

Third International Research Workshop on Cognition in ALS
Sunday June 21st – Thursday June 26th

Speakers agenda:

date	time	Session/ Session chair	Proposed topics	Confirmed Speakers
Sunday June 21				
AM	All day – arrival of attendees and steering committee members			
PM	1500	Registration open		
	1600	Steering committee meeting		
	1700	Wine and Cheese reception		
	1800	Opening dinner		
	1930	Session 1: Opening session (Chair: Strong)		
	1930 - 1945	Opening remarks, welcome, acknowledgements, timetable, objectives, terminology		
	1945 - 2015	Gene environment interactions - Lessons from high incidence foci: A lecture in honor of D. Carleton Gajdusek		Ralph Garruto, PhD
	2015 - 2025	Questions		
	2025 - 2055	Learning from history – ALS, FTD and behaviour		Thomas Bak, Dr. Med.
	2055 - 2110	Questions		

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Monday June 22				
	0730 - 0830	breakfast		
AM	0830	Session 2a: Phenotypic heterogeneity of ALS and the FTDs (Chairs: Strong)		
	0830 - 0855	Phenotypic heterogeneity in ALS		Jeff Rosenfeld, MD, PhD
	0855 - 0920	Linkage between disease onset and progression		John Ravits, MD
	0920 - 0945	Late onset dementia amongst Chamorros		Dan Perl, MD
	0945 - 1010	ALS/PD complex in Kii Peninsula - advances		Shigeki Kuzuhara, MD
	1010 - 1030	Round table discussion		All
	1020 - 1040	Coffee		
	1040	Session 2b: Exploring the spectrum of FTD phenomenology (Chairs: Goldstein)		
	1040 - 1110	Theory of mind		Christopher Kipps, MD
	1110 - 1135	Phenotypic heterogeneity in the FTDs		Murray Grossman, MD
	1135 - 1200	Social cognition in ALS		Sharon Abrahams, PhD
	1200 - 1230	Round table discussion		All
	1230 - 1330	lunch		
Monday PM				
PM	1330	Session 3: Neuroimaging advances (Chair: Woolley)		
	1330 - 1355	Using neuroimaging to understand brain-behaviour relationships		Sandra Black, MD
	1355 - 1420	Advances in MR imaging in ALS		Norbert Schuff, PhD
	1420 - 1445	Multimodality approach to neuroimaging in ALS		Albert Ludolph, MD
	1445 - 1510	When is frontotemporal atrophy normal?		Tiffany Chow, MD
	1510 - 1535	Using MR to measure success		Sanjay Kalra, MD
	1535 - 1545	Round table discussion		All
	1545	Coffee		
	1600	Session 4: Poster session (Chair: Figlewicz)		
	1600 - 1630	Two minute rapid fire presentations		All
	1630 - 1800	Poster viewing – atrium bar available		
	1830	Dinner		

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Tuesday June 23				
	0700 - 0830	Breakfast		
AM	0830	Session 5: Preclinical detection (Chair: Freedman)		
	0830 - 0900	The basis of saccadic and anti-saccadic impairments		Douglas Munoz, PhD
	0900 - 0925	Saccadic pursuit in ALS		John Katz, MD
	0925 - 0950	Preclinical detection of AD – lessons learned		Howard Feldman, MD
	0950 - 1005	Round table discussion		All
	1005 - 1020	Coffee		
	1020	Session 6: Language in ALS & FTD (Chair: Orange)		
	1020 - 1050	Language in ALS/FTLD		Argye Hillis, MD, MA
	1050 - 1115	Writing errors and anosagnosia in ALS		Mitsuru Kawamura, MD
	1115 - 1140	Dysgraphia in PLS		Vincenzo Silani, MD
	1140 - 1200	Round table discussion		All
	1200 -1300	Lunch		
PM	1300	Session 7a: Screening studies for frontotemporal syndromes in ALS; Treatment of FTD (Chair: Rosenfeld)		
	1300 - 1315	Case presentation – highlighting the problem		Morris Freedman, MD
	1315 - 1330	Approaches to screening for frontotemporal syndromes in ALS: Considerations		Laura Goldstein, PhD
	1330 - 1345	An approach to the screening exam		Susan Woolley, PhD
	1345 - 1400	An approach to the screening exam		Claire Flaherty-Craig, PhD
	1400 - 1415	Round table discussion		All
	1415 - 1430	Coffee		
		Session 7b: Treatment (Chair: Rosenfeld)		
	1430 - 1455	Implications of cognitive/behavioural changes in ALS		Laura Goldstein, PhD
	1455 - 1520	Treatment in FTD		Florence Pasquier, MD
	1520 - 1535	discussion		All
	1600	Bus departure		
	1730	Dinner and reception (arrival 1700 hrs) – The Church		

