9th International Symposium on NeuroVirology





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TENTATIVE AGENDA - 9th International Symposium on NeuroVirology



The 9th International Symposium on NeuroVirology, which will be held in Miami Beach, FL, USA, is the latest in a series of international symposia focused on the dissemination of knowledge on basic and clinical aspects of neurovirology and related disciplines. For more information about the meeting, visit the meeting pages on the ISNV web site (www.isnv.org/miami09/index.php).

Tuesday, June 2, 2009

3:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Registration for the 9 th International Symposium on NeuroVirology	
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Foyer, 1st floor Ocean Tower	
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Foyer, 3 rd floor Ocean Tower	
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Satellite Symposium	Alcohol abuse and HIV infection in the era of HAART - Sponsored by NIAAA
Salon 1A, 1st floor Oce	an Tower	
	Symposium Chairs	Walter Royal III and Yuri Persidsky
4:00 pm - 4:25 pm	Shilpa Buch	Neuropathogenesis of HIV-1 infection in the era of HAART
4:25 pm - 4:50 pm	Norman Haughey	Fueling neurodegeneration through the abuse of alcohol in the setting of HIV-1 infection
4:50 pm - 5:15 pm	Yuri Persidsky	Alcohol abuse and mouse models of HIV-1

5:15 pm - 5:40 pm Edith Sullivan Neuroimaging in HIV infection and alcoholism comorbidity: Synergistic white matter damage

neuropathogenesis

5:40 pm - 6:00 pm Abraham Bautista HIV funding opportunities and peer review at NIAAA Kendall Bryant

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Opening Reception

Salon 2A, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

7:30 am - 8:00 am Continental Breakfast

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8:00 am - 8:30 am Welcoming Remarks Brian Wigdahl, Chair, Meetings Committee

Peter Kennedy, President, ISNV Jeymohan Joseph, NIMH/NIH Diane Lawrence, NIDA/NIH

May Wong, NINDS/NIH

Mahendra Kumar & Micheline McCarthy, Co-Chairs, Local Organizing Committee



8:30 am - 10:00 am	Session I	HIV disease and neurologic complications	
Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3 rd floor Ocean Tower			
	Session Chairs	Lynn Pulliam and Peter Kennedy	
8:30 am - 8:55 am	Joseph Berger (Plenary Address)	HIV and the brain in the era of HAART	
9:00 am - 9:25 am	Benjamin Gelman	Hemochromatosis (HFE) gene polymorphisms and HIV-associated brain pathology at autopsy: Results of a NeuroAIDS DNA bank study	
9:30 am - 9:55 am	Micheline McCarthy	Influence of apolipoprotein E genotype on maturing human fetal neurons exposed to HIV-1	
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Coffee Break		
Foyer, 3 rd floor Ocean	Tower		
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Session II	Host and viral genetics	
Ocean Tower Ballroom	n II, Salons B and C, 3 rd floor Oce	ean Tower	
	Session Chairs	Kamel Khalili and Brian Wigdahl	
10:30 am - 10:55 am	Dana Gabuzda (Plenary Address)	Viral genetics and immune activation in NeuroAIDS	
11:00 am - 11:25 am	Laura Manuelidis	Profound differences encoded by various Creutzfeldt- Jakob Disease (CJD) and scrapie infectious agents are conserved in normal mice and monotypic murine cultures	
11:30 am - 11:55 am	Leonid Gorelik	PML associated adaptive mutations in JC virus (JCV) VP1 protein are involved in viral receptor binding	
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Investigators-in-Training Session I		
Ocean Tower Ballroom	n II, Salons B and C, 3 rd floor Oce	ean Tower	
	Session Chairs	Robert Fujinami and Georgette Kanmogne	
12:00 pm - 12:10 pm	Daniel Cowley	Genetic and functional analysis of HIV-1 Tat derived from central nervous system isolates of patients with HIV-1-associated dementia	
12:15 pm - 12:25 pm	Kenneth W. Witwer	Cellular microRNAs and interferon beta regulation during SIV infection of the CNS	
12:30 pm - 12:40 pm	Myoung-Hwa Lee	Rescue of impaired hippocampal neurogenesis in HIV-gp120 transgenic mice with voluntary running and reversal by detraining	
12:45 pm - 12:55 pm	Michael Kogan	Macrophage-colony stimulating factor regulation in mononuclear cells: Relevant pathways in HIV pathogenesis and the development of NeuroAIDS	
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Lunch Break (on your own)		
2:00 pm - 3:50 pm	Workshop	International NeuroAIDS update	
Salon 1A, 1st floor Oce	ean Tower		
	Workshop Chairs	Igor Grant and Robert Eisinger	
2:00 pm - 2:25 pm	Igor Grant	HIV-Associated Neurocognitive Disorders (HAND): Issues in international research	



