

**Second
European Workshop on
Immune-Mediated
Inflammatory Diseases**

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Prof. Falk Nimmerjahn
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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.

Registration

Registration Fees

	<u>Until June 30</u>	<u>As of July 1</u>	<u>As of September 15</u>
Participant	€ 350,00	€ 400,00	€ 450,00
Trainee or Resident*	€ 200,00	€ 250,00	€ 300,00

**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: BMOV 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.

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.

Standard	Single: € 115,00	Double: € 148,00
Comfort	Single: € 125,00	Double: € 158,00
Superior	Single: € 145,00	Double: € 178,00

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.

**Registration and hotel reservation through
www.medicongress.com**

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.

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