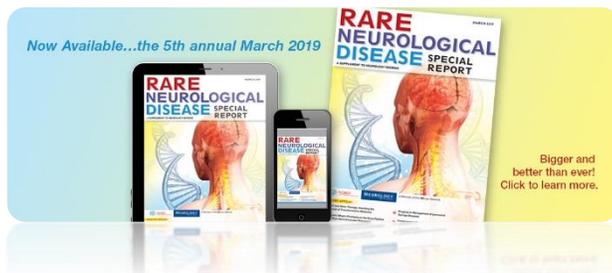


The 2019 Rare Neurological Disease Special Report Is Now Available

This 5th annual issue is the largest to date and focuses on the progress in medical science, genetics, and neuromuscular diseases

Parsippany, NJ – April 16, 2019 – Frontline Medical Communications (FMC) is pleased to announce the publication of the 2019 ***Neurology Reviews Rare Neurological Disease Special Report***. Produced in collaboration with the National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD), this 5th annual issue is now available as a digital edition online, in print, and via the ***Neurology Reviews*** mobile app.

Published each year to commemorate Rare Disease Day, the ***Rare Neurological Disease Special Report*** is a joint endeavor in which ***Neurology Reviews*** and **NORD** partner to keep the busy clinician abreast of the latest diagnostic tools and medical therapies available to manage and treat rare neurological medical conditions. With more than 7,000 rare diseases identified and more than half of the medical treatments approved by the FDA last year for rare diseases, health care professionals need easily accessible, reliable resources to stay informed —the ***Rare Neurological Disease Special Report*** serves as a valued reference.



Nearly a third of the 2019 issue focuses on the latest advances in clinical genetic testing, newborn screenings, and gene-based therapies. Information and resources on gene therapy are a particular focus; of note are the profile of the New York Genome Center and the Alliance for Regenerative Medicine’s article on cell and gene therapy. Additional highlights include NORD’s educational, research, and advocacy efforts; the pioneering work of the pharmaceutical industry and disease-state medical, genetic, and patient-focused associations and

societies; the promising drug pipeline for rare neuromuscular diseases – spinal muscular atrophy, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), Lambert-Eaton myasthenic syndrome (LEMS), Huntington’s disease, Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease, and Duchenne muscular dystrophy; and NIH tools, registries, and educational materials.

Elizabeth Katz, Publisher of ***Neurology Reviews***, has spearheaded the development of this key resource since inception. “It has been such a rewarding experience to bring together key stakeholders whose common goals are focused on helping patients with rare disease and their families find life-changing solutions,” she said. In announcing the issuance, Ms. Katz also acknowledged the tireless efforts of the editorial team, led by Glenn Williams, VP, Group Editor. Ms. Katz and Mr. Williams also acknowledged the work of Ronald DeBellis, PharmD, the students of the Keck Graduate Institute who contributed articles, and the staff of NORD.

Annual research on the ***Rare Neurological Disease Special Report*** confirms a high level of awareness and readership (84%); nearly all agree the quality of material is useful/effective; and more than two-thirds strongly agree it broadens their understanding of certain rare diseases and the difficulties surrounding symptom identification, diagnosis, and family life.

To learn more about the rare disease initiatives of ***Neurology Reviews*** and the NORD partnership, contact Elizabeth Katz at 973-224-7951 or ekatz@mdedge.com. Details and information on all FMC/MDedge digital brands, print

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