2:25 pm - 2:50 pm	Robert Eisinger	NIH priorities for HIV/AIDS research
2:50 pm - 3:15 pm	Robert Paul	Neuropsychological profile of patients commencing HAART in Cape Town, South Africa
3:15 pm - 3:40 pm	Sudesh Prabhakar	Neurological complications in HIV-1 infection in Chandigarh, India
3:40 pm - 3:50 pm	Open Discussion	
2:00 pm - 3:50 pm	Workshop	Biomarkers, disease prediction, & monitoring
Salon 2A, 3 rd floor Occ	ean Tower	
	Workshop Chair	Tony Wyss-Coray
2:00 pm - 2:25 pm	Tony Wyss-Coray	Systemic biomarkers for brain aging and neurodegeneration
2:25 pm - 2:50 pm	Margaret Lentz	Neuronal metabolism in HIV+ subjects lacking immune control correlates to M-CSF levels in cerebrospinal fluid
2:50 pm - 3:00 pm	Eva Marie Ratai	Brain creatine elevation and NAA reduction detected by 3T 1H MR spectroscopy indicates neuronal dysfunction in the setting of enhanced glial high energy metabolism in a macaque model of NeuroAIDS
3:00 pm - 3:10 pm	Tricia Burdo	Increased rate of monocyte turnover is predictive of AIDS and SIVE
3:10 pm - 3:20 pm	Carlos A. Pardo-Villamizar	Specific inflammatory profiles and HIV viral load in the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) that correlate with AIDS-associated opportunistic infections of the central nervous system (CNS)
3:20 pm - 3:30 pm	Pawel Ciborowski	Proteomic fingerprints in CSF and blood of HIV-infected patients with neurocognitive disorders
3:30 pm - 3:50 pm	Open Discussion	
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Special Lectures 1-3	
Ocean Tower Ballroom	m II, Salons B and C, 3 rd floor Occ	ean Tower
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Special Lecture 1	
	Eliezer Masliah	Aging and neurodegenerative disease
	Introduction	Howard Fox
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Special Lecture 2	
	David Volsky	Modeling HIV infection in mice
	Introduction	Howard Fox
5:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Special Lecture 3	2009 Women in Neuroscience Lectureship
	Lynn Pulliam	HIV in the brain: The trip of a lifetime
	Introduction	Joan Berman
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Poster Session and Reception	
Ocean Tower Ballroom	n I, 1 st floor Ocean Tower	
8:00 pm	~ <u>.</u>	H R25 grant on Translational Research in NeuroAIDS

and Mental Health (Funded by NIMH program on mentoring to diversify mental health



HIV research through innovative educational initiatives)

8:30 pm Evening in Miami Beach

THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2009

7:30 am - 8:00 am	Continental Breakfast

Foyer, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

8:00 am - 9:30 am Session III NeuroAIDS and minor neurocognitive disorders

Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

	Session Chairs	Ronald Ellis and Elyse Singer
8:00 am - 8:25 am	Kevin Robertson (Plenary Address)	Neurocognitive disorders in HIV
8:30 am - 8:55 am	Renaud Du Pasquier	Prevalence of cognitive disorders in HIV+ patients with long-term suppression of viremia
9:00 am - 9:25 am	Louise Pemberton	Viral heterogeneity within the V3 loop of HIV-1 CSF isolates correlates with HIV-associated dementia (HAD)

