THE 15TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM AND WORKSHOPS ON INNER EAR MEDICINE AND SURGERY

Presented by
The Prosper Ménière Society
March 10-17, 2012
Hotel Theresa in Zell im Zillertal, Austria
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INVITED GUEST:
2012 Gold Medal Honor Award Recipient
Helge Rask-Andersen, M.D., Ph.D.
Uppsala University Hospital
Uppsala, Sweden
Dear Society Members,

It is hard to believe that another year has passed and it is time to start planning for our next Prosper Ménière Society meeting. As most of you know, we will be returning to The Hotel Theresa in Zell im Zillertal, Austria, March 10-17, 2012. The Hotel Theresa has been the site of our last four meetings, and the members voted to return again in 2012. The Hotel Theresa is a family-run establishment with easy transportation to and from the ski slopes. The price includes complete use of the facilities, breakfast, lunch, and a 4-5 course dinner every night. Please visit the hotel’s website for more information on the activities that are offered at the hotel and surrounding areas www.theresa.at.

I am pleased to announce that the next Gold Medal Award Recipient at the 15th International Symposium and Workshops on Inner Ear Medicine and Surgery will be Helge Rask-Andersen MD, PhD of Uppsala University Hospital, Uppsala, Sweden. Dr. Rask-Andersen was nominated and chosen unanimously by the members of the Society. Dr. Rask-Andersen has graciously accepted this honor and invitation.

The general format of the meeting will be a 2-hour session in the morning and a 2-hour session in the afternoon. The sessions will consist of didactic presentations, followed by roundtable discussions. In the evening we will all meet for dinner in a private dining area, where the real camaraderie can begin.

The meeting is small, with a capacity for approximately 70 people in the meeting room. This encourages free discussion and involvement in the meeting. The dress and atmosphere are casual.

The Prosper Ménière Society would like to extend the opportunity for you to become a member. Membership into the society allows interactive camaraderie among basic and clinical researchers, as well as practical clinical optimization by the clinician/surgeon for the ultimate benefit of the inner ear dysfunction patients. Next year’s meeting occurs in a very relaxed and fun atmosphere, where the questions and answers are often more valuable than the primary presentation. Rigidity and time constraints do not impede these interactions; in fact, it is the moderator’s goal to produce a lively and interactive discussion that often carries forward through dinner.

As you can see from our Gold Medal Awardees from the past 28 years, we have had the most distinguished worldwide honorees in both basic and clinical areas. It has truly been an honor to meet and interact directly with these GREATS in our field, who have contributed so much to our discipline.

I look forward to seeing you in Austria.

Sincerely,

John Dornhoffer, MD
Executive Director

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Gold Medal Award Winner

2012 Gold Medal Award Recipient

Helge Rask-Andersen, M.D., Ph.D.
Uppsala University Hospital, Sweden

Helge Rask-Andersen is Professor of Otology at the Department of Otolaryngology, Uppsala University Hospital, Sweden. He directs the Uppsala cochlear implant and Auditory Brainstem Implant team as well as the Uppsala Inner Ear Research Unit. He has a special interest in the treatment of inner ear disorders, especially cochlear implantation, skull-base surgery, and Ménière’s disease. He is also a cell biologist focusing on inner ear anatomy and physiology. Currently he is involved in the European Commission Concerted Action on nanoparticle-targeted drug and gene delivery to the inner ear. He is on the editorial board of many international journals and has lectured and written extensively on inner ear anatomy and disease. He was a visiting Professor at Innsbruck University and a Research Consultant at the House Ear Institute in Los Angeles in 1988-1989. He was awarded the Franz Escher Medal in 2006 by the Swiss Society of Otolaryngology and The Gordon Smyth Medal 2007 by the British Society of Otolaryngology.

