

# South West Allergy Forum

## Allergy, Asthma, & Immunology

Southwest Allergy Forum Combined Meeting of SWAF, EAC & TAAIS

January 16-20, 2008, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico

### 2008 Meeting Overview

TO: Allergists and Allergy Physician Assistants,  
Nurse Practitioners, Allied Health Professionals  
and Asthma Educators

The “needs assessment” response at the end of 2007 meeting this year indicated overwhelmingly that the attendees wanted to return once again to the warm and friendly Fiesta Americana in Puerto Vallarta, January 16-20 in 2008. So here we go again.

The upcoming meeting provides up to 17.25 CME and 20.7 CE hours in the beautiful setting right on the Pacific Ocean.

The program features a faculty of nationally known speakers presenting a broad array of currently important topics for Allergists, Allergy Nurses and Allergy Physician Assistants and any physicians involved in the care of patients with Allergy/Immunology related problems.

The General meeting begins on Thursday morning with A Problem Based Learning session, Management of Mild Persistent Asthma and two talks on Food Allergy for the EAC session.

The Friday morning session by the TAAI includes three important topics on Dermatology for the Allergist and two other timely topics: ASA Office Desensitization and Allergy to Chemotherapeutic Agents. A lunch presentation, SLIT Update, funded by Greer Laboratories and arranged by MarCom International, Inc. will include 1-2 additional CME credits.

The Saturday program by SWAF includes a variety of topics including Management of Asthma in the Senior Citizen and others on clinically relevant Immunology. New topics include the use of Bacterial Vaccines in Allergy and Immunological Development of Food Allergy.

Symposiums on Urticaria and Ophthalmic Allergy are included.

**CHECK THE PROGRAM, THE FACULTY LIST, HOTEL INFORMATION AND SEND IN THE REGISTRATION FORM A.S.A.P.**

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## 2008 Program

**Wednesday, January 16, 2008**

**Pre-CONFERENCE SYMPOSIUM, 5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.**

**Chronic Urticaria: Mechanisms and Treatment**

*Moderator: David Kahn, M.D.*

- 5:00 P.M.-5:45 P.M.      Chronic Urticaria: The autoimmune nature  
**Mark Boguniewicz, M.D.**
- 5:45 P.M.-6:30 P.M.      Chronic Urticaria: Diagnosis and Treatment  
**David Kahn, M.D.**
- 6:30 P.M.-7:00 P.M.      **PANEL DISCUSSION, Q & A**
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**Thursday, January 17, 2008**

**Eastern Allergy Conference**

*Moderator: Mike Slaughter, M.D.*

- 8:00 A.M. - 8:30 A.M.      The Dendritic Cell as a Potential Therapeutic Target in Asthma  
**Aidan Long, M.D.**
- 8:30 A.M. - 8:40 A.M.      Introduction to Problem Based Learning  
**Ray Davis, M.D.**
- 8:40 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.      PBL Case: Management of Mild Persistent Asthma  
**Ray Davis, M.D. Don Bukstein, M.D. Russ Settignano, M.D.,  
Donald Fournier, M.D.**
- 10:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.      Coffee Break, Visit Exhibitors and Posters
- 10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.      Review of Mild Persistent Asthma Management  
(*Opposing opinions - three 20 minute lectures*)
1. Why Choose ICS PRN - **Don Bukstein, M.D.**
  2. Why Choose ICS & LABA - **Aidan Long, M.D.**
  3. Why Choose LTRA - **Don Bukstein, M.D.**
- 11:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.      **PANEL DISCUSSION, Q & A**
- 12:00 P.M. - 12:30 P.M.      Food Additives Allergy - Fact and Fiction What's New in Food  
Allergy for the Allergists  
**Clifford Tepper, M.D.**
- 12:30 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.      Reflection on Food Allergy Controversies  
(including eosinophilic esophagitis)  
**Sami Bahna, M.D.**
- 1:00 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.      **PANEL DISCUSSION, Q & A**
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**Friday, January 18, 2008**

