2018 ANNUAL MEETING

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ENDOCRINE SURGEONS

Early Bird Exhibitor Deadline
February 28, 2018

39th ANNUAL MEETING
MAY 6-8, 2018 • DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA
WASHINGTON DUKE INN & RESORT

2018 LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS CO-CHAIRS: Julie Ann Sosa, MD, MA and Sanziana Roman, MD
2018 PROGRAM CHAIR: Wen Shen, MD

EXHIBITOR PROSPECTUS & SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES
WELCOME

We invite your participation in the upcoming 39th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Endocrine Surgeons (AAES), to be held May 6-8, 2018 at the Washington Duke Inn and Golf Club, Durham, North Carolina. Official meeting information and a Prospectus are included for your reference.

AAES is the leading endocrine surgery association in North America. Last year, there were nearly 500 attendees at the annual meeting, including a large number of leading national and international endocrine surgeons – specialists who perform head and neck (thyroid and parathyroid) and abdominal (pancreas and adrenal) endocrine operations. These fields of practice overlap with otolaryngology, urology, gastrointestinal, and surgical oncology and specialists in these fields also attend the AAES. Most endocrine surgeons are experts in open and laparoscopic/robotic surgery for, benign disorders, cancer, and head-and-neck diseases, as well as adjunctive technologies (ultrasound, laryngoscopy) and broader endocrinology.

Exhibit hall presence, enhanced visibility, and opportunities for interaction with surgeon attendees are available in addition to medical education grants. Your organization’s support of the program will be acknowledged at the meeting in on-site signage, the Annual Meeting Program, the AAES website, and verbally at the podium and on-screen.

The 39th AAES Annual Meeting is planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education. This year’s Annual Meeting will be a great opportunity to connect with professionals and leaders across the globe in the field of endocrine surgery while receiving high level education on the latest advancements in science and research in the field.

We look forward to seeing you in Durham! Reserve your space now as we expect to sell out quickly. If you should have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Sanziana Roman, MD
2018 Local Arrangements Co-Chair

Julie Ann Sosa, MD MA
2018 Local Arrangements Co-Chair

Wen Shen, MD
2018 Program Chair

Who We Are

The American Association of Endocrine Surgeons is dedicated to the advancement of the science and art of endocrine surgery and maintenance of high standards in the practice of endocrine surgery.

What We Do

The AAES Annual Meeting brings together physicians and endocrine surgery professionals from around the world to share the newest clinical and basic science findings in endocrine surgery. For most registrants, this is the most important and anticipated meeting of the year.

The meeting features dedicated scientific sessions, including 35+ oral presentations, interesting case presentations, poster displays, educational workshops, exhibit displays, a poster competition, and plenty of networking opportunities.
WHY YOU NEED TO ATTEND

> Showcase your products and services
> Meet leaders face to face in a relaxed, convenient location
> Position your company with key decision makers in the field
> Strengthen existing relationships and develop new ones

EXHIBITOR BENEFITS

> Access to 500 endocrine specialists
> Acknowledgment by signage and in program book
> Cost effective booth display
> Exhibits located in high traffic area together with posters, breakfast and breaks

HOTEL INFORMATION

Washington Duke Inn & Golf Club
Durham, North Carolina

Reserve your room at the Washington Duke Inn & Golf Club by April 1, 2018 to secure the AAES Group Rate of $259 (Single/Double Occupancy). This rate is subject to applicable state and local taxes (currently 13.5%) To secure the group rate by the deadline, visit the AAES website.

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EXHIBITOR HOURS

Times subject to change

Sunday, May 6, 2018
- Exhibits Open: 8:30 am – 5:00 pm
- Poster Judging: 8:30 am – 10:00 am
- Lunch Break: 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm
- Afternoon Break with Exhibits: 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Monday, May 7, 2018
- Exhibits Open: 7:00 am – 5:00 pm
- Breakfast with Exhibits: 7:00 am – 8:00 am
- Morning Break with Exhibits: 10:00 am – 10:30 am
- Lunch Break: 11:30 am – 1:30 pm
- Afternoon Break with Exhibits: 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm

