Fourteenth International Conference on Antiviral Research

Seattle, Washington, USA

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Conference organized and sponsored by the International Society for Antiviral Research (ISAR)

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

On behalf of the Local Organizing Committee, you are cordially invited to participate in the 14th International Conference on Antiviral Research, which will be held in Seattle, Washington in April, 2001. The Organizing Committee and the officials of the International Society for Antiviral Research are looking forward to hosting this very important Conference.

The purpose of the Conference is to provide an interdisciplinary forum at which investigators involved in basic applied and clinical research worldwide can meet to review recent developments in all areas of antiviral research. Conference participants will hear from leading "overview" speakers on the most current related topics. A number of oral and poster presentations will be selected from submitted abstracts.

We think you'll agree that Seattle provides the perfect environment to create an exciting scientific, social, and cultural meeting.

Seattle is a charming metropolis dropped in the middle of an evergreen forest. It's a city famous for its enduring relationships with Boeing, Bill Gates, seafood, and especially coffee, available from carts and cafes on literally every corner. The Seattle Space Needle and the Pike Place market are two of its most well recognized landmarks and have helped characterize the soul of the city. It rains here often, but you won't find Seattle's citizens hiding under umbrellas; instead, they celebrate the climate with a multitude of outdoor events, including the internationally acclaimed annual Bumbershoot Festival.

Situated between sparkling Puget Sound and Lake Washington, Seattle is nearly surrounded by water, with mountains and lakes everywhere you look. On clear days, you will hear the phrase, "The mountain is out!" referring to sightings of snow-capped Mount Ranier in the distance.

The flavors of the Northwest have contributed to the development of world-renowned restaurants dotting the streets of downtown Seattle and surrounding the Westin Seattle, site of the ICAR. Copper River salmon, Dungeness crabs, and Willapa Bay oysters are among the local favorites. Shoppers will enjoy the Nordstrom flagship store, Eddie Bauer, and Starbucks, all native to Seattle. This is truly a shopper's paradise, judging by and the multitude of fine department stores and charming boutiques that line Seattle's avenues and quaint neighborhoods.

Seattle, "the Emerald City" receives praise for it's polite population, lush greenery, clean streets, and vibrant arts and music scenes. Come and experience this for yourself at the 14th ICAR. We'll see you there!

Local Organizing Committee Larry Corey, Chairman University of Washington School of Medicine

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