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10-13 JUNE 2010

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The 86th Annual meeting of the American Association of Neuropathologists will be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel, June 10-13 2009. Philadelphia was chosen as the site of this year's meeting in honor of the 50th anniversary of the incorporation of the association in Philadelphia. Please be sure to attend, both to celebrate the history of our organization and to participate in a clinical-scientific program designed to look at how our field may change over the next decade.

Register online now at www.neuropath.org.

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Preliminary Program

Special Course:

This year the special course will focus on *Hereditary Tumor Syndromes of the Nervous System: Clinical, Pathological and Biological Updates*. Presenters include Elizabeth Henske, Brigham and Women's Hospital; Harry Vinters, UCLA; Anat Stemmer-Rachamimov and David N. Louis, Massachusetts General Hospital; David Guttman, Washington University; Bernd Scheithauer, Mayo Clinic; Arie Perry, Washington University; Alex Judkins, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; and William Kaelin, Dana-Farber Cancer Center. The course will provide a broad overview of the latest understanding of these fascinating and diverse syndromes. The topics will be of interest to most neuropathologists, since they will touch on clinical, pathological and biological aspects of both the neoplastic and developmental components of these syndromes.

Presidential Symposium:

The Presidential Symposium titled "*Big Science*" and *the Transition to Personalized Medicine: How Can Neuropathologists Play Roles in Large-Scale Clinical, Translational and Basic Research?* will include presentations from David Louis, Massachusetts General Hospital; Ken Aldape, MD Anderson; Scott Vandenberg, UCSD and Mark Gilbert, MD Anderson. The symposium aims to update neuropathologists on several important and potentially transformative large-scale scientific projects, and to highlight the potential key roles that neuropathologists can play in them and the ways that these projects may well impact the way we practice neuropathology.

Historical Mini-Symposium:

In recognition of the 50th anniversary of the incorporation of the AANP, an historical mini-symposium is planned. Lecturers include Michael Hart, University of Wisconsin, Arthur Asbury, University of Pennsylvania; and David Louis, Massachusetts General Hospital. The talks will look back at the history of the AANP and at the history of neurology and neuropathology in the United States from the perspectives of both a neurologist and a pathologist.

Saul Korey Lecture:

The Saul Korey Lecture will be presented by **Peter C. Burger, MD**, Johns Hopkins University, and will relate to key topics in neuro-oncology from the perspective of a leader in surgical neuropathology.

DeArmond Lecture:

The DeArmond Lecture will be presented by **Todd Golde, MD**, Mayo Clinic, Florida, and will explore cutting-edge therapeutic approaches to treating neurodegenerative diseases from a biological perspective.

Parisi/TEVA Lecture:

The Teva Neuroscience/Parisi Lecture will be presented by **Joseph Dalmau**, University of Pennsylvania, and will focus on the rapidly changing field of paraneoplastic syndromes, from the perspective of a leader in the field who has helped define the clinical and biological features of a number of such syndromes.

Moore Lecture:

The Moore Lecture will be presented by **Mark Gilbert**, MD Anderson Cancer Center, as part of the Presidential Symposium (see above).

Meeting Registration:

Due to the increased cost of venue prices, registration fees have been increased for the 2010 meeting. Early bird fees are \$275.00 for members, \$325.00 for non-members and \$175.00 for trainees. The special course fee remains the same at \$155.00 and the diagnostic glass slide set is \$60.00. After April 20th 2010 the registration fees will increase by \$25.00 so be sure to register early. To register online or make hotel reservations go to www.neuropath.org and follow the meeting links.

Call For Abstracts

We are now soliciting abstract submissions for the 2010 meeting. We are allowing three first author submissions per member. Abstracts must be submitted electronically. The meeting link at www.neuropath.org will take you to the instruction page – please follow the directions carefully. Authors will be sent an email to verify receipt of abstracts. Notification of acceptance and programming decisions regarding the abstracts will also be sent via email. If you have any questions please contact the Program Chair, Dr. Aryn Rojiani at:

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Abstract Deadline: February 5, 2010

Abstracts must be received by midnight on February 5, 2010
ABSTRACT DEADLINE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED
Abstracts must be submitted online and must include a copyright Release and
Disclosure/Conflict of Interest form

Diagnostic Slide Information:

The O.T. Bailey-Helena Riggs Award

The Award for the Best Presentation of a Case by a Trainee at the Diagnostic Slide Session has been named the "O.T. Bailey-Helena Riggs Award" in honor of the founding Moderator and Manager of the Diagnostic Slide Session. This award of \$500 will be presented at the awards ceremony of the American Association of Neuropathologists.

The popular Diagnostic Slide Session, moderated by Dr. Anthony Yachnis, will be held on Saturday June 12, 2010 at 8:00 pm. Members who have cases they would like to have considered for inclusion should contact:

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Please provide a brief clinical summary and the key diagnostic points, e-mailed as a short powerpoint or word document. A single representative H&E-stained slide should be sent by mail, and you must be able to supply 150 slides. Small biopsies of interesting entities may also be considered for presentation and will be posted using virtual microscopy. The deadline for consideration is **February 2nd, 2010**. Contributors will be notified of the decision by February 28th.

Members may purchase a set of glass slides of the cases to be presented by using the 2010 meeting registration form at www.neuropath.org. Alternatively, members may send a check for \$60.00 made payable to "Diagnostic Slide Session" to:

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Foreign checks, including Canadian, must be issued through an American Bank with a proper routing number. If payment is made by an institutional check, please make certain that the recipient's name is listed on the check or the accompanying paperwork. A limited number of sets are available and these will be sold on a first-come first serve basis, limited to one per person. The protocols will be posted online and the slides sent from Florida in early May.