Tuesday, May 8, 2018
- Exhibits Open: 7:00 am – 10:30 am
- Breakfast with Exhibits: 7:00 am – 8:00 am
- Morning Break with Exhibits: 10:00 am – 10:30 am

BOOTH INSTALLATION & DISMANTLE

Set-Up Hours
- Saturday, May 5, 2018: 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
- Sunday, May 6, 2018: 7:00 am – 8:30 am

Tear-Down Hours
- Tuesday, May 8, 2018: 10:30 am – 1:00 pm

All set-up must be completed by 8:30 am on Sunday, May 6. Exhibitors who have not checked in with the Registration desk and set-up by this time will be considered “no-shows” and may have their exhibit space dismantled. Exhibitors may not begin dismantling until 10:30 am Tuesday, May 8. All exhibits must be packed and ready for shipment by 1:00 pm Tuesday, May 8.

DEADLINES

Early Bird Exhibit Application & Deposit Due: February 28, 2018
Exhibit Confirmation Kit Emailed: March 3, 2018
Exhibitor Applications Due: April 3, 2018
Exhibit Badge Registration Forms Due: April 3, 2018

PREVIOUS EXHIBITORS & SPONSORS

Akrimax Pharmaceuticals
AI Biomed
Ambry Genetics
AMEND USA
American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists
American Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia (AMEN) Support
American Thyroid Association
Applied Medical
ArborMetrix, Inc.
Banner Healthcare
Bayer Healthcare
CBLPath
Checkpoint Surgical, Inc.
Comprehensive Medical Services
Corcept Therapeutics
Covidien
Eisai, Inc.
EndocrineWeb.com
Esaote
Ethicon Endo-Surgery
Exelixis
Fluoptics
Future Diagnostics
GE Healthcare – Ultrasound
Graves’ Disease & Thyroid Foundation
HealthBreeze
Hitachi Aloka Medical
Interpace Diagnostics
Invuity
MedImmune – Specialty Care Division of AstraZeneca
Medtronic
Medvision Medical Products (IOM Solutions)
Olympus
Onyx Pharmaceuticals
Roche Diagnostics Corporation
Rosetta Genomics
Sanofi Genzyme
Sense Medical/Neurosign
Shire Pharmaceuticals
Stradis Healthcare
THANC Foundation/TCCC
ThyCa: Thyroid Cancer Survivors Association, Inc.
Thyroid Care Collaborative
Veracyte
WeCan Medicare Co., Ltd.
Wolter Kluwer Health/Lippincott Williams & Wilkins
EXHIBITOR FEES & SPECIFICATIONS

Early Bird Fees (on or prior to February 28, 2018): $3,500
Standard Fees (after February 28, 2018): $3,800

Included with each 8’x8’ exhibit space: 8' high background drape, 3' high side drape, 6’ draped table, two chairs, one wastebasket, and one exhibitor identification sign.

PRIORITY PLACEMENT

The assignment of exhibit space will be on a first-come, first-served basis, upon receipt of exhibitor application and deposit.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

A deposit of 50% of the total exhibit fee must accompany the signed application for it to be considered valid. Total balance due April 3, 2018.

SERVICES EXCLUDED

Exhibit fee does not include: additional drayage, electricity or audio visual. Information regarding these items will be included in the Exhibitor Confirmation Kit.

EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION

Exhibit registration includes a maximum of four (4) personnel per exhibit space. The deadline for the exhibit staff list is April 3, 2018 and badges may be picked-up on-site. Exhibit badges are not to be given or lent to any individual except the exhibit personnel to whom the badge has been issued. Exhibitors may attend scientific sessions as long as they do not engage in sales while in the session rooms.

EXHIBITOR GUEST POLICY

Guests of Exhibitors should be included on the individual company’s staff list. The charge for additional badges over the number included with the exhibit fee is $25 per badge.

EXHIBITOR STAFF CONDUCT

Exhibitors must set-up, occupy and staff their exhibits during all hours exhibits are open. Failure to do so may result in ineligibility for future meetings. Names of all participants affiliated with exhibits must appear on the corresponding company staff list sent to show management.