**Texas Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society Section**

*Moderator: William McKenna, M.D.*

- 8:00 A.M. - 8:40 A.M.      Therapeutic Approach to Antihistamine Resistant Chronic Urticaria  
**David Khan, M.D.**

- 8:40 A.M. - 9:20 A.M.      What Should an Allergist Do About Contact Dermatitis  
**Luz Fonacier, M.D.**
- 9:20 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.      What's New in Atopic Dermatitis  
**Mark Boguniewicz, M.D.**
- 10:00 A.M. - 10:15 A.M.      **PANEL DISCUSSION, Q & A**
- 10:15 A.M. - 10:45 A.M.      Coffee Break, Visit Exhibitors and Posters
- 10:45 A.M. - 11:25 A.M.      In-Office Desensitization to ASA  
**David Khan, M.D.**
- 11:25 A.M. - 12:05 P.M.      Allergy to Chemotherapeutic Agents and Desensitization to These Drugs  
**Mariana Castells, M.D.**
- 12:05 P.M. - 12:10 P.M.      **PANEL DISCUSSION, Q & A**
- 12:10 P.M. - 2:10 P.M.      Special Luncheon Presentation: Update on SLIT.  
Funded by an unrestricted educational grant from  
**Greer Laboratories Inc.** and arranged by **MarCor.**  
**Speaker: Gary Gross, M.D.**  
*\* 2 additional CME credits*

**Mid-CONFERENCE SYMPOSIUM, 5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.**  
**Allergic Conjunctivitis: Parallels to allergic airway disease**  
*Moderator: Joe Bellanti, M.D.*

- 5:00 P.M. - 5:45 P.M.      Allergic Disorders of the Eyes  
**David Granet, M.D.**
- 5:45 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.      Targets in Allergic Conjunctivitis Treatment  
**Warner Carr, M.D.**
- 6:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.      **PANEL DISCUSSION, Q & A**

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**Saturday, January 19, 2008**

**Southwest Allergy Forum**  
*Moderator: Donald Fournier, M.D.*

- 8:00 A.M. - 8:40 A.M.      Allergic Respiratory Disease in the Workplace  
**Ray Slavin, M.D.**
- 8:40 A.M. - 9:20 A.M.      Immunologic Development of Food Allergy  
**Andy Liu, M.D.**
- 9:20 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.      Why Aren't Bacterial Vaccines Included in the Treatment Plan?  
**Joe Bellanti, M.D.**
- 10:00 A.M. - 10:15 A.M.      **PANEL DISCUSSION, Q & A**
- 10:15 A.M. - 10:45 A.M.      Coffee Break, Visit Exhibitors and Posters
- 10:45 A.M. - 11:25 A.M.      Management and Problems of Asthma in Senior Citizens  
**Ray Slavin, M.D.**
- 11:25 A.M. - 12:05 P.M.      Primary Immunodeficiency. When to Treat and Acronyms That  
Drive One Crazy  
**Joe Bellanti, M.D.**
- 12:05 P.M. - 12:30 P.M.      Innate Immunology for Allergists  
**Andy Liu, M.D.**
- 12:45 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.      **PANEL DISCUSSION, Q & A**

## 2008 CME & CE Credits

### CME & CE Accreditation

#### CME

##### *Accreditation Statement*

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint-sponsorship of the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology (AAAAI) and Southwest Allergy Forum/Eastern Allergy Conference/Texas Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Society. The AAAAI is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

##### *Designation Statement*

The AAAAI designates this educational activity for a maximum of 17.25 credits towards the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those hours of credit he/she actually spends in the activity.

#### CE

##### *Accreditation Statement*

The American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology (AAAAI) is a provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider #10704, for up to 20.7 Contact Hours.

##### Target Audience and Educational Objective

Target audience includes Allergists, Allergy Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, Asthma Educators, Allied Health Professionals, and others who treat patients with Allergy-Related Diseases. After completion of the program, participants will be updated on Management of Allergic Rhinitis in all age groups, Asthma management in the future, Dermatological Allergies, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease and Asthma and other topics related to the Diagnosis and Management of Allergic Diseases.