

2006 ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting Update

Approaching Deadlines

February 1, 2006 Diagnostic Dilemmas (Unknowns) submission deadline
February 10, 2006 Early discounted registration deadline
February 10, 2006 Cancellation request deadline
February 15, 2006 Hotel reservation deadline
March 22, 2006 On-site registration opens
March 23, 2006 ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting begins 8:00 am

Program Updates

Schedule Changes

- March of Dimes Colonel Harland Sanders Award presentation will occur on Friday, March 24, 2006 from 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm
- ABMG Maintenance of Certification Examination will be offered only on Wednesday, March 22 from 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm and not on Friday evening.
- Public Health SIG “Response to Disasters and Catastrophes will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2006 from 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

New Saturday Schedule and March of Dime Conference Speaker Updates **37th Annual March of Dimes Clinical Genetics Conference: The Genetics of Sexual Differentiation**

Saturday, March 25, 2006

8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Moderator: Eric J. Vilain, MD, PhD, FACMG, David Geffen School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA
Speakers: Michael Katz, MD, March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, White Plains, NY; Vicki Huff, PhD, M.D. Anderson, Houston, TX; Vincent R. Harley, PhD, PHIMR, Melbourne, Australia; Eric Vilain, M.D., PhD, FACMG, David Geffen School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA; David C. Page, MD, Winchester, MA (Samuel Pruzansky Memorial Lecture)

Visit www.acmg.net for the detailed session and topic listing

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm – Counselors' Luncheon - Genetic Counseling Practice Models: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

12:00 pm – 4:00 pm – Exhibits and Poster Hall Open

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm – Concession Lunch
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm – Exhibitor Laboratory Theaters
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm – Poster Session II
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm – Refreshment Break

4:15 pm – 6:15 pm – Platform Presentations from Contributed Abstracts

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm – Diagnostic Dilemmas (Unknowns and Rare Knowns)

New Session Offering – To be held in conjunction with the ACMG meeting

CAP/LAP Molecular Pathology/Cytogenetics Inspector Training Seminar

Wednesday, March 22, 2006

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Manchester Grand Hyatt

This session will focus on improving your skills as an inspector for Molecular Pathology and Cytogenetics. Topics include using "Read-Observe-Ask" inspection techniques to gather compliance information and updates to both the Molecular Pathology and Cytogenetics Checklists with highlights of the requirements unique to these disciplines. The session will use a combination of lecture, group activities, and demonstrations of inappropriate as well as best inspector practices.

Accreditation: CME Category 1 – The CAP designates this educational activity for a maximum of 3.5 category 1 credits toward the AMA's Physician's Recognition Award; CE (Continuing Education for non-physicians) – The CAP designates this educational activity for a maximum of 3.5 credits/hours of continuing education. This activity is acceptable to meet the continuing education requirements for the ASCP Board of Registry Certification Maintenance. This activity is approved for continuing education credit in the states of California and Florida.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION: Enroll online at www.cap.org (Click on Education, click on View Course Catalog, then click on Laboratory Accreditation Program Education) or call the CAP Education Division at 800-323-4040 ext. 7525.

NEW THIS YEAR! STAY AND WIN!

Stay at least three nights at the Manchester Grand Hyatt while attending the ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics meeting and you'll be entered to win complimentary registration to the 2007 Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting! The winners name will be posted at the ACMG Information booth on the last day of the 2006 meeting. You must have a room in your name and stay at the Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego between the dates of March 22-26, 2006 to be eligible.

ANNUAL MEETING ASSISTANCE

If you have any questions or need assistance regarding the annual meeting, please feel free to contact us:

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www.acmg.net (Be sure to check the website often for updates and announcements)

Coming in March: ACMG Electronic Newsletter

Starting in March, members will be receiving a quarterly electronic newsletter from the ACMG. This newsletter will update members on the activities of the college, ACMG committees and ACMG publications. This newsletter will only be sent via e-mail. If you do not currently have an e-mail address on record with ACMG, please contact acmg@acmg.net.

Save the Date!
March 13-16, 2008
ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Conference
Hyatt Regency Phoenix & Phoenix Convention Center
Phoenix, Arizona
