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A dinner symposium to be held during the American Geriatrics Society
2007 Annual Scientific Meeting

A Case-Based Approach to Parkinson's Disease:

Friday, May 4, 2007

6:30 PM – 7:00 PM Registration and Dinner
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM Scientific Session

The Sheraton Seattle Hotel

1400 6th Avenue
Seattle, Washington
Room: Metropolitan A (Level 3)

Program Moderator

Janice Knoefel, MD, MPH

Faculty

Matthew Brodsky, MD
Paul Holtzheimer, MD
Ali Samii, MD

Identifying, Diagnosing, and Initiating Treatment

Accreditation

The American Geriatrics Society (AGS) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Continuing Education Hours

The AGS designates this continuing medical education activity for a maximum of 2 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*[™]. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Target Audience

This continuing medical education offering is intended for physicians who specialize in primary and specialty care of older adults, geriatric nurse practitioners, physician assistants who specialize in geriatrics, and other related healthcare professionals.

Learning Objectives

After completing this program, participants should be better able to:

- Diagnose PD and distinguish it from other movement disorders such as progressive supranuclear palsy, essential tremor, and multiple system atrophy
- Identify and discuss the nonmotor complications associated with PD, especially PD-related depression
- Apply evidence-based protocols for the initiation of treatment in early-stage PD

Program Overview

Among the most prevalent neurological disorders, Parkinson's disease (PD) affects more than 1 million Americans, primarily those over the age of 60. Although the late symptomatology of PD is clearly marked by bradykinesia, akinesia, rigidity, and resting tremors, the early diagnosis of PD can be a challenge for even the most experienced clinicians. Early recognition, however, is critical to disease management. Proper management of PD is especially important in light of the fact that approximately 50% of PD patients develop nonmotor symptoms, such as depression, in addition to motor symptoms.

Levodopa, the most commonly prescribed treatment for PD, can cause side effects that are difficult to manage; furthermore, over the course of the disease, patient response to levodopa decreases. Initiating treatment with other agents, such as the dopamine agonists and the MAO-B inhibitors, may prolong the therapeutic window for PD patients, while still alleviating PD symptoms. This symposium will use a case-based approach to address the identification of PD and its associated nonmotor symptoms, as well as the treatment strategies for the early stages of PD.

Program Moderator

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Registration

To register for this CME program, please visit:

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You must be a registered AGS attendee in order to participate in this symposium.

If you need special assistance with this program, please contact Cerebrio at 877-398-4900.

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Program Agenda

6:30 PM – 7:00 PM	Registration and Dinner	
7:00 PM – 7:10 PM	Welcome and Introduction	Janice Knoefel, MD, MPH
7:10 PM – 7:35 PM	Distinguishing and Diagnosing Parkinson's Disease	Ali Samii, MD
7:35 PM – 8:00 PM	Understanding and Treating Nonmotor Symptoms in Parkinson's Disease	Paul Holtzheimer, MD
8:00 PM – 8:25 PM	Decision-Making in the Treatment of Early Parkinson's Disease	Matthew Brodsky, MD
8:25 PM – 8:45 PM	Question and Answer Session	Faculty
8:45 PM – 9:00 PM	Summary and Conclusion	Janice Knoefel, MD, MPH