20TH ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 8-10, 2012

Post-Graduate Course:
Stretching the Limits:
Plasticity and Neural Control
of Swallowing
March 7, 2012

The Ritz-Carlton
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

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COURSE OVERVIEW AND INTENDED AUDIENCE

The meeting is attended by clinicians, researchers, resident physicians, fellows and students from a wide range of disciplines, including gastroenterology, neurology, otolaryngology, radiology, speech-language pathology, nutrition, biomedical engineering, dentistry, pediatrics, psychology, nursing and basic sciences. The course provides an excellent opportunity for clinicians to gain an understanding of the scientific basis for the evaluation and treatment of patients with dysphagia and aspiration due to a variety of causes.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Following the conference, the participant should be able to:

1. Recognize how current understanding of neuroplasticity can enhance dysphagia rehabilitation
2. Describe how technologies can document neuroplasticity in patients with dysphagia and how these technologies can be utilized to document change over time or impact of therapeutic intervention
3. Define what constitutes readiness for clinical implementation for new dysphagia therapies
4. Describe new sensory and motor interventions for dysphagia secondary to neurological diseases
5. Appropriately implement new and emerging therapeutic swallow techniques related to neuroplasticity

CME ACCREDITATION AND CREDIT DESIGNATION

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education. Continuing Medical Education Resources is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

This program is offered for up to 235 CEUs (Advanced Level, Professional Area).

An annual ASHA CE Registry fee is required to register ASHA CEUs. CE Registry fees are paid by the participant directly to the ASHA National Office. The annual ASHA CE Registry fee allows registration of an unlimited number of ASHA CEUs for the calendar year. Contact the ASHA CE staff at (800) 498-2071 ext. 8591 for CE Registry fee subscription information.

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CME Accreditation is as follows:
Post-Grad Course Objectives:
- Incorporate these criteria into everyday practice
- Describe the impact of dysphagia with preterm neonates and other medically complex infants
- Recognize the evolution of dysphagia research and how this will direct future dysphagia research and therapy
- Identify the newest topics and results in clinical research related to neuroplasticity and recovery and how to apply research to patient recovery

CME Breakdown:
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Determination of educational content for this meeting and the selection of speakers are responsibilities of the Program Planning Committee and its chair. Firms providing financial support do not have input in these areas.

Disclosure Policy: Speakers will disclose to participants the nature of any significant (or no) financial relationships they have with the commercial firms providing support, as well as the commercial manufacturers of products and/or the providers of services discussed in their presentations. They will also disclose if any pharmaceuticals or medical procedures and devices discussed are investigational or unapproved for use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).
Twentieth Annual Dysphagia Research Society Meeting and Post-Graduate Course Program

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2012
Post-Graduate Course - Stretching the Limits: Plasticity and Neural Control of Swallowing

7:00 AM - 5:30 PM
Registration

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM
Continental Breakfast

7:50 AM - 8:00 AM
Welcome and Opening Remarks

8:00 AM - 8:10 AM
Question for the Day: How Can We Exploit Neuropasticity to Maximize Swallow Outcomes Across Diseases and the Lifespan?

8:10 AM - 8:40 AM
Panel Discussion: Traditional Interventions for Acute and Progressive Cases: Moderator: Maureen A. Lefebvre-Gref, PhD, CCC-SLP, BRS-S

8:40 AM - 9:10 AM
Case Studies: Moderator: Rosemary Martin, MA, MSc, PhD

9:10 AM - 9:40 AM
Panel Discussion: Case Studies: Plasticity in Acute and Progressive Conditions: Panelists: Yoko Iimatsuno, SLHT, MSc; Margaret Valade, MSc, BA, RCSEL; Stephanie K. Daniels, PhD, CCC-SLP

9:40 AM - 10:10 AM
Session II: Structures and Systems Within Swallowing and Associated Networks: Moderator: Maureen A. Lefebvre-Gref, PhD, CCC-SLP, BRS-S; Bill Pearson, PhD Candidate

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Break

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Session III: Technologies That Document Neuropasticity: Moderator: Ianessa A. Humbert, PhD

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Panel Discussion: How Will This Technology Help Advance Understanding of Plasticity Within Swallowing and Related Structures?: Panelists: Shaban Hamdy, MSc; Christy L. Ludlow, PhD, CCC-SLP; Georgia A. Malandraki, BS, MA, PhD, CCC-SLP

12:00 PM - 1:05 PM
Lunch On Your Own

1:05 PM - 3:15 PM
Evidence Based Interventions: What Defines Readiness for Clinical Implementation?: Moderator: Rosemary Martin, MA, MSc, PhD

1:30 PM - 3:15 PM
Panel Discussion: Current Milestones of Neuroplasticity: Moderator: Jeffrey Palmer, MD

