny Stoakes, RN, Contact Phone Number: 563-324-4384, Sponsor: Cordis
- ♥ RESISTOR: Research Evaluation to Study Individuals who Show Thromboxane Or P2Y12 Receptor Resistance....Principal Investigator: Nicolas Shammass, MD, Clinical Coordinator: Penny Stoakes, RN, Contact Phone Number: 563-324-4384, Sponsor: Schering-Plough

## Upcoming Trials

Trials coming soon to MCRF:

- ♥ ZOMAX....Principal Investigator: Nicolas Shammass, MD, Sponsor: Abbott Vascular Devices
- ♥ CRESCENDO....Principal Investigator: Brian Anseeuw, MD, Sponsor: Sanofi-Aventis
- ♥ PHASE ZERO....Principal Investigator: Eric Dippel, MD, Sponsor: Fox Hollow
- ♥ SFA (Superficial Femoral Artery)....Principal Investigator: Eric Dippel, MD, Sponsor: Cordis
- ♥ STEALTH II....Principal Investigator: Eric Dippel, MD, Sponsor: Biosensors International USA
- ♥ VIVA I....Principal Investigator: Eric Dippel, MD, Sponsor: Prairie Education and Research Cooperative
- ♥ TRANSCEND....Principal Investigator: Nicolas Shammass, MD, Sponsor: Schering-Plough

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