

77th San Francisco Neurological Society
ANNUAL MEETING
 Monterey Plaza Hotel • March 13-15, 2026



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2026 - all times are Pacific time (PT)

Location: TBD

7:00 - 8:00 am	Registration and Breakfast with Exhibits	
8:00 - 8:05 am	Welcome and Overview	Leo Chen, MD SFNS President
8:05 - 8:35 am	Resident/Fellow Forum I [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	
8:35 - 8:55 am	Newman Award and Q&A Cytokine Profiling in a Phase 1 Study of Autologous Fully-Humanized Anti-CD19 Chimeric Antigen Receptor T Cell (CAR-T) Immunotherapy for Progressive Phenotypes of Multiple Sclerosis [CME Activity: 0.33 Credit Hours]	Garrett Timmons, MD Stanford Neurology Fellow
8:55 - 9:25 am	UCSF Boldrey Lecture [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Gabriel Zada, MD
9:25 - 9:55 am	BREAK: visit exhibit hall	
9:55 - 10:25 am	Advances in Diagnostics and Treatments for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Sharon Sha, MD, MS
10:25 - 11:25 am	Targeted Treatments for Transthyretin Amyloidosis: Essential Insights for Neurologists <i>This activity is supported by an independent grant from AstraZeneca and is sponsored by PeerView Institute for Medical Education.</i> CME Activity: 1.0 Credit Hour.	Safwan Jaradeh, MD
11:25 - 11:55 am	Please help yourself to lunch before the lunch talk.	
11:55 am - 12:45 pm	The Upstream Role of CD19+ B Cells in Generalized Myasthenia Gravis (gMG) Pathogenesis <i>Lunch hosted by SFNS for attendees staying for the lunch talk. Talk sponsored by Amgen (no CME).</i>	Suraj Ashok Muley, MD, FAAN, FACP, FRCP
12:45 - 1:15 pm	BREAK: visit exhibit hall	
1:15 - 1:45 pm	Resident/Fellow Forum II [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	
1:45 - 2:15 pm	Optimizing Sleep to improve Outcomes in Neurodevelopmental Disorders [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Temitayo Oyegbile-Chidi, MD, PhD
2:15 - 2:45 pm	Cerebral Spinal Fluid Leaks [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Cynthia Chin, MD

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2:45 - 3:15 pm	Kitt Family Foundation Lecture: Value of Private Practice Models [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	James Stevens, MD, FAAN
3:15 - 3:45 pm	BREAK: visit exhibit hall	
3:45 - 4:05 pm	President's Award and Q&A Management of Myasthenia Gravis Around the Globe: Consensus Guidelines Versus Realities of Practice [CME Activity: 0.33 Credit Hours]	Julia Greenberg, MD Stanford Neurology Fellow
4:05 - 4:35 pm	Exosomes and MicroRNAs for Nervous System Disorders [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Russell Andrews, MD
4:35 - 5:05 pm	Exploring the Effects of Psychedelics in Parkinson's Disease [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Ellen Bradley, MD
5:05 - 5:35 pm	Resident/Fellow Forum III [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	
5:35 pm	Closing Remarks	Leo Chen, MD
6:30 - 10:30 pm	President's Reception at Monterey Bay Aquarium	

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2026 - all times are Pacific time (PT)

