THE 4th ISRAEL-ITALY MEETING
Autoimmunity and autoinflammation: Cutting edge

September 27th-28th 2015

Policlinico Santa Maria alle Scotte
Siena, Italy

PRESIDENTS
Prof. Mauro Galeazzi, Italy
Prof. Yehuda Shoenfeld, Israel
Prof. Roberto Perricone, Italy
Prof. Elias Toubi, Israel
REQUESTED ENDORSEMENTS
WELCOME MESSAGE

During the 4th International Autoimmune and Rheumatology Meeting, Italy and Israel, to be held on September 27th-28th 2015 we will gather some of the best researchers and clinicians in this field in the two countries.

The subjects to be discussed will be divided 50% clinical and 50% basic studies.

We will discuss etiology and pathogenesis of autoimmune and autoinflammatory rheumatic diseases.

Moreover we will relate to special clinical presentations and a great emphasis will be placed on novel therapeutic aspects. New aspects of old therapies emerged from the real life experience will be also considered.

The later issue will involve new revelations of small molecules derived from either helminthes or bio-informatics.

It will be a unique meeting where young scientist and clinicians will mingle with the stars to have very hot discussions.

We are all looking to see you at this meeting in Siena!

Mauro Galeazzi  Yehuda Shoenfeld  Roberto Perricone  Elias Toubi
Day 1 - Sunday, September 27th

13:30  Registration

14:00  Opening Ceremony
       Mauro Galeazzi, Roberto Perricone, Yehuda Shoenfeld, Elias Toubi

Authorities
- Mayor of Siena
- Regional Health Minister - Tuscany
- Representative member of the Israeli embassy
- Association of Medical and Dental Surgeons of Siena - President
- Dean of University of Siena
- General Manager AOU Siena
- General Manager ASL 7 Siena
- Director of the Dipartment of “Scienze Mediche, Chirurgiche e Neuroscienze”, Siena

LECTURES

14:30  A long trip in the quest of Sjögren’s syndrome
       Stefano Bombardieri

15:00  Helminths and autoimmunity
       Yehuda Shoenfeld

PLENARY ROOM

SESSION 1
CUTTING EDGE IN AUTOIMMUNITY
Chairmen: Mauro Galeazzi, Ignazio Olivieri, Elias Toubi

15:30  The role of membrane and soluble CD72 in the regulation of SLE
       Elias Toubi

15:50  From coagulation to neuroinflammation- targeting activation of the
       thrombin receptor PAR-1 in neuroimmune disease
       Joab Chapman

16:05  Early lupus project-a multicenter italian study on systemic lupus
       erythematosus of recent onset
       Giandomenico Sebastiani
16:20  Novel treatments in spondyloarthritis  
*Raffaele Scarpa*

16:35  Coffee break

*Chairmen: Howard Amital, Gabriella Morozzi, Roberto Perricone*

17:00  A new way to thinking about Systemic Sclerosis  
*Serena Guiducci*

17:15  Is there a place for Biologicals in Scleroderma?  
*Alexandra Balbir-Gurman*

17:30  Identifying genes and pathways of autoimmune diseases in the microarray era  
*Elon Pras*

17:45  Management of gender related problems in women with systemic autoimmune diseases  
*Angela Tincani*

18:00  Infection and biological therapies in rheumatic disease  
*Piercarlo Sarzi Puttini*

18:15  TAKE HOME MESSAGE
Day 2 - Monday, September 28th

PLENARY ROOM

PARALLEL SESSION 2
INNOVATIVE THERAPIES IN RHEUMATOLOGY
Chairmen: Mahmoud Abu Shakra, Nicola Bizzaro, Guido Valesini

09:00  New therapies in systemic lupus erythematosus
       Andrea Doria

09:20  Dekavil (f8-il10), a novel immunocytokine for rheumatoid arthritis: results of the ongoing phase Ib clinical trial
       Caterina Baldi

09:35  Are cannabinoids able to modulate fibrotic progression in systemic sclerosis?
       Enrico Selvi

09:50  Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (PAH)
       Claudio Lunardi

10:05  Novel therapeutic strategies in primary Sjögren’s syndrome
       Alessia Alunno

10:20  Treatment of non radiographic spondyloarthritis: our experience in Siena
       Marta Fabbroni

10:35  Coffee break

Chairmen: Antonio Federico, Giovanni Minisola, Yehuda Shoenfeld

11:00  What is new on vitamin D and autoimmune diseases
       Giorgia Bizzaro

11:15  Synovial T cells in JIA and their modification after biotherapies
       Rolando Cimaz

11:30  Arrhythmic risk in rheumatoid arthritis: the role of systemic inflammation
       Pietro Enea Lazzerini

11:45  Up-date on DSF70 antibodies in autoimmunity: an italian experience
       Maria Infantino

12:00  Impact of obesity in clinical outcome in patient on biotheraphy
       Florenzo Iannone
12:15  Biosimilars and news therapeutic opportunities  
*Chiara Giannitti*

12:30  Lunch

**ROOM 1**

**PARALLEL SESSION 3**
**DOES THE REAL LIFE EXPERIENCE INFLUENCE THERAPEUTIC OPTIONS?**
*Chairmen: Roberto Gerli, Marco Matucci Cerinic, Gisele Zandman-Goddard*