Gold Medal Award Winners of the Prosper Ménière Society

1982 Professor Georges Portmann, Bordeaux, FRANCE
1983 George E. Shambaugh Jr., M.D., Chicago, Illinois, USA
1986 William F. House, M.D., Newport Beach, California, USA
1990 Professor Michel Portmann, Bordeaux, FRANCE
Professor Emeritus Toshi Naito, Osaka, JAPAN
1994 Ugo Fisch, M.D., Zurich, SWITZERLAND
Howard House, M.D., Los Angeles, California, USA
Brian McCabe, M.D., Iowa City, Iowa, USA
1995 David Austin, M.D., Idaho Falls, Idaho, USA
1996 Herbert Silverstein, M.D., Sarasota, Florida, USA
1997 Michael Paparella, M.D., Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA
1998 Professor W.P.R. Gibson, M.D., F.R.C.S., Sydney, AUSTRALIA
Joseph E. Hawkins Jr., Ph.D., D.Sc., Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA
1999 Malcolm Graham, M.D., Savannah, Georgia, USA
Remy Pujol, M.D., Montpellier, FRANCE
2000 Derald Brackmann, M.D., House Ear Institute, Los Angeles, California, USA
Thomas Van De Water, Ph.D., New York City, New York, USA
2001 Josef Miller, Ph.D., Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA
Jan Helms, M.D., Ph.D., Würzburg, GERMANY
2002 meeting cancelled
2003 David Lim, House Ear Institute, Los Angeles, California, USA
John J. Shea Jr., M.D., Shea Ear Clinic, Memphis, Tennessee, USA
2006 I. Kaufman Arenberg, M.D., Bayville, New York, USA
2008 Alec Salt, Ph.D., St. Louis, MO, USA
2010 Lloyd B. Minor, M.D., Baltimore, MD, USA
2012 Heige Rask-Anderson, M.D., Ph.D. Uppsala, Sweden
Call for Abstracts

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Deadline: December 1, 2011

Mail or fax your registration to:
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Inner Ear Fluid Regulation
- fluid dynamics and homeostasis in the normal and hydropic system

Diagnosis of Meniere’s Disease

Surgical and Medical Therapy of Meniere’s disease
- surgical (shunt, nerve section)
- perfusion (steroids, gentamicin)
- Meniett device

Sensorineural Hearing Loss
- diagnosis
- unilateral (BAHA bone anchored hearing aid)
- bilateral
- sudden
- BAHA

Cochlear Implants
- candidacy
- bilateral
- surgical technique
- coding strategies
- outcomes
- Surgical technique-soft insertion, hybrids

Tinnitus
- diagnosis
- therapy
- TMS (transcranial magnetic stimulation)
- treatment outcomes
- Cortical Stimulation

Irrigation and Perfusion of the Round Window Area
- aminoglycosides
- steroids

Chronic Ear Disease
- decision making
- ossicular reconstruction
- Active middle ear implants

Superior Canal Dehiscence Syndrome
- diagnosis
- treatment
The Prosper Ménière Society application for Membership

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Registration includes meeting materials and ticket to Gold Medal Honors Award Reception.

Physician: ☐ Member Fee $400 ☐ Late Fee $500 ☐ Non-member Fee $500 ☐ Late Fee $600
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Hotel Theresa

The Hotel Theresa is a very popular ski resort, so the Prosper Ménière Society has reserved a block of rooms at a special price. Make sure you ask for the Prosper Ménière Society room rate. We encourage you to please book your room early so that you will not miss out on the great accommodations of this hotel. Please visit the hotel’s website at www.theresa.at

Room Rates: 150 Euros per person per night in double occupancy
175 Euros per night in single occupancy

The room rate includes:
• Voluminous breakfast buffet
• Lunch buffet from midday to 5 p.m.
• A marvelous five-course dinner with menus to choose from
• Guided hiking, skiing, and tobogganing tours
• Exercise room
• Indoor and outdoor heated pool with Jacuzzi
• Sauna zone with multiple saunas, Tuscany court and large relaxing area
• And much, much more

Please contact the hotel directly and ask for the Prosper Ménière room rate. E-mail at info@theresa.at or contact by telephone (+43 5282 2286-0) or fax (+43 5282-4235).

For ski areas, ski rates, and ski packages visit: www.zillertalski.at or www.zillertalarena.com
Program Description
This week long medical education program is intended for practicing otolaryngologists, otologists/neurotologists, neurologists/neurosurgeons, neuroradiologists and audiologists. It will provide a comprehensive overview of inner ear diseases/disorders and their treatments. Basic and clinical researchers will present lectures and conduct plenary sessions on clinical ramifications of inner ear pathophysiology, state-of-the-art interventions, inner ear organ culture techniques, hair cell regeneration, inner ear fluid dynamics and their alterations in pathophysiologic disorders, and autoimmune inner ear disease.

Purposes/Objectives
Upon completion of this course, participants should be able to:
• have a comprehensive understanding of the pathophysiology of inner ear disorders
• identify and discuss appropriate medical and/or surgical treatment regimens for Ménière’s disease and other diseases of the inner ear, including tinnitus
• assess the indications and basic interpretations of diagnostic findings for vertiginous patients
• discuss culture techniques for hair cell regeneration and tissue engineering
• have a comprehensive overview of implantable hearing devices and cochlear implants
• understand inner ear fluid dynamics and homeostasis in the normal and hydropic inner ear
• discuss diagnostic and intraoperative monitoring of the inner ear