9:30 am - 10:00 am Coffee Break

Foyer, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

10:00 am - 11:30 am Session IV Substance abuse and other co-morbidities

Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

	Session Chairs	Howard Gendelman and Sunhee Lee
10:00 am - 10:25 am	Johnny He (Plenary Address)	HIV infection, drug abuse, and the brain
10:30 am - 10:55 am	Anil Kumar	HIV-1 Nef mediated induction of MCP-1 and cumulative effect of methamphetamine in astrocytes
11:00 am - 11:25 am	Michael Nonnemacher	Modulation of HIV-1 replication by μ -opioid and cAMP pathways in human bone marrow progenitor cells

Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

Charles Weissmann Transmissible encephalopathies and prions

Introduction Eugene O. Major

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Investigators-in-Training

Session II

Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

	Session Chairs	Ruth Brack-Werner and Joseph Mankowski
12:00 pm - 12:10pm	Pornpun Vivithanaporn	Antiepileptic drug use in HIV infection: Clinical outcomes and immune effects
12:15 pm - 12:25 pm	Gurudutt Pendyala	Proteomic profiling of cerebrospinal fluid reveals potential neuropathogenic changes in NeuroAIDS
12:30 pm - 12:40 pm	Toni Roberts	The role of cell adhesion molecules in HIV-1 neuropathology



12:45 pm - 12:55 pm	Jonathan Pitcher	Role of ferritin heavy chain and opiates in NeuroAIDS	
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Lunch Break (on your own)		
2:00 pm - 3:50 pm	Workshop	Vaccines & neuropathogenesis	
Salon 1A, 1st floor Oc	eean Tower		
	Workshop Chairs	Eckhard Podack and David Weiner	
2:00 pm - 2:25 pm	David Weiner	Putting lipstick on a pig: Improving the immune potency of DNA vaccines for infectious diseases	
2:30 pm - 2:55 pm	Eckhard Podack	Chaperone based vaccination against SIV stimulates powerful mucosal response	
3:00 pm - 3:10 pm	Pooja Jain	DC-SIGN as a potential target to block HTLV-1 transmission and infection	
3:15 pm - 3:25 pm	Guey Chuen Perng	ICAM-5 modulates chemokines production in CNS during the course of herpes simplex virus type 1 infection	
3:30 pm - 3:40 pm	Ruth Itzhaki	Herpes simplex virus type 1, apolipoprotein E, Alzheimer's disease & antiviral treatment	
3:40 pm - 3:50 pm	Open Discussion		
2:00 pm - 3:50 pm	Workshop	Signal transduction & cellular/viral gene expression	
Salon 1B, 1 st floor Ocean Tower			
	Workshop Chairs	Edward Harhaj and Ken Tyler	
2:00 pm - 2:25 pm	Edward Harhaj	Mechanisms of persistent NF-kB activation by HTLV-I Tax	
2:25 pm - 2:35 pm	Rick Meeker	Stabilizing intracellular calcium regulation with novel neurotrophin mimetics provides potent neuroprotection against gp120-induced macrophage toxins	
2:35 pm - 2:45 pm	Penny Clarke	Gene expression in the brain during virus-induced encephalitis	
2:45 pm - 2:55 pm	Claudia Detje	Local IFNAR signaling protects against virus spread within the central nervous system	
2:55 pm - 3:05 pm	J. David Beckham	Reovirus activates BMP signaling pathways in vitro and in vivo which contribute to neuronal survival following infection	
3:05 pm - 3:15 pm	Erick Tatro	Alteration of gene regulatory networks through microRNAs in frontal cortex of HIV-infected individuals	
3:15 pm - 3:25 pm	Scott Schachtele	Herpes simplex virus infection of microglial cells triggers oxidative stress responses and damage via Toll-like receptor 2	
3:25 pm - 3:50 pm	Open Discussion		
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Special Lectures 5-7		
Ocean Tower Ballroo	m II, Salons B and C, 3 rd floor Oce	ean Tower	
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Special Lecture 5		
	Ken Tyler	Mechanisms of virus-induced CNS injury and neuronal cell death	
	Introduction	Mahendra Kumar	



