About the Symposium

Welcome to the 2023 Mellen Center Update in Multiple Sclerosis (MS). This is our 15th symposium and we are excited to welcome our attendees back for an in-person event. Our hope is that this year’s program will have something for everyone, from the practical day-to-day management of MS patients to the newest research developments in the field.

I am excited to announce that Dr. Darin Okuda from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center will be our keynote speaker. Dr. Okuda has had a distinguished career in the field of MS and has been a thought leader in the area of radiologically isolated syndrome. These patients can pose a special dilemma to clinicians and his talk will help us to identify and manage them. Additionally, Dr. Susan Linder will be talking to us about the role of exercise for MS patients and Dr. Robert Fox will give an update on the emergence of Bruton’s tyrosine kinase inhibitors for the treatment of multiple sclerosis.

We will have three tracks in the afternoon designed to appeal to a wide range of interests. The first is a clinical track on the management of MS and will include talks from Dr. Amy Sullivan on the use of biofeedback in managing mood disorders in MS patients and Dr. Marisa McGinley will be giving an update on the emerging fields of neuroprotection and remyelination. The second track will focus on the role of rehabilitation in MS care. Dr. Mary Rensel and one of our most experienced occupational therapists, Alyssa Leonard, will speak on a multi-disciplinary approach to wellness in MS patients. There will also be a case report on the multi-disciplinary approach and a talk on specialty rehab services. Finally, we are excited to offer a track on imaging and pathology research in MS. Dr. Emmanuel Obusez will talk about clinical applications of 7 Tesla imaging, Dr. Kedar Mahajan will discuss the spinal cord and progression in MS, and Dr. Daniel Ontaneda will give an update on the CAVS MS study and the use of the central vein sign in distinguishing MS from other central nervous system pathologies.

A number of other fascinating talks will also be given at the symposium. We welcome you to join us for the Mellen Center Update and believe you will find the program stimulating and educational. I look forward to seeing everybody in-person this year!

Best Regards,

Devon Conway, MD, MS, Symposium Director

Objectives

At the completion of this activity, the participant will be able to:

• Describe and critically appraise the updates, clinical implications and pathophysiology of MS and other neuroinflammatory diseases.
• Describe the role of wellness in MS, including the benefits of exercise, stress management, biofeedback and rehabilitation services.
• Summarize how management strategies for multiple sclerosis are affected by socioeconomic factors.
• Outline steps for treating breakthrough disease after highly effective therapy.
• Detail developments in neuroprotection and remyelination in multiple sclerosis.
• Describe recent updates in imaging, including applications of 7-Tesla MRI, and use of the central vein sign, which can help in the evaluation of MS mimics, thereby reducing misdiagnosis.

Target Audience

This update is intended for health care practitioners engaged in the care of patients with MS and related disorders. We will cover a broad range of topics of value to health care professionals from a wide array of backgrounds including, physicians, nurses, physician assistants, physical, occupational, and speech therapists, psychologists, neuropsychologists, social workers, and other health care practitioners who treat patients with MS.

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Agenda
Friday, June 23, 2023 • Eastern Time

Time for questions and answers are included in each presentation.

7:30 am  Registration/Continental Breakfast/Exhibits
8:20 am  Welcome – Devon Conway
8:30 am  Radiologically Isolated Syndrome: To Treat or Not to Treat?
         Darin Okuda
9:20 am  Neurosarcoidosis: Diagnosis and Management – Brandon Moss
10:00 am Exercise and MS – Susan Linder
10:40 am Break and Exhibits
11:00 am BTK Inhibitors – Robert Fox
11:35 am The Impact of Socioeconomic Factors on MS – Deborah Miller
12:10 pm Lunch Break and Exhibits

Breakout Session A: MS Clinical Track
Moderator: Devon Conway
1:00 pm  Stress Management and Biofeedback as a Tool to Managing Mood
         and MS – Amy Sullivan and Alexa Kane
1:40 pm  Neuroprotection and Remyelination – Where are We?
         Marisa McGinley
2:20 pm  Break and Exhibits
2:40 pm  Breakthrough Disease After a Highly Effective Therapy: What to do?
         Lindsay Ross
3:20 pm  Red Flags in the Diagnosis of MS and Other Demyelinating
         Disorders: What to Watch For – Jameson Holloman and Lisa Stropp

Breakout Session B: Rehabilitation
Moderator: Alyssa Leonard
1:00 pm  Benefits of Wellness from the Multi-Disciplinary Approach
         Mary Rensel and Alyssa Leonard
2:00 pm  Case Report from the Multi-Disciplinary Approach (Part I)
         Maureen Ivec, Christina Duncan, and Justin Abbatemarco
2:20 pm  Break and Exhibits
2:40 pm  Case Report from the Multi-Disciplinary Approach (Part II)
         Maureen Ivec, Christina Duncan, and Justin Abbatemarco
3:20 pm  Specialty Rehab Services – Alyssa Leonard, Christina Duncan
         and Ashley Christopher

Breakout Session C: Imaging and Pathology in MS Research
Moderator: Daniel Ontaneda
1:00 pm  7 Tesla MRI: From Research to Bedside – Emmanuel Obusez
1:40 pm  The Spinal Cord and Progression in Multiple Sclerosis
         Kedar Mahajan
2:20 pm  Break and Exhibits
2:40 pm  The Central Vein Sign and CAVS MS – Daniel Ontaneda
3:20 pm  Applications of Machine Learning in Multiple Sclerosis Imaging
         Kunio Nakamura
4:00 pm  Adjourn all sessions

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Location
InterContinental Hotel & Conference Center
9801 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44106
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Faculty presentation slides will be available online in PDF format. You will have access prior to the activity to allow you to download or print the slides.

Information
For further information about this activity, contact Shana Spade at Local: 216.444.9380; Toll Free: 800.223.2273 x49380; Email: spades@ccf.org

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Registration Fee: $50

In-person registration includes: online syllabus, continental breakfast, breaks and buffet lunch; Virtual registration includes: virtual attendance and online syllabus.

Register at www.ccfcme.org/MS. Registration deadline is 5:00 pm (EST), Monday, June 19, 2023. A request for a refund must be received in writing by June 12, 2023. No refunds will be given after June 12, 2023. A $25 cancellation fee will be deducted from the refund for all cancellations.

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