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Description automatically generatedVirginia Neurological Society Annual Meeting**

**January 18-21, 2024**

**Omni Homestead Resort, Hot Springs, VA**

**Program Overview and Target Audience:**

The educational sessions of the VNS Annual Meeting are intended for neurologists and address the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology core competencies in patient care and medical knowledge.

**Desired Outcomes:**

***Upon completion of this live activity, participants will be able to:***

* Discuss the use of “traditional” immunotherapies and results from recent clinical trials in MG, CIDP, GBS, and myositis.
* Apply the guidelines for use, dose initiation, adverse reactions, monitoring parameters, and future immunotherapies in neuromuscular disease.
* Contrast the manifestations and diagnosis of uncommon monogenic vs. polygenic stroke and cerebrovascular disease and potential treatments.
* Discuss approaches to neuroprognostication, including predictor reliability in comatose survivors and emerging technologies that may enhance prognostication accuracy in cardiac arrest survivors.
* Apply the 2023 updates to brain death determination and discuss ethical considerations surrounding the withdrawal of life sustaining treatment.
* Discuss indications, exclusion criteria, adverse and expected therapeutic effects of approved anti-amyloid therapies and the resources necessary to administer and manage monoclonal antibody therapies.
* Describe the classifications, forms, symptoms, and management of patients with ARIA, to differentiate ARIA from other common acute neurological syndromes,
* Discuss the narcolepsy pathophysiology, symptoms, and management and distinguish from the rare but similar disorder, Kleine-Levin Syndrome (KLS).
* Describe the current landscape of AI technology in medicine, including challenges and limitations and opportunities to integrate emerging technologies into clinical neurological practice.

**Agenda**

**Thursday, January 18, 2024**

***4:00-6:00pm VNS Executive Committee Meeting Madison Room***

***6:30-7:30pm Opening Reception Washington Library***

**Friday, January 19, 2024**

***8:30am Registration Garden Room***

***Coffee/Exhibits Crystal Ballroom***

***8:55-9:00am Welcome and Program Overview Empire Room***

**Scientific Session  *Matthew Barrett, MD, Session Moderator***

***9:00-9:45am***  ***Updates in Immunotherapies in Neuromuscular Diseases***

Qihua Fan, MD, Richmond, VA

***9:45-10:30*am**  ***A Case-based Approach or Uncommon Beasts and How to Find Them: Rare Genetic***

***Causes of Stroke*** Bradford Worrall, MD, Charlottesville, VA

***10:30-11:00am Break: Visit Exhibitors Crystal Ballroom***

***11:00-11:45am*** ***Prognostication After Cardiac Arrest and Brain Death Determination***

Shraddha Mainali, MD, Richmond, VA

***11:45-12:30pm***  ***The Changing Landscape of Alzheimer’s Therapeutics***

Roberto Fernandez-Romero, MD, MPH, PhD, Knoxville, TN

**Clinical Pathological Correlations (CPC) *Myla Goldman, MD, Session Moderator******Empire Room***

**5:30-6:30pm Presenters**

Mark Quigg, MD, Charlottesville, VA,

Myla Goldman, MD, Richmond, VA

Matthew Barrett, MD, Richmond, VA

***6:30-7:30pm Reception Commonwealth Room***

**Saturday, January 20, 2024**

***9:00-9:30am* Registration  *Garden Room***

***Coffee/ Exhibits Crystal Ballroom***

**Practice of Neurology *Myla Goldman, MD, Session Moderator* Empire Room**

***9:30-10:30am***  ***Narcolepsy in Context: History, Diagnosis and Management***

Samuel Taylor, MD, Richmond, VA

***10:30-11:00am* Break: Visit Exhibitors *Crystal Ballroom***

***11:00-12:30pm* Annual Business Meeting Empire Room**

**Fritz Dreifuss Lecture *Donald Taylor, MD, Session Moderator Empire Room***

***5:30-6:30pm***  ***Will AI Replace Neurologist? Navigating the Neural Nexus of AI and Neurology***

Tayab Waseem, MD, PhD Washington, DC

***\*\*Drawing for winner of 2 nights lodging at the Omni Homestead Resort\*\****

***6:30pm Annual Group Photograph Crystal Ballroom***

***6:30-7:30 pm President’s Reception Washington Library***

***MEMBERS AND GUESTS ONLY*** Hosts:  *Dr. and Mrs. Donald Taylor*

**Sunday, January 21, 2024**

***9:00-11:00am Difficult Cases-Neurology Consult* - *Richard Seestedt, MD, Session Moderator - Empire Room***

Daniela Fishbein, MD, Resident, UVA, Charlottesville, VA

Shital Patel, MD, Resident, VCU, Richmond, VA

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