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Wednesday June 24				
	0700 - 0830	Breakfast		
AM	0830	Session 8: Genetics (Chair: Figlewicz)		
	0830 - 0900	Controversies in genetics of ALS		Ammar Al-Chalabi, PhD
	0900 - 0930	Overview of the genetics of the FTLDs		Rosa Rademakers, PhD
	0930 - 0950	Risk factors for cognitive impairment in ALS		Paul Schulz, MD
	0950 - 1010	FUS mutations		Chris Shaw, MD
	1010 - 1030	Open discussion – round table		All
	1030 - 1045	Coffee		
	1045	Session 9: Biomarkers (Chairs: Rosenfeld)		
	1045 - 1115	Biomarkers in ALS – an overview		Martin Turner, MRCP, PhD
	1115 - 1135	CSF biomarkers – pitfalls and promises		Bob Bowser, PhD
	1135 - 1155	CSF biomarkers – use of a panel		James R Connor, PhD
	1155 - 1215	Salivary gland chromogranin		Konen Obayashi, MD, PhD
	1215 - 1230	Round table discussion		All
	1230 - 1330	Lunch		
PM	1330	Session 10: TDP-43 (Chairs: Silani & Ince)		
	1330 - 1400	TDP-43: so what is all the excitement about?		Emanuele Buratti, PhD
	1400 - 1430	The Neuropathology of the FTDs – recent advances		John Trojanowski, MD, PhD
	1430 - 1500	TDP-43, FUS and new neuropathological insights		Ian Mackenzie, MD
	1500- 1530	Coffee		
	1530	Session 10 (continued) (Chairs: Silani & Ince)		
	1530 - 1600	Genetics of TDP-43		Chris Shaw, MD
	1600 - 1630	TDP-43 aggregate composition		Janice Robertson, PhD
	1620 - 1650	TDP-43 as an RNA stability determinant		Michael Strong, MD
	1650 - 1720	Round table discussion – all afternoon speakers for session 10		All
	1830	Dinner		

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Thursday, June 25				
	0700 - 0830	Breakfast		
AM	0830	Session 11a: Experimental modeling of TDP-43 pathology (Chairs: Bruijn & Strong)		
	0830 - 0900	Pluripotential role of TDP-43 as a dual RNA/protein interactor		Kathryn Volkening, PhD
	0900 - 0930	Rat model of TDP-43 expression		Ronald Klein, PhD
	0930 - 1000	<i>C. Elegans</i> model of TDP-43 expression		Brian Kraemer, PhD
	1000 - 1020	Coffee		
	1020 - 1050	Drosophila model of TDP-43 over-expression		David Morton, PhD
	1050 - 1120	Murine models of TDP-43 expression		Don Cleveland, PhD
	1120 - 1150	Zebra fish models of TDP-43 and progranulin		Philip Van Damme, MD
	1150 - 1210	Open discussion – round table		
	1215 -1315	Lunch		
	1315	Session 11b: Functional Biochemistry of TDP-43 & Progranulin (Chair: Figlewicz)		
	1315 - 1345	TDP-43/progranulin		Leonard Petrucelli, PhD
	1345 - 1415	Models of progranulin function and mutations		Hugh Bennett, PhD
	1415 - 1430	Summary of sessions & concluding remarks		Michael Strong, MD