Sunday, September 18, 2011
Arrival for those attending Ancillary Meetings on Monday

7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Dinner
Mallard Room

Day 1: Monday, September 19, 2011

7:00 - 8:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet
Mallard Room

8:00 - 12:00 noon ANCILLARY MEETINGS

8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Methotrexate Myasthenia Gravis Study Group
Chair: Richard Barohn
Maple Room

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. EPITOME Study Group
Chair: Michael Benatar
Hemlock Room

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch
Lakeside (weather permitting) or Mallard

12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m. ANCILLARY MEETINGS

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Arimoclomol Study Meeting with Lunch
Chair: Richard Barohn
Drake Room

1:00 - 2:00 p.m. HYP HOP Study Group
Chair: Robert Griggs
The Aud

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. CMT Study Meeting
Chair: Michael Shy
Chestnut Room

3:15 - 6:00 p.m. Free Time: Informal Discussion
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4:00 - 6:00 p.m. MSG Executive Committee Meeting Photos will be taken of Executive Committee Members
Hemlock Room

5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Poster Session 1 Set-up
Forestview Room

6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Poster Session 1 with hors d'oeuvres & cash bar
Forestview Room

6:15 p.m. Poster Session Moderators: James Howard (University of North Carolina) and Carlayne Jackson (University of Texas – San Antonio)

7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Dinner
Mallard/Lodge

8:30 - Symposium Chair, John Kissel
Keynote Speaker: Daniel Drachman (Johns Hopkins University)
“Oscillation: From the Clinic to the Laboratory, and Back Again: My Dual Life"
Fireside Room
Day 2: Tuesday, September 20, 2011

6:30 - 8:00 am  Breakfast Buffet  
Mallard/Drake

7:00 - 8:00 am  Informal Breakfast Seminar for new members/guests [open to all]  
Overview/Update on Study Groups: Michael Hanna (British Myology Society), Richard Barohn (Muscle Study Group), Moderator: Robert C. Griggs (University of Rochester)  
Drake

8:00 - 8:10 am  Welcome  
Robert C. Griggs (University of Rochester), Michael Hanna (University College London) and John Kissel (Ohio State University)  
Fireside Room

8:10 - 10:30 am  Session I: RNA Metabolism as Therapeutic Target in Muscle Disease  
Moderator: Charles Thornton (University of Rochester)

8:10 - 8:30  RNA-based Therapy for Neuromuscular Disease  
Mathew Wood (Oxford)

8:30 – 8:50  Status of AVI Pre-Clinical and Clinical Research in DMD  
Ryszard Kole (AVI Bio)

8:50 – 9:10  RNA Therapy of the Muscular Dystrophies  
Michela Guglieri (Newcastle University)

9:10 – 9:30  RNA Approaches in Myotonic Dystrophy  
Charles Thornton (University of Rochester)

9:30 – 9:50  Discussion

9:50 – 10:10  New MSG Strategies  
Robert Griggs (University of Rochester)

10:10 – 10:30  BREAK
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10:30 - 12:00 noon  Session II: RNA Metabolism as Therapeutic Target in Motor Neuron Disease
Moderator: To be determined

10:30- 10:50  Antisense Approach to SMA
Chris Lorson (University of Missouri – Columbia)

10:50 - 11:10  RNA Mediated Approaches to ALS
Stephen Kolb (Ohio State University)

11:10 - 11:30  Preclinical and Clinical Studies of SBMA
Kurt Fischbeck (NIH/NINDS)

11:30 – 11:50  Neuromuscular Pipeline
Jay Barth and Robert Spiegel (PTC)

11:50 – 12:10  Discussion

12:10  Group Photo  Pool Area (weather permitting)/The Aud

12:15 - 1:15 pm  Lunch  Trailside or Mallard/Lodge

1:15 – 1:30 pm  MSG Business Meeting
Robert Griggs and Rabi Tawil

1:30 - 3:05 pm  Session III: Government/Foundation Perspectives on NM Themes
Moderator: John Kissel (Ohio State University) and Michael Hanna (University College London)

1:30 - 1:50  Filling the Pipeline for New Clinical Investigators
Valerie Cwik (Muscular Dystrophy Association)

1:50 - 2:10  NIAMS Strategy Planning for Muscle Disease Research and Training
Glen Nuckolls (NIH/NIAMS)

2:10 – 2:30  Neuromuscular Research Activities and Funding Opportunities through NICHD
Melissa Parisi (NIH/NICHD)
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2:30 - 2:50 Round Table Discussion
Electronic Telephone Diaries to Capture Patient Recorded Outcomes: Issues and Suggestions from CINCH and HYP HOP
Nina Gorham (U of Texas Southwestern)
Kim Hart (University of Rochester)
Laura Herbelin (University of Kansas)

2:50 – 3:10 NEXT Initiative (Tentative)
Elizabeth McNeil (NIH)

3:10 – 3:25 BREAK

3:25 - 4:35 pm Session IV: Animal Models and Translational Research
Moderator: Louis Ptacek (University of California San Francisco)

Michael Benatar (Emory University)

3:45 – 4:05 Animal Models in SMA
Arthur Burghes (Ohio State University)

4:05 - 4:25 Animal Models for the MDs
Cathleen Lutz, PhD (The Jackson Laboratory)

4:25 - 4:45 Ascorbic Acid Trial in CMT1
David Herrmann (University of Rochester)

4:45 – 5:05 Open Discussion/Debate on Animal Models – Panel

5:05 - 6:00 pm Free time for informal discussions/meetings/networking

5:30 – 6:00 pm Poster Session 2 Set-up
Forestview Room

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Mallard/Lodge                                                      |
| 8:30 - | Symposium Chair: Michael Hanna  
Keynote Speaker: Louis Ptacek (University of California San Francisco)  
Phenotyping Animal Models of Neurological and Neuromuscular Diseases – Successes, Challenges and Pitfalls  
Fireside Room |
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| 7:00 - 8:00 am| Breakfast & Checkout  
*Mallard/Lounge*                                    |
| 8:00 – 8:20 am| MDA Update  
Valerie Cwik  
*Fireside Room*                                        |
| 8:20 - 12:10 pm| Session V: Exercise as a Therapy for NM Disease  
Moderator: Ronald Haller (Presbyterian Hospital – Dallas) |

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| 8:20 - 8:40   | Overview of Exercise Physiology  
Richard Moxley (University of Rochester)                                    |
| 8:40 – 9:00   | Applying Exercise Therapy in Peripheral Nerve Disease  
Gita Ramdharry (University College London)                                    |
| 9:00 – 9:20   | Exercise in Mitochondrial Disease  
Ronald Haller (Presbyterian Hospital – Dallas)                                  |
| 9:20 – 9:40   | Exercise in SBMA  
Kurt Fischbeck (NIH)                                                        |
| 9:40 – 10:00  | Exercise in ALS  
Julaine Florence (Washington University)                                      |
| 10:00 – 10:20 | Discussion                                                             |
| 10:20 – 10:40| Break and Check-out                                                   |
| 10:40 – 11:00 am| Exercise in Glycogen Storage Disease  
Timothy Miller (Genzyme Corporation)                                    |
| 11:00 – 11:20 | Future Directions in Exercise Therapy – What Do We Need to Know?  
John Vissing (University of Copenhagen)                                   |
| 11:20 – 11:40 | Late Breaking News  
Rabi Tawil (University of Rochester)                                     |
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12:00 noon Lunch
       Mallard/Lounge or outside location