Hotel Information:

The 2010 meeting will be held at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel at 1200 Market Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19107 (Phone: 215-627-1200). The hotel is located in downtown Philadelphia. Area attractions include the Philadelphia Museum of Art, The Philadelphia Zoo, The Franklin Institute Science Museum, Fairmount Park, and numerous fine eateries. Amenities include a heated lap pool, spa and fitness center, gift shop, pet walking and sitting service and valet parking. Valet parking is \$38.00 overnight. Check in time is 3:00pm and check out is at noon.

If you have not already made your room reservations at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel please do so prior to May 10, 2010 to ensure that you get a room at the meeting rate. Room rates are \$209.00 for single and double occupancy. Please make your reservations at <http://www.loewshotels.com/en/Hotels/Philadelphia-Hotel/GroupOffers/AAN.aspx>.

Transportation to and from the hotel:

The hotel is approximately 15 minutes from the Philadelphia Airport and 5 minutes from the 30th Street Amtrak Station. A taxi from the airport will charge a flat rate of \$25.00. Public transportation is also available.

Driving Directions (per hotel website):

I-95 from the North (Trenton, Betsy Ross Bridge):

- Follow 95 South to exit 22 (Central Philadelphia)
- Follow signs for 676 West
- Continue on 676 to the Broad Street exit
- Make first left onto Vine Street
- Follow Vine to third light (12th Street) and make a right
- Pass the Convention Center
- Cross Market Street
- Entrance and valet parking on right-hand side.

I-95 from the South (Delaware, Maryland, Philadelphia International Airport):

- Follow 95 North to exit 22 (Central Philadelphia)
- Follow signs for 676 West
- Continue on 676 to the Broad Street exit
- Continue onto 15th Street
- Follow 15th Street through seven traffic lights (City Hall on left)
- Continue around City Hall
- Make right onto Market Street
- Drive to 12th Street (Loews Hotel is on the right)
- Make right onto 12th Street
- Entrance and valet parking on right-hand side

From the NJ turnpike (New York) and Ben Franklin Bridge (Cherry Hill, NJ):

- Follow New Jersey turnpike South to exit 4 (Camden/Philadelphia)
- Follow 73 North to 38 West to 30 West
- Follow signs for Ben Franklin Bridge
- Staying in center lane, follow signs for Vine Street/Local Traffic
- Follow Vine Street to 12th Street

- Turn Left onto 12th Street
- Continue approximately four blocks
- Pass Convention Center
- Cross Market Street
- Entrance and valet parking on right-hand side

From 76 East:

- Follow 76 East to exit 344 (676 East)
- Continue on 676 to the Broad Street exit
- Follow signs for Vine Street/Local Traffic
- Continue on Vine to the third light (12th Street)
- Turn right onto 12th Street
- Pass Convention Center
- Cross Market Street
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CME STATEMENT

The American Association of Neuropathologists is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians and designated the following continuing medical education activities for credit hours in Category 1 of the Physician’s Recognition Award of the American Medical Association.

2008 Meeting	Credits
Special Course	7
Saul Korey Lecture	1
DeArmond Lecture	1
Teva/Parisi Lecture	1
Scientific Sessions	9
Presidential Symposium	3
AANP DSS Session	3
Total	25

Future AANP Meetings

2010 Will be held at Loews Philadelphia Hotel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 10-13 June 2010.

2010 XVII International Congress of Neuropathology, Salzburg, Austria 11-15 September 2010.

Visit www.icn2010.org for more details.

2011 Will be held at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel, Seattle, Washington, 23-26 June 2011.

Other Meetings

II International Pathology Meeting - Along the Way to Santiago will be held in Portugal and Spain on May 21-28, 2010. Course Directors are Dr. Juan Rosai, Dr. Jerónimo Forteza and Dr. Manuel Sobrinho-Simoes, visit www.waytosantiago-pathologymeeting.com for further information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW JNEN WEBSITE

As many of you know from the previous meeting a number of changes/improvements have been made to the JNEN website. The new features include:

- Featured articles “most popular”, “most viewed” and “most e-mailed” papers
- New opportunities for article delivery including a user-tested, enhanced HTML Format for easier reading
- Personal customization options including saved searches, personal collections, e-mail a colleague, and RSS alerts
- New image tools like export to PowerPoint, add to ‘my collection’, and e-mail a colleague
- Easily Link to citation managers and look at other articles by the author in the journal, PubMed and Google Scholar
- Improved search across all content and media types

Visit the new journal site at jneuropath.com to see the improvements.

CORSELLIS BRAIN BANK

On behalf of the Corsellis brain bank, held by the West London Mental Health Trust, UK:

We are interested in receiving tissue requests. Our brain bank has been collecting cases for 50 years, and has a total of 8600 brains and sections from various disorders and control cases. A brief summary of some of the disorders we hold is listed below.

Our database for each case contains sex and age at death, date of death and autopsy, the PM delay (where known), the tissue and records held, the main and additional diagnoses, concurrent disorders and causes of death. The diagnosis codes are based on ICD-10 criteria. We hold, for the majority of cases, paraffin-embedded blocks, histologically stained slides and wet tissue held in 10% formalin (4% formaldehyde v/v).

Also we hold extensive medical and neuropsychiatric records, autopsy and neuropathology reports, with additional pre-fixated photographs and x-rays of intact brains prior to dissection. Tissue is processed in the Neuropathology Unit of Imperial College London, Division of Neurosciences and Mental Health, UK.

In order to supply tissue require a copy of the abstract and approximate experimental design, and also a copy of the ethics approval for the study. However we can review, dissect, process and section tissue without this. Also we are operating a cost-recovery scheme, whereas our costs for the processing of tissue will be expected to be met.

We are happy to answer informal queries, or address formal requests. For details please email Dr. Matthew Williams at the address below.

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