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SCCM Milestone: 35th Annual Congress

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This year the Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) celebrates 35 years of continued educational excellence during the 35th Critical Care Congress, January 21st to 25th 2006, in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.

Obtain indispensable information about innovative treatments in critical care as well as fundamental business practices necessary to improve the intensive care unit (ICU) environment, during SCCM's 35th Critical Care Congress. The Society's Congress offers clinical benefits for every critical care professional that are unlike any other educational meeting. Because a multiprofessional team of critical care experts develops each session, you can be sure that you will receive a well-rounded perspective on the latest advances and treatments of acute conditions, helping you provide the highest-quality patient care to all critically ill and injured patients.

The Society's 35th Critical Care Congress offers participants the opportunity to attend numerous cuttingedge sessions, hands-on workshops, informative panel discussions and exciting social engagements. The 2006 Congress was developed by co-chairs Connie A. Jastremski and Lena M. Napolitano.

Prominent leaders in critical care will present engaging topics throughout the Plenary Sessions. Offered during unopposed timeframes, the thought-provoking Plenary Sessions explore the latest issues affecting the entire critical care community (see table 1).

The learning objectives for participants of the 35th Critical Care Congress are to:

• Recognize recent advances in drug design and development and their relevance to critical illness.

• Apply patient care to current and cutting-edge information regarding specific therapeutic interventions for the critically ill patient.

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• Review, in the context of the intensivist-led multiprofessional care team, new knowledge and strategies to optimize the care and outcomes of critically ill and injured patients.

The Society has developed a variety of pre-Congress Educational Sessions packed with essential “need-toknow” information as well as hands-on workshops to provide a convenient, cost-effective way to receive an update or learn more about the latest advances in critical care. We recommend that you plan to arrive in New Orleans early to maximize your educational experience by attending any one of these courses. Additional ticketed events and sessions during the Congress are also available for those wanting to enrich their Congress experience further.

New Orleans holds a mystique unmatched anywhere in the world. As one of the most fascinating places to visit in the United States, New Orleans boasts first-class hotels, world-famous restaurants, exquisite art and antique shops, and energizing jazz and music entertainment. Visitors can take in the vibrant French Quarter or admire the opulence of the Garden District. New Orleans is infused with rich architectural and cultural history. Supplement your Congress experience by creating your own sightseeing adventure. Have your family, friends or colleagues join you on any of the fascinating tours available through SCCM, adding to your educational experience at the SCCM’s 35th Critical Care Congress.

Register now to experience the only educational event designed for the entire critical care team.

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