



## Press Guide *for*

# The American Society of Nephrology (ASN)'s 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Scientific Exposition

**Renal Week 2005  
38<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting & Scientific Exposition  
November 10 - 13, 2005  
Pennsylvania Convention Center  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**

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## Introduction to Our Press Guide

The American Society of Nephrology (ASN) is pleased to introduce this Press Guide, created to assist Press Representatives in identifying potentially newsworthy topics during Renal Week 2005. The topics identified within this guide have been selected by the ASN 2005 Program Committee from a pool of more than 4,400 abstracts, 29 clinical nephrology conferences, 51 free communications, 58 clinical or basic science sessions, 24 official symposia, and 3,075 poster sessions to be highlighted at Renal Week 2005. These topics were selected based on their overall excellence in furthering the field of nephrology and are only a sampling of the extraordinary basic and clinical science research available during Renal Week 2005. All individuals identified within this Press Guide are available for comment. Please see contact information below to arrange interviews.

## News Briefings

We are also honored to be able to provide you with two exciting news briefings during Renal Week 2005, in which experts on the topics of dialysis and diabetes, and transplantation will discuss important research and findings within nephrology. Experts will discuss the topic of stem cells and the kidney on Thursday, November 10, and on Friday, November 11, they will discuss the topic of pediatrics and the kidney; both news briefings will take place from 12:15 pm-1:15 pm in Room 303B of the Pennsylvania Convention Center. Details on these news briefings are available within our Press Guide.

## Session Descriptions

**Basic Science Symposia:** These symposia involve the participation of ASN member and non-member basic scientists. Topics can range from cutting-edge new biology to kidney-specific areas.

**Clinical Science Symposia:** These symposia involve the participation of ASN member and non-member clinical scientists. Topics can range from cutting-edge new biology to kidney-specific areas.

13-16 Basic and Clinical Science Symposia (combined) are presented each day.

**Clinical Nephrology Conferences:** These sessions are typically formulated with the notion of infusing science into a clinical subject for palatable presentation to clinical nephrologists; approximately 9-10 are presented each day.

**Free Communications:** Free Communications include oral presentation of abstracts and in many cases a 30 minute invited lecture on the topic. These sessions allow authors to present their original research to a wider audience. Abstracts are selected from peer-reviewed abstracts. Approximately 16-19 are presented each day.

**Poster Sessions:** Poster Sessions allow those with original research the opportunity to expose their work to a wider audience. Posters are selected from peer-reviewed abstracts. Posters are presented from Friday-Sunday, and more than 1,000 different posters are on display each day.

## Publication Numbers

All abstract presentations listed in the Onsite Program Book and Abstracts Supplement of JASN have been assigned a letter for the day of presentation\*, a letter for the type of presentation\*\*, and a chronological program number. (Example: the first abstract of the meeting will be F-PO0001). In the poster sessions, the program numbers and poster board numbers for presentation are the same.

\*TH= Thursday, F= Friday, SA= Saturday, \*\*P= Poster, FC= Free Communications

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October 8: ASN Management Office, Pennsylvania Convention Center, Room 304  
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Wednesday, Nov. 9 – Friday, Nov. 11: ASN Media Room, Pennsylvania Convention Center,  
Room 250, (215) 418-2058 (media room), 202-236-8142 (after hours)

# Days-at-a-Glance

## Wednesday, November 9

### 10:30 am – Noon

Postgraduate Education Programs

- Renal Regulation and Nephrotoxicity of Therapeutic Agents: Updates, Controversies, and Debates, Forum: Rosuvastatin is Safe and Beneficial for Patients  
**"The Benefits of Rosuvastatin Outweigh the Renal Risks"**  
Lecturer: Edmund J. Lewis, MD  
Location: Room 204 B/C
- Renal Regulation and Nephrotoxicity of Therapeutic Agents: Updates, Controversies, and Debates, Forum: Rosuvastatin is Safe and Beneficial for Patients  
**"The Drug Should be Removed from the Market"**  
Lecturer: Sidney M. Wolfe, MD  
Location: Room 204 B/C

