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Scientific Program

# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Day 1 - Thursday, 11 September 2014

08:00 – 14:30 Arrivals AND Delegates registration

SESSION 1 – Chairperson: G. Patrinos

14:30 – 14:45 2014 Golden Helix Summer School coordinators  
Introduction

14:45 – 15:15 George P. Patrinos (Patras, Greece)  
**Genomic Medicine in the global village**

15:15 – 15:45 Emmanouil Dermitzakis (Geneva, Switzerland)  
**From population and personalized genomics to personalized medicine**

15:45 – 16:15 Coffee break

16:15 – 17:30 WORKSHOP 1 – RD-CONNECT  
A. Milan Macek (Prague, Czech Republic)  
**European genetics and rare disease initiatives**  
B. Ivo Gut (Barcelona, Spain)  
**RD-Connect: A database for rare disorders research**  
C. Olaf Riess (Tubingen, Germany)  
**RD-Neuroomics: -omics research for diagnosis and therapy in rare neuromuscular and neurodegenerative diseases: An EU-funded FP7 project**

17:30 – 18:15 Poster Presentations 1 (PO.01-PO.07)

18:15 – 19:30 DAY ENDS - FREE TIME

19:30 – 22:30 Welcome reception

Day 2 – Friday, 12 September 2014

08:00 – 09:30 Breakfast

09:30 – 11:00 Flash Talks 1 – Chairperson: S. Pavlovic

FT.01. Vesna Spasovski (Belgrade, Serbia)  
The first extracellular loop of the PTCH1 protein: a true “hot spot” for PTCH1 gene?

FT.02. Irena Glumac (Belgrade, Serbia)  
High WT1 expression as a new molecular marker of poor prognosis in Serbian Acute Myeloid Leukemia patients with normal karyotype (AML-NK)

FT.03. Danijela Drakulic (Belgrade, Serbia)  
Characterization of the 22q11.2 region in patients with clinical features of 22q11.2 deletion syndrome

FT.04. Nataša Kovačević-Grujić (Belgrade, Serbia)  
Antitumor effect of Meripilus giganteus Karst. methanolic extract via upregulation of p53, BAX and SOX1 expression in HeLa cells

FT.05. Danijela Stanislavljevic (Belgrade, Serbia)  
SOX14 expression during retinoic acid induced neural differentiation of pluripotent embryonal carcinoma stem cells

FT.06. Adrijana Klajn (Belgrade, Serbia)  
SOX2 overexpression affects neural differentiation of human pluripotent NT2/D1 cells

FT.07. Milena Milivojevic (Belgrade, Serbia)  
Functional characterisation of novel dominant-negative mutant of the human SOX18 protein

FT.08. Biljana Stankovic (Belgrade, Serbia)  
Inflammatory bowel disease in Serbian population: association of proinflammatory gene variants with the disease and their combined contribution in the prediction of disease development

FT.09. Natasa Totic (Belgrade, Serbia)  
Molecular genetic markers as a base for administration of targeted therapy in acute promyocytic leukemia

SESSION 2 – Chairperson: B. Ylstra

11:00 – 11:30 Alessio Squassina (Cagliari, Italy)  
**Genomics and microarray technology**

11:30 – 12:00 Bauke Ylstra (Amsterdam, the Netherlands)  
**Spatial copy number heterogeneity and relevance of chromosome 10q deletion in low-grade gliomas by whole genome sequencing**

12:00 – 12:30 Nduna Dzimiri (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)  
**The genetic intricacy of treating coronary artery disease**

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch break

SESSION 3 – Chairperson: E. Dermitzakis

14:00 – 14:30 Ming Ta Michael Lee (Yokohama, Japan)  
**Pharmacogenomics and personalized medicine: From basic research to clinical application**

14:30 – 15:00 Ron H. van Schaik (Rotterdam, the Netherlands)  
**Clinical pharmacogenomics and genomic medicine**

15:00 – 15:30 Vita Dolzan (Ljubljana, Slovenia)  
**Clinical pharmacogenetic models for translation of pharmacogenetics to clinical practice**

