

2015 LDA Conference Agenda

Lyme & Other Tick-Borne Diseases: Science Bridging the Gap

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AGENDA – SATURDAY November 14, 2015

7:15 – 8:00 AM	Registration/Exhibits/Continental Breakfast
8:00 – 8:15 AM	<p>Patricia V. Smith, BA, President, Lyme Disease Association, Inc., Conference Planner, Conference Organizing Committee</p> <p>Welcome, Remarks / Brief Overview of Lyme Spread / Introduction Session</p> <p>Facilitator</p> <p>Brian A. Fallon, MD, MPH; Conference Director, Conference Organizing Committee</p>
8:15 – 8:55 AM	<p>William Robinson, MD, PhD</p> <p>“Next Generation Diagnostics for Lyme Disease”</p> <p>Keynote</p>
8:55 – 9:30 AM	<p>Kim Lewis, PhD</p> <p>“B. Burgdorferi Persists and Their Eradication”</p>
9:30 – 10:05 AM	<p>Ying Zhang, PhD</p> <p>“Borrelia Persister Drugs: Implications for Improved Treatment”</p>
10:05-10:20 AM	Morning Discussion Panel
10:20-10:35 AM	Coffee Break
10:35-11:10 AM	<p>Nicholas Komar, SD</p> <p>“Heartland Virus, an Emerging Tick-borne Virus?”</p>
11:10-11:45 PM	<p>Geeta Ramesh, PHD</p> <p>“A Role for Inflammation in the Pathogenesis of Lyme Neuroborreliosis”</p>
11:45-12:20 PM	<p>Tim G. Brooks, MA, MB, BChir, LMSSA, MSc, FRCPath, FRSPH</p> <p>“Lyme Borreliosis in England”</p>
12:20–1:35 PM	Lunch
	<p>Richard T. Marconi, PhD Conference Co-Director, Organizing Committee, Saturday</p> <p>Afternoon Facilitator</p>

1:35 – 2:05 PM	Hassan M. Minhas, MD, MB, BS “Suicide & Lyme Neuroborreliosis: Case Report”
2:05 – 2:40 PM	Klemen Strle, MD “Microbial and Host Factors in Immune Responses in Lyme Disease”
2:40 – 3:15 PM	Brian A. Fallon, MD “PANDAS, PANS, & Lyme”
3:15 – 3:30 PM	Mid-afternoon Discussion Panel
3:30 – 3:45 PM	Afternoon Coffee Break
3:45 – 4:20 PM	Philip J. Molloy, MD “Borrelia miyamotoi”
4:20 – 4:55 PM	Richard T. Marconi, PhD “Chimeric Linear Epitope Based Vaccines for Lyme Disease & Other Tick-borne Diseases: Progress Report on The Road to a New Human Vaccine”
4:55 – 5:10 PM	Afternoon Discussion Panel
5:30 – 7:30 PM	NETWORKING RECEPTION

AGENDA – SUNDAY November 15, 2015

(Breakfast on your own)

7:30 – 8:00 AM	Registration/Exhibits Steven Schutzer, MD, Sunday Facilitator
8:00 – 8:35 AM	John N. Aucott, MD “Serum Cytokine and Chemokine Biomarkers for Post-treatment Lyme Disease”
8:35 – 9:10 AM	Edward B. Breitschwerdt, DVM “Bartonellosis”
9:10 – 9:45 AM	Charles Chiu, MD, PhD “Genomic Investigations of Lyme Disease”
9:45–10:20 AM	Erin McGintee, MD “Alpha-Gal Meat Allergy after Lone Star Tick Bite”
10:20–10:40 AM	Morning Discussion Panel

10:40–11:10 AM	Break
	Point – Counterpoint
11:10–11:45 AM	Raphael B. Stricker, MD “Evidence Suggests the Potential for Sexual Transmission”
11:45–12:20 PM	Sam T. Donta, MD “Evidence Suggests Lyme is Not Sexually Transmissible”
12:20–12:40 PM	Discussion/Q & A on Sexual Transmission
12:40–1:15 PM	William V. Padula, OD, DPNAP, FAAO, FNORA “Current Research Implications Regarding the consequences of Tick-borne Disease on Vision and Visual Processing”
1:15–1:50 PM	Richard S. Ostfeld, PhD “The Ecology of Pathogen Amplification in Communities of Tick Hosts”
1:50–2:00 PM	Afternoon Discussion Panel