What's on Where?
Calendar of Upcoming Events: 2010

2010 Neuromuscular Disorders Conference: Toward a Better Future

Date: 26-27 February 2010
Venue: Sydney, Australia

Featuring a stimulating and progressive programme disseminating the most recent research in the field of neuromuscular conditions, this conference will provide an exciting poster session where up and coming researchers will have an opportunity to present their research to the neuromuscular community.
For further details

3rd International Rare Disease Day

Date: 28 February 2010
Venue: Worldwide

This year's theme: Patients and Researchers: Partners for Life!
For further details

2nd Pan-European Conference on Haemoglobinopathies

Date: 13-14 March 2010
Venue: Berlin, Germany

This conference aims to further strengthen the national and regional support networks for thalassaemia patients in Europe, and increase awareness among European medical professionals and national health authorities of the disorder, its proper management and prevention.
For further details

6th International Conference on Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs

Date: 18-20 March 2010
Venue: Buenos Aires, Argentina

The 6th International Conference on Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs (ICORD 2010) for the first time will be convened in the southern hemisphere in agreement with its aim of
globalisation of rare disease research and orphan products development activities.

For further details

**Sickle Cell: The Next 100 Years**

Date: 14-16 April 2010  
Venue: Leicester, United Kingdom

Sickle Cell: The Next 100 Years will mark the 100th anniversary since Dr James Herrick published his first observations on ‘peculiar elongated cells’ what is now known as sickle cell disease. This three day conference will bring together a selection of papers offering delegates the chance to explore the social research currently being carried out around the world.  
Deadline for abstract submission: 15 February 2010.

For further details

**ASA-EHA Conference: Innovative Therapies for Red Cell and Iron Related Disorders**

Date: 16-18 April 2010  
Venue: Cascais, Portugal

Sessions include: Hematopoietic stem cell therapies; molecular switching in erythroid differentiation; gene therapy; iron regulatory pathway for therapies; innovative therapies for red cell disorders, and more.

For further details

**18th International Workshop on Vascular Anomalies**

Date: 21-24 April 2010  
Venue: Brussels, Belgium

Topics will include clinical and basic research in the pathophysiology, diagnosis and management of vascular anomalies, as well as the psychosocial challenges faced by the patients.

For further details

**Birt-Hogg-Dubé syndrome Symposium 2010**

Date: 22 April 2010  
Venue: Washington, DC USA

A symposium for reviewing the latest developments for Birt-Hogg-Dubé syndrome.

For further details

**5th European Conference on Rare Diseases 2010**

Date: 13-15 May 2010  
Venue: Crakow, Poland

‘From policy to effective services for patients’ this conference will look at national plans and strategies for rare diseases, European reference networks and centres of expertise, information
and medical education, science from bench to bedside, rare diseases in central and Eastern Europe, and much more.

For further details

7th International Prader-Willi Syndrome Conference: East Meets West – A New World for Prader-Willi Syndrome

Date: 20-23 May 2010
Venue: Taipei, Taiwan

A scientific conference bringing together clinicians and researchers from around the world to present and discuss new research findings relevant to the understanding of PWS, new treatments and support strategies, and policy and practice development will be held alongside and combined with a parent and care-provider conference. There is also a young persons’ programme designed especially by the host country.

For further details

22nd Annual Meeting of the European Academy of Childhood Disability

Date: 27-29 May 2010
Venue: Brussels, Belgium

This year’s event - Measures of Progress – Evaluating management outcome in childhood disability - will update and clarify the multidimensional model of disablement specifically applied to management of children with neurodevelopmental disability. Emphasis is on the need for reliable measurement of management outcomes through new findings, from functional imaging to quality of life assessment. Deadline for abstract submission: 1 February 2010

For further details

First International Workshop on Oesophageal Atresia

Date: 27-28 May 2010
Venue: Lille, France

Amongst the topics covered will be: molecular embryology of the foregut; environmental factors in the etiology of esophageal atresia; genetic factors in isolated and syndromic esophageal atresia; ultrasound and MRI prenatal diagnosis of OA: impact on management; Outcomes of esophageal atresia beyond childhood; multidisciplinary clinics: how to improve the follow-up of the patients?; and family support groups: an essential contribution to follow-up care.

For further details

European Human Genetics Conference 2010

Date: 12-15 June 2010
Venue: Gothenburg, Sweden

In conjunction with the European Meeting on Psychosocial Aspects of Genetics. Deadline for Abstract Submission: 19 February 2010.

For further details
**International Congress for Tarlov Cysts and Adhesive Arachnoiditis**

Date: 2-3 July 2010  
Venue: Chambéry, France

International health professionals will discuss recent findings on Tarlov and meningeal cysts, Arachnoiditis, Cauda Equina syndrome, and neuropathic pain. Patients will share their experience. Translations available in English, French and Spanish.  
[For further details](#)  

**14th International Conference on Behçet Disease**

Date: 8-10 July 2010  
Venue: London, England

Presenting new developments in basic and clinical science to bear on the specific issues of Behçet Disease (BD). Topics to be covered will include immunology of BD, vasculitis in BD, genetic basis of BD, regional inflammation and paediatric BD. The programme will also include debates on topics of current interest or controversy.  
[For further details](#)  

**MEN 2010: 12th International Workshop on Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia**

Date: 16-18 September 2010  
Venue: Viareggio, Italy

This two-day meeting will provide a forum for educating basic and clinical investigators on the most recent advances in the area of hereditary endocrine tumours.  
[For further details](#)