We are delighted to announce that we will be holding the first of what we hope will be an annual "Workshop on CCSVI and Multiple Sclerosis". This meeting will be held Sunday afternoon, February 7th, 2010 in Hamilton at St. Joseph's Hospital in conjunction with McMaster University. More details will appear as this event develops. Dr. Zamboni and several of his colleagues are planning to come and Dr. Zivadinov and Dr. Dake have both been invited as well. Stay tuned for more details.

Chronic Cerebral Spinal Venous Insufficiency (CCSVI) and Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Workshop
Scientific Workshop Program – Sunday, February 7, 2010

Chair - Dr. Ian Rodger, St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton

1:00 pm - 1:20 pm Opening: Dr. Kevin Smith, President and CEO, St. Joseph's Health System
Dr. Ian Rodger, VP Research, St. Joseph's Health System
Dr. E. Mark Haacke, McMaster, MRI Institute and WSU, Detroit, USA

Speakers:

1:20 pm – 1:50pm "CCSVI: implications in Multiple Sclerosis"
Dr. Paolo Zamboni, Ferrara, Italy

1:50pm – 2:00pm Q&A

2:00 pm – 2:20pm "Multiple sclerosis and the revolution of CCSVI: clinico-neurological and therapeutical implications"
Dr. Fabrizio Salvi, Bellaria, Italy

2:20 pm – 2:30 pm "CCSVI, Evidence from Jordanian Experience"
Dr. Ma'Moon Al-Omari, King Abdullah University Hospital

2:30 pm – 2:40 pm Preliminary results of preoperative diagnostics and endovascular treatment for CCSVI"
Dr. Marian Simka, Katowice, Poland

2:40 pm – 3:00 pm Q&A

3:00 pm – 3:30 pm Break

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm "CCSVI and MRI outcomes in MS"
Dr. Robert Zivadinov, Buffalo, USA

4:00 pm – 4:30pm "Locations and etiologies of extracranial venous lesions in MS"
Dr. Michael Dake, Stanford, USA

4:30 pm – 5:00 pm "Is the basic etiology of multiple sclerosis vascular in origin?"
Dr. E. Mark Haacke, McMaster, MRI Institute and WSU, Detroit, USA

5:00 pm – 5:30 pm General Q&A

5:30 pm - 5:45 pm Closing Comments:
Dr. E. Mark Haacke and Dr. Ian Rodger

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