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1st Annual Scientific Symposium on Nephrogenic Systemic Fibrosis and MRI Contrast

Friday, May 4, 2007

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Participants who attend this conference will be able to:
- Demonstrate the link between Nephrogenic Systemic Fibrosis (NSF) and gadolinium-containing MRI contrast
- Recognize the clinical presentation of NSF
- Review current understanding of the pathophysiology of this disease
- Distinguish important differences among the various gadolinium-based MRI contrast agents
- Select potential treatment options for the disease
- Discuss the impact on patient care, practice management, and strategies to identify patients with kidney disease that might be at risk

Learning Objectives

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

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This conference will take place at The Anlyan Center, 300 Cedar Street, New Haven, CT

7:45 AM  Registration and Continental Breakfast
9:35 AM  Welcome and Introductions
Phillip Kuo, MD, PhD
Ali Abu-Alfa, MD, FASN

9:30 AM  Perspective on Ten Years of Nephrogenic Systemic Fibrosis
Shawn Cowper, MD

9:35 AM  Gadolinium-containing MRI Contrast Agents: Important Variations on a Theme
Phillip Kuo, MD, PhD

10:20 AM  Circulating Fibrocyte: Cellular Basis for NSF
Richard Bucala, MD, PhD

10:45 AM  Panel Discussion

11:30 AM  Refreshment Break

11:35 AM  A Dermatologist’s Perspective on NSF
Michael Girardi, MD, PhD

11:50 AM  The Impact on Care of the Patient with Kidney Disease
Ali Abu-Alfa, MD, FASN

12:35 PM  Impact on Hospital Policy: Yale Experience
Jeffrey Weinreb, MD

1:00 PM  Panel Discussion

1:30 PM  Adjourn and Boxed Lunch

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