4:50 pm - 5:00 pm Special Lecture 0 Fsychoneurolimunology	4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Special Lecture 6	Psychoneuroimmunology
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Jeanette Marketon Neural-immune interactions: Glucocorticoid receptors

as a target for infectious agents

Introduction Mahendra Kumar

5:00 pm - 5:30 pm Special Lecture 7 Paradigm Builder Lectureship

Nigel Fraser Herpes simplex virus – a tale of two states

Introduction James Lokensgard

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Networking Reception

Sponsored by the Women in NeuroVirology Committee (WIN)

Salon 2A, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

8:00 pm Evening in Miami Beach

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2009

7:30 am - 8:00 an	n Continental Breakfast

Foyer, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

8:00 am - 9:30 am Session V Pathogenesis of neurotropic viruses

Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

	Session Chairs	Don Gilden and Monique Lafon
8:00 am - 8:25 am	Velpandi Ayyavoo (Plenary Address)	Insights into the role of HIV-1 Vpr in neuropathogenesis
8:30 am - 8:55 am	Howard Lipton (Plenary Address)	The role of apoptosis in Theiler's virus persistence in mice
9:00 am - 9:30 am	Alan Jackson	Rabies virus infection of dorsal root ganglia in experimental rabies and in cultured adult mouse dorsal root ganglia neurons: Selective vulnerability and evidence of oxidative stress

9:30 am - 10:00 am Coffee Break

Foyer, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

10:00 am - 11:30 am Session VI Innate and adaptive immunity

Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

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	Session Chairs	Carol Shoshkes Reiss and Kenneth Williams
10:00 am - 10:25 am	Glen Barber (Plenary Address)	Restricting oncolytic vesicular stomatitis virus neurovirulence using miRNA strategy
10:30 am - 10:55 am	Bonnie Blomberg	Molecular mechanisms for decreased antibody response in aged humans
11:00 am - 11:25 am	Tracy Fischer-Smith	Modulation of HIV-1 replication, monocyte/macrophage phenotype, and cytokine gene expression, by tyrosine kinase inhibitors: A novel approach for pharmacotherapeutic intervention in HIV infection and NeuroAIDS
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	Special Lecture 8	Neurological Infections Lectureship



Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3 rd floor Ocean Tower				
	James Sejvar	Neurological complications of influenza		
	Introduction	Avindra Nath		
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	Investigators-in-Training Session III			
Ocean Tower Ballroom	n II, Salons B and C, 3 rd floor Oce	an Tower		
	Session Chairs	Antonina Dolei and Valeria Pietropaolo		
12:00 pm - 12:10 pm	Ilker Sariyer	The cellular splicing factor, SF2/ASF, is a negative regulator of JC virus transcription and replication in glial cells		
12:15 pm - 12:25 pm	David Boltz	Spread of H5N1 influenza viruses in rat cortical neuron culture is effected by surface glycoproteins		
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch Break (on your own)			
2:00 pm - 3:50 pm	Workshop	Molecular therapeutics & drug delivery		
Salon 1A, 1 st floor Ocean Tower				
	Workshop Chair	Harris Gelbard		
2:00 pm - 2:25 pm	Harris Gelbard	Why is mixed lineage kinase activity so important to drug development for NeuroAIDS?		
2:25 pm - 2:40 pm	Joseph Steiner	New therapeutics development for HAND		
2:40 pm - 2:55 pm	Madhavan Nair	Magnetic nanocarrier drug delivery system for targeting AZTTP and CTOP to brain		
2:55 pm - 3:10 pm	Elias Argyris	Novel proteoglycan-related molecular targets in HIV-1 infection of primary human macrophages: Implications for neuropathogenesis		
3:10 pm - 3:25 pm	Ravi Mahalingam	Latent simian varicella virus reactivates in monkeys treated with tacrolimus with or without exposure to irradiation		
3:25 pm - 3:50 pm	Open Discussion			
1:30 pm - 3:50 pm	Workshop	Demyelinating diseases and virus reactivation in disease modifying therapies		
Salon 1B, 1 st floor Ocean Tower				
	Workshop Chairs	Steven Jacobson, Micheline McCarthy, and Antonina Dolei		
1:30 pm - 1:45 pm	Henry McFarland	Pathogenesis of Multiple Sclerosis		
1:45 pm - 1:55 pm	Olaf Stuve	Iatrogenic breakdown of CNS immunesurveillance as a potential contributing factor to opportunistic infections		
1:55 pm - 2:05 pm	Antonina Dolei	Regulation of MSRV (Multiple Sclerosis-associated retrovirus) and Syncytin-1 by viruses and cytokines		
2:05 pm - 2:15 pm	Emilie Jaquiery*	Increased EBV reactivation in the cerebrospinal fluid of patients with early Multiple Sclerosis		
2:15 pm - 2:25 pm	S. Anna Sargsyan	Epstein-Barr virus is not present in Multiple Sclerosis brain		
2:25 pm - 2:35 pm	Jussi Virtanen	Human herpesvirus 6 antibodies in Multiple Sclerosis		



