



ISF-LEGACY HERITAGE FUND INAUGURAL MEETING ON NEW APPROACHES TO NEURODEGENERATIVE DISEASES



Dead Sea, Israel, January 17-20, 2010

ANNOUNCEMENT & CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Dear Colleagues,

This meeting will "kick-off" the ISF-Legacy Heritage Fund initiative on Neurodegenerative Diseases, with the main purpose of attracting the interest of excellent scientists to contribute to research in this field. 16 guest speakers from abroad will be joined by an equal number of Israeli speakers, who are currently funded by the ISF-Legacy Heritage Fund grant awards in the field of neurodegeneration. We will also consider applications to speak from Israeli postdocs, currently working abroad in relevant fields, who are looking to return to Israeli academia. All Israeli researchers working in this field are encouraged to register and contribute to the discussions and brainstorming that will help formulate future directions for this ISF-Legacy Heritage Fund initiative.

The Organizing Committee

*Mike Fainzilber (Rehovot)
Elior Peles (Rehovot)
Miguel Weil (Tel Aviv)
Tamir Ben-Hur (Jerusalem)
Robert H. Brown, Jr. (Boston)*

Confirmed Invited Speakers

Ernest Arenas (Stockholm)
Robert H. Brown, Jr. (Boston)
Moses V. Chao (New York)
Don W. Cleveland (San Diego)
Justin Fallon (Providence)
Eva Feldman (Michigan)
Maria L. Feltri (Italy)
Chris Henderson (New York)
Jeff Macklis (Boston)
Tom Maniatis (Boston)
Klaus-Armin Nave (Göttingen)
V. Hugh Perry (Southampton)
David Rubinsztein (Cambridge)
Lawrence Wrabetz (Milan)



MEETING SECRETARIAT

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TIME PLANNER

Sunday January 17, 2010

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| All day: | Arrivals |
| Late afternoon: | Registration |
| | Dinner |
| 20:00 | Opening session |
| 22:00 | Get-together reception |

Monday January 18, 2010

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| 8:30 – 22:00 | Sessions including round table discussions and brainstorming |
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Tuesday January 19, 2010

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| 8:30 – 18:00 | Sessions |
| 19:30 – 22:00 | Closing session with representatives of ISF-Legacy Heritage Fund and patients' organizations |

Wednesday January 20, 2010

Departures after breakfast and/ or tours for foreign guests.

GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION

VENUE

Prima Spa Club Hotel, Ein Bokek, Dead Sea, is the meeting venue. The Dead Sea is the lowest point on earth, roughly 417 meters below sea level. It is also the world's largest Natural Spa !! This unique body of water is the saltiest and most mineral laden in the world. Everyone can float effortlessly in its water and enjoy the therapeutic value of the mud and minerals.

The Dead Sea area is also rich in history and archeology, from biblical to modern. The year round sunshine and magnificent natural landscape provide the ideal setting for our Meeting.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The Meeting will be conducted in English.

APPLICATIONS TO PARTICIPATE

Participation is limited to 120 registrants to facilitate discussions and brainstorming. To ensure representation of all interested groups, we will accept one person per research group until September 21, 2009, with additional applicants from the same group placed on a waiting list. From September 21, 2009 onwards registrations will be accepted in the order received as long as space is still available.

DRESS CODE

Dress code will be casual throughout the meeting. Pack swimwear and sandals. Remember that you are in the desert – it gets cold at night and we recommend to bring a jacket for the evenings.

FELLOWSHIPS & FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

IsrA.L.S, the Israel A.L.S Research Association, will provide partial support for a few young A.L.S. Researchers that would like to attend the conference. For more details please contact Efrat Carmi at IsrA.L.S: efrat@israls.org.il
Website: <http://www.israls.org.il/>

Depending on funds available, the organizing committee will do its best to allocate funds to subsidize registration and accommodation package (double occupancy) for a limited number of graduate students. Students requesting the subsidy must submit their requests by e-mail to the secretariat (neurodegen@targetconf.com) until November 1, 2009, and present proof of student status and a supporting letter from their thesis advisor. Please note that subsidized participation will NOT be offered to students requesting single occupancy accommodation.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Sunday January 17, 2010

A get together evening reception, to meet and mingle with the Meeting participants

Monday, January 18, 2010

Picnic lunch on the beach with time for a dip in the Dead Sea and use of the world famous therapeutic mud.

Late night drinks in the hotel bar

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

Farewell dinner with closing remarks

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

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Target Conferences is the official travel agent for the Meeting, and will be offering special package rates for accommodation and Meeting events.

REGISTRATION FEES New Israeli Shekels (NIS)

| | November 15, 2009 | |
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| | Before | After |
| Scientist | NIS 470 | NIS 550 |
| Student | NIS 235 | NIS 275 |

Registration fees include participation in all sessions, program and course kit.

ACCOMMODATION PACKAGE New Israeli Shekels (NIS)

Prima Spa Dead Sea Hotel:
January 17-20, 2010

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| Double occupancy | NIS 1560 per person sharing room |
| Single occupancy | NIS 2295 |

Package includes:

Accommodation for 3 nights with full board, commencing with dinner on January 17 and ending after breakfast on January 20. Get-together reception (January 17), coffee at breaks, picnic lunch, late evening drinks (January 18) and upgraded dinner (January 19).

Please note that as this is a package, no reimbursements can be made for portions not taken.

PAYMENT

In order to confirm your registration and accommodation, please complete and return the enclosed forms with payment to Target Conferences Ltd. at your earliest convenience.

Payment for registration must be made in full. A deposit of 500 NIS must accompany accommodation requests.

Payment for accommodation reserved through Target Conferences Ltd. is to be made (less deposit paid on first booking) upon arrival at the Hospitality Desk at the venue. Target Conferences Ltd. accepts travelers checks, Eurochecks and major credit cards.

If making payment by bank transfer, please ensure that the name/s of the participant/s and meeting name are clearly stated on the bank transfer. Bank charges are the responsibility of the payer and should be paid at source.

IMPORTANT NOTES

- Personal travel and health insurance is recommended.
- Official check-in time to hotel is 14:00 hours and check-out at noon
- Target Conferences Ltd. does not coordinate shared accommodation.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Until 25 December 2009 – Refund on registration and accommodation package, less a 250 NIS handling fee.

After December 26, 2009 – No refund on registration and accommodation package deposit

DATES AND DEADLINES TO REMEMBER

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| Early Registration at Reduced Rate | November 15, 2009 |
| Meeting commences | January 17, 2010 |



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REGISTRATION FORM

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Family Name _____

First Name _____

Title: Prof Dr Mr Ms

Research Group and Institution _____

Full Mailing Address _____

State _____

Zip Code _____ Country _____

Tel _____ Fax _____

e-mail _____

REGISTRATION FEES New Israeli Shekels (NIS)
Form and Payment Received

November 15, 2009

| | Before | After |
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| Participant | <input type="checkbox"/> 470 NIS | <input type="checkbox"/> 550 NIS |
| Student | <input type="checkbox"/> 235 NIS | <input type="checkbox"/> 275 NIS |

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Enclosed please find a **cheque** in the amount of NIS _____ payable to Target Conferences.

I have made a **bank transfer** of NIS _____ as follows:
Bank Leumi, Gordon-Branch, Branch Number 804, 87 Ben Yehuda Street, Tel Aviv, Israel
to the account of Target Conferences, 341500/08 (Copy enclosed)

Charge NIS _____ to **credit card** as below:

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Credit Card No. _____ Expiry Date _____

Last 3 numbers on back of card _____

Signature _____ Date _____

