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## 9th International IACFS/ME Conference

**Patient Session • March 12, 2009**

**Professional Session • March 13-15, 2009**

Peppermill Resort, Reno, Nevada USA



The mission of the IACFS/ME is to promote, stimulate and coordinate the exchange of ideas related to ME/CFS and fibromyalgia (FM) research, patient care and treatment. In addition, the IACFS/ME periodically reviews the current research and treatment literature and media reports for the benefit of scientists, clinicians and patients. The IACFS/ME also conducts and/or participates in local, national, and international scientific conferences in order to promote and evaluate new research and to encourage future research ventures and cooperative activities to advance scientific and clinical knowledge of these illnesses.

### Co-sponsor and local host organization:



The Whittemore Peterson Institute for Neuro Immune Disease exists to bring discovery, knowledge, and effective treatments to patients with illnesses that are caused by acquired dysregulation of both the immune system and the nervous system, often resulting in life long disease and disability.

Our first goal is to work towards developing a better understanding of the natural history of these diseases, thereby diagnosing and treating patients accurately and efficiently. Generating and sustaining a blood and tissue repository and a clinical database for ME/CFS and ultimately for other neuroimmune diseases is a primary focus of the Institute.

If you are a patient, caregiver and or an advocate, you will not want to miss this conference offering talks by internationally known researchers, physicians, legal experts and patient advocates. Every presentation has been designed to provide participants with knowledge and empowerment to face the difficult health issues persons with CFS/FM encounter daily. At the end of the patient session participants will have a wealth of information, skills and tools that will be the foundation for optimal health. For a very reasonable additional fee you can also attend the professional session. You will agree that the 4-day 9th International IACFS/ME Conference is an amazing value!

### Patient Session Agenda

**Welcome & Introduction** Nancy Klimas, M.D. *Board Member IACFS/ME, President*

#### **New Developments in Possible Causes of ME/CFS**

Daniel Peterson, M.D.

Anthony L. Komaroff, M.D.

*Simcox-Clifford -Higby Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School*

#### **New Research on What Helps People Cope with ME/CFS**

Fred Friedberg, PhD *Board Member IACFS/ME, Treasurer*  
*Assistant Professor, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY*

Leonard Jason, Ph.D. *Board Member IACFS/ME, Vice President*  
*Professor, Clinical and Community Psychology, DePaul University, Chicago, IL*

#### **Latest Research on the Pathophysiology of ME/CFS**

Hirohito Kuratsune, M.D., D. Med. Sci. *Board Member IACFS/ME*  
*Professor, Faculty of Health Science for Welfare, Kansai University of Welfare Sciences*  
*Visiting Professor, Clinical Center for Fatigue Science, Osaka City University*  
*Medical School*

Kenneth J. Friedman, Ph.D. *Board Member IACFS/ME*  
*Associate Professor of Pharmacology and Physiology, New Jersey Medical School,*  
*University of Medicine and Dentistry of NJ*

#### **Assessing ME/CFS Brain Functioning**

Gudrun Lange, Ph.D. *Clinical Neuropsychologist*  
*Professor, UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School*  
*Director, War Related Illness and Injury Study Center, DVA NJ Health Care System*

#### **New Developments in Pharmacologic Treatments**

Nancy Klimas, M.D. *Board Member IACFS/ME, President*

#### **Panel Question & Answer Session**

Discover the latest products and services and visit industry leading companies in the exhibit area. The IACFS/ME thanks them for their support.

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- **New Research on What Helps People Cope with ME/CFS**
- **Latest Researches on the Pathophysiology of ME/CFS**
- **Assessing ME/CFS Brain Functioning**
- **New Developments in Pharmacologic Treatments**
- **Expert Panel Question & Answer Session**

### ***Who Should Attend:***

This Conference intended for Patients, Caregivers, Students and ME/CFS & FM Advocates

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**Register by February 15 and save!**