15:30 – 16:00 Branka Zukic (Belgrade, Serbia)  
**Pharmacogenomics of 6'mercaptopurin treatment in childhood acute lymphoblastic leukemia**

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

SESSION 4 – Chairperson: E. Vayena

16:30 – 17:00 Effy Vayena (Zurich, Switzerland)  
**Personal Genomics: Clinical and personal utility at an ethical crossroad**

17:00 – 17:30 Sotiria Kechagia (Geneva, Switzerland)  
**Direct-to-Consumer genetic and pharmacogenomic testing: A legal perspective**

17:30 – 18:15 Poster Presentations 2 (PO.08-PO.14)

18:15 – 19:30 DAY ENDS - FREE TIME

19:30 – 21:00 Dinner

Day 3 - Saturday, 13 September 2014

08:00 – 09:30 Breakfast

09:30 – 11:00 Flash Talks 2 – Chairperson: P. Danielson

FT.10. Philip Danielson (Denver, CO, USA)  
**Application of Mass Spectrometry in Forensic Serology**

FT.11. Magdalena Stepien (Zurich, Switzerland)  
**A physician's perspective on direct-to-consumer genetic testing**

FT.12. Nantia Flora (Patras, Greece)  
**Genetic variation as a predictor of smoking behavior**

FT.13. Aldesia Provenzano (Florence, Italy)

Heterogeneous genetic alterations in sporadic nephrotic syndrome associate with resistance to immunosuppression.

FT.14. Sabrina Giglio (Florence, Italy)  
**Therapeutic implications of novel mutations of RFX6 gene associated with early-onset diabetes**

FT.15. Jihène Bouassida (Tunis, Tunisia)  
**Screening of CYP1B1 gene in Tunisian patients with Primary Congenital Glaucoma**

FT.16. Konstantina Chalikiopoulou (Patras, Greece)

Pharmaco-epigenomic analysis of MAP3K5 gene promoter in β-type hemoglobinopathies patients under hydroxyurea treatment

FT.17. Vasiliki Chondrou (Patras, Greece)  
**Differential molecular profiling of human hematopoietic tissues during human ontogenesis - A hemoglobinopathies therapeutics approach**

FT.18. Eleni Dalabira (Patras, Greece)  
**Pharmacogenomics in Europe: Applications in public health**

SESSION 5 – Chairperson: A. Squassina

11:00 – 11:30 Clint Mizzi (Msida, Malta)  
**Whole genome sequencing and data interpretation in genomic medicine**

11:30 – 12:00 George Potamias (Heraklion, Greece)  
**Boosting pharmacogenomics: A translational bioinformatics perspective**

12:00 – 12:30 George P. Patrinos (Patras, Greece)  
**Databases in genomics**

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch break

SESSION 6 – Chairperson: G. Potamias

14:00 – 14:45 CORPORATE LECTURE – CERGENTIS  
Max van Min (Utrecht, the Netherlands)  
**Targeted locus amplification**

14:45 – 15:15 Judit Kumuthini (Cape Town, ZA)  
**Sustainable capacity development in personalized medicine**

15:15 – 15:45 Athanassios Vozikis (Piraeus, Greece)  
**The intersection of genomics and health economics**

15:45 – 16:15 Coffee break (sponsored by eMoDiA)

16:15 – 17:30 WORKSHOP 2 – eMoDiA  
A. Theodora Katsila (Patras, Greece)  
**Pharmacogenomics Initiatives : eMoDiA**

B. George Potamias (Heraklion, Greece)  
**Towards an electronic Pharmacogenomics Assistant (ePGA)**

C. Evgenia Kartsaki (Heraklion, Greece)  
**Pharmacogenomic Translation Services**

D. Kleanthi Lakiotaki (Heraklion, Greece)  
**A Pharmacogenomics Dashboard of 1000 Genomes Project**

17:30 – 19:30 DAY ENDS - FREE TIME

19:30 – 21:00 Dinner (sponsored by eMoDiA)

