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ESCMID Conference on Infections in Immunocompromised Hosts

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Conference Objectives

- Objectives of the conference are to discuss and make the participants knowledgeable on:
- Epidemiology of emerging pathogens
 - Options for empirical therapy in wake of emerging bacterial and fungal resistance
 - New diagnostic and treatment modalities in bacterial and fungal infections
 - Update on recent European Guidelines on various aspects of infections in cancer patients
 - Update on infections in stem cell and solid-organ transplant recipients

Target Audience

Specialists or physicians in training in the following disciplines: infectious diseases, clinical and medical microbiology, mycology, virology, and other disciplines dealing with immunocompromised patients (e.g. haematology, oncology, chest medicine)

Scientific Programme

Thursday, 17 November 2011

08.45 – 09.00

Opening remarks

Jose Maria Aguado, Murat Akova, Giuseppe Cornaglia, Claudio Viscoli

09.00 – 10.30

A new era has arrived: resistance in bacteria and fungi

Chairs: Mehmet Ali Özcan, Paul Verweij

- Prognostic factors in invasive mold infections. *Livio Pagano*
- Emerging resistance in mold infections. *Paul Verweij*
- Epidemiology of MDR bacteria in cancer patients. *Laurent Poirel*

11.00 – 12.30

Many bad bugs, only few drugs: treatment and prophylaxis

Chairs: Hamdi Akan, Claudio Viscoli

- Role of antibacterial prophylaxis in selecting empirical therapy. *Winfried V. Kern*
- Role of antifungal prophylaxis in selecting empirical therapy. *Claudio Viscoli*
- Options for treating infections caused by MDR bacteria. *Alessandra Micozzi*

13.30 – 15.30

European guidelines in immunocompromised patients

Chairs: Andrew Ullmann, Ömrüm Uzun

- Non-invasive diagnosis of fungal infections. *Peter Donnelly*
- Invasive candidiasis. *Andrew Ullmann*
- Invasive aspergillosis. *Catherine Cordonnier*
- Zygomycosis. *Anna Skiada*

16.00 – 17.30

Other diagnostic and therapeutic issues

Chairs: Beyza Ener, Manuel-Cuenca Estrella

- What is new in diagnosing bacterial infections? Septifast, MALDI-TOF, gene arrays among others... *Jacques Bille*
- Antifungal susceptibility and setting breakpoints. *Manuel-Cuenca Estrella*
- Therapeutic drug monitoring (antifungal, antibacterials). *Andreas Groll*

17.30 – 18.30

Small group interactive and Meet-the-Expert sessions

- Pediatric febrile neutropenia: what is different from adults? *Sema Anak & Andreas Groll*
- Interpretation of *in vitro* antibacterial susceptibility data. *Deniz Gür & Laurent Poirel*
- Interpretation of diagnostic information in fungal infections. *Sevtap Arikon Akdagli & Peter Donnelly*

Friday, 18 November 2011

08.30 – 10.00

Infections in stem-cell recipients

Chairs: Mutlu Arat, Dan Engelhard

- Update on CMV infections. *Herman Einsele*
- Viral infections other than herpes simplex and CMV. *Per Ljungman*
- Vaccination. *Dan Engelhard*

10.30 – 12.00

Infections in solid-organ transplant (SOT) recipients

Chairs: Jose Maria Aguado, Hande Arslan

- Controversies on the use of universal prophylaxis against CMV in SOT recipients. A Pro-Contra debate. Pro. *Pascal Meylan*
Contra. *Paolo Grossi*
- Tuberculosis in SOT. *Jose Maria Aguado*
- Immigration and SOT: an emerging problem. *Jordi Carratala*

Organisation

Conference Venue

Istanbul Military Museum and Culture Center, Cumhuriyet Caddesi, Harbiye, Istanbul, TR

Registration Procedure

The registration form can be found on the ESCMID website at www.escmid.org/Istanbul11. Please return it to the conference administrative secretariat.

Registration Fee

before and on 16 September 2011:

EUR 500 ESCMID members, EUR 700 non-members

After 16 September 2011:

EUR 650 ESCMID members, EUR 800 non-members

The fee includes the scientific sessions, printed conference material, lunches and coffee breaks, but not travel or accommodation costs.

ESCMID Attendance Grants

ESCMID provides a number of attendance grants for young attendees (up to 40 years) covering the registration fee, but not travel or accommodation costs. Please apply via the ESCMID website at www.escmid.org/Istanbul11 before 1 October 2011. If there are more applicants than available grants, preference will be given to ESCMID members. Applicants will be informed about their acceptance by 20 October 2011.

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