New Treatments in Chronic Liver Disease

MAIN CONFERENCE: MARCH 21-22, 2020
Pre-Conference: March 20, 2020
Hilton San Diego Resort • San Diego, California
Course Introduction

Course Overview

This CME conference will review new medications and therapies that are now available, or will soon be available, and discuss their comparative values. The results of trials and real world data using oral drugs to treat chronic viral hepatitis B and C, non-alcoholic fatty liver diseases, primary biliary cirrhosis, primary sclerosing cholangitis, hepatocellular carcinoma and complications of end-stage liver disease including thrombocytopenia will be reviewed in detail. New Treatments in Chronic Liver Disease is a comprehensive yet concise program for updating physicians on these and other commonly encountered problems in the treatment of liver diseases.

In 2017, the World Health Organization released the Global Hepatitis Report outlining the goals of viral eradication by 2030. This year we have invited Dr. John Ward, MD who is Head of the Viral Hepatitis Branch of the CDC to update the progress of the United States in accomplishing these goals. Details of antiviral therapies will be discussed during panel discussions.

New treatments which have been reported for both Primary Biliary Cholangitis (PBC) and Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis (PSC) will be discussed by Dr. Kris Kowdley from the Swedish Liver Center in Seattle, WA. We also have invited Dr. Constantine J. Karvellas, Assistant Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Critical Care Medicine at the University of Alberta to act as our William S. Haubrich Memorial Lecturer on the topic of Acute Liver Failure. The course will also review alcoholic liver disease and NASH, which have now surpassed chronic hepatitis C as the leading indications for liver transplantation in the United States. The first FDA-approved therapy for NASH is anticipated in 2020 and the data supporting this FDA submission will be updated as well as the latest abstracts from AASLD 2019 on NASH. We have also invited a world-recognized expert on alcoholic liver disease to update our knowledge of the topic this year. Our conference will include a lecture on diet and exercise as management and prevention of obesity and fatty liver disease this year. We will also include a lecture on diagnosis and management of benign lesions of the liver given by an expert on this subject. And lastly, there will be a lecture devoted to the use of systemic therapies for hepatocellular carcinoma as there five approved drugs in the United States.

Although hepatitis B treatments have not changed, we now have more mature data available on long-term HBsAg loss and clinical outcomes. The addition of immune-mediated therapies for HBV with the goal of curing the disease will also be included in this year's program. New therapies for NAFLD and NASH are in development and important new data showing positive results in NASH will be presented at this meeting, including the first results of a phase 3 global treatment trial. The explosive growth of NASH in the United States has created a significant need for effective drug therapy. A number of new systemic therapies for HCC that have been approved in the last two years will also be discussed. In addition, the course will provide updates on management of hepatic encephalopathy, hyponatremia, thrombocytopenia, and complications in the transplant candidate.

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Credit Breakdown

Pre-Conference (Fri): 3.5
Main Conference (Sat-Sun): 10

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Educational Objectives

After attending this live activity, participants should be able to:

- Identify the steps required to accomplish eradication of chronic viral hepatitis by 2030.
- Review current knowledge of NAFLD and non-alcoholic steatohepatitis and explore the use of new agents and approaches to treatment of the conditions.
- Integrate the algorithm for a therapeutic approach to treatment of HBV using anti-virals.
- Discuss diagnosis, management and treatment unusual hepatitis virus infections.
- Update the skills and management required for transplant hepatology.
- Apply current options of therapy for hepatocellular carcinoma to determine the best approach for your patients.
- Describe the diagnosis and treatment of PBC and PSC.
- Integrate treatment options discussed for patients with ESLD due to alcohol who have complicating factors such as HCV, NASH or inherited genetic disorders.
- Discuss the issues complicating drug treatment in decompensated cirrhosis, hepatic encephalopathy and hyponatremia.
- Update the diagnosis and management benign masses in the liver.
- Discuss the rising burden of alcoholic liver disease in the United States.
- Discuss advances in treatment of acute liver failure.
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Pre-Conference Agenda
Friday, March 20, 2020

12:30 p.m.  Registration
1 p.m.  Welcome & Introduction
Paul J. Pockros, MD
1:10 p.m.  Epidemiology and Diagnosis Staging of NAFLD
Paul J. Pockros, MD
1:40 p.m.  Current Treatment Option Including Diet and Exercise
Catherine T. Frenette, MD
2:40 p.m.  Break & View Exhibits
3 p.m.  New Drug Developments for NASH
Paul J. Pockros, MD
4 p.m.  Case Presentation, Discussion and Q&A
Yuki Rosenkoetter, PAC, MPAS
5 p.m.  Adjourn
Main Conference Agenda

