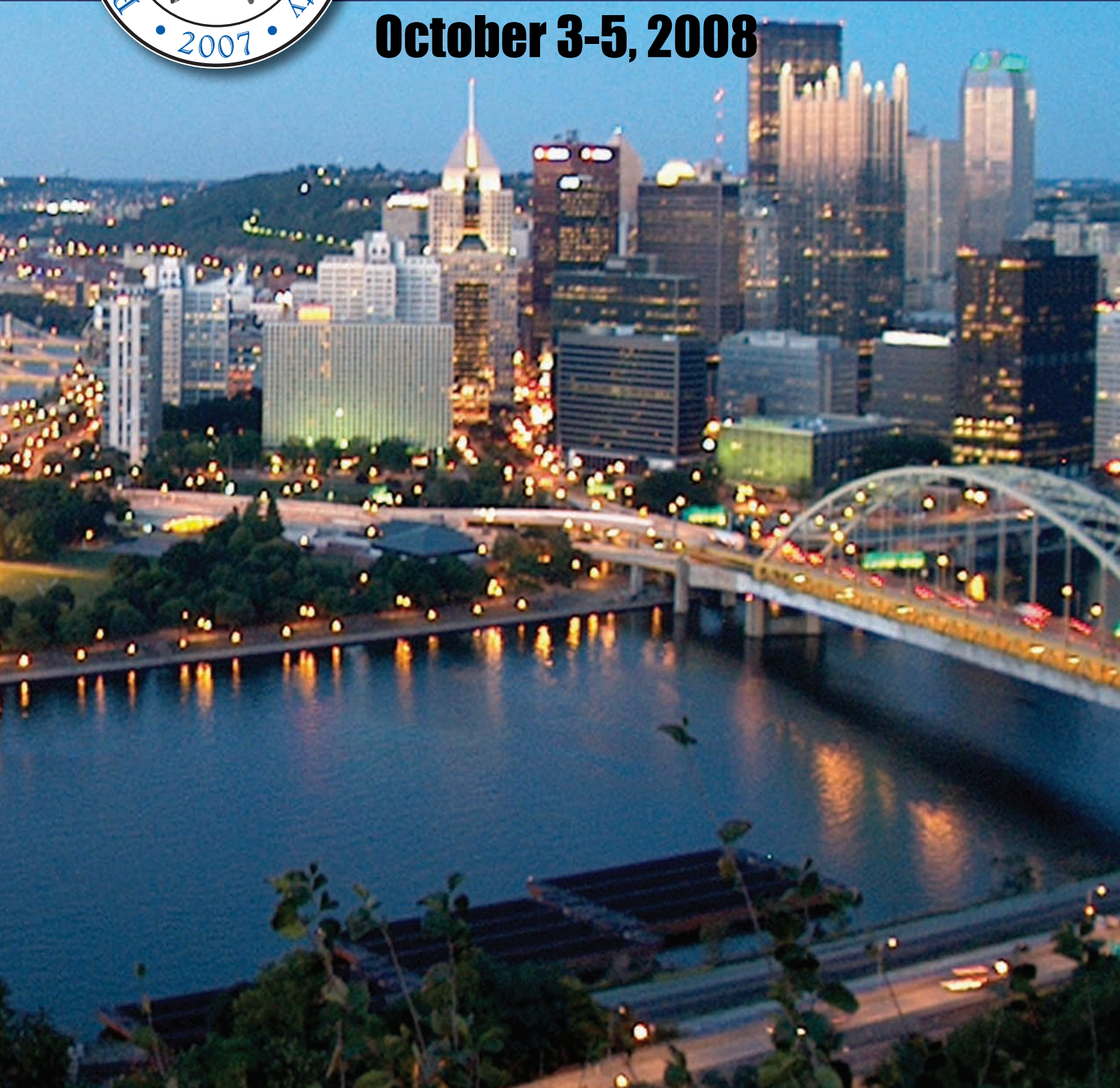




# 2nd Annual PNS Conference

**October 3-5, 2008**



**ABSTRACT SUBMISSION:** *See page 2 for more information!*

**Who Should Attend**

Interventional Neurologists, Vascular Neurologists, General Neurologists, Neurosurgeons, Interventional Neuroradiologists, Emergency Physicians, and all other physicians and healthcare providers involved in management of neurological diseases.

**Location**

Conveniently located 5 miles from the Greater Pittsburgh International Airport and only 15 miles from downtown Pittsburgh at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott, 777 Aten Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15108. To make a hotel reservation, please call: **412-788-8800**, or visit us online to at our website: **www.marriottpittsburghairport.com**

**Directions**

From Pittsburgh International Airport: When exiting the airport, follow the

sign to Pittsburgh. Follow 60 South for approximately 5 miles to Exit 2 Montour Run. Make the first right off the exit and immediate right into the hotel parking lot.

**Mission**

The mission of the program is to raise awareness of and disseminate knowledge concerning developments in cerebrovascular, demyelinating, dementing and other neurological diseases from medical and neuro-interventional perspectives. Awareness will also be raised regarding improving neurology patient safety, neurology advocacy, and improving financial returns in the practice.

**Poster Submission**

Please visit our web site <http://pns.aan.com> and click on the POSTER/ABSTRACT SUBMISSION section for details. Deadline for submission is September 8, 2008.

*Conference Objectives*

- *Interpret* our current understanding of the pathophysiology of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis and the progress being made in treating the disease.
- *Update* contemporary treatment of the trigeminal neuralgia to survey the medication options presently available.
- *Describe* the major therapeutic advance of the gamma knife treatment of this disease. Data regarding the clinical trial will be provided and explained to establish our best available treatment options.
- *Discuss* the progress in the understanding of the basic science and clinical aspects of Parkinson's Disease (PD); emphasis will be on current local and international clinical trials involving PD that will likely lead to new therapies in the next few years.
- *Translate* the newest classification of the peripheral neuropathic disorders, understand their pathophysiology, and explore the appropriate management options for the more common entities.
- *Review* the appropriate ways to maximize billing and financial return in a neurologist's office will be considered. Perspectives on approaches to and methodology in a busy practitioner's office will be considered.
- *Discussions* of Neurocardiology, including those conditions which involve diseases of the brain and cardiac function, such as sudden death syndromes and stroke, will be explored and updated for the busy clinician as well as therapies of some of these disorders

**Friday, October 3**

4:00 pm – 9:00 pm

**Pre-Registration**

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

**Reception-Cocktails**

**Saturday, October 4**

7:00 am – 7:55 am

**Pre-Registration, Exhibits, and Continental Breakfast**

7:55 am – 8:00 am

**Welcome**

*Brad Klein, MD*

*Louis Catalano, MD, FAAN*

**STROKE: MEDICAL AND INTERVENTIONAL THERAPIES**

8:00 am – 8:40 am

**Acute Stroke Update**

*Lawrence R. Wechsler, MD*

8:40 am – 9:20 am

**Interventional Stroke Update**

*Tudor G. Jovin, MD*

9:20 am – 10:00 am

**Neurocardiology**

*Jon Brillman, MD*

10:00 am – 10:20 am

**Break**

10:20 am – 11:15 am

**Neuromyelitis Optica: Is it a Different Disease than MS?**

*Brian G. Weinschenker, MD*

11:15 am – 12:00 pm

**Endonasal Surgery: Up Your Nose with The First Thousand Cases**

*Amin Kassam, MD*

12:00 pm – 1:15 pm

**Lunch/Posters/Exhibits**

**PNS Business Meeting**

**For All PNS Members**



• *Faculty*

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Pittsburgh, PA

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