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2001 Annual Meeting Chicago, IL — June 21 - 24, 2001

The 77th annual meeting of the American Association of Neuropathologists will take place June 21-24, 2001, at the Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza Hotel in Chicago, IL.

Meeting Program **Complete Program on Website**

223 papers have been selected by the Program Committee for presentation at what promises to be an exciting scientific program in Chicago. Morning and afternoon platform sessions will run concurrently. This year *one* poster session will be presented each day. This should allow ample opportunity for interested members to view posters that will be on display for the entire day. Abstracts are published in the May 2001 issue of the *Journal of Neuropathology and Experimental Neurology* and the entire program is posted on the AANP web site.

This year, in an effort to curtail mailing and printing costs, the program booklet that previously was mailed with the May Newsletter will be distributed with registration materials at the meeting. In the meantime, attendees may preview the complete program and confirm presentation times by visiting the website, www.aanp-jnen.com.

Online Registration--A Success!

Members have been taking advantage of the online meeting registration that is available on the website, www.aanp-jnen.com. Already more than one-third of registrants have registered online with more and more being received every day. Online registration is not only convenient for members, but also streamlines office procedures by eliminating the need for time consuming handwriting deciphering and re-entry of information into our database. Members registering online use a credit card for payment in a secure environment. The AANP now accepts payment by all major credit cards, including VISA, MasterCard, American Express and Discover.

Pre-register Through June 14 Save \$25

If you have not yet registered for the 2001 meeting, please do so as soon as possible.

To register online in a credit card secure environment, visit the website, www.aanp-jnen.com. Alternately, you may register by returning the registration form that was sent with the March newsletter (also downloadable from the website) to the Secretary-Treasurer. Pre-registration fees through June 14th are \$100 for members, \$150 for Nonmembers and \$30 for Trainees. **Late and on-site registrants will be charged an additional \$25 processing fee.** If you plan to attend the Special Course, please include an additional \$125. Also, please indicate on the Registration Form if you wish to attend the Reception, and include additional payment (\$10 for members/ faculty and \$5 for students/ residents/ fellows).

Hotel Reservations

Hotel reservations at the Mart Plaza are due by May 29 to guarantee rooms at the special meeting rate. After this date, rooms will be confirmed on a space-available basis only. Reservations may be made by calling the hotel (312-836-5000), or by faxing (312-222-9508) the hotel reservation form that was sent with the March newsletter (also downloadable from the website) to the Mart Plaza Hotel directly. Special room rates for meeting attendees (excluding state and local taxes, single or double occupancy) is \$155 per-night.

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Airport Transportation

The Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza Hotel is located in Downtown Chicago at 350 North Orleans St, just north of the Chicago Loop. The Chicago EL train (Merchandise Mart stop on the Brown Line) allows easy access to the hotel and many visitor attractions. Transportation between Chicago airports and the Mart Plaza Hotel may be made by taxi, shuttle or train. Rates for travel:

<u>To/ From</u>	<u>Taxi</u> <u>One-Way</u>	<u>Shuttle*</u> <u>One-Way/Rd Trip</u>	<u>EL Train</u> <u>One-Way</u>
O'Hare	\$35	\$19/ \$34	\$1.50
Midway	\$25	\$14/ \$25	\$1.50

*A special \$2 off coupon provided by Airport Express was included with the March Newsletter. Additional coupons may be requested from the Secretary-Treasurer.

CHICAGO--the Windy, Second City

As one of the world's great tourist destinations, Chicago plays host to millions of visitors annually who enjoy its varied architecture, museums, theaters, concerts, restaurants, shopping, sporting events and unique neighborhoods. Many of Chicago's major attractions are only a short ride or walk from the Mart Plaza Hotel. Included with this mailing is a recent article, *Your Kind of Town*, describing some of the sights and attractions of this magnificent city, reprinted with permission from *Home & Away*, the official publication of the AAA Minnesota/ Iowa. (Note the photograph of the Merchandise Mart and Chicago River located adjacent to the Mart Plaza Hotel). We hope that your trip to the Midwest's largest city will be pleasant and enjoyable.

Update Member Information Online

You can easily update your membership data online. Please click on "Members, click here to update your information" link after entering the on-line directory. Alternately, please send or fax your new address, phone, fax, email and whether or not you want to be included in the Online Member Directory to the Office of the Secretary-Treasurer.

Please Visit the AANP and JNEN web site, www.aanp-jnen.com, for up-to-the-minute AANP news and information.

