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4th International Symposium on Resistant Gram-Positive Infections (RGP-4)

State University of New York at Buffalo, July 9-11, 2008

Email: RGP4@cplassociates.com

www.grampositive2008.com

July 9th, 2008 at Adam's Mark Hotel, 120 Church Street, Buffalo, NY 14202

12:00-15:00	Afternoon arrivals, hotel check in
15:00-17:00	Industry Sponsored Symposium: MRSA Active Cephalosporins Chair persons: A. Tice and J. Paladino
15:00-15:30	Resistance in Failure of Community Antibiotics – C. Rotstein (CA)
15:30-16:00	Clinical Aspects of Treating MRSA in the Community – A. Tice (US)
16:00-16:30	Economic Aspects of MRSA in the Community – J. Paladino (US)
16:30-17:00	Clinical Studies of Ceftaroline – D. Thye (US)
17:30-22:00	Buffet Welcome Reception at Adam's Mark
18:00-21:00	Speakers Dinner at Darwin Martin House

July 10th, 2008 at Albright-Knox Art Gallery, 1285 Elmwood, Buffalo, NY 14222

	Breakfast available prior to departure in hotel restaurant at additional cost
07:30 & 07:45	Transfers to Albright-Knox Art Gallery
	Mechanisms of Resistance and Response Chair persons: B. Murray and C. Rotstein
08:00-08:30	Impact of Vaccines on MDR <i>S. pneumoniae</i> – K.P. Klugman (US)
08:30-09:00	<i>S. pneumoniae</i> in CAP: The Case Against Placebo – T.F. Murphy (US)
09:00-09:30	Small Colony Variants - Another Strategy to Resist TX – C. von Eiff (GER)
09:30-10:00	Intestinal Flora and the Genomic Impacts of Antibiotics – S. Gill (US)
10:00-11:00	Coffee Break, Exhibits, Posters
	Epidemiology and Treatment Strategies Chair persons: R. Moellering and V.L. Yu
11:00-11:20	Foreign Bodies, Biofilms and Catheter Sepsis – R. Darouiche (US)
11:20-11:40	Enterococci - New Developments in Resistance – B. Murray (US)
11:40-12:00	CA-MRSA Canadian Aspects – M. Mulvey (CA)
12:00-12:20	The Role of Linezolid in RGP Infections – R. Moellering (US)
12:20-13:30	Lunch, Exhibits, Posters
	Virulence Factors in Gram-positives Chair persons: Y. Carmeli and H. Lode
13:30-13:50	Phage Lytic Enzymes to Control Gram Positive Bacteria – V. Fischetti (US)
13:50-14:10	<i>S. epidermidis</i> – Not Such an Innocent Pathogen – J. John (US)
14:10-14:30	<i>S. aureus</i> – An Evolving Clinical Pathogen in Wounds – P. Dellinger (US)
14:30-14:50	<i>C. difficile</i> : Hospital, Nursing Home and the Community – R. Bax (UK)
14:50-16:00	Coffee break, Exhibits, Posters
	Industry Sponsored Symposium MRSA: Clinical Trials and other Considerations for Selecting Therapy Chair Persons: A. Tice and E. Rubinstein
16:00-16:20	Cost Analysis and the Burden of MRSA and VREF – Y. Carmeli (IL)
16:20-16:40	PK/PD of Anti-Gram-positive Agents vs. MRSA – J. Schentag (US)
16:40-17:10	MRSA Trials: Should They Be Targeting Superiority – E. Rubinstein (CA)
17:10-17:40	MRSA Pneumonia: Evidence and Guidelines – M. Niederman (US)
17:40-18:00	Panel Discussion
18:00-19:30	Tour of Albright-Knox and Cocktail Hour
19:30	Symposium Dinner at Albright-Knox Transfers back to Adam's Mark Hotel

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07:30-08:00

Symposium Breakfast in Conference Room (Erie Ballroom)

08:00-09:00

Specialty Clinical Problems in Hospitals

Chair persons: J. Mylotte and R. Owens

08:00-08:30

Staphylococcal Bacteremia: Trials and Tribulations – H. Boucher (US)

08:30-09:00

C. difficile Infection: Management in the 21st Century – R. Owens (US)

09:00-09:30

Break, Exhibits, Posters

09:30-10:00

Clinical Aspects of Resistant Gram Positives

Chair persons: A. Tice and E. Rubinstein

10:00-10:20

The Future In Therapeutics – E. Rubinstein (CA)

10:20-10:40

CAP and Multi-Resistant *S. pneumoniae* – T. File (US)

10:40-11:00

Respiratory Tract Infections in ICUs - H. Lode (GER)

11:00-11:20

Severe CAP: Risk Factors and Treatment Strategies – Victor L. Yu (US)

Panel Discussion: Treatment of Severe Gram Positive Infections

11:20-11:50

PK/PD of New Anti Gram-positive Agents

Chair Persons: P.M. Tulkens and A. Lesse

11:50-12:10

Modes of Action and PK/PD of Novel Anti-gm Positive Agents – P.M. Tulkens (BE)

12:10-12:30

Strategies for MRSA – What Do the Animal Models Tell Us? – W.A Craig (US)

12:30-13:30

Antibiotic Combinations for Treatment of *S. aureus* – M Rybak (US)

Lunch, Exhibits, Posters

13:30-14:00

Future Treatment Options and/or New Antibiotics

Chair persons: J Schentag and A. Kumar

14:00-14:30

Activated Protein C vs. Severe Gram + Infections - Useful? – G. Garber (CA)

14:30-15:00

ICU Management of Gm Positive Septicemia – A. Kumar (CA)

15:00-15:30

Mediators/modulators of Pro-inflammatory Response – A. El-Solh (US)

Panel Discussions – New and Old Pathways and Inhibitors

16:30

Departures, Transfers to Airport or Hotels