Winter Rheumatology Symposium

Saturday, January 24 – Friday, January 30, 2009 Snowmass Conference Center; Snowmass Village, Colorado

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"A wonderful meeting with a great range of topics and speakers. This meeting is a benchmark for measuring others." ~2008 Winter Rheumatology participant

The Winter Rheumatology Symposium is a six-day review of the latest clinical and scientific information relevant to the field of rheumatology. The 2009 schedule provides opportunities to discuss the latest treatments and scientific research during educational sessions while taking advantage of the recreational and cultural amenities of Aspen-Snowmass.

TARGET AUDIENCE

- » Rheumatologists, physicians and other healthcare providers caring for patients with rheumatic diseases
- » Rheumatologists, physicians and other healthcare providers interested in or engaged in research in the field of rheumatology

OBIECTIVES

The Winter Rheumatology Symposium offers a balanced mixture of basic science and clinical information on topics of current interest presented by experts in the field. The program will offer didactic sessions, case-based presentations and interactive opportunities with faculty whose expertise includes basic science, clinical investigation and management of patients with rheumatic diseases.

Upon completion of this program, participants should be able to:

- » discuss the most up-to-date, practical clinical information on the diagnosis and management of patients with rheumatic and immunologic disorders
- » describe the most current information concerning the pathophysiology that underlies rheumatic disorders

Needs Assessment: It is important for rheumatologists to continue to improve the treatment of their patients by staying informed of recent updates and advances in the field. From past evaluations it has been recognized that this CME meeting provides a comprehensive update for rheumatologists through didactic education, underlying pathophysiology and therapeutic approaches in rheumatology that will improve their patient care.

CME INFORMATION

The American College of Rheumatology is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians.

The American College of Rheumatology designates the Winter Rheumatology Symposium for a maximum of 23 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits[™]. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

As a division of the American College of Rheumatology, the Association of Rheumatology Health Professionals (ARHP), offers a Certificate of Participation. The ARHP designates the Winter Rheumatology Symposium for 23 hours of participation.

CME credit and certificates of participation will be provided for scientific registrants only.

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Register now....space is limited. Go to www.rheumatology.org. Advance Registration Deadline: January 5, 2009

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

6:00–7:30 PM Welcome Reception and Registration (for scientific attendees and registered guests)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

7:00–8:00 AM Targeted Gene Therapy in Inflammatory Arthritis Phillip J. Mease, MD; Seattle Rheumatology Associates

8:00–9:00 AM Systemic Lupus Erythematosus I Richard John Looney, MD; University of Rochester

4:30–5:30 PM Cheurg Strauss Disease Ulrich Specks, MD; Mayo Clinic

5:30–6:30 PM A New Look at Cartilage Douglas W. Goodwin, MD; Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center

MONDAY, JANUARY 26

7:00–8:00 AM Pulmonary Manifestations of Rheumatic Diseases Ulrich Specks, MD; Mayo Clinic

8:00–9:00 AM Psoriatic Arthritis Phillip J. Mease, MD; Seattle Rheumatology Associates

4:30–5:30 PM Systemic Lupus Erythematosus II Richard John Looney, MD; University of Rochester

5:30–6:30 PM Radiology for the Rheumatologist Douglas W. Goodwin, MD; Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

7:00–8:00 AM Rheumatoid Arthritis Update Michael E. Weinblatt, MD; Brigham and Women's Hospital 8:00–9:00 AM Rheumatoid Arthritis Panel Michael E. Weinblatt, MD; Brigham and Women's Hospital John J. Cush, MD; Baylor Research Institute William F.C. Rigby, MD; Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center

4:30–5:30 PM Developing Targeted Therapies for the Systemic Amyloidoses Laura M. Dember, MD; Boston University School of Medicine

5:30–6:30 PM Practice Patterns of Rheumatologists John J. Cush, MD; Baylor Research Institute

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

7:00–8:00 AM Current Controversies in Vasculitis Peter A. Merkel, MD; Boston University School of Medicine

8:00–9:00 AM Juvenile Dermatomyositis Ann M. Reed, MD; Mayo Clinic

Noon-1:00 PM NASTAR Race*

1:00-2:15 рм *Picnic**

*Pre-registration is required for NASTAR Race & Picnic (see registration form)

4:30–6:30 PM Points on Joints (see page 6 for more information) Patience H. White, MD; Arthritis Foundation

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

7:00–8:00 AM Risks of Hyper- and Hypouricemia N. Lawrence Edwards, MD; University of Florida

8:00–9:00 AM Not Myositis-Some Other Myopathies Robert L. Wortmann, MD; Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center 4:30–5:30 PM Mechanics of Synovitis: Impact of the Skeletal Environment Ellen M. Gravallese, MD; University of Massachusetts Medical School

5:30–6:30 PM Pediatric Rheumatology for Adult Rheumatologists Ann M. Reed, MD; Mayo Clinic

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

7:00–8:00 AM Rheumatoid Arthritis and Bone: A Losing Proposition Ellen M. Gravallese, MD; University of Massachusetts Medical School

8:00–9:00 AM Mechanisms of Inflammation in Crystal-Induced Arthropathies *N. Lawrence Edwards, MD; University of Florida*

4:30–5:30 PM The Life and Work of Adolf Kussmaul *Eric L. Matteson, MD; Mayo Clinic*

5:30-6:30 рм

An Especially Peculiar National Symbol! The Natural History of the Bald Eagle Charles C. Browne; The Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium

6:30–8:00 PM Closing Reception (for scientific attendees and registered guests)





Program is subject to change. Please check the ACR Web site at www.rheumatology.org for updated program information.