## Thursday, November 10

### 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm

**Press News Briefing: Stem Cells and the Kidney**

Location: Room 303A

Moderator: Joseph V. Bonventre, MD

- **Stem Cells in Injury and Therapy, "The Use of Human Embryonic Stem Cells for Therapy"** Lecturer: Laurie Jackson-Grusby, PhD
- **Stem Cells in Injury and Therapy, "Mesenchymal Kidney Stem Cells"**  
Lecturer: Qais Al-Awqati, MD
- **"Administration of Mesenchymal Stem Cells (MSC) to Rats with Ischemic Acute Renal Failure (ARF) Protects Renal Function and Enhances Recovery Primarily through Paracrine Renotropic, Anti-Inflammatory and Vasculo-Supportive Mechanisms"**  
Publication Number: SA-FC015, Presenting Authors: Florian E Toegel, MD and Christof Westenfelder, MD
- Bone Marrow Stem Cells and Inflammatory Mediators of ARF  
**"Kidney Derived Stem Cells: In Vivo Localization and Cellular Therapy of Acute Renal Failure"** Publication Number: SA-FC019, Presenting Author: Sandeep Gupta, MD

### 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Basic and Clinical Science Symposia

- Stem Cells in Injury and Therapy  
**"The Use of Human Embryonic Stem Cells for Therapy"**  
Lecturer: Laurie Jackson-Grusby, PhD  
Location: Room 105

- Stem Cells in Injury and Therapy  
**"Mesenchymal Kidney Stem Cells"**  
Lecturer: Qais Al-Awqati, MD  
Location: Room 105
- Kidney-Heart Interactions  
**"Mechanisms that Underlie the Enhanced Risk for CV Events in Renal Disease - Barry M. Brenner Endowed Lectureship"**  
Lecturer: Eberhard Ritz, MD  
Location: Hall C

**4:00 pm – 6:00 pm**

Clinical Nephrology Conferences  
Free Communications

- Glomerular and Tubular Disorders: Pathogenesis, Biomarkers and Treatment  
**"Beneficial Effects of NC-503 on AA Amyloidosis-Associated Renal Disease: Results of a Multi-Center, Randomized, Placebo-Controlled Trial"**  
Publication Number: TH-FC040  
Author: Laura M. Dember, MD, FASN  
Location: Room 109
- Controversies in Living Kidney Donor Selection  
**"Long-Term Risks to Living Kidney Donors: An Update"**  
Lecturer: Robert S. Gaston, MD  
Location: Room 204 B/C
- Key Issues in Managing Acute Renal Failure (ARF)  
**"The Bio-Artificial Kidney in High Risk ARF: An Update"**  
Lecturer: David Humes, MD  
Location: Room 201
- Diverse Signaling Pathways Control Kidney Development  
**"Nephrogenic Factors Promote Differentiation of Mouse Embryonic Stem Cells into Renal Epithelia"**  
Publication Number: TH-FC030  
Lecturer: Doyeob Kim, PhD  
Location: Room 202B
- Transplantation: Rejection-Immunosuppression  
**"Cyclosporine A Induces Ageing in Renal Tubular Epithelial Cells"**  
Publication Number: TH-FC156  
Lecturer: Christian Koppelstaetter, MD  
Location: Room 108
- Glomerular and Tubular Disorders: Pathogenesis, Biomarkers and Treatment  
**"Urinary Proteomics Profiles Are Able To Discriminate between Active and Inactive Lupus Nephritis"**  
Publication Number: TH-FC035  
Lecturer: Liz Lightstone, MD, PhD  
Location: Room 109

## Friday, November 11

### 10:00 am – Noon

Authors Present at Posters  
Clinical Nephrology Conferences

- Epidemiology, Assessment, and Therapy of Acute Kidney Injury  
**“Mild’ Renal Insufficiency Is Associated with Poor Outcome in Children with Acute Decompensated Heart Failure: Evidence for a Pediatric Cardiorenal Syndrome”**  
Publication Number: F-PO908  
Author: Stuart L. Goldstein, MD, PhD  
Location: Halls A/B
- Clinical Nephrology  
**“Sports Participation by Children with a Single Kidney: Opinions and Comparative Risks”**  
Publication Number: F-PO1023  
Author: Matthew M. Grinsell, MD, PhD  
Location: Halls A/B

### 12:15 pm – 1:20 pm

#### Press News Briefing: Pediatrics and the Kidney

Location: Room 303A  
Moderator: Lisa Guay-Woodford, MD

- **Childhood Hypertension: The View in 2005, “The Metabolic Syndrome in Children: Antecedents of Overt Cardiovascular Disease”** Lecturer: Bonita Falkner, MD
- **“Hypertension in Children and Adolescents Is Not a Silent Disease”**  
Publication Number: F-FC096, Presenting Author: Daniel I. Feig, MD, PhD
- **“Mild’ Renal Insufficiency Is Associated with Poor Outcome in Children with Acute Decompensated Heart Failure: Evidence for a Pediatric Cardiorenal Syndrome”**  
Publication Number: F-PO908, Presenting Author: Stuart L. Goldstein, MD, PhD
- **“Urine Protein Biomarkers Distinguish Steroid-Sensitive and Steroid-Resistant Idiopathic Nephrotic Syndrome of Childhood”**  
Publication Number: F-FC056, Presenting Author: Robert Woroniecki, MD
- **“Sports Participation by Children with a Single Kidney: Opinions and Comparative Risks”** Publication Number: F-PO1023, Presenting Author: Matthew M. Grinsell, MD, PhD

