Second European Workshop on Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases

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October 10-12, 2007

Nürnberg, Germany

First Announcement
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Welcome Address

Dear Colleague,

Following the success of the First European Workshop on Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases, many colleagues encouraged us to repeat this event. We are therefore pleased to announce the Second European Workshop on Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases, which will take place on October 10 – 12, 2007 in Nürnberg, Germany.

We are happy and proud that Prof. Dr. Georg Schett and Prof. Dr. Falk Nimmerjahn, both from the University of Erlangen in Germany, agreed to be the Scientific Chairs of this Second IMID workshop.

Considering the important evolutions in the field of clinical immunology, we initiated in 2004 an European Working Group of leading academic physician-scientists involved in a variety of disciplines: clinical immunology, rheumatology, dermatology, gastroenterology, transplantation immunology,... The global aim is to create a forum for informal brainstorming and interaction between fundamental immunologists and clinicians, between clinical immunologists of different organ-specific disciplines, and between academia and industry.

The workshop will be a three-day meeting with an immunology course for physicians, posters and oral presentations, and thematic clinical-scientific sessions. We will also include 3 satellite symposia which are aimed to focus on immunomodulation and treatment, in close collaboration with pharmaceutical partners.

The Workshop Chairs and the Scientific Committee invite you and your colleagues to participate actively in the Second European Workshop on Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases.

Yours sincerely,

Dominique Baeten & Martin van Hagen
Organizing Committee

Welcome Address

Dear Colleague,

Following the success of the First European Workshop on Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases, we are happy to organize the Second European Workshop on Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases in Nuremberg (Germany) from October 10th - 12th 2007.

The workshop will follow the tradition of a three-day meeting with an immunology course for physicians, posters and oral presentations, and thematic clinical-scientific sessions. We will also include 3 satellite symposia, which are aimed to focus on immunomodulation and treatment, in close collaboration with pharmaceutical partners.

The workshop is intended as an interdisciplinary forum for fundamental immunologists, clinicians and industrial partners to strengthen interactions, allow informal brainstorming and create new ideas. This initiative is driven by a European Working Group of leading academic physician-scientists involved in a variety of disciplines such as clinical immunology, rheumatology, dermatology, gastroenterology, transplantation immunology.

The global aim is to bring together the newest concepts in basic immunology and inflammation with insights in the clinical manifestations of immune-mediated inflammatory diseases. We believe that this cross-fertilization between basic and clinical science will allow a better understanding of developing new diagnostic and therapeutic concepts in the field of clinical immunology.

On behalf of the Workshop Chairs and the Scientific Committee we warmly welcome you and your colleagues to join us and to actively participate in the Second European Workshop on Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases.

We look forward to a successful meeting!

Yours sincerely,

Georg Schett & Falk Nimmerjahn
Scientific Chairs
PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Wednesday, October 10, 2007

12:00  Registration, Poster Mounting and Light Lunch
13:00  Welcome Address and Opening
       Georg Schett & Falk Nimmerjahn, Nürnberg, Germany

13:15-14:30  KEYNOTE LECTURES
   Chairs: Georg Schett & Falk Nimmerjahn

13:15  Conventional versus biological drug therapy - How to treat inflammation
       M. Mueller, Austria

13:50  Epigenetical regulation of inflammation
       S. Gay, Switzerland

14:30  Amgen Satellite Symposium: Osteoimmunology

16:00  Coffee Break

16:30  Selected Abstracts

17:00-18:30  NEW ASPECTS OF IMID

17:00  IMID and lymphangiogenesis
       D. Kerjaschki, Austria

17:30  Iron metabolism in IMID
       G. Weiss, Austria

18:00  Signaling in human inflammatory disease
       G. Firestein, USA

18:30  Welcome Reception

Thursday, October 11, 2007

08:00-12:30  IMMUNOLOGY REVIEW COURSE

08:00  Immune activation - The immunological perspective
       E. Shevach, USA

09:00  Immune activation - The clinical perspective
       I. McInnes, UK

10:00  Coffee Break

10:30  Immune regulation - The immunological perspective
       S. Kaveri, France

11:30  Immune regulation - The clinical perspective
       A. Cope, UK

12:30  Selected Abstracts

13:10  Lunch

14:00  Centocor Symposium: Pathophysiology of inflammatory diseases

15:30  Poster Tour

16:30  Coffee Break

17:00-18:30  SYSTEMIC SCLEROSIS: WHERE MATRIX DEPOSITION, INFLAMMATION AND VASCULAR CHANGES MEET

17:00  Signaling molecules influencing matrix deposition
       E. Wagner, Austria

17:30  Therapeutic regulation of matrix production
       O. Distler, Switzerland

18:00  Title TBC
       M. Matucci Cerinic, Italy

19:30  Workshop Dinner
PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Friday, October 12, 2007