3:30 PM - 3:55 PM
What Do We Already Know That Can Be Utilized and Where Do We Need to Go Next?: Ruth E. Martin, MHSc, PhD

3:55 PM - 4:15 PM
Panel Discussion: Cutting Edge Sensory and Motor Interventions: Panelists: Sandeep Kumar, PhD, CCC-SLP, BRS-S; Reza Shaker, MD; Sudarshan R. Jadcherla, MD, DCH, FRCP(Irel), AGAF

4:15 PM - 4:35 PM
Revisit Question for the Day: How Can We Exploit Neuropasticity to Maximize Swallow Outcomes Across Diseases and the Lifespan?: David H. McFarland, PhD

4:35 PM - 5:15 PM
Adjourn

5:15 PM - 6:45 PM
Dysphagia Editorial Board Meeting
THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2012

7:00 AM - 5:30 PM Registration
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
7:00 AM - 7:45 AM Optional: Early Riser Resident/Trainee Breakfast Forum - Translating Research Into Practice Speaker: Joseph Murray, PhD, CCC-SLP, BRS-S
7:50 AM - 8:00 AM Welcome and Opening Remarks
8:00 AM - 9:30 AM Scientific Paper Presentations I Moderator: David G. Smithard, MD, FRCP
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM New Investigators Forum Moderator: Barbara C. Sonies, PhD, CCC-SLP, BRS-S
9:30 AM - 9:45 AM New Investigator Presentation - TBA
9:45 AM - 10:00 AM New Investigator Presentation - TBA
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM BREAK
10:10 AM - 10:45 AM Scientific Poster Viewing Session I
10:45 AM - 12:15 PM Scientific Paper Presentations II Moderator: Stephanie K. Daniels, PhD, CCC-SLP
12:15 PM - 1:20 PM Lunch On Your Own
1:20 PM - 1:50 PM Speaker: Pamela Dobrail, BSPth, PhD
1:50 PM - 3:20 PM Scientific Paper Presentations III Moderator: Nadine F. Connor, PhD, CCC-SLP
3:20 PM - 3:30 PM BREAK
3:30 PM - 4:10 PM Scientific Poster Viewing Session II
4:10 PM - 5:40 PM Sessions V: Feeding Management in Preterm Neonates: Driving Developmental Plasticity Moderator: Rosemary Martino, MA, MSc, PhD
Speaker: Dale Corbett, PhD; Theresa Jones, PhD; Ruth E. Martin, MHS, PhD; David H. McFarland, PhD
5:40 PM - 6:40 PM Adjourn
5:45 PM - 7:00 PM Welcome Reception

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2012

7:00 AM - 1:00 PM Registration
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
7:00 AM - 7:45 AM Optional: Early Riser Technical Session - High-Resolution Manometry and Impedance Speaker: Benson T. Dobrail, MD, FACP
7:55 AM - 8:00 AM Announcements
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM Scientific Paper Presentations IV Moderator: Jan Vanderwegen, MD
10:00 AM - 10:45 AM Dodds Donner Lecture: A Global Evolution: Past, Present and Future of the Dysphagia Research Society Moderator: Peter C. Belafsky, MD, PhD, MPH; Speakers: Reza Shaker, MD; Bronwyn Jones, MD, FRACP, FRCR; Barbara C. Sonies, PhD, CCC-SLP, BRS-S; Rosemary Martino, MA, MSc, PhD
10:45 AM - 10:55 AM BREAK
10:55 AM - 11:30 AM Scientific Poster Viewing Session III
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Scientific Paper Presentations V Moderator: Emily K. Plowman, PhD, CCC-SLP
1:00 PM Adjourn (Conference attendees are free to explore Toronto on their own)

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2012

7:00 AM - 5:30 PM Registration
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Optional: Meet the Mentors Breakfast

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2012 continued

8:00 AM - 8:25 AM Annual Members' Business Meeting
8:25 AM - 8:30 AM Announcements
8:30 AM - 9:45 AM Scientific Paper Presentations VI Moderator: Susan E. Langmore, PhD, CCC-SLP, BRS-S
9:45 AM - 10:30 AM Sessions VII: Radiation Therapy as a Cause for Dysphagia: Current Knowledge and Future Goals Moderator: Rosemary Martino, MA, MSc, PhD; Speaker: Andrew Hope, MD
10:30 AM - 10:40 AM BREAK
10:40 AM - 11:40 AM Scientific Poster Plenary Session - Award Winners Moderator: JoAnne Robbins, PhD, CCC-SLP, BRS-S
11:40 AM - 12:35 PM Scientific Paper Presentations VII Moderator: Douglas J. Van Daele, MD
12:35 PM - 2:00 PM Lunch On Your Own
12:35 PM - 2:00 PM DRS Board of Directors Meeting
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Scientific Paper Presentations VIII Moderator: Pete Clarr, MD, PhD
4:00 PM - 4:10 PM BREAK
4:10 PM - 5:10 PM Scientific Poster Viewing Session IV
5:10 PM - 5:55 PM Sessions VIII: Characterizing and Guiding Brain Plasticity Moderator: Ruth E. Martin, MHS, PhD; Speaker: Alvaro Pascual-Leone, MD, PhD
5:55 PM Adjourn
5:55 PM - 6:30 PM Awards Presentation & Closing Ceremony

