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Coming soon: HD Therapeutics Conference 2012

Huntington's Disease Therapeutics Conference starts next week. Twitter follow @HDBuzzfeed for live updates!



 By [Dr Ed Wild](#) February 21, 2012 Edited by [Dr Jeff Carroll](#)

An oasis of hope in the desert: the annual Huntington's Disease [Therapeutics](#) Conference in Palm Springs, California, begins on 27th February. We'll be bringing you live updates via Twitter and the web.

An exciting time

If 2011 is anything to go by, we predict that 2012 will be a big year for Huntington's disease treatment research.



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The new year has already brought exciting news of [gene silencing](#) success in [primate](#) trials and striking improvement in HD mice from injection of the 'brain fat' GM1.

Annual [Therapeutics](#) Conference

For the last 7 years the annual HD [Therapeutics](#) Conference in Palm Springs, California, has been a significant occasion for HD drug-hunters. It's where the most exciting and cutting-edge treatment research is announced and discussed. It's also a gathering of the world's top HD researchers where ideas are shared and fruitful collaborations formed and nurtured.

The Conference begins very soon - Monday 27th February, to be exact. Your intrepid HDBuzz reporters Ed Wild and Jeff Carroll are going undercover at the Conference to bring you the latest news and buzz from the meeting.

The inside scoop from HDBuzz

Each day, we'll be tweeting live updates from 9am to 6pm Pacific Time (that's roughly 5pm to 2am in Europe). Follow [@HDBuzzFeed](#) on Twitter now, so you don't miss anything.

If you prefer a daily digest, check [HDBuzz.net](#) or any of the HD sites that carry HDBuzz syndicated content. Each day's news will be gathered together into a new article each evening, with our ever-popular 'sunset conclusions' to put things in context.

In the coming weeks, we'll also bring you featured stories and interviews with some top scientists from the Conference.

Get in touch!

We want to hear from you, too, so send your questions, comments and queries to palmsprings@hdbuzz.net or tweet [@HDBuzzFeed](#) now or throughout the Conference.

So, get following, sign up for email updates and check the web frequently. Here's looking forward to an inspiring [Therapeutics](#) Conference.

Dr Wild and Dr Carroll's registration fee for the Therapeutics Conference has kindly been waived by CHDI Foundation, Inc., sponsors of the Conference, but their attendance is supported by HDBuzz and the European HD Network, from funds independent of CHDI. CHDI has no input into the selection of subjects or the content of coverage on HDBuzz. [For more information about our disclosure policy see our FAQ...](#)



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- **gene silencing** An approach to treating HD that uses targeted molecules to tell cells not to produce the harmful huntingtin protein
- **therapeutics** treatments
- **primate** a group of mammal species including monkeys, apes and humans
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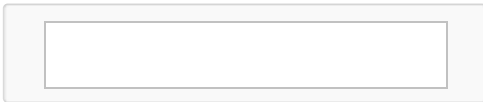
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