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MULTIPLE MYELOMA, RELATED DISORDERS AND CRYOGLOBULINEMIA: RECENT ADVANCES

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Franco Tedesco	Trieste	(I)
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Thursday, 20th November 2008



08.30 Registration

09.00 Welcome greetings

SESSION I

EXPERIMENTAL MODELS AND PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF MULTIPLE MYELOMA

Chairmen: *Federico Caligaris Cappio, Angelo Vacca*

09.30 The SCID-hu Murine Model of Multiple Myeloma
Pierfrancesco Tassone

09.55 Is It Still Possible to Propose New Prognostic Criteria Following
the International Staging System (ISS)?
Federico Perosa

10.20 Prognostic Profiles in Multiple Myeloma: Role of Cytogenetic
and Molecular Assessment
Nino Neri

10.45 Coffee Break

11.05 Phenotypic and Functional Changes of Bone Marrow Macrophages During
Progression in Multiple Myeloma
Roberto Ria

11.30 Interactions Between Bone Marrow Microenvironment and Plasma
Cells in Multiple Myeloma
Federico Caligaris Cappio

11.55 Discussion

PLENARY GUEST LECTURE

Chairman: *Franco Dammacco*

12.15 Pathogenetic, Biomolecular and Therapeutic Progress in Multiple Myeloma:
an Overview
Kenneth Anderson

13.00 Lunch

SESSION II

THERAPY OF MULTIPLE MYELOMA

Chairmen: *Franco Silvestris, Pieter Sonneveld*

- 14.00 New Molecular Targets in the Treatment of Multiple Myeloma
Maria Teresa Petrucci
- 14.25 Myeloma Bone Disease: New Pathogenetic Aspects
Franco Silvestris
- 14.50 Angiogenesis and Anti-Angiogenesis in Patients with Multiple Myeloma
Angelo Vacca
- 15.15 Conventional and High-Dose Therapy of Multiple Myeloma
Pieter Sonneveld
- 15.40 Improving the Overall Survival in Multiple Myeloma: New Molecular Targets
Mario Boccadoro
- 16.05 Lenalidomide: An Emerging Option for Multiple Myeloma
Antonio Palumbo
- 16.30 Therapeutic Approaches to Relapsed and Refractory Multiple Myeloma
Hartmut Goldschmidt
- 16.55 Will the New Combination Therapies of Multiple Myeloma Supplant Allogeneic and/or Autologous Stem Cell Transplantation?
Michele Cavo
- 17.20 Discussion
- 17.40 Coffee Break

SESSION III

AMYLOIDOSIS AND WALDENSTRÖM'S MACROGLOBULINEMIA

Chairmen: *Kenneth Anderson, Giampaolo Merlini*

- 18.00 Are the New Therapies Really Changing the Overall Prognosis of Primary Systemic Amyloidosis?
Giampaolo Merlini
- 18.25 Asymptomatic Waldenström's Macroglobulinemia: How Should its Potential Evolution Be Assessed?
Enrica Morra
- 18.50 Recent Advances in Waldenström's Macroglobulinemia: An Overview
Aldo Roccaro
- 19.15 Discussion

Friday, 21st November 2008

**XV CONGRESS OF THE ASSOCIATION
FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST CRYOGLOBULINEMIAS (A.L.CRI.)
THE CHANGING FACE OF CRYOGLOBULINEMIA**

Poster Exhibition from 8.30 to 18.30

OPENING LECTURE

Chairman: *Domenico Sansonno*

08.30 Natural History of Mixed Cryoglobulinemia
Giuseppe Monti

SESSION IV

CRYOGLOBULINEMIA: BASIC ISSUES

Chairmen: *Franco Tedesco, François Spertini*

09.15 B Cell Subsets and Persistent HCV Infection
Vito Racanelli

09.40 Receptors for the Globular Heads of C1q (gC1q-R/p33):
Pivotal Role in the Pathogenesis of Mixed Cryoglobulinemia
Domenico Sansonno, Felicia Anna Tucci

