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Introduction

Computers in Cardiology holds its seventeenth consecutive annual scientific meeting this year in Chicago, on the shores of beautiful Lake Michigan in the heart of the United States. We look forward to an exciting and enriching program which will bring together cardiologists, physiologists, and engineers from the USA and Europe who share a common interest in the application of modern technology to clinical and research problems in cardiology.

Several aspects of this meeting hold special promise. Our hosts Bob Arzbacher and Ken Ripley, with the support of the local committee, have organized a special symposium on Sunday in collaboration with the American Heart Association of Metropolitan Chicago. A panel of international experts in cardiology and biomedical engineering will review the latest technology available for the diagnosis and treatment of cardiac rhythm disturbances. We are grateful to the AHA and to a number of industrial sponsors whose support has made this special symposium possible. We also acknowledge the receipt of a grant from the National Institutes of Health which will partially underwrite the expenses of this year's meeting of Computers in Cardiology.

The social program planned by our local hosts will be a memorable one, and celebrates the beauty of Chicago as seen from the waterfront. We hope it will be a time for renewal of old friendships and the making of new ones.

We send our thanks and congratulations to the local hosts. We look forward to the outstanding technical program, and a time of social and scientific enrichment.

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