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The Third Annual A. Julio Martinez Memorial Lecture

Guest Speaker:

Virginia Lee, PhD
Professor of Pathology &
Laboratory Medicine
Director, Center for Neurodegenerative
Disease Research
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, PA

“TDP-43 Proteinopathies: A New Class of Neurodegenerative Diseases”

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Room S-100

Biomedical Science Tower South

210 Lothrop Street

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



Dr. Virginia M.-Y. Lee is the John H. Ware 3rd Professor in Alzheimer's Research in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine. She is the Director of the Center for Neurodegenerative Disease Research and Co-director of the Marian S. Ware Alzheimer Drug Discovery Program at the University of Pennsylvania, School of Medicine. She studied music at the Royal Academy of Music in London (1962-1964), obtained a M.S. in Biochemistry from the University of London (1968), and received her Ph.D. in Biochemistry from the University of California at San Francisco in 1973. While a Penn faculty member, Dr. Lee entered the Executive M.B.A. program at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania (1982-1984), and obtained her M.B.A. degree from the Wharton School in 1984. Dr. Lee is the recipient of the Metropolitan Life Foundation Award for Medical Research in Alzheimer's Disease (1991, 1996), the Potamkin Prize for Medical Research in Alzheimer's Disease (1998) and the Bristol-Myers Squibb Biomedical Research Grant in Neuroscience Research (2003). In 2004 Dr. Lee was appointed a member of the National Advisory Council on Aging (NIH) and elected to membership in

the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies in 2005. Dr. Lee's research focuses on the pathogenesis of Alzheimer's disease (AD), Parkinson's disease (PD), frontotemporal dementias (FTDs), amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and related