Conference Agenda
Lyme and Other Tick-Borne Diseases: Seeking Answers Through Science
Friday - October 20, 2006

7:30-8:00 AM  Registration/Breakfast/Exhibits
8:00-8:15 AM  Welcome
Patricia Smith, President, Lyme Disease Association, Inc.  National Issues &
Introduction of: Brian A. Fallon, MD – Morning Session Facilitator
8:15-9:00 AM  Keynote Address
David Ecker, Ph.D. - “Emerging Infections: Universal Biosensor Detection”
9:00-9:35 AM  Roger Lasken, Ph.D. – “Beyond PCR to Whole Genome Amplification”
9:35 – 10:10 AM  Daniel Cameron, MD, MPH – "Designing Research in the Clinical Setting"
10:10-10:25 AM  Discussion Chair: Steven Schutzer, MD
10:25-10:40 AM  BREAK
10:40-11:15 AM  Jeffrey D. Rothstein, MD, Ph.D. – “β-Lactam Antibodies Offer Neuroprotection by Increasing
Glutamate Transporter Expression”
11:15-11:50 AM  Elisabeth Aberer, MD – “Laboratory Diagnosis of Lyme Disease in Europe”
11:50 AM -12:25 PM  Manuel Moro, DVM, MPH, Ph.D. – “Babesia microti Causes Down Regulation of Cytokines
and Increased Severity of Lyme Arthritis”
12:25-1:55 PM  LUNCH BREAK
1:55 PM  Andrea Gaito, MD – Afternoon Session Facilitator
1:55-2:30 PM  John Drulle Memorial Lecture
James Oliver, Ph.D. – “Tick-Borne Infections in the Southern U.S.”
2:30-3:05 PM  Diego Cadavid, MD – “Tissue Response to Chronic Borrelia Infection”
3:05-3:40 PM  Alan MacDonald, MD – “Medical Hypothesis: Links Between Bb and Dementia”
3:40-3:55 PM  BREAK
3:55-4:30 PM  Elisabeth Aberer, MD – “Cyst and L Forms in Dermatological Lyme and Persistence”
4:30-5:05 PM  Øystein Brorson, MD – “Cyst Forms and Antimicrobial Efficacy”
5:05-5:40 PM  Ernest Visconti, MD – “Looking Beyond Lyme: Differential Diagnosis:
6:15-6:30 PM  Discussion (all afternoon speakers)
6:30 PM  Closing Remarks
6:40-8:30 PM  Networking Reception