### 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Basic and Clinical Science Symposia  
ClinicoPathologic Conferences  
Public Policy Forum

- Race, Gender and Economic Status: Do They Account for Disparities in Health Care Delivery?  
**“Healthcare Disparity? - Christopher R. Blagg Endowed Lectureship in Renal Disease and Public Policy”**  
Lecturer: Sally L. Satel, MD  
Location: Room 112

**4:00 pm – 6:00 pm**

Clinical Nephrology Conferences  
Free Communications

- Novel Developments in Clinical Hypertension  
**“Hypertension in Children and Adolescents Is Not a Silent Disease”**  
Publication Number: F-FC096  
Author: Daniel I. Feig, MD, PhD  
Location: Room 109
- Human Glomerular Diseases: Diagnostic, Prognostic and Pathogenetic Markers  
**“Urine Protein Biomarkers Distinguish Steroid-Sensitive and Steroid-Resistant Idiopathic Nephrotic Syndrome of Childhood”**  
Publication Number: F-FC056  
Author: Robert Woroniecki, MD  
Location: Room 105
- Transplantation: Outcome Studies  
**“Long Term Cardiac Outcomes in Renal Transplant Recipients Receiving Fluvastatin: The ALERT Extension Study”**  
Publication Number: F-FC155  
Author: Hallvard Holdaas, MD  
Location: Room 108
- Novel Developments in Clinical Hypertension  
**“Nighttime Blood Pressure Level and Diurnal Rhythm Are Associated with Cognitive Dysfunction”**  
Publication Number: F-FC095:  
Author: Gary L. Schwartz, MD, FASN  
Location: Room 109

**Saturday, November 12**

**8:00 am – 9:00 am**

Plenary Session

- State-of-the-Art Lecture  
**“Diet and Optimal Health: A Progress Report”**  
Lecturer: Walter Willett, MD, DrPH  
Location: Hall C

**12:00 pm – 1:15 pm**

Official Symposia

- **Lessons Learned from Katrina**  
Panelist: L. Lee Hamm, MD  
Location: Ballroom B

**1:30 pm – 3:30 pm**

Basic and Clinical Science Symposia

- Childhood Hypertension: The View in 2005  
**“The Metabolic Syndrome in Children: Antecedents of Overt Cardiovascular Disease”**  
Lecturer: Bonita Falkner, MD  
Location: Room 107

**4:00 pm – 6:00 pm**

Clinical Nephrology Conferences  
Free Communications

- Bone Marrow Stem Cells and Inflammatory Mediators of ARF  
**“Administration of Mesenchymal Stem Cells (MSC) to Rats with Ischemic Acute Renal Failure (ARF) Protects Renal Function and Enhances Recovery Primarily through Paracrine Renotropic, Anti-Inflammatory and Vasculo-Supportive Mechanisms”**  
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**“Kidney Derived Stem Cells: In Vivo Localization and Cellular Therapy of Acute Renal Failure”**  
Publication Number: SA-FC019  
Author: Sandeep Gupta, MD  
Location: Room 204A
- New Insights into the Peritoneal Membrane  
**“Regeneration of Peritoneal Mesothelial Cell by Autologous Bone Marrow Mononuclear Cells Implantation in a Peritoneal Dialysis Rats”**  
Publication Number: SA-FC135  
Author: Takanobu Imada, MD  
Location: Room 112
- New Agents and Markers to Improve Allograft Survival  
**“Kidney Injury Molecule-1 (KIM-1) as an Early Marker for Donor Brain-Death-Associated Renal Injury”**  
Publication Number: SA-FC108  
Lecturer: Henri G. D. Leuvenink  
Location: 113A
- New Agents and Markers to Improve Allograft Survival  
**“Carbamylated Erythropoietin (CEPO) Reduces Renal Inflammation during Brain Death”**  
Publication Number: SA-FC112  
Lecturer: Henri G. D. Leuvenink  
Location: 113A

## Sunday, November 13

### 10:00 am – Noon

Basic and Clinical Science Symposia

- The Pathophysiology of Progressive Renal Disease and Hypertension: Importance of Gender and Ethnicity  
**“Gender Issues in Large Clinical Renal Trials”**  
Lecturer: Julia Lewis, MD  
Location: Room 107