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San Giorgio e il drago [Saint George and the dragon]  
by Raffaello Sanzio, 1504, Florence, Galleria degli Uffizi,  
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In 2010 ESCMID will celebrate again the International Day for Fighting Infection by organizing a one-day symposium on milestones in the history of infections.

This 3rd edition will be held once again on St. George's Day and will trace the evolution over the centuries of infection control in hospitals and of ad-hoc hospitals for infectious patients.

This event is organized in cooperation with the International Society of Chemotherapy (ISC) and the International Society of Infectious Diseases (ISID), and supported by The Lancet Infectious Diseases.

### Conference Venue

Palazzo Vecchio  
Piazza della Signoria  
50122 Firenze, Italy

### Registration Procedure

The registration form can be found on the ESCMID website at [www.escmid.org/conferences](http://www.escmid.org/conferences).

### Registration Fee

EUR 130  
The registration fee includes the scientific sessions, printed conference material, lunch and coffee breaks, but not travel and accommodation costs.



### Scientific Programme

- 09.00 Hospitals and monks  
*Vivian Nutton, UK*
- 09.30 Hospitaller services during the crusader period  
*Charles Savona-Ventura, MT*
- 10.00 The hospital in the medieval Islamic world  
*Ilber Ortaylı, TR*
- 10.30 The republic of Venice and its lazarettos as bastions of public health along Mediterranean sea routes  
*Thalia Sardi, GR*
- 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.30 Semmelweiss and the childbed fever  
*Didier Pittet, CH*
- 12.00 Florence Nightingale's impact on infection control and hospital epidemiology  
*Gilian Gill, US*
- 12.30 From pest-houses to smallpox and fever hospitals: the development of the London hospital system  
*David Wright, UK*
- 13.00 Lunch break
- 14.00 TB, sanatoria and 'Zauberberg'  
*Dario Olivieri, IT*
- 14.30 Poliomyelitis and the origins of ICUs  
*Jean Carlet, FR*
- 15.00 Point-of-care diagnostic and patient management in hospitals  
*Didier Raoult, FR*
- 15.30 Coffee break
- 16.00 Flu and hospital  
*Albert Osterhaus, NL*
- 16.30 High-level isolation units today  
*Giuseppe Ippolito, IT*
- 17.00 End of symposium