False certification of individuals as Exhibitor’s representatives, misuse of Exhibitor badges or any other method assisting unauthorized persons access to the exhibit floor will be just cause for expelling the violator from the exhibition or barring him/her from further entrance to the exhibit floor or removing his/ her exhibit from the exhibit floor without obligation on the part of Show Management for refund of fees.

Exhibit personnel are expected to remain in their exhibit space and not view other exhibits except by invitation of other Exhibitors. Interviews, demonstrations and the distribution of literature must be conducted within the exhibit area assigned to the Exhibitor.

Canvassing or distributing of advertising materials beyond the perimeters of the Exhibitor’s own exhibit will not be allowed. Additionally, Exhibitors are prohibited from posting signs relating to exhibits or any company activity outside the perimeters of the Exhibitor’s own exhibit.

Exhibitors may not place signage regarding any company related event outside their exhibit at any time.

When food and beverage are served in the Exhibit Hall during breaks, exhibit personnel may participate but are expected to allow attendees to participate first.

SUBLETTING OF SPACE

Exhibitors may not assign or apportion to others the whole or any part of the space allocated and may not display goods or services other than those manufactured or regularly distributed by the applicant(s).

CANCELLATION POLICY

Notification of cancellation or reduction of space must be in writing. If this agreement is canceled by the Exhibitor for any reason or by Show Management because of Exhibitor’s default or violation of this agreement, monies paid to the AAES by the Exhibitor shall be retained as follows:

>$500 per space if application is canceled on or prior to February 28, 2018
>$1,000 per space if application is canceled or reduced after February 28, 2018 and on or prior to April 3, 2018.
>NO REFUND for any cancellations or reductions after April 3, 2018.
VISIBILITY OPPORTUNITIES

Educational Grant Support Opportunities

**PLATINUM LEVEL SUPPORT – $10,000+**
All of the Gold Level opportunities, plus:
- Presidential Address
- President’s Reception

**GOLD LEVEL SUPPORT – $7,500**
All of the Silver Level opportunities, plus:
- Scientific Posters Display
- Interesting Cases Session

**SILVER LEVEL SUPPORT – $5,000**
All of the Bronze Level opportunities, plus:
- One Scientific Session*
- Daily Refreshment Breaks

**BRONZE LEVEL SUPPORT – $2,500**
- Support acknowledged with sign for display in exhibit space (exhibit space not included in level support)
- Acknowledgement in on-site signage, all promotional materials, in the final program, in the AAES newsletter, on meeting slides, and on the AAES website

**ANNUAL MEETING MOBILE APP – $10,000**
- Exclusive opportunity to sponsor the brand new mobile app for the 2018 AAES Annual Meeting.

**MEAL OR BREAK SPONSOR – Prices Vary**
- Put your brand in front of all attendees during snack and refreshment breaks or during AAES-provided meals. Meal options include breakfast or lunch. Limited to one sponsor per break/meal.

*Papers and video sessions provide attendees with the latest scientific findings. Session topics will be finalized after the abstract review process is complete in January 2018. The list of scientific sessions available for support acknowledgement will be provided to all Platinum, Gold, and Silver supporters in early 2018.

**EDUCATIONAL GRANT SUPPORT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
Educational grant support for the AAES 2018 Meeting will be acknowledged in all program materials, on-site signage, and on slides in the rooms in which a given event is held. If appropriate, support will be acknowledged with any course or event materials distributed on-site. Please note the publication deadline for the AAES Final Program is *March 1, 2018*. Confirmation of support must be received prior to the deadline for inclusion in the program.

Support for the AAES Annual Meeting is considered an educational grant, subject to ACCME Standards of Commercial Support. A signed Letter of Agreement must be received in advance of the meeting in order for support to be acknowledged.

*The AAES values our relationship with industry and appreciates your thoughtful consideration of support. On behalf of the AAES leadership, we invite you to join us in Durham, NC on May 6-8, 2018 to be a part of this exciting and valuable meeting.*
Marketing & Visibility Opportunities

**EXCLUSIVE** Only one supporter per opportunity, first come, first served

**Young Surgeons Social – $7,500**
Exclusive opportunity to host the Young Surgeons Social (Food and Beverage not included, catering menu will be provided).