Saturday, March 21, 2020

7:30 a.m.  Registration, Breakfast & View Exhibits

8 a.m.  Welcome & Introduction
       Paul J. Pockros, MD

ALCOHOL AND VIRAL HEPATITIS
       Moderator: Paul J. Pockros, MD

8:15 a.m.  HCV Eradication
       John W. Ward, MD

8:45 a.m.  Update on HBV Therapies
       Mitchell L Shiffman, MD

9:15 a.m.  Rising Burden of Alcoholic Liver Disease
       Suthat Liangpunsakul, MD

9:45 a.m.  Break & View Exhibits

10:15 a.m.  Unusual Hepatic Viruses
       Timothy J. Davern, MD

10:45 a.m.  DEBATE
       Patients with Alcoholic Hepatitis Should Undergo Liver Transplant as Primary Treatment
       Pro: Suthat Liangpunsakul, MD
       Con: Catherine T. Frenette, MD

11:15 a.m.  Panel Discussion
       Timothy J. Davern, MD
       Mitchell L Shiffman, MD
       Suthat Liangpunsakul, MD
       John W. Ward, MD

11:45 a.m.  Lunch & View Exhibits

NAFLD, NASH AND OTHER DISORDERS
       Moderator: Catherine T. Frenette, MD

12:45 p.m.  The Latest on PBC and PSC
       Kris V. Kowdley, MD

1:15 p.m.  Benign Masses Identified in the Liver by Imaging
       Sammy Saab, MD, MPH

1:45 p.m.  Diet and Lifestyle Changes for Obesity and NAFLD
       Ken Fujioka, MD

2:15 p.m.  Break & View Exhibits

2:30 p.m.  AASLD Update for NASH
       Paul J. Pockros, MD

3 p.m.  DEBATE
       Should I Biopsy? Diagnosis of NASH
       Yes: Kris V. Kowdley, MD
       No: Paul J. Pockros, MD

3:30 p.m.  Panel Discussion
       Ken Fujioka, MD
       Kris V. Kowdley, MD
       Paul J. Pockros, MD
       Sammy Saab, MD, MPH

4:30 p.m.  Adjourn

Sunday, March 22, 2020

7:30 a.m.  Breakfast & View Exhibits

ESLD, HCC AND LIVER TRANSPLANTATION
       Moderator: Paul J. Pockros, MD

8 a.m.  What Does the Gastroenterologist Need to Know: Systemic Therapies for HCC
       Catherine T. Frenette, MD

8:30 a.m.  WILLIAM S. HAUBRICH MEMORIAL LECTURE
       Acute Liver Failure
       Constantine J. Karvellas, MD

9 a.m.  Virtual HCC Tumor Board
       Discussants:
       Constantine J. Karvellas, MD
       Catherine T. Frenette, MD
       Norman L. Sussman, MD
       Norah A. Terrault, MD

9:30 a.m.  Break & View Exhibits

10 a.m.  Medical Care of the Cirrhotic Patient
       Norman L. Sussman, MD

10:30 a.m.  Post-Transplant Complications: What the Gastroenterology Community Needs to Know
       Norah A. Terrault, MD

11 a.m.  Panel Discussion
       Constantine J. Karvellas, MD
       Catherine T. Frenette, MD
       Norman L. Sussman
       Norah A. Terrault, MD

11:30 a.m.  Final Adjournment

Topics, times and speakers are subject to change

Conference Highlights

- Half day pre-conference seminar reviewing the virology, genotypes and modes of infection of HCV
- Plenary talks from nationally recognized experts
- Presentations on hot topics, upcoming scientific developments, and current advances in in chronic viral hepatitis B and C, non-alcoholic fatty liver diseases, primary biliary cirrhosis, primary sclerosing cholangitis, hepatocellular carcinoma and complications of end-stage liver disease
- Networking opportunities among colleagues
- Conference app with access to course materials and recordings from the convenience of your mobile device or computer
Conference Location & Hotel Information

Hilton San Diego Resort
1775 East Mission Bay Drive, San Diego, CA 92109
Reservations: (877) 313-6645
Hotel Direct: (619) 276-4010
www.sandiegohilton.com

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- Complimentary wireless internet in guest rooms
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Conference Fees
Space is limited so register early!

Included: Course tuition, breakfasts, breaks, lunch, internet access, and electronic course materials

Not Included: Travel costs, lodging, dinners, and parking

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- Gastroenterologists
- Infectious Disease Specialists
- Nurse Practitioners
- Physician Assistants
- Nurses
- Residents/Fellows