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ANNOUNCEMENT

1ST
SYSTEMIC
SCLEROSIS
WORLD
CONGRESS

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An interdisciplinary conference for cardiologists, dermatologists, nephrologists, pulmonologists and rheumatologists

The aim of the congress is to foster outstanding research into the cause(s) and understanding of systemic sclerosis and to improve clinical care and awareness of scleroderma, worldwide. A special focus will be put on young investigators with a programme fostering direct contact with the experts.

Session Subjects:

1. Pathogenesis-vasculopathy & mechanisms of fibrosis
2. Pathogenesis-immunological pathways
3. Novel models & technology
4. Pulmonary
5. Heart
6. Kidney
7. Ulcers/Raynaud's
8. Musculoskeletal system and GI
9. Outcomes & quality of life
10. Imaging
11. Treatment

Lectures

- **C Black (UK):** Scleroderma - history and prospects
- **J Varga (USA):** Mechanisms of fibrosis in Systemic sclerosis
- **M Kuwana (JPN):** An update on scleroderma vasculopathy
- **M Humbert (F):** Pulmonary Hypertension in Systemic Sclerosis

- **R Silver (USA):** Interstitial lung disease in Systemic Sclerosis: Current Concepts and Future Directions
- **J Goldin (USA):** Quantitative Imaging of HRCT of the chest
- **E Furst (USA):** Coping with a chronic disease
- **O Vignaux (F):** Cardiac and Vascular MRI
- **D Khanna (USA):** Outcome measures in scleroderma clinical trials and clinical practice// How to improve health-related quality of life of patients with scleroderma?
- **B Tombs (CAN):** How to improve health - related quality of life of patients with scleroderma
- **J and O Distler (CH):** ???
- **B de Crombrughe (USA):** Novel genetic mouse models of fibrosis
- **B Domon (CH):** Novel developments in proteomics and their application for disease
- **Y Allanore:** Update on Musculoskeletal Involvement in Systemic Sclerosis
- **T McNearney (USA):** The Gastrointestinal Dysmotility in Systemic Sclerosis
- **L Glimcher (USA):** The matrix talk and pathophysiology of matrix remodeling in Systemic Sclerosis
- **K Elkon (USA):** The role of the immune system in Systemic Sclerosis
- **A Kahan (F):** Microvascular involvement in primary scleroderma myocardial disease
- **Y Shoenfeld (ISR):** Macrovascular involvement; the paradigm of SSc
- **F Wigley (USA):** Raynaud's phenomenon: from pathophysiology to treatment
- **R Spence (USA):** Surgical Management of Scleroderma Digital Ulcers
- **V Steen (USA):** Epidemiology, risk and outcome of renal scleroderma
- **C Denton (UK):** Pathogenesis and treatment of renal crisis
- **J Seibold (USA):** Management of Systemic Sclerosis according to stage and subset of disease
- **J Van Laar (UK):** Immunosuppression in Systemic Sclerosis: Past, Present and Future
- **S Gay (CH):** Targeted Therapies, a future in Systemic Sclerosis?

The congress also offers the following:

- **Clinical Symposia**
- **Parallel Patient Programme**
- **Mentoring Programme for Junior Investigators**

Junior investigators will be assigned to board members participating in the programme

The programme: **“Spend a half day with a professor”** (1 professor with 2 juniors) will be as follows:

- breakfast together
- go to session together, evaluate lectures and have discussion afterwards
- go to posters chosen by the professor for comments

This will allow direct contact with an expert and permit comfortable, prolonged conversation and direct advice

REGISTRATION FEES			
	Early Fee before 5/12/2009	Interm fee 6/12/2009 - 15/01/2010	Late fee after 15/01/2010 - on site
Physicians	€ 540,00	€ 600,00	€ 660,00
Young Investigators/ Fellows	€ 240,00	€ 300,00	€ 360,00
HP	€ 180,00	€ 240,00	€ 300,00
Patients	€ 24,00	€ 24,00	€ 24,00
Medical Students	€ 120,00	€ 180,00	€ 240,00

Participation is limited to 500 people, on a first come first served basis.

Pre-register at: www.aimgroup.eu/2010/sclerosis-congress

DEADLINES

- September 15: Abstract Submission
- October 15: Notification to Abstract Authors
- December 5: Early Registration Fee

Congress Venue
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