2:35 pm - 2:40 pm	Steven Jacobson	Reactivation of human herpesvirus after natalizumab treatment in patients with Multiple Sclerosis
2:40 pm - 2:48 pm	Pasquale Ferrante	Study of human polyomaviruses reactivation in Multiple Sclerosis patients during natalizumab therapy
2:48 pm - 2:56 pm	Igor Koralnik	Subclinical reactivation of JC virus in blood and urine of Multiple Sclerosis patients treated with natalizumab
2:56 pm - 3:04pm	Cillian De Gascun	Reactivation of latent viral infections in patients receiving natalizumab for the treatment of Multiple Sclerosis
3:04 pm - 3:12 pm	Emanuela Branchetti*	Treatment of PBMC with the immunosuppressive drug Rituximab reactivates JC virus gene expression and replication in glial cells
3:12 pm - 3:50 pm	Open Discussion	
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Investigators-in-Training Session IV	

Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

	Session Chairs	Walter Royal III and Adarsh Kumar	
4:00 pm - 4:10 pm	Jieliang Li	Interferon lambda inhibits herpes simplex virus type 1 replication in human neuronal cells	
4:15 pm - 4:25 pm	Damien Chopy	Role of LGP2, a cytoplasmic RIG-I-like helicase, on neuronal innate immune gene expression during rabies virus infection	
4:30 pm - 4:40 pm	Laura B. Jaeger	Migration of JC virus across the human blood-brain barrier occurs via clathrin-mediated endocytosis	
4:45 pm - 4:55 pm	Saifur Rahman	Modeling HTLV-1 infection and cellular immune response in HLA-A*0201 transgenic mice	
5:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Special Lecture 9	Bill Narayan Lectureship	
Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3 rd floor Ocean Tower			
	Janice Clements	Unraveling the pathogenesis of HIV in the brain:	

Examining the SIV model during acute infection

Introduction Shilpa Buch

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm **Pioneer Reception**

Ocean Tower Ballroom I, Salon C, 1st floor Ocean Tower

7:30 pm - 10:30 pm **Pioneer Banquet**

Ocean Tower Ballroom I, Salons A and B, 1st floor Ocean Tower

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2009

7:30 am - 8:00 am Continental Breakfast

Foyer, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

8:00 am - 9:30 am Session VII Molecular biology of neurotropic viruses

Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3rd floor Ocean Tower

^{*}Investigator-in-Training Awardee



	Session Chairs	Jennifer Gordon and Bruce Shiramizu			
8:00 am - 8:25 am	Shohreh Amini (Plenary Address)	Virus-host interplay modulating HIV-1 gene regulation			
8:30 am - 8:55 am	Hirofumi Sawa	Viroporin activity of JCV agnoprotein			
9:00 am - 9:25 am	Kelly Jordan-Scuitto	MDMx as a potential neuroprotective molecule in HIV-induced neuronal injury			
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Coffee Break				
Foyer, 3 rd floor Ocean	Foyer, 3 rd floor Ocean Tower				
10:00 am - 11:30 am	Session VIII	Stem cell biology, neurogenesis, & neurodegeneration			
	Session Chairs	Jay Rappaport and Barbara Krynska			
10:00 am - 10:25 am	Steven Goldman (Plenary Address)	Chimeric mouse brains as models for assessing human glial physiology and pathology in vivo			
10:30 am - 10:55 am	Maxim Cheeran	Experimental herpes simplex virus-1 encephalitis induces neural stem cell proliferation and migration			
11:00 am - 11:25 am	Pankaj Seth	HIV-1 Tat protein attenuates proliferation and differentiation of human neural precursor cells			
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Special Lectures 10-11				
Ocean Tower Ballroon	n II, Salons B and C, 3 rd floor Oce	an Tower			
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	Special Lecture 10				
	Kamel Khalili	Oncogenic potential of human neurotropic virus, JCV			
	Introduction	Peter Kennedy			
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	Special Lecture 11				
	Brian Wigdahl	Genetic variation, transcription, and HIV/AIDS			
	Introduction	Peter Kennedy			
12:30 pm - 12:45 pm	Closing Remarks				
Ocean Tower Ballroom II, Salons B and C, 3 rd floor Ocean Tower					
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting	Board Members, International Society for NeuroVirology			
Belle Room, Lower Lobby Level, Resort Tower					



