

THE FOURTH SCIENTIFIC MEETING
OF THE TMJ ASSOCIATION

*A Systems Approach to the Understanding
of TMJ as a Complex Disease*

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The Fourth Scientific Meeting of The TMJ Association, *A Systems Approach to the Understanding of TMJ as a Complex Disease*, has been driven by concerns long held by temporomandibular joint diseases and disorders (TMJD) patients that there is more to this complex condition than dysfunction and pain of the jaw joint and muscles. The diverse set of co-morbid conditions found in the population of TMJD patients indicates that this is a multifaceted disorder and that diagnostic and therapeutic procedures must involve interdisciplinary approaches.

The overall goal of this meeting is to move research and treatment of TMJDs forward in the next decade by developing recommendations to meet the scientific and clinical challenges in creating an integrated systems approach appropriate to TMJ as a complex disease. To this end, scientists from diverse fields have been invited to:

1. Characterize the multiple symptoms and co-morbid conditions found in TMJD patients.
2. Develop recommendations for strategies and initiatives that could facilitate the development of cross-disciplinary and interdisciplinary research programs within our academic health care centers and across NIH Institutes and Centers.
3. Identify and recommend ways and means by which young clinical investigators from a variety of clinical specialties can become engaged in TMJD-related research.

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Monday, September 11, 2006

- 8:00 – 8:10 a.m. **Welcome**
Martin Frank, Ph.D., Executive Director, American Physiological Society
- Opening Remarks**
Allen W. Cowley, Jr., Ph.D., Program Committee Chairman,
The Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI
- NIH Welcome and Directives**
Lawrence Tabak, D.D.S., Ph.D., Director, National Institute of Dental and
Craniofacial Research, Bethesda, MD
- Session 1: TMJDs as a Model of a Complex Disease Influenced by Environmental and
 Iatrogenic Risk Factors*
- Session Chairman: Christian S. Stohler, D.M.D., Dr. Med. Dent., University of Maryland Dental School,
Baltimore, MD
- 8:10 – 8:20 a.m. **Introduction to Patient Survey**
Terrie Cowley, The TMJ Association, Milwaukee, WI
- 8:20 – 8:50 a.m. **Factors Characterizing TMJ Diseases and Disorders: A Survey of Affected
 Individuals**
Jane M. Kotchen, M.D., M.P.H., Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI
- 8:50 – 9:00 a.m. **A Patient's Perspective**
Linda Hoover, Toledo, OH
- 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. **Interdisciplinary Approaches for the Study of TMJ Patients: Co-morbid Conditions
 That Can Arise from Chronic Pain**
Christian S. Stohler, D.M.D., Dr. Med. Dent., University of Maryland Dental School,
Baltimore, MD
- 9:30 – 10:00 a.m. **The C1-C2 Spinal Cord: Nociceptive Processing of Input from the Vagus and the
 Neck and Jaw**
Robert D. Foreman, Ph.D., University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center,
Oklahoma City, OK
- 10:00 – 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. **Uncovering the Local Biochemical Milieu of Myofascial Trigger Points:
 Implications in TMJ-Related Pain**
Jay P. Shah, M.D., Clinical Research Center, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda,
MD

10:45 – 11:15 a.m. **Brief Poster Summaries**

Regulation of CGRP Expression in an in Vivo Model of TMJ Inflammation

Vinit Patil, M.S.

Vinit Patil and Paul Durham, Missouri State University, Department of Biology, Springfield, MO

Activation of Trigeminal Nociceptors by Mechanical Stimulation via Integrins

Samantha A. Moore, Ph.D.

S. A. Moore, Y. Cui, R. Gomex, J. Wirthlin, C. Pokorney, G. Zardeneta, and S. B. Milam, Department of Oral Maxillofacial Surgery, University of Texas Health Science Center-San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

Effect of Interleukin-1Beta on NRI-Serine 896 Phosphorylation in the Rat Spinal Trigeminal Nucleus

Wei Guo, M.D., Ph.D.

W. Guo, M. Watanabe, S-P. Zou, R. Dubner, and K. Ren, Department of Biomedical Sciences, Dental School and Program in Neuroscience, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD

The Effect of Interleukin-10 and Fluorocitrate on Masseter Inflammatory Hyperalgesia

Kohei Shimizu, D.D.S.

Kohei Shimizu, Ronald Dubner, and Ke Ren, Department of Biomedical Sciences, Dental School and Program in Neurosciences, University of Maryland Dental School, Baltimore, MD

Sex Differences in the Nociceptive Processing of Temporomandibular Disorders (TMD) Patients

Eleni Sarlani, D.D.S., Ph.D.

Eleni Sarlani, Edward Grace, Deborah Rodriguez, Diane Pennington, and Joel Greenspan, University of Maryland Dental School, Research Center for Neuroendocrine Influences on Pain, Baltimore, MD

Sensory Feedback from Mechanical Nociceptors in the Masseter Muscle Can Be Presynaptically Modulated

Dean A. Dessem, Ph.D.