Meet the Mentors Breakfast
The purpose of this breakfast is to provide information for mentors and mentees on the pathway to achieving scientific success. This breakfast will allow new investigators the opportunity to speak with senior researchers about their own (new investigator) research ideas in an open and non-judgmental forum. The panelists will also provide insight on various components that take place during research, from how to get funded and how long it takes to complete a project to how to involve other researchers and decide on the right publications for your research. Please note that a continental breakfast will be served in the Gallery Room. Registration is limited to the first 40 registrants, so please sign-up now! We hope to see you there!

DRS 21st Annual Meeting
March 14 - 16, 2013
Post-Graduate Course: March 13, 2013
The Fairmont Olympic
Seattle, Washington
**Registration Information**

**REGISTRATION FEES**

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- **Annual Meeting**
  - DRS Members*: Physicians, Dental Surgeons = $600.00
  - DRS Members*: Allied Health Professionals, Non-Health Professional Scientists = $450.00
  - Non Member: Physicians, Dental Surgeons = $700.00
  - Non Member: Allied Health Professionals, Non-Health Professional Scientists = $550.00
  - Residents and Trainees** = $250.00

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

- Welcome Reception: Thursday, March 8, 2012
  - 5:45 pm – 7:00 pm
  - The Ritz-Carlton Grand Foyer
  - (Included in conference registration fee, Guest/Spouse Welcome Reception tickets purchased upon registration)

- Meet the Mentors Breakfast: Saturday, March 10, 2012
  - 7:00 am – 8:00 am
  - Gallery Room (Limited to first 40 registrants)

- Awards Presentation and Closing Ceremony: Saturday, March 10, 2012
  - 5:55 pm – 6:30 pm
  - The Ritz-Carlton Ballroom

To register online, or for more information, please visit the Dysphagia Research Society’s Website at www.dysphagiaresearch.org.

**Hotel / Travel**

The Ritz-Carlton 181 Wellington Street West Toronto, Ontario M5V 3C7 Phone: (416) 585-2500 Reservations: (900) 542-8680 www.ritzcarlton.com

The guest room rates for DRS attendees are:
- Single/Double Room: $225.00 CAD
- One-Bedroom Suites: $375.00 CAD

*Rates do not include the 13.00% applicable tax (Tax rate at time of printing).

Tokyo’s newest luxury hotel, The Ritz-Carlton, Toronto welcomes guests to the heart of the city’s bustling financial and performing arts districts. Located across from Roy Thompson Hall and only steps from the Toronto International Film Festival Bell Lightbox, The Ritz-Carlton, Toronto features 267 elegantly appointed guest rooms and suites that offer magnificent city views or lake views from floor to ceiling windows. Along with its legendary service, luxury amenities and offerings include a 23,000 square foot Urban Sanctuary and Spa, the spacious outdoor terrace at DEQ Lounge and the impeccable dining experience of TOCA restaurant.

Housing Deadline
- The deadline for the guaranteed rate is Wednesday, February 15, 2012. Reservations made after the deadline date will be taken on a space available basis.

Hotel Reservation and Cancellation Policy
- Reservations may be made conveniently by phone at (900) 542-8680. When making reservations over the phone, you must say you are affiliated with the “DRS Annual Scientific Meeting” in order to receive the discounted room rate. You may also submit your reservation online by visiting the Ritz-Carlton’s website, www.ritzcarlton.com and selecting the “Reserve Your Room Now!” link. Please note that you must enter the Group Code: DRSDRSA to receive the DRSD Room Rate. Reservations must be received by February 15, 2012 in order to guarantee availability.

It is possible that hotel rooms may sell out prior to February 15, 2012; therefore, it is strongly recommended that you make your reservations as early as possible. Discounted room rates are available three days prior and three days following the meeting dates subject to availability.

The hotel will require only a first night’s deposit to confirm your reservation. Personal check, money order or any valid major credit card with a number and expiration date are acceptable. The deposit will not be charged against the credit card unless the individual no-shows without proper notice of cancellation. When canceling your reservation, please obtain a cancellation number for your records. Check-in time is 3:00 pm Check-out is 12:00 Noon.