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ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS AND INFORMATION

Special Course (*Thursday, June 21*)

The special course for the 2001 meeting, *Developmental Neurobiology*, organized by President Stephen J. DeArmond will review molecular mechanisms that determine and control nervous system development and to bridge the gap between molecular and cellular biology of nervous system development and etiology and pathogenesis of neurological disorders. An outstanding roster of speakers has been assembled and ample time for questions and discussion will be available. The program will include the following topics and lecturers:

Patterning of CNS & Axon Guidance

Dennis D. O'Leary (San Diego, CA)

Molecular Control of Neuronal Migration

Thomas Curran (Memphis, TN)

CDC kinase and Neurodegeneration

Li-Huei Tsai (Boston, MA)

Molecular Mechanism of Forebrain Development

Jeffrey A. Golden (Philadelphia, PA)

Neurotrophins – Window to Neuronal Functions

Louis F. Reichardt (San Francisco, CA)

Transcriptional Control of Neuronal Survival and Differentiation

Eric Huang (San Francisco, CA)

Developmental Abnormalities of the Nervous System in Human & Animal Models

Harvey B. Sarnat (Seattle, WA)

Scientific Program (*June 22 & 23*)

Concurrent platform and poster sessions will be held all day Friday and Saturday, June 22 and 23. The program will provide up-to-date developments in all areas of experimental, research and practical neuropathology. Poster sessions will run from 8:00 am to 5:30 pm. Although no poster discussion sessions will be held this year, authors are encouraged to be present at designated times to facilitate discussion with other interested attendees. Presenters with **EVEN** numbered posters should be present for the half-hour before both morning and afternoon breaks; those with **ODD** numbers should be present for the half-hours after the breaks. Members are responsible for disseminating this information to their residents, fellows and guests.

Business Meeting (*12 noon, Friday & Saturday, June 22 & 23*)

The annual business meeting will be held at 12 noon on both Friday, June 22 and Saturday, June 23. The 2001 Meritorious Service Awards to Neuropathology will be presented on Friday June 22. All members are asked to attend.

Sears Tower Reception (*Friday evening, June 22*)

The annual reception for meeting attendees and their guests will be held at the Top of the Tower on the 99th floor of the Sears Tower on Friday evening, June 22nd. Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be available. Several door prizes will be awarded. Admission is \$10 for faculty/staff and \$5 for students/residents/fellows. Those wishing to attend may submit payment with the pre-registration form, or may purchase tickets at the meeting. "Continuous" round-trip shuttle bus transportation between the Mart Plaza Hotel and the Sears Tower will be provided from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. The reception is sponsored in part by generous contributions from Elan Pharmaceuticals, Oxford University Press and DAKO Corporation. Please note that the reception does not include admission to the Sears Tower Sky Deck Observatory that is open 9 am - 11 pm daily. The cost is \$8.50 for adults.

Saul R. Korey Lecture (*11 AM, Saturday, June 23*)

Professor Paul Kleihues, Lyon, France, will present the **Saul R. Korey** lecture. Dr. Kleihues' lecture, *Molecular Biology of Brain Tumors*, will provide an up-to-date review of this important topic.

Diagnostic Slide Session (*8 PM, Saturday, June 23*)

Annual Diagnostic Slide Session slides and protocols may be purchased for \$40 USD. Foreign checks (including Canadian) must be issued through an American Bank with a routing number. If payment is made by an institutional check, please make certain that the recipient's name is listed. Make checks payable to "Diagnostic Slide Session" and mail to: Leroy R. Sharer, M.D., Department of Pathology, New Jersey Medical School, 185 South Orange Avenue, Newark, NJ 07103. Sets are limited to one per person. The protocols will be sent from New Jersey, and the slides from Boston. Slide delivery before the meeting for any order received after May 14, 2001 cannot be guaranteed.

ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION

Presidential Symposium (8 AM, Sunday, June 24)

Dr. Stephen DeArmond's **Presidential Address**, *Mechanisms of Degeneration in Prion Diseases*, will be featured at the Presidential Symposium. In addition, Dr. Cheryl Wellington (Vancouver, BC) will speak on *Huntingtin: A Fulcrum between Life and Death*, and Dr. Ralph A. Nixon (New York, NY) on *Lysosomal Mechanisms of Neurodegeneration*. As part of the Symposium, the **Matthew T. Moore Distinguished Lecture**, *Receptor-mediated Neurodegeneration*, will be presented by Dr. Dennis W. Choi (St. Louis, MO). During the Symposium, annual AANP awards including the Rubinstein Award for the best paper in neuro-oncology, the Weil Award for the best paper in experimental neuropathology and the Moore Award for the best clinicopathological correlation will be presented.

CME Credit

The American Association of Neuropathologists is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians. The AANP certifies the *Special Course* as a continuing medical education activity and meets the criteria for 7 credit hours in Category 1 of the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association. The AANP further certifies the *Scientific Sessions*, the *Korey Lecture*, the *Diagnostic Slide Session* and the *Presidential Symposium* as continuing medical education activities that meet the criteria for 19 credit hours in Category 1 of the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association.

Activity	CME Credit Hours
Special Course	7
Scientific Sessions	12
Korey Lecture	1
Dx Slide Session	3
Presidential Symposium	3
Total	26

Attendees should claim credit only for those activities attended.