08:30-10:30 LOW-GRADE INFLAMMATION - THE SILENT KILLER

08:30 Inflammation and carotid artery disease
S. Kiechl, Austria

09:00 Inflammation and coronary artery disease
E. Di Angelantonio, UK

09:30 Inflammation and diabetes
J. Meigs, USA

10.00 Inflammation and bone
G. Schett, Germany

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00-13:00 ANTIBODIES AND B CELLS

11:00 B cells in the regulation of IMID
A. Radbruch, Germany

11:30 The ‘good’ and the ‘bad’ antibodies
J. Ravetch, USA

12:00 Antibodies and Fc-receptor regulation
R. Schmidt, Germany

12:30 Clinics of B cell blockade
P.P. Tak, The Netherlands

13:00 Lunch

14:00 Poster Awards

14:15 Keynote Lecture
Speaker to be confirmed

15:00 End of Workshop

CALL FOR PAPERS - DEADLINE AUGUST 1

The deadline for abstract submission will be August 1. Abstracts will have to be submitted on-line at www.medicongress.com between May 15 and August 1. The abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee of the Workshop and the 6 best abstracts will be accepted for oral presentation.

Abstracts with the following topics can be submitted:

• Rheumatology
• Gastroenterology
• Dermatology
• Transplantation
• Clinical immunology
• Basic immunology
• Inflammation
• Immunodeficiencies
• Neuroimmunology
• Immunomodulation
• Immunomonitoring

Travel grants will be awarded to the best abstract submissions.

The Second Announcement and Call for Papers will be distributed in June.
**Hotel Accommodation**

The organizers have reserved a number of rooms at Maritim Hotel Nürnberg at very attractive group rates. These rates include breakfast, VAT and city taxes.

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Any requests for hotel accommodation must be indicated on the Registration Form, and are to be accompanied by a credit card number, in order to secure the room. This credit card will not be charged by the organizers but only serves as a reservation guarantee. Delegates will have to pay their hotel room and personal expenses at the hotel upon check-out.

A hotel voucher will be sent by email after receipt of the on-line registration form, the housing request and the payment of the registration fee.

Participants are requested not to contact the hotel directly in order to avoid double bookings. If changes are to be made to the original hotel reservation, Medicongress is to be contacted.

Room availability cannot be guaranteed after September 15, 2007.

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**Registration**

**Registration Fees**

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*Proof of trainee status is to be sent to Medicongress. Without this proof the participant fee will be charged.

The registration fee includes access to the scientific sessions and the exhibition, the congress bag and badge as well as the Workshop program and abstract book. Coffee breaks and lunches as indicated in the program are also included. The Welcome Reception on Wednesday and the Workshop Dinner on Thursday are included in the registration fee, but **pre-registration is mandatory**.

All delegates will receive a certificate of payment and a certificate of attendance at the registration desk of the Workshop.

**How to Register**

Register, pay and book hotel accommodation on-line at www.medicongress.com

The registration and payment form is secured by Verisign so that credit card information can be safely submitted.

Immediately after the on-line registration a confirmation message is sent by email. If you do not receive this confirmation message by email your registration has not been made successfully.

Medicongress will send a confirmation of payment by email after receipt of the registration fee either by credit card or by bank transfer.

**Payment**

All payments are to be made in Euro, net of all bank charges and commissions for the receiver.

Payment is to be made by:

- Bank transfer
  - Account number 123-6885217-96
  - Account Name: IMID Workshop
  - SWIFT: BKCPBEBB - IBAN BE65123688521796
  - Bank address: BM OV BANK, Graaf Van Vlaanderenplein 19, 9000 Gent, Belgium
- Credit Card. All major credit cards are accepted.

**Cancellation**

Cancellations received no later than September 1, 2007, entitle registered persons to a full refund less € 50,00 administration costs. No refunds can be made for cancellations received after this date.

Delegates can be replaced by a colleague at any time at a charge of € 50,00.
General Information

Dates
10 - 12 October 2007

Venue
MARITIM Hotel Nürnberg
Frauentorgraben 11
90443 Nürnberg
Germany
www.maritim.de

Language
The official language of the Workshop is English. There will be no simultaneous translation.

Technical Equipment
Only PowerPoint projection will be available. All slides will be presented from a central server. Laptop presentations will not be allowed. Presenters are requested to bring their presentation on a memory stick, Zip drive, CD Rom or DVD.

Posters
Poster displays will measure 1 meter width by 2 meter height. Posters are to be mounted on Wednesday afternoon upon arrival and have to be removed on Friday afternoon. Please bring double sided tape with you in order to fix your poster. Pins are not allowed for poster fixation.

Scientific Exhibition
An exhibition of medical and pharmaceutical products will be held during the Workshop.

Liability
Neither the organizers nor Medicongress accept liability for damages and/or losses of any kind which may be incurred by Workshop participants. Participants are advised to take out insurance against loss, accidents or damage which could be incurred during the Workshop.

Registration and hotel reservation through
www.medicongress.com