



To whom it may concern,

The **International Rett Syndrome Foundation (IRSF)**, together with our organizing committee and distinguished Scientific Chairs, **Huda Y. Zoghbi, M.D.** (*Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Baylor College of Medicine and Jan and Dan Duncan Neurological Research Institute at Texas Children's Hospital*) and **Gail Mandel, Ph.D.** (*Howard Hughes Medical Institute and Vollum Institute at Oregon Health & Science University*), and Translational Research Symposium Chair, **Jeffrey L. Neul, M.D., Ph.D.** (*Baylor College of Medicine and Jan and Dan Duncan Neurological Research Institute at Texas Children's Hospital*) are pleased to host the **7th World Rett Syndrome Congress** for the first time in the United States. The aim of this congress is to help chart the course forward to reverse Rett syndrome while seeking to improve the quality of care for those affected by this disorder. Led by pioneering experts in Rett syndrome and related disorders, all professionals including researchers, clinicians, allied health practitioners, educators, parents, family members and caregivers will benefit from the meaningful series of sessions and tracks

The family and clinical education sessions will be Friday through Sunday, June 22-24, 2012. The Science Symposium and Translational/Pre-Clinical Research Symposium will be Sunday through Tuesday, June 24-26, 2012. The congress will take place at the Intercontinental Hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA which offers an excellent combination of old world New Orleans charm, modern sleeping accommodations, and state-of-the art meeting rooms and AV technologies. Please log onto our website for more information regarding the congress <http://worldcongress.rettsyndrome.org/>

This letter of invitation does not include or commit to cover registration fees or travel related expenses.

We look forward to welcoming you to New Orleans,

Yours truly,

Kathryn Schanen Kissam

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