

2007 MSG Annual Meeting Agenda
Beaver Hollow Conference Center, Java Center, NY
September 17 – 19, 2007

Monday, September 17, 2007

4:00 – 6:00 pm MSG Executive Committee meeting – **Conf. Rm B**
6:30 – 7:30 pm Social hour
7:30 pm Dinner

Tuesday, September 18, 2007

7:00 am New MSG member/MSG Visitor Information Breakfast
*R. Griggs, M.D., M. McDermott, Ph.D., R. Tawil, M.D., R. Barohn, M.D.,
P. Kaufmann, M.D., Don Sanders, M.D., Anthony Amato, M.D., Wendy
King, P.T., and Pam Kitrell*

7:00 – 8:00 am Breakfast

8:00 – 8:15 am Welcome and Introductions: Goals of the Meeting - Auditorium
R. Griggs, M.D.

**8:15 am – 11:30 pm Novel designs and outcome measures in translational
neuromuscular research**
Chair, M. McDermott, Ph.D.

8:15 – 9:00 am FOR-DMD: A multidimensional primary outcome measure
M. McDermott, Ph.D.

9:00 - 9:45 am Current outcome measures in myasthenia gravis
D. Sanders, M.D.

9:45 - 10:00 am Break

10:00 – 10:30 am A composite outcome in the myasthenia gravis thymectomy trial.
G. Cutter, Ph.D.

10:30 – 11:00 am SMA: The GMFM and other outcome measures
P. Kaufmann, M.D.

11:00 – 11:30 am Discussion

11:30 – 12:30 pm WORKING LUNCH - Workshop on “How to submit an IND”
R. Griggs, M.D., B. Herr, MS, CCRC – Mallard Room

12:30 - 5:00 pm Scientific Session: From the bench to the bedside - Auditorium
Chair, C. Thornton, M.D.

12:30 - 1:00 pm Non-invasive In-vivo Confocal Imaging of Meissner's Corpuscles
as a Measure of Sensory Neuropathy
D. Herrmann, MD

1:00 - 1:30 pm Gene replacement strategies for DMD
Jeff Chamberlain, PhD

1:30 – 2:00 pm Angiotensin receptor blockade: Rationale for treatment of DMD -
R. Cohn, MD

2:00 – 2:30 pm Break

2:30 – 3:00 pm Treatment strategies for RNA-mediated disease
C. Thornton, MD

3:00 - 3:30 pm The effect of mutations in Trim 32 and Calpain 3 in muscle
disease - *Melissa Spencer, Ph.D.*

3:30 - 4:00 pm The Gating Pore Current - A New Type of Channel Defect
in HypoPP - *Stephen Cannon, M.D, Ph.D*

4:00– 4:30 pm Rationale for Interferon-Alpha Blockade for the Treatment of
Dermatomyositis - *Steven Greenberg, MD*

4:30 – 5:00 pm Discussion

5:00 - 6:30 pm Free Time

6:30 pm **Social hour**
7:30 pm **Buffet Dinner – Mallard Room**
Dinner – Panel Discussion:
 “Lean Kine and Fat Cats: Surviving a Famine” – *R.C. Griggs, MD*
 Lewis P. Rowland, M.D. – Discussion Leader
 Stephen Cannon, M.D., PhD
 Richard Barohn, M.D.

Wednesday, September 19, 2007

7:00 – 8:00 am Breakfast (and checkout)
 8:00 – 8:30 am State of MSG (Plenary) - **Auditorium**
 R. Tawil, M.D.
 8:30 – 9:00 am Committees Reports (Plenary):
 Nominating Committee
 S. Greenberg, M.D.
 Publications Committee
 D. Sanders, M.D.
 Constitution Committee
 C. Jackson, M.D.
9:00 am – 1 pm **Update on current MSG projects**
 9:00 – 9:30 am CINCH/HYP HOP
 R. Griggs, M.D.
 9:30 – 10:00 am CMT trial
 M. Shy, M.D.
 10:00– 10:30 am Arimoclomal Therapy for IBM
 R. Barohn
 10:30-11:00 am Break (and room checkout)
 11 – 11:30 am Dermatomyositis
 A. Amato, M.D.
 11:30 – noon SMA
 P. Kaufmann, M.D.
 Noon - 12:30 pm FOR-DMD
 R. Griggs, M.D.
 12:30- 1:00 pm Losartan in DMD
 T. Crawford, M.D.
1:00-2:00 pm **Lunch and Workshop – Mallard Room**
 “Research Coordination: Not Just for Coordinators Anymore”
 R. Tawil, M.D., Chris Annis, CCRC, Colleen Donlin-Smith, MA, CCRC
2:00-2:30 pm **Sponsor and Program Officer Presentations**
 2:00 – 2:15 pm NIH/NINDS Report
 J. Porter, M.D.
 2:15 – 2:30 pm MDA Report
 Bill Moore, Director Research Development
2:30 – 3:00 pm **Developing initiatives:**
 Myasthenia Gravis: Experimental Strategies for Treating
 Autoimmunity - *Matt Merigiolli, M.D.*
 Sarcopenia - *R. Griggs, M.D.*
3:00 pm **Depart**