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Become a Part of the 2009 Program!

POINTS ON JOINTS INFORMATION

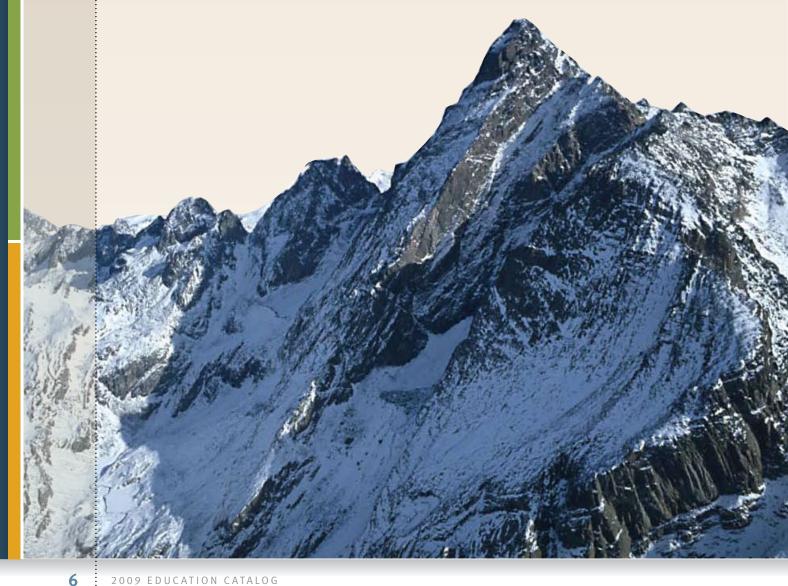
- Wednesday afternoon is reserved for attendees to present cases from their practices
- Cases are usually presented as "stumpers" in the Thieves' Market Style
- Other formats to enlighten and enliven the audience are welcomed
- Each presenter is provided up to 15 minutes including discussion

If you would like to present a case, e-mail Patience White, MD, at pwhite@arthritis.org by Monday, December 22 with the following information:

• Your Name

PROGRAMS

- Mailing Address (including city, state and zip)
- Daytime Phone Number
- Evening Phone Number
- E-mail Address
- Brief paragraph describing your proposed presentation and title



TRAVEL + HOUSING

AIRLINE RESERVATIONS

To make your airline or car rental reservations, contact Association Travel Concepts at (800) 755-3899 or (858) 362-2719; or visit the ACR Travel Center at www.atcmeetings.com and click on meetings.

Direct service is available to Aspen Airport from Denver, Los Angeles, Salt Lake City and Chicago. Flights are available from Aspen Airport (20 minute drive), Eagle Airport (1/2 hour drive), Grand Junction (2 hour drive) or Denver International Airport DIA (4 hour drive). Please book early to obtain the best travel options. Visit www.snowmassvillage.com/getting_here.cfm for additional information.

ACCOMMODATIONS

To make your reservations, contact the hotel property directly and identify yourself as an ACR Winter Rheumatology Symposium Attendee. Rates do not include 12.3% state tax or deposit. Polices may vary by property. After November 13, 2008 sleeping room rates will not be guaranteed.

Aspenwood Condominiums – Telephone: (800) 525-9402

Rates: \$225-\$442 (\$25 each additional person, studio – over two people; two bedroom-over five people). Condominium accommodations: amenities include full kitchen and fireplace, heated outdoor pool and two Jacuzzis. Located 50 yards from the slopes.

Pokolodi Lodge – Telephone: (800) 666-4556

Rate: \$189 (\$15 each additional person over two people; children 12 and under are free). Hotel accommodations: amenities include free wireless internet, full cable TV, complimentary continental breakfast, mini-refrigerator, coffee maker, heated pool and Jacuzzi. This quaint lodge is ideally located at the base of the Snowmass Village Mall and Transportation Center, approximately two blocks from the Snowmass Conference Center. Complimentary airport shuttle to/from Aspen Airport.

Silvertree Hotel – Telephone: (800) 525-9402

Rates: \$293-\$394 (\$25 each additional person over two people; children 12 and under are free). Hotel accommodations: amenities include breathtaking views, ski-in/ski-out, luxurious suites, two outdoor heated pools, whirlpool, sauna, room service and health club. Guest rooms are equipped with coffee makers, mini-refrigerators and hair dryers. Also offers ski valet. Located slopeside, just 30 feet away from the Snowmass Conference Center.

Wildwood Lodge – Telephone: (800) 525-9402

Rate: \$251 (*\$25* each additional person over two people; children 12 and under are free). Hotel accommodations: Located next to the Snowmass Conference Center just above the Snowmass Village Mall. Outdoor heated pool and hot tub are located in the central courtyard. Guest rooms are equipped with mini-refrigerators, coffee makers, cable TV and hair dryers. Located just steps from the Snowmass Hill.

DISCOUNT LIFT TICKETS

Orders must be received by Friday, December 19, 2008. Take advantage of the ACR group rate and save up to 35% off the window price when you order your lift tickets in advance at www.rheumatology.org/meetings/wro9. The ACR group rate will not be available after December 19.

Tickets will be distributed during the welcome reception on January 24, 2009.

REGISTRATION FEES

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| Advanced Deadline: Registration Deadline: | | January 5, 2009 January 16, 2009 | | On-site registration: On-site registration will be accommodated pending space availability. | |
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| ACR Member ARHP Member Member Trainee | \$625 \$315 \$315 | \$700 \$385 \$385 | Non-Member Non-Member Trainee Guests 12 and over Guests under 12 | \$725 \$360 \$100 No charge | \$800 \$435 \$100 No charge |