Registration

Attendees may register for the ISNV Symposium online at www.isnv.org. A discounted registration rate will be available to individuals holding membership in the Society. This discount is applicable to individuals choosing to join the Society and register for the Symposium concurrently. Please visit the Society website at www.isnv.org for membership forms, information, and benefits. The deadline for meeting registration is **Monday, May 4th**, 2009. Registration received after May 4th, 2009 or on-site will be subject to a surcharge of 15%. Registration fees (US dollars), based on ISNV membership status, are as follows:

ISNV Member:\$560ISNV Non-member:\$850Postdoc/Student Member:\$285Postdoc/Student Non-member:\$410

Abstract Submission

Abstracts for the Symposium will be accepted for consideration until **Thursday**, **April 23rd**, **2009**. A supplemental issue of the Journal of NeuroVirology, in which abstracts accepted for poster and oral presentations will be published, will be distributed at the meeting.

Abstract submissions will be accepted online at www.jneurovirol.com. The final decision regarding abstract acceptance and selection for oral presentation rests with the Scientific Committee. Each abstract submission will be acknowledged by email. The presenting authors of abstracts accepted by the Committee will be notified no later than Monday, April, 27th, 2009. Details regarding electronic submission of abstracts are outlined below.

Online Submission

Online submission of abstracts will be handled via the Journal of NeuroVirology website at www.ineurovirol.com. Links to the submission site can be found at www.isnv.org. The online submission system will be active through Thursday, April 23rd, 2009. Users must create a user name and password, which will permit author access for modification and revisions until final submission. Users will be prompted to indicate the presenting author and provide contact information (including email address). Detailed formatting instructions will be available online. Avoid Greek letters and symbols. Tables, charts, or other graphics may not be included. Once the abstract has been electronically submitted, a confirmation of receipt will be sent to the presenting author's email address. Until the submission deadline has passed, the presenting author may modify submitted abstracts using the user name and password. Please contact the Journal of NeuroVirology editorial office if you have any difficulty with the online submission system.

Oral Presentations

Most speakers at the ISNV Symposium will be selected from submitted abstracts by the Scientific Committee. Each session will feature one or two plenary speaker(s) and three to five oral presentations. Oral presentations will be fifteen minutes each plus discussion, time permitting. If you wish to be considered for an oral presentation, please indicate so at the time of abstract submission.

Poster Presentations

All posters for the ISNV Symposium will be presented at the Poster Session to be held on the evening of Wednesday, June 3rd.

Pioneer Award Gala Dinner

The Pioneer in NeuroVirology award is presented periodically in recognition of outstanding achievement in the field of neurovirology. The 2009 Pioneer in NeuroVirology Award will be presented during the 9th International Symposium on NeuroVirology at a Gala Dinner to be held on Friday, June 5th, 2009. Attendance at the Gala Dinner is included in the ISNV Symposium registration fee. All accompanying persons are invited to attend the banquet for a nominal fee. Please contact the ISNV if you wish to bring a guest to the Gala Dinner. Please visit www.isnv.org/pioneer/current.php for more information and a list of previous recipients of the award.