D. Dessem and R. Ambalavanar, Department of Biomedical Sciences and Program in Neuroscience, University of Maryland Dental School, Baltimore, MD

11:15 – 12:15 p.m. **Break-out Group Discussions to Discuss Strategies on How to Develop Optimal Cross-Disciplinary Platforms for TMJ Research**

Discussion Leaders:

Group A: Christian S. Stohler, D.M.D., Dr. Med. Dent., University of Maryland Dental School, Baltimore, MD

Group B: Stephen B. Milam, D.D.S., Ph.D., University of Texas Health Science Center-San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

Group C: James P. Lund, B.D.S., Ph.D., McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

12:15 – 1:45 p.m. **Lunch/Poster Session**

Session 2: *Chronic Pain as a Model of Clinical Complexity*

Session Chairman: Ronald Dubner, D.D.S., Ph.D., University of Maryland Dental School, Baltimore, MD

1:45 – 2:15 p.m. **Translating New Insights in Our Understanding of Chronic Pain from the Bench to the Bedside**

Ronald Dubner, D.D.S., Ph.D., University of Maryland Dental School, Baltimore, MD

2:15 – 2:45 p.m. **Pain and the Complex Entity of Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy**

Wilfrid Jänig, M.D., Christian-Albrechts-Universität, Kiel, Germany

2:45 – 3:00 p.m. **Break**

3:00 – 3:30 p.m. **Evidence of Nociceptive-Neuroendocrine Control of Pain**

Jon D. Levine, M.D., Ph.D., University of California, San Francisco, CA

3:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Break-out Group Discussions to Determine How Lessons Learned from Pain Research Can Guide Efforts to Develop Similar Strategies for TMJ Research**

Discussion Leaders:

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Group B: Stephen L. Gordon, Ph.D., Healthonics, Inc., Bethesda, MD

Group C: Jon D. Levine, M.D., Ph.D., University of California at San Francisco, San Francisco, CA

Group D: William Maixner, D.D.S., Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC

Tuesday, September 12, 2006

Session 3: *Diverse Approaches Used to Study Other Complex Diseases*

Session Chairman: Allen W. Cowley, Jr., Ph.D., Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. **Integration and Multiscale Analysis of Biological Pathways Responsible for Complex Diseases such as TMJ**

Allen W. Cowley, Jr., Ph.D., Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. **Is Menopausal Hormone Therapy a Protective Factor or a Risk Factor? Challenges of Managing a Complex Hormonal State**

Judith L. Turgeon, Ph.D., University of California-Davis School of Medicine, Davis, CA

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. **Genetics as the Glue for Translational Research**

Howard J. Jacob, Ph.D., Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI

Session 4: *How to Create A Workforce Within Our Academic Healthcare Centers to Match the Science Required*

Session Chairman: Theodore A. Kotchen, M.D., Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI and National Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD

9:30 – 10:00 a.m. **Training Multidisciplinary Translational Clinical Scientists**

Sharon M. Gordon, D.D.S., M.P.H., Ph.D., University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. **Break**

10:15 – 10:45 a.m. **Understanding and Treating TMJ Disorders: A Modest Proposal**

Theodore A. Kotchen, M.D., Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI and
National Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD

10:45 – 11:15 a.m. **Brief Poster Summaries**

TMJ Chondrocytes Isolated from Biglycan/Fibromodulin Double-Deficient Mice Have Altered Proliferation and Differentiation in Vitro

Mildred C. Embree, B.S.

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Nociceptive Modulation of Jaw Muscle Spindle Activity Requires Fusimotor Drive

Radi Masri, B.D.S, Ph.D.

Radi Masri, Jin Y. Ro, and Norman Capra, Department of Biomedical Sciences,
Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, University of Maryland Dental School,
Baltimore, MD

Analgesia Produced by Epoxyeicosatrienoic Acid in the Ventral Periaqueductal Gray of the Rat

Maia Terashvili, Ph.D.

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Mechanical Signals Generated by Appropriate Physical Therapies Can Prevent Fibrocartilage Degradation and Induce Repair in TMJ Disorders (TMJDs)

Danen Sjostrom, B.S.

D. Sjostrom, T. J. Knobloch, and S. Agarwal, The Ohio State University, College
of Dentistry, Section of Oral Biology, Columbus, OH

Gap Junction Proteins in Reactive Astrocytes Contribute to Inflammatory Hyperalgesia

Hu Wang, M.D., Ph.D.

H. Wang, S-P. Zou, R. Dubner, and K. Ren, Department of Biomedical Sciences,
Dental School and Program in Neurosciences, University of Maryland, Baltimore,
MD

Identification of Proteoglycan 4 in the Temporomandibular Joints of Baboons

Jennifer L. Schulze, M.S.

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11:15 – 12:15 p.m. **Break-out Group Discussions to Determine How Diverse Approaches Can Be Formulated into Cross-Disciplinary Research Programs and How to Create a Workforce Required for These Efforts Within Our Medical and Dental Institutions**

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Group B: Allen W. Cowley, Jr., Ph.D., Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI

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12:15 – 1:45 p.m. **Lunch/Poster Session**

1:45 – 2:45 p.m. **Panel of Discussion Leaders to Summarize and Consolidate a Set of Overall Recommendations**

2:45 – 3:00 p.m. **Closing Remarks**

Lawrence Tabak, D.D.S., Ph.D., Director, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, Bethesda, MD

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