

# MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

## Current Perspectives In Chronic Constipation: A Scientific And Clinical Symposium

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2009

The Great Hall, People's Palace & Octagon, Queens Building  
Queen Mary University of London  
Mile End Road, London E1, United Kingdom

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Dear Colleague

An international faculty of recognised experts has been assembled to provide a contemporary view of both scientific and clinical aspects of chronic constipation. With a particular focus on patient management, this major meeting should appeal to *any* healthcare professional with an interest in this common clinical condition.

### Programme

MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2009

#### Opening address

Challenges in constipation *Ian Cook*

#### Colorectal neuroanatomy and pathophysiological mechanisms

Neuroanatomical basis of colorectal function *Simon Brookes*  
Colorectal motor dysfunction *Phil Dinning*  
Colorectal sensory dysfunction *Marc Gladman*  
The enteric nervous system in the regulation of  
colorectal motility: lessons from animal models *Terry Smith*

#### Controversies in clinical management

Classification, definitions and diagnostic categories, and valid  
outcome measures

Symptom-based? *Nick Talley*  
Measurement-based? *Ian Cook*

#### Panel Discussion

*Satish Rao, Ian Cook, Nick Talley, Bill Whitehead, Jan Tack and  
Charles Knowles*

Which physiological investigations are appropriate? *Mark Scott*

What is the spectrum of rectal evacuatory  
dysfunction? *Peter Lunniss*

Dyssynergic defaecation: fact or fiction? *Satish Rao*

#### Aetiological factors

Secondary causes of constipation: ageing,  
drugs and neurological disease or injury *Anne-Marie Leroi*  
Idiopathic constipation: why predominantly women? *Jose Behar*  
Idiopathic constipation: genetic or environmental? *Roberto De Giorgio*  
Primary neuromuscular or ICC dysfunction:  
fact or fiction? *Charles Knowles*

TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2009

#### Paediatric constipation

Pathophysiology and investigation. Do  
paediatric and adult constipation differ? *Marc Benninga*

Non-surgical management *Carlo Di Lorenzo*  
Surgical management *Risto Rintala*

#### Management of adult constipation

Medical treatments  
The rationale use of laxatives in  
secondary care *Anton Emmanuel*  
Is there a role for probiotics? *Eamonn Quigley*

#### Conservative treatments

The role of the colorectal nurse specialist *Theresa Porrett*  
Behavioural therapy, and a critical  
appraisal of bowel retraining *Bill Whitehead*

#### Surgical treatments

Surgery for severe rectal evacuatory  
problems: does anything work? *Mario Pescatori*  
Is there a still a role for colectomy? *Charles Knowles*  
Sacral nerve neuromodulation:  
the new frontier in treatment? *Harald Rosen*

#### Keynote talk:

Evolving and future medical therapies *Jan Tack*

FOOD AND DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED

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