Investigators-in-Training Travel Grants

The meeting organizers will offer a limited number of travel awards for junior investigators to attend and present their abstracts in special sessions. Travel grants will cover the cost of lodging and will help to defray the cost of airfare. Per diem expenses are not included. Trainees will be reimbursed after submission of expenses following the meeting. Students and postdoctoral fellows who are ISNV members and presenting authors on submitted abstracts are eligible to apply for a travel grant. Trainees who become ISNV members at the time of meeting registration and abstract submission will be considered eligible. Junior investigators will be asked to indicate their interest in being considered for an Investigator-in-Training travel grant at the time of abstract submission. Trainees must verify their eligibility by providing a letter from their advisor or department chair confirming their status as a graduate student or postdoctoral fellow. Travel grant requests must be made at the time of abstract submission and therefore must be received by the abstract submission deadline. Trainees that have not confirmed their status by providing a letter from their advisor or Chair will not be eligible to receive a travel grant.



Audiovisual

Please note that Microsoft PowerPoint and LCD computer projection systems will be available for oral presentations. Equipment necessary for the projection of 35 mm slides will not be available. Please contact the ISNV Administrative Office if you will require alternative audiovisual capabilities.

Individuals with Special Needs

Please note that the meeting space is wheelchair accessible and ADA compliant. Should you require special services while in attendance at the Symposium, please contact the ISNV Administrative Office before the meeting so that we can arrange for any such accommodations.

Cancellation Policy

Requests for cancellation of meeting registration made before the meeting will be refunded in full minus a \$20 handling fee. There will be no refund for cancellation requests received after the meeting has begun. The cancellation policy does not apply to hotel room reservations. Please contact the Eden Roc Hotel and Resort directly for information regarding cancellation and refund policies of individual hotel rooms.

Hotel Reservations and Meeting Venue

The ISNV Symposium will be held at the Eden Roc Hotel and Resort in Miami Beach, Florida, USA. A number of rooms at the hotel have been reserved for participants and their guests. Rooms are available at the negotiated rate of \$189 USD for single/double occupancy. A government rate is not available.

Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-319-5354 and requesting the special rate for the International Society for NeuroVirology meeting. The negotiated meeting rate will only be available from May 29 through June 7, 2009. Reservations can also be made online through the Eden Roc Hotel and Resort website using the following group code: **isnisna**. A direct link to the hotel reservation page can be found on the ISNV website at www.isnv.org. Alternatively, go to www.marriott.com and search under "Miami Beach, FL" for the Eden Roc Hotel and Resort.

Reservations for additional nights (not at the negotiated meeting rate) can be made by contacting the hotel directly at 1-800-319-5354.

Discounted room rates will only be available until May 4, 2009. Please reserve your room early, since discounted room rates may sell out prior to that date.

Directions to the Hotel

From the Miami International Airport (MIA)

*Hotel direction: 11 miles E

Driving Directions:

- Exit at Beaches/State road 112 east (\$1.50 toll)
- 112 becomes I-195. Remain in left lane
- Road will fork, bear left onto 41st street (Arthur Godfrey Road)
- Follow 41st street, stay in left lane.
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- Indian Creek becomes Collins Ave. Stay in right lane.
- The Eden Roc is 4 blocks north on the right.

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- *Estimated taxi fare: \$32.00 USD (one way)

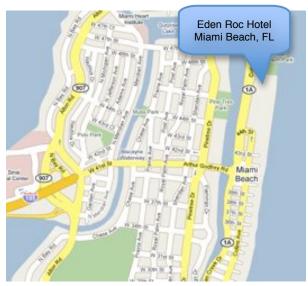
From the Fort Lauderdale airport (FLL)

*Hotel direction: 25 miles SE

Driving Directions:

- Follow signs for 595 west.
- Travel in right lanes on 595 west for 3 miles.
- Exit from right lane onto I-95 south. Follow for 20 miles.
- Exit at I-195 East/Miami Beach. Travel for 4 miles and bear left onto 41st Street (Arthur Godfrey Road).
- Follow 41st street, remain in left lane and cross bridge to Indian Creek Dr. Turn left.
- Indian Creek becomes Collins Ave.
- The Eden Roc is 4 blocks north on the right.

*Estimated taxi fare: \$50.00 USD (one way)



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