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EDUCATIONAL NEED

Progress is being made in the understanding of the pathogenesis and treatment of various neuroimmunologic disorders. The 9th International Congress of Neuroimmunology will bring together experts from around the world to share their insight into diseases ranging from myasthenia gravis to paraneoplastic disorders to multiple sclerosis.

There has been no comprehensive meeting on neuroimmunology since the last ISNI Congress in Nagoya, Japan, October of 2006 and there is no meeting planned in the near future that overlaps with the proposed congress. In addition, of the prior 8 Neuroimmunology Congresses, only one has been held in the United States (Philadelphia, 1987). The only other ISNI Congress held in North America was held in Montreal in 1998.

The scientific program of the Congress will focus on basic mechanisms of immune surveillance and repair of the nervous system, nervous system regulation of immune responses, and immunologic mechanisms of neurologic diseases. A heavy emphasis on new therapeutic approaches (gene, cell and immune-based therapies) in neurologic diseases, especially multiple sclerosis, will permeate the program. Stem cell research in remyelination, neural repair and mechanisms of neurodegeneration will also feature prominently. New imaging techniques to monitor the immune response in the nervous system will also be featured in a plenary session.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Upon conclusion of this program, the attendee should be able to:

- Evaluate the etiology, pathogenesis and treatment of neuroinflammatory diseases, like multiple sclerosis, immune-mediated peripheral neuropathies, myasthenia gravis, Alzheimer's disease, and infectious diseases of the central and peripheral nervous system, the mechanisms underlying immune surveillance and repair of the nervous system, neuro-immune-endocrine interactions, and immunogenetics.
- Identify basic mechanisms of immune surveillance and repair of the nervous system, nervous system regulation of immune responses, and immunologic mechanisms of neurologic diseases.
- Describe and integrate new therapeutic approaches (gene, cell and immune-based therapies) in neurologic diseases, especially multiple sclerosis.
- Recognize stem cell research in remyelination, neural repair and mechanisms of neurodegeneration.
- Recall new imaging techniques to monitor the immune response in the nervous system from the cellular to the human level.

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