The Dysphagia Research Society strongly encourages you to book your overnight accommodations at the The Ritz-Carlton (the conference’s headquarters hotel). For a list of alternate hotels, please contact the DRS Meeting Office.

**Air Travel Information**

American Airlines is an official carrier for the conference and they have arranged for attendees to receive a 5% discount off Coach and First Class fares. For fare and schedule information and to make your reservations, please visit the American Airlines website or call the American Airlines Meeting Services at (800) 433-1790 and provide the discount code 9E2B8E. There will be a $25 service fee collected, per ticket, for all reservations made over the phone. To book a reservation online go to www.aa.com for AA/FE flights only. Enter the discount code 9E2B8E in the promotion code box.

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**Ground Transportation**

Avis Rent-A-Car has provided the DRS meeting with the Avis Worldwide Discount (AWD). To make your rental car reservation, please dial (800) 331-1600 and give the AWD Number, G284643. You may also make your reservation online by visiting https://www.avis.com/AvisWeb/reservation?ReservationInitializer=6&AWD_NUMBER=G284643. On the “Discounts & Rental Options” page, the AWD Number should already be filled in. Please make sure this is done in order to receive the discount.

Hertz has provided the DRS meeting with special rates for attendees. To make your rental car reservation, please dial (800) 654-2240 and give the CV# 0418002. If outside the US or Canada dial (405) 749-4434.

Taxi, shuttle and limousine services are available from the Pearson International Airport (YVV) to The Ritz-Carlton. The preferred methods of transportation are the following:

- Taxi fares to and from Pearson International Airport from downtown Toronto are approximately $55.
- Toronto Airport Express Bus $21 per ticket or $37 round-trip.

Advance online ticket reservation recommended. www.torontoairportexpress.com

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**ACTIVITY INFORMATION**

**Things To Do In Toronto**

**The CN Tower**
The most famous landmark in all of Toronto and probably Canada, this world renowned landmark held the record for the tallest freestanding structure in the world for 34 years from 1976 to 2010. With a height of 553.3 meters, a view from the top promises a panoramic scene that’s truly unforgettable. (www.cntower.ca)

**Hockey Hall Of Fame**
For hockey lovers everywhere, visiting the Hockey Hall of Fame, located in Brookfield place along Yonge Street, is the perfect chance to test your skills and knowledge of the game. (www.hhof.com)

**Royal Ontario Museum**
One of the world’s largest museums for natural history and world culture, the Royal Ontario Museum attracts more than a million visitors a year. View history exhibits, Korean art and culture, bat caves and almost anything you can imagine. (www.rom.on.ca)

**Harbourfront**
With over 4000 events annually, you’ll never experience a dull moment when you take a walk down the harbour front. Choose to view the city from one of their day/night cruises or even dine by the harbour with the beautiful night sky as your backdrop. (www.harbourfrontcentre.com)

**Toronto Zoo**
With over 200 acres of habitats and over 5000 animals, it’s no wonder this zoo is in the world’s top 10. View award winning exhibits such as the African Savannah habitat and their New Great Barrier Reef or watch one of their amazing shows which give opportunity for interaction with the animals. (www.torontozoo.com)

**Rogers Centre**
The first domed stadium ever to have its own retractable roof, the Rogers Centre is the home of the Blue Jays and the Toronto Argonauts Football Team. Tour the stadium or have dinner/lunch with a view overlooking the stadium. (www.rogerscentre.com)

**Casa Loma**
Tour beautifully decorated halls and rooms, explore secret passages and walk through the 800-foot tunnel connecting the castle to its stables all at Casa Loma. Beautiful gardens and fountains complement the inner beauty of the castle perfectly. (www.casaloma.org)

**High Park**
A real gem of the city, the beautiful High Park consists of over 130 acres of nature with recreational facilities that everyone can enjoy. Take a stroll on one of the trails, go ice-skating or just visit an endangered oak habitat. (www.highparktoronto.com)

**Distillery Historic District**
Stroll through this historic district that includes retail stores and distill factories. Though more upscale than some parts of the city, if you haven’t been here, even if it is just for the history, chances are you’re missing out a good part of Toronto. (www.thedistillerydistrict.com)

**Niagara Falls**
Approximately 90 minutes from Toronto, Niagara Falls promises to deliver a spectacular experience that will last a lifetime. See the wonder, thunder and mist of the Falls. Many daily departures year-around from several downtown Toronto locations makes it easy for you to experience this natural wonder. If you are interested in booking a tour of Niagara Falls please contact The Ritz-Carlton Concierge at (416) 585-2500.

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**DYSPHAGIA RESEARCH SOCIETY**

**Membership Application 2012**

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- [ ] Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

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- [ ] Student/Trainee Membership - $50.00

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(Note that the charge will appear on your statement as payable to DRS.)

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