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7:00 - 8:00 am	Registration and Breakfast with Exhibits	
8:00 - 8:05 am	Welcome and Overview	Leo Chen, MD SFNS President
8:05 - 8:35 am	Resident/Fellow Forum IV [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	
8:35 - 8:55 am	Hanbery Award and Q&A Directional Deep Brain Stimulation of Cuneiform Nucleus Improves Gait Function in Parkinson's Disease [CME Activity: 0.33 Credit Hours]	Michael Baumgartner, MD, PhD UCSF Neurosurgery Resident
8:55 - 9:25 am	Surgical Management of Intrinsic Focal Brainstem Tumors [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	John Duncan, MD
9:25 - 9:55 am	BREAK: visit exhibit hall	
9:55 - 10:25 am	Meningioma Multidisciplinary Group, Meningioma Trials, and Meningioma Genomics [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Ramin Morshed, MD
10:25 - 10:55 am	What's New in Neurocritical Care: A Focused Update for Neurologists [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Navaz Karanjia, MD
10:55 - 11:25 am	Headache Management [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Elizabeth Ekpo, MD
11:25 - 11:55 am	Please help yourself to lunch before the lunch talk.	
11:55 am - 12:45 pm	Vyvgart Hytrulo, a Novel Treatment for Adult Patients with Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP) Lunch hosted by SFNS for attendees staying for the lunch talk. Talk sponsored by argenx (no CME).	Perry Shieh, MD, PhD, FAAN
12:45 - 1:15 pm	BREAK: visit exhibit hall	

Saturday, March 14 - agenda continued

1:15 - 1:45 pm	Resident/Fellow Forum V [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	
1:45 - 2:35 pm	Recent Updates in Functional Neurological Disorder [CME Activity: 0.833 Credit Hours]	Moderator: Sarada Sakamuri, MD Speakers: Rochelle Frank, MD, FAAN, and Angela Drake, PhD
2:35 - 3:05 pm	Cultivating Resilience and Mental Fitness in Patients and Clinicians [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Joyce Mikal-Flynn, EdD, MSN, FNP
3:05 - 3:35 pm	BREAK: visit exhibit hall	
3:35 - 3:55 pm	Rosegay Award and Q&A Utilization of Intraoperative Intracranial Electroencephalography Guidance and Brain Mapping for Cerebral Cavernous Malformation Resection in Patients with Associated Seizures [CME Activity: 0.33 Credit Hours]	David Caldwell, MD, PhD UCSF Neurosurgery Resident
3:55 - 4:25 pm	Restoring Speech with an Intracortical Brain-Computer Interface [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Sergey Stavisky, PhD
4:25 - 4:55 pm	Endoscopic Spine Surgery: What's Possible [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Michael Jensen, MD, PhD
4:55 - 5:25 pm	Resident/Fellow Forum VI [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	
5:25 pm	Closing Remarks	
6:00 pm	SFNS Annual Dinner: The Neuroscience of Happiness	John Chuck, MD

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026 - all times are Pacific time (PT)

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6:30 - 7:00 am	10th Annual Fun Run <i>Meet in hotel lobby</i>	Leo Chen, MD SFNS President and Fun Run Chair
7:00 - 8:00 am	Registration and Breakfast with Exhibits	
8:00 - 8:20 am	Welcome and Patient Video	Leo Chen, MD
8:20 - 8:40 am	Overview of Gene Therapy [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Alexander Fay, MD, PhD
8:40 - 9:00 am	Boldrey Award and Q&A Single Neuron Recordings in Human Glioma [CME Activity: 0.33 Credit Hours]	Gray Umbach, MD UCSF Neurosurgery Resident
8:55 - 9:25 am	Neurosurgical Options for Pain [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Ashwin Ramayya, MD, PhD
9:30 - 10:00 am	The Expanding Role of FcRn Blockers to Achieve Minimal Symptom Expression in Patients with Generalized Myasthenia Gravis <i>This activity is supported by an independent educational grant from argenx and is sponsored by AcademicCME.</i> CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours	
10:00 - 10:30 am	BREAK: visit exhibit hall	
10:30 - 11:00 am	Medical Management of Neurofibromatosis/Schwannomatosis [CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]	Kate Therkelsen, MD

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11:00 - 11:30 am	Updates in Sleep Medicine <i>[CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]</i>	Liza Ashbrook, MD
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	New Options in Anti-Seizure Medication Management <i>[CME Activity: 0.5 Credit Hours]</i>	Michael Chez, MD, FAAN, FAES
12:00 - 12:20 pm	SFNS Business Meeting: State of the Society	Leo Chen, MD
12:20 - 12:25 pm	Closing Remarks and Invitation to 2027 Annual Meeting	
12:25 pm	Adjourn	

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