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Complex Regional Pain Syndrome
An international two-day conference on Complex Regional Pain Syndrome. The conference aims to provide an overview of the results that have been obtained from studies that have been performed within TREND, as well as present information on the latest results from studies that have been executed by internationally renowned CRPS researchers. This symposium is organized in collaboration with the CRPS UK Clinical and Research Network, Bath, U.K.

Background
Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS) is an intriguing condition that still is incompletely understood. Important progress however, has been made in the past ten years. Much of this information has been collected within TREND (Trauma RELATED Neurological Dysfunction; www.trendconsortium.nl), a knowledge consortium funded by the Dutch government that aims to improve on knowledge of the pathophysiological mechanisms that underlie this syndrome with the ultimate goal to improve patient care. Researchers participating in TREND together have published over 100 papers on this topic in the past period. Important research has obviously also been performed by other researchers and some of the best-recognized of them will present their results and share their insights at this symposium. There is also ample room in the program for the various aspects of management of CRPS.

Target audience
The conference is intended for professionals who see patients with CRPS in their daily practice as well as for people with a scientific interest into this condition: anesthesiologists, rehabilitation physicians, occupational physicians, insurance doctors, psychologists, physiotherapists and occupational therapists.

Venue
The conference will be held at the Leiden University Medical Center, Albinusdreef 2 in Leiden. The city of Leiden is famous for its almshouses, university, museums and glorious history. The spirit of the Golden Age lives on here, a place where Rembrandt was born and inspired so many other influential painters. Leiden is a city of monuments, museums, ancient alleyways, canals and moats.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Day 1 Thursday 10 May 2012
09.00 Welcome and registration
09.30 Introduction on CRPS and its heterogeneity
10.00 CRPS: Do genetic factors play a role?
10.20 CRPS and inflammation – mechanisms and treatment
10.50 CRPS and vasomotor dysfunction - mechanisms and treatment
11.20 Coffee break
11.50 CRPS in the picture: the role of thermography
12.20 CRPS and pain: mechanisms and treatment
12.45 Lunch and poster viewing
14.00 CRPS in the picture: the role of brain imaging studies
14.30 Body perception disturbances in CRPS
15.00 Pain and the brain
15.30 Tea break
16.00 Psychological aspects of CRPS
16.30 The patient’s perspective
17.00 Drinks and dinner in the historic city center of Leiden

Lectures last 20-25 minutes followed by 5-10 minutes of discussion
On the first day, attendants will be asked to submit questions for the panel discussion on next day

Day 2 Friday 11 May 2012
09.00 Sensorimotor integration in CRPS
09.30 Moving differently in CRPS
10.00 Research in motion
10.30 Keep moving; but how?
11.00 Coffee break
11.30 Lessons learned on diagnostics in CRPS
12.00 Lessons learned from TREND trials and ‘beyond’
12.30 Lunch and poster viewing

Split program with parallel sessions from 13.30-15.30

Parallel session I
14.00 Pain management in CRPS
14.30 How to diagnose CRPS?
15.00 Invasive procedures in CRPS
15.30 Animal studies in CRPS

Parallel session II
14.00 Manipulating sensory and motor interactions
14.30 Motor imagery program
15.00 Exposure treatment
15.30 Body perception disturbances

Plenary, continued
16.00 Tea break
16.30 Forum discussion ‘Everything you always wanted to know about CRPS’
17.00-17.30 Future perspectives