Day 4 – Sunday, 14 September 2014

08:00 – 09:00 Breakfast

09:00 – 12:30 Visit at the AFEA archaeological site and museum

12:30 – 14:30 Lunch break at Aghia Marina

SESSION 7 – Chairperson: M. Ferrari

14:30 – 15:00 Maurizio Ferrari (Milan, Italy)  
**How to improve molecular diagnostic literacy in developing countries**

15:00 – 15:30 George P. Patrinos (Patras, Greece)  
**Public Health Genomics: From concept to reality**

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 – 17:30 Flash Talks 3 – Chairperson: T. Katsila

FT.19. Cristiana Pavlidis (Patras, Greece)  
**Whole genome sequencing analysis of a Greek family affected by Adamantiades-Behcet disease**

FT.20. Eleni Merkouri-Papadima (Patras, Greece)  
**Identification of genomic variants leading to Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Causes in Greek population using a whole genome sequencing approach**

FT.21. Katja Gorčar (Ljubljana, Slovenia)  
**Clinical-pharmacogenetic model for prediction of treatment outcome in malignant mesothelioma**

FT.22. Barbara Jenko (Ljubljana, Slovenia)  
**The pharmacogenetic model of influence of transporters polymorphisms and clinical factors on methotrexate inefficacy in rheumatoid arthritis patients**

FT.23. Maria Manica-Cattani (Santa Maria, Brazil)  
**Guaraná and its main bioactive molecules modulates different**

FT.24. Kleanthi Lakiotaki (Heraklion, Greece)  
**Towards a pharmacogenomics information system for personalized medicine**

FT.25. Evangelia-Eirini Tsermplini (Patras, Greece)  
**Role of the rs6313 and rs1799978 variants as pharmacogenomic biomarkers in Greek, Italian and Croatian schizophrenia patients**

FT.26. Konstantinos Siatas (Patras, Greece)  
**Development of a novel tumor homing compound targeting selectively glioblastoma cells**

FT.27. Zoi Zagoriti (Patras, Greece)  
**Assessment of the STAT4 rs7574865 SNP in genetic susceptibility of early-onset Myasthenia gravis**

Poster Presentations 3 (PO.15-PO.21)

18:15 – 19:30 DAY ENDS - FREE TIME

19:30 – 22:00 Farewell Dinner – Traditional Party

Day 5 – Monday 15 September 2014

08:00 – 09:30 Breakfast

09:30 – 10:45 Career development session  
Vita Dolzan (Ljubljana, SI; Chairperson)  
Sonja Pavlovic (Belgrade, RS)

Emmanouil Dermitzakis (Geneva, CH)  
Judit Kumuthini (Cape Town, ZA)  
A. Nazli Basak (Istanbul, TR)

Philip Danielson (Denver, CO, USA)  
Nduna Dzimiri (Riyadh, SA)

THE EMBO LECTURE – Chairperson: G. Patrinos

10:50 – 11:00 Introduction  
Douglas R. Higgs (EMBO Member, Oxford, UK)

11:00 – 11:45 Switching genes on and off during differentiation and development

BEST ABSTRACTS SESSION – Chairperson: G. Patrinos

11:45 – 12:00 Best Abstract 1 – M Bartsakouli, V Boczonadi, A Gomez-Duran, P Yu W Man, P F Chinnery, R Horvath (Newcastle, UK)

**Studying the effect of L-cysteine in MELAS and MERRF**

Best Abstract 2 – S Pavlovic, B Stanic, J Kostic, N Pejanovic, B Lucic, N Totic, I Glumac, D Janic, L Dokmanovic, S Jankovic, N Suvajdzic Vukovic, D Tomin, B Mihaljevic, M Todorovic, J Jelicic, D Krstajic, M Popovic, I Bogicevic, M Stojiljkovic (Belgrade, Serbia)

**Next-generation sequencing analysis of hematological malignancies: Serbian experience**

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Conclusions

12:30 Delegates departure