09:00  Costs of biological treatment of rheumatoid arthritis in real life  
*Maurizio Benucci*

09:20  Effect of biological therapies upon bone metabolism  
*Bruno Frediani*

09:35  Intravenous immunoglobulin-a biologic therapy for autoimmune diseases  
*Gisele Zandman-Goddard*

09:50  What can we learn from real life databases  
*Howard Amital*

10:05  Sex and comorbidities in traditional and biologic treatments for rheumatic diseases  
*Carlo Selmi*

10:20  Automated analysis of DNA double strand breaks by Indirect Immunofluorescence: new opportunities  
*Tommaso Trenti*

10:35  Coffee break

*Chairmen: Miri Blank, Antonella Fioravanti, Angela Tincani*

11:00  IVIG in recurrent spontaneous abortion: good times-bad times  
*Caterina De Carolis*

11:15  Immunogenicity can influence the adherence and persistence of treatment with biological therapies in rheumatic diseases  
*Francesca Li Gobbi*

11:30  Oral treatment with tofacitinib has immunomodulatory effects on the pathogenic response in an animal model of adjuvant-induced arthritis  
*Smadar Gertel*
11:45 The long-term follow-up of children born to women with chronic arthritis and exposed in utero to anti-TNF alfa agents: a case-control study  
Laura Andreoli

12:00 Aicardi Goutieres: bridging the gap between autoimmunity and autoinflammation  
Marco Cattalini

12:15 β 2GPI/ domain- I oral tolerance inhibit experimental antiphospholipid syndrome: miRNA profiling and regulatory cells expantion  
Miri Blank

12:30 Lunch

PLENARY ROOM

SESSION 4
AUTOIMMUNITY AND AUTOINFLAMMATION:  
THE IMMUNOLOGIC DISEASE CONTINUUM  
Chairmen: Maria Giovanna Danieli, Franco Laghi Pasini, Guido Valesini

14:00 POFs and vaccines  
Orit Hamiel

14:20 The new TNF-α blockers immunoassays for the detection of antibodies and drug level: opportunity and difficulty of introducing them to a laboratory of autoimmunity  
Alessandra Melegari

14:35 Mucopolysaccharide storage disorders: rheumatologic hints from the pediatric perspective?  
Donato Rigante

14:50 Sjögren’s syndrome and multiple sclerosis: two sides of the same coin?  
Pasquale Annunziata

15:05 Sjögren’s syndrome: another facet of the autoimmune/inflammatory syndrome induced by adjuvant (ASIA)  
Serena Colafrancesco

15:20 Cardiac involvement in inflammatory myopathies  
Chiara Gelardi
15:35 Coffee break

Chairmen: Andrea Doria, Ignazio Olivieri, Piercarlo Sarzi Puttini

16:00 From rheumatoid arthritis to autoinflammatory disorders: the role of IL-1 inhibition
Luca Cantarini

16:15 Horror autoinflammaticus: the pathophysiology of hereditary autoinflammatory syndromes
Alessandra Soriano

16:30 Chikungunya fever presenting as a systemic disease with fever, arthritis and rash—our experience in Israel
Amir Tanay

16:45 The autoimmune side of rheumatic fever
Carlo Perricone

17:00 Adult Onset Still’s Disease: an enigma Still unsolved?
Roberta Priori

17:15 The role of salivary gland ultrasound in the diagnosis of Sjögren’s syndrome
Chiara Baldini

17:30 FMF and beyond
Yackov Berkun

17:45 Nephritogenic-anti nephritogenic antibodies in lupus glomerulonephritis
Mariele Gatto

18:00 Depression in SLE
Mahmoud Abu Shakra

18:15 ECM evaluation and closing remarks
Mauro Galeazzi, Yehuda Shoenfeld
GENERAL INFORMATION

CONGRESS VENUE
Policlinico Santa Maria alle Scotte
Strada delle Scotte, 14 - 53100 Siena

A little bit of history:
The story of Siena’s hospital is steeped in tradition and history. Its historical, cultural and scientific heritage is related to the old “Spedale Santa Maria della Scala”, the first mentions of which date back to 1090.
Over the centuries the old hospital, located in front of the Cathedral, gradually became unable to meet the city’s needs. By 1905 an aristocratic Sienese scholar of art and history, Fabio Bargagli Pertrucci, had proposed moving the hospital to a new site, but it wasn’t until the early 1950’s that the University of Siena really promoted the idea of building a new hospital.

HOW TO REACH THE VENUE BY

ARRIVING BY CAR

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From the A1 highway direction Rome:
- Firenze Impruneta exit
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PARKING FEES:
1 hour: 0,50 €
2 hours: 1,00 €
The daily rate (2,50 €) goes into effect from the second hour.

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CONFERENCE LANGUAGE
English is the official language

REGISTRATION
The registration is free and the form is available on the website
WWW.4THITALYISRAELMEETING.IT

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS SEPTEMBER 10th 2015

The organizing secretariat will confirm in writing the approval of the registration.

Registration includes:
- Admission to scientific session
- Congress kit
- Certificate of attendance
- CME certificate (only for Italian physicians)
- Coffee break
- Light Lunch

BADGE
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Faculty red
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Profession: Physicians
Reserved to the following categories: Cardiology, Dermatology, Immunology, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Rheumatology.
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