10.05 Coffee Break

10.25 Mixed Cryoglobulinemia: Is an Animal Model Finally Available?
François Spertini

10.50 Is HCV-Negative Cryoglobulinemia a Different Entity?
Massimo Galli

11.15 Discussion

11.35 Prize-Winning Ceremony in the Memory of Prof. Fulvio Invernizzi
and Prof. Cirillo Mussini

12.00 General Assembly of A.L.CRI.
(Association for the Fight against Cryoglobulinemias)

13.00 Lunch



SESSION V

MOLECULAR MECHANISMS AND CLINICAL CORRELATES

Chairmen: *Salvatore De Vita, Massimo Galli*

- 14.00 Molecular Features of Lymphoproliferation in Mixed Cryoglobulinemia
Valli De Re
- 14.25 Chromosome Aberration in HCV-Related Lymphoproliferation
Cristina Mecucci
- 14.50 Is There a Role for Complement in Cancer Therapy?
Franco Tedesco
- 15.15 Discussion

PLENARY LECTURE

Chairman: *Massimo Galli*

- 15.35 Cryoglobulinemia: a Therapeutic Challenge
Franco Dammacco
- 16.05 Coffee Break

SESSION VI

CRYOGLOBULINEMIA: CLINICAL PRACTICE

Chairmen: *Federico Perosa, Franco Silvestris*

- 16.25 Clinical Criteria in the Assessment of the Cryoglobulinemic Syndrome
Salvatore De Vita
- 16.50 Cutaneous Ulcers
Maurizio Pietrogrande
- 17.15 Double Filtration Plasmapheresis
Alfonso Ramunni
- 17.40 Discussion
- 18.00 **Concluding Remarks**

General Information

Congress Venue

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Abstracts

Abstracts related to cryoglobulinemia and accepted for presentation will be presented as posters. Author(s) should fix the poster on Friday, November 21, from 8.30 until 18.30 and must be present in the assigned room to foster discussion and answer questions by attendees from 10.30 to 12.00. Abstracts, submitted in the proper format, will be published in the 'Abstract Book' that will be distributed free to participants on site.

Participation

Congress enrolment is free but compulsory and includes: Congress kit, coffee breaks, lunches, certificate of attendance.

CME Credits

Proper Credits for this Congress have been requested to the Italian National Accreditation Commission for Continuing Medical Education (Biologists, Internal Medicine Doctors, Hematologists and for any Medical and Healthcare Speciality). The Credit certificates shall only be issued if the participant has successfully attended the whole meeting and his/her professional qualifications comply with those required for entitlement to the study credits in question. The C.M.E. credit certificate will only be issued after the participant has completed and returned the assessment questionnaire at the end of the congress.

Certificate of Attendance

Certificate of attendance will be handed out only at the end of the Congress.

Official Languages

The Congress languages will be Italian and English. Simultaneous translation will not be provided.

Awards

Two prizes of € 3,500.00 each will be assigned to young investigators (≤ 35 years) who are the authors (or co-authors) of the best scientific contribution to this Congress or of the best paper published by an Italian research group from January 2007 to July 2008 respectively. The two winners will be given 15 minutes to present their research programs.



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CENTRO ITALIANO CONGRESSI CIC

**PREMI DI STUDIO A.L.CRI
“PROF. CIRILLO MUSSINI” e
“PROF. FULVIO INVERNIZZI”
PER L’ANNO 2008**

L’ALCRI, con la collaborazione economica del Gruppo Concorde e della Famiglia Mussini, ha istituito il Premio di studio “ Prof. Cirillo Mussini” e il Premio di studio “Prof. Fulvio Invernizzi”.

I Premi saranno assegnati rispettivamente al **miglior contributo scientifico** presentato al 15° Convegno dell’ALCRI che si svolgerà a Bari il 20-21 novembre 2008 ed al miglior lavoro di gruppo italiano comparso in letteratura dal gennaio 2007 al luglio 2008, sulle criglobulinemie: saranno della **consistenza di 3.500 euro** ciascuno ed attribuiti a giovani **Medici di età inferiore a 35 anni**.

La Commissione sarà formata da 3 Componenti il C.D. dell’ALCRI o da loro designati.

Non saranno considerati i lavori nei quali, accanto al nome del Candidato al premio, comparirà il nome di un Commissario.

Gli abstracts che concorreranno per il Premio Cirillo Mussini ed i lavori che concorreranno per il premio Fulvio Invernizzi devono essere spediti **entro il 31 ottobre 2008 per posta elettronica o posta normale a:**

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I **Candidati** dovranno sottolineare il loro nome nell’abstract o nel lavoro e indicare la **data di nascita** in una nota di accompagnamento al testo.

Tutti i Soci dell’ALCRI ed i Cultori della materia interessati, sono vivamente invitati a presentare e a fare presentare ai propri giovani Collaboratori, contributi scientifici che possano concorrere ai premi.

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