**Hotel Key Cards – $3,000**
Get everyone’s attention by sponsoring the hotel room key cards for the AAES meeting. You will be the only name on the key cards, sure to stay in guests’ minds as they enter their rooms at the end of the day. Includes front and back design costs.

**Welcome Sponsor – $2,500**
Welcome attendees on a large banner displaying your company’s name. The banner will be prominently displayed. Make a daily impression on attendees.

**NON-EXCLUSIVE** Multiple opportunities

**Breakfast Symposium – $20,000**
Exclusive opportunity to host a breakfast symposium offered to all members to attend in our meeting space on Monday or Tuesday morning (Food and Beverage not included, catering menu will be provided).

**Mobile Charging Station—$10,000**
Customize a power station with seating or a charging kiosk with your brand’s logo or imagery while providing rapid-charge technology for attendee’s devices.

**Fun Run Sponsor – $5,000**
Your logo will appear on Fun Run course directional signage and at the Finish Line. This sponsorship will also include water and snacks for the Fun Run participants.

**Hotel Door Drop – $3,000**
Be one of the first companies visible to attendees when you partner with the AAES to exclusively sponsor the Hotel Door Drop. This is your chance to include announcements, invitations, samples or sales literature you want hand-delivered to the hotel room of every registered AAES Meeting attendee. As the exclusive supporter for the day, you can enclose the materials in a door drop bag to include your company name and logo.

**Meal or Break Sponsor – Prices Vary**
Put your brand in front of all attendees during snack and refreshment breaks or during AAES-provided meals. Meal options include breakfast or lunch. Limited to one sponsor per break/meal.

**New Product Showcase – $3,000**
Showcase your company’s newest product developments in ultrasound, minimally invasive surgery equipment, therapies, and more. Get noticed by all attendees in the high traffic area of the exhibit hall with your product featured in a digital display for the entire meeting. *Exhibit booth fee not included.*

**Exhibit – $3,500 Early Bird Rate (February 28, 2018), $3,800 Standard Rate (after February 28, 2018)**
The meeting will feature an exhibit area with pipe and drape exhibits. The package includes one 8’x8’ booth and listing on the AAES website and in the Final Program. See Page 5 for more Exhibit Booth details. Events to be held in the exhibit area include daily breakfast and refreshment breaks. Table top displays are also available for a discounted rate of $2,000.

*Exhibitor Add-On: Include one (1) flyer in the attendees bags for an additional $500!
Marketing & Visibility Opportunities for Endocrine Surgery University

Endocrine Surgery University (ESU) is a program dedicated to providing a structured format for exceptional quality education to first year endocrine surgery fellows. We are pleased to announce the 9th Annual Endocrine Surgery University will again be incorporated as a pre-session of the 2018 AAES Annual Meeting. The course objectives are to provide exposure to controversies in endocrine surgical management and to provide pearls for success in academic and clinical practice settings. Supporting Endocrine Surgery University is a great opportunity to introduce your products to young surgeons just starting their practice.

Endocrine Surgery University Jeopardy – $5,000

Fellows attending Endocrine Surgery University (ESU) at the AAES Annual Meeting engage in a fun and friendly competition “Jeopardy” style asking the right questions for the endocrine surgery answers provided. Sponsors of this event will also receive a table display in the back of the meeting room. This is a very popular event among attendees (and faculty) and your support will be recognized verbally and via a slide display at the session, in the ESU program, in the AAES annual meeting program, and on the AAES website.

Endocrine Surgery University Sponsor – $2,500

Since 2010, Endocrine Surgery University (ESU) has been dedicated to increasing the quality of education and skills for endocrine surgery fellows. Sponsorship support of ESU includes a table display in the back or just outside of the meeting room and will be acknowledged with on-site signage, on ESU meeting slides, at meal and refreshment breaks, at the ESU Fellows and Faculty Dinner, in ESU marketing materials, on the AAES website, and in the final program of the AAES annual meeting.

*If you do NOT wish to receive a table top display, support of these two ESU items can be in the form of an educational grant.