FUTURE MEETINGS

2002: Marriott Denver City Center, Denver, CO
June 20 - 23, 2002

2003: Wyndham Orlando Resort, Orlando, FL
June 19 - 22, 2003

PRESENTATION SUGGESTIONS

Platform Presentations:

A maximum of 10 minutes speaking time will be allowed for each platform presentation, followed by 5 minutes for questions and discussion, with a total of 15 minutes allotted to each presentation. Chairpersons are instructed to interrupt the speaker, if necessary, to adhere to the time constraints. Strict adherence to the time limits and schedule allows members of the audience to move between sessions and view all presentations in which they are interested. Each platform presentation should include a brief introduction (preferably with hypothesis clearly stated), a statement of methods, a summary of the data, and a conclusion that states how the current study advances the field. The Program Committee hopes that stimulating dialogue will be generated by each platform presentation. To facilitate audience involvement, presenters/ or chairperson(s) should repeat/ clarify questions from the audience.

Poster Presentations:

Display panels consist of 4' x 8' (1.23 x 2.46 m) poster boards mounted horizontally on a pedestal at a convenient viewing level. The top of the poster should include a heading indicating the title, author(s) and institution(s), with lettering not less than 2.5 cm (1") high. A copy of the abstract should be posted in the upper left-hand corner. Studies alluded to in the text must be referenced. Since text and illustrations will be viewed from distances of 3 feet or more, all lettering should be at least 3/8" (~1 cm) high, preferably in bold font. Block lettering may be used to add emphasis and clarity. Captions should be brief and labels few and clear. It is helpful if the sequence to be followed in studying your material is indicated by numbers, letters or arrows.

Additional suggestions for effective poster presentations may be found in: Woolsey JD: Combating poster fatigue: how to use visual grammar and analysis to effect better visual communications. *Trends in Neurosciences* 12(9): 325-32, 1989.

Posters may be mounted by Velcro or push-pins. Please take your own mounting tapes/ push-pins (preferably 5/8" long) to the meeting. Thumb tacks are not adequate to fasten your display. **PUSH-PINS and VELCRO tapes will NOT be provided.**

ASSOCIATION NEWS and NOTICES

Membership Directory Now Online

Several positive comments have been received about the Online Member Directory, particularly for finding members who have relocated.

IF you are NOT listed in the Online Member Directory, it is because you either indicated NO or left BLANK the option to be included on the 2001 Dues Form. We have made every attempt to protect the privacy of members not wishing to have their name, address, phone, fax and email listed online. If you are not currently listed in the Online Member Directory and would like to be included, you can change your preference at any time by updating your membership information, either online or by writing to or faxing the Secretary-Treasurer.

Members may update online by clicking on the "Members, click here to update your information" link after entering the on-line directory. Please indicating any changes when prompted. Maintaining up to date mailing information assures you of receiving your AANP mailings and your copies of the *Journal of Neuropathology and Experimental Neurology*.

A printed 2001 directory of members will be sent with the June issue of the JNEN. According to the Association's policy, members who have not paid their 2001 dues will not be listed.

LOST, but not forgotten

Keeping track of members of the AANP remains a constant challenge to the Office of Secretary-Treasurer. The following members have been lost—mailings from the AANP are returned and we are unable to reach them. If you know the whereabouts of any of the following individuals, please contact the Secretary-Treasurer with this information as soon as possible.

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NEUROPATHOLOGY 2002 in Helsinki

-Matti J. Haltia, MD

NEUROPATHOLOGY 2002, the 7th European Congress of Neuropathology, will be held in Helsinki, Finland on July 14-17, 2002. The Congress is organized by the Scandinavian Neuropathological Society under the auspices of the European Confederation of Neuropathological Societies. Major fields of neuropathology will be covered by plenary lectures and/or special symposia. Special emphasis will be placed on nervous system neoplasms, the impact of molecular genetics on diagnostics, and the most recent developments in diagnostic methods. Ample space for free poster presentations will be available. The Congress will be preceded by a 4-day Euro-CNS course on brain tumors for neuropathology trainees (organized by Dr. Dirk Troost, Netherlands), and will be followed by the 8th International Conference on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders, July 18-23 in Stockholm, Sweden. This will permit attendees to participate in several congresses on the same tour. Visit the website <http://www.congex.fi/neuropathology2002> for additional information and to pre-register for the Congress.

International Society of Neuropathology

-Davide Schiffer and Samuel K Ludwin

The International Society of Neuropathology and the Italian Association of Neuropathology announce the XVth International Congress of Neuropathology to be held at the Lingotto Congress Center, Turin, Italy, September 14-18, 2003.

Turin is located in northwestern Italy, close to France. Although now an industrial city, it is rich in history and historical monuments. Encircled by the snowy Alps, it lies in a pleasant region celebrated for its food and wines.

Turin is easily reachable by car and is served by two airports: intercontinental Malpensa airport and international Caselle airport. The Congress will offer a high level scientific program, including plenary lectures, symposia, workshops, sections and poster presentations, showcasing modern trends of Neuropathology as a basic-scientific, diagnostic and clinically oriented discipline. Participation in the Congress will provide the opportunity to visit Italy and central European sites within a few hours driving distance. A social and accompanying person program will be available. For further information, visit the Congress website, <http://www.newtours.it/icnp2003>.

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Committees play a pivotal role in the operation of the AANP and in the success of the annual meeting. It is with much gratitude that we acknowledge the dedicated chairs and members of our committees.

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