



Saturday, May 4, 2024
USC Health Sciences Campus
Aresty Conference Center
Live Conference
7:30 am - 12:30 pm

29th Annual
Van Der Meulen Symposium:
A Multiple Sclerosis Update

Keck School of Medicine of **USC**

Presented By:
The USC Multiple Sclerosis Center
and USC Office of Continuing Medical Education

PROGRAM AGENDA

7:30 am **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

8:00 am **Welcome- Overview of Multiple Sclerosis and Introduction of Today's Topics**

Lilyana Amezcua, MD, MS

Session I:

Moderator: Lilyana Amezcua, MD

8:15 am **MS is a Global Disease**

Lilyana Amezcua, MD, MS

8:45 am **Diagnosing MS**

Christina J. Azevedo, MD, MPH

9:15 am **MS Treatment Update**

Margaret Burnett, MD

9:45 am **Managing Symptoms of MS**

*Kathiria Del Rosario Plascencia, NP-C
and Leslie Tarlow, MSN, GNP-BC, MSCN*

10:15 am **Break**

10:30 am **The Big Imposters: NMOSD, MOGAD and Other Immune-Mediated CNS Disorders**

Masoud Majed, MD and Johannes Pulst-Korenberg, MD

11:00 am **Occupational and Physical Therapy in MS**

Rebecca Cunningham, OTD, OTR/L, and Nora Darakjian, PT, DPT

11:30 am **Pediatric MS**

Laura E. Saucier, MD, MSc

12:00 pm **Case Presentations/Research Studies**

*Clinical Fellows: Christopher Orlando, MD, MPH
and Andrew Voyiadjis, MD, MPH, PhD*

12:30 pm **Lunch/Closing Remarks/Adjourn**

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

A one-day meeting designed to educate clinicians, nurses, healthcare providers, residents and students about the complex interactions that lead to MS and advances in the management of patients with the disease. A growing body of strong evidence has led to a consensus recommending the initiation of a Disease Modifying Therapy (DMT) for patients with a relapsing or active MS and those with clinically isolated syndrome at high risk of developing MS. Multiple highly effective DMTs, particularly anti-CD20 monoclonal antibodies, have emerged in the past decade, transforming the landscape of multiple sclerosis treatment. Various recommendations and practice guidelines addressing the use of DMTs in MS have been developed by neurological associations, including the American Academy of Neurology, and the European Committee for Treatment and Research in Multiple Sclerosis. The comprehensive care of patients with MS should include strategies to improve symptom management and quality of life. Therefore, it is crucial to implement local expert recommendations for the use of DMT and the management of adverse events in clinical practice. The goal of this CME activity is to provide a bridge between current and emerging understanding of MS to the attendees.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Demonstrate a higher understanding on the epidemiological changes in MS.
- Apply the diagnostic criteria for MS and related disorders with greater confidence.
- Integrate various treatment strategies.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This course is intended for neurologists, primary care providers, nurses and other health care professionals seeking to learn updates on multiple sclerosis.

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

The Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

CREDIT DESIGNATION

The Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California designates this live activity for a maximum of 4.25 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*[™]. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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REGISTRATION

Live Tuition:

Early-bird price for live registration ends April 30, 2024 at 12:00 pm, PDT.
After April 30, 2024: Please register on-site on May 4.

Tuition:

	Early-Bird	After April 30
MD/DO	<input type="checkbox"/> \$125	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150
NP/PA/APP	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> \$125
RN/AH	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> \$125
Fellows/Residents/Students	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25

Cancellation: Cancellations must be received by the USC Office of CME (fax or email) by April 30, 2024, 12:00 pm PDT, for a refund. A \$50 cancellation fee will be applied. In the event of course cancellation by conference organizers, all registration fees will be fully refunded.

Location: Catherine and Joseph Aresty Conference Center, in the lower ground level of the Harlyne J. Norris Cancer Research Tower on the USC Health Sciences Campus 1450 Biggy Street, Los Angeles, CA 90033

Register: **Mail:** 1540 Alcazar Street, CHP 223, Los Angeles, CA 90033
Mail-in registration must be postmarked by April 30, 2024.
Online: keckusc.cloud-cme.com/vdm2024 **Visa or Mastercard only**
Phone: (323) 442-2555 | **Fax:** (323) 442-3734 **AMEX, Visa or Mastercard**
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On-site: **Live registration:** Available May 4, 7:30 am, Aresty Conference Center.

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*Registration confirmation and event reminder will be emailed.

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No cash payment accepted.

Check (Check payable to USC. Check payment must be postmarked by April 30, 2024)

Credit Card (Mastercard or Visa online, American Express by Fax/Phone/Mail only)

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