ESU: May 4, 2018 7:00 am-5:00 pm & May 5, 2018 7:00 am-12:00 pm
Washington Duke Inn & Golf Club

2018 AAES Sponsor & Exhibitor Registration

Sponsor and Exhibitor Registration is now online. Click the link below or type the URL into your browser to register.

http://www.cvent.com/d/ktq7f3

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EXHIBITOR PROGRAMS & PRESENTATIONS

Exhibitor presentations may take place during any hours the exhibit hall is open to registrants. Exhibitor programs or presentations must be confined to the Exhibitor’s assigned exhibit space. The sound intensity of such activities as determined by Show Management, must not interfere with the activities of neighboring exhibitors. Show Management reserves the right to determine at what point sound constitutes interference with others and whether it must be discontinued.

Programs or presentations are to be straightforward in nature and must avoid the use of sideshow or theatrical gimmicks.

Videos and films may be shown provided that screens are placed in the rear of the exhibit to eliminate congestion in the aisles.

Any visual or other transmissions from off-site locations including tele-surgery require written permission from Show Management. Request forms for these educational events will be included in your Exhibitor Confirmation Packet and must be completed and returned to the show office.

DIRECT SALES ON EXHIBIT FLOOR

No direct sales are permitted to take place on the exhibit floor excluding book sales. Orders may be taken and processed for delivery elsewhere but product may not be conveyed in the exhibit area.

DISPLAY OF INVESTIGATIONAL PRODUCTS

All Exhibitors must comply with FDA rules regarding display of investigational products. Display of any investigational products is not an endorsement by the AAES. To comply with the Food and Drug Administration’s Guidelines on Notices of Availability, any investigational product exhibited or graphically depicted should:

- Contain only objective statements about the product.
- Contain no claims of safety effectiveness or reliability.
- Contain no comparative claims to other marketed products.
- Be displayed solely for the purpose of obtaining investigator responsibilities.
- Display a statement: “Caution – Investigational Device – Limited to Investigational Use” (or similar statement) in prominent size and placement.

DISPLAY OF CLASS III DEVICES

Any display of Class III devices for off-label use must be accompanied by the following statement: “Display of this device for off-label use is not endorsed by AAES.

INSURANCE & LIABILITY

The Exhibitor assumes entire responsibility and liability for losses, damages, and claims arising out of injury to any person, or loss of, or damage to property when such loss damage or injury is in any way connected to the Exhibitor’s participation in the exhibition. Exhibitors shall indemnify and hold harmless the American Association of Endocrine Surgeons (AAES) and Show Management, their officers, directors, agents, members and employees, and the designated convention facilities, their agents, and employees from any and all such losses, damages and claims.

Exhibitors agree to protect, save and keep the AAES, Show Management and the Rosen Centre Hotel forever harmless from any damage or charges imposed for violation of any law or ordinance whether occasioned by the negligence of the Exhibitor or its agents as well as strictly to comply with the applicable terms and conditions contained in the agreement between The Rosen Centre Hotel and the AAES regarding the exhibit premises and further an Exhibitor shall at all times protect, indemnify, save and keep harmless the AAES and The Rosen Centre Hotel against any and all loss cost damage liability or expense arising from, or out of or by reason of said Exhibitor’s occupancy and use of exhibit premises or part thereof.

While Show Management will provide security, furnishing of such security shall not be deemed to affect the non-liability of the AAES or Show Management, their members, officers, representatives or official services contractors, or The Rosen Centre Hotel to modify in any way the assumptions or risk provided herein.

If any part of the exhibit hall is damaged or destroyed in such a way as to prevent the AAES or Show Management from allowing an Exhibitor to occupy its assigned space during any portion of the exhibition or if same is prevented by strikes, acts of God, national emergency, or other causes beyond the control of AAES or Show Management, Exhibitors will be charged for space during the time it was, or could have been, occupied and Exhibitors hereby waive any claim against AAES or Show Management, their members, directors, agents, or employees, for losses or damages that may occur due to such inability to occupy assigned space.

PHOTOGRAPHY

An exhibit or its products may not be photographed or videotaped without the permission of the legitimate occupant of that exhibit space. Show Management reserves the right to photograph exhibits for society purposes.