ESCMID Postgraduate Education Course

From Bench to Bedside: Viral Hepatitis

Istanbul, Turkey
13 – 14 November 2009

Target Audience
Infectious diseases and clinical microbiology specialists and trainees, gastroenterologists and clinicians taking care of patients with viral hepatitis.

Course Venue
The Green Park Hotel, Bostanci, Istanbul, Turkey

Course Faculty
The faculty list will be published on the ESCMID website from 1 June 2009 on at www.escmid.org/education.

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Picture inside: Patient with scleral icterus. Picture kindly provided by Prof Hakan Leblebicioglu, Samsun, TR.
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Organizers

Jointly organized by the ESCMID Study Group for Viral Hepatitis (ESGVH) and the Infectious Diseases and Clinical Microbiology Specialty Society of Turkey (EKMUD).

Course Objectives

• Increase knowledge about viral hepatitis
• Review the epidemiology, prevention and outcome of viral hepatitis
• Enhance attendees' understanding of diagnosis of hepatitis
• Increase knowledge about the treatment of viral hepatitis and follow-up
• Demonstrate through case discussions all the steps to diagnose and treat chronic viral hepatitis

Scientific Programme

Friday, 13 November 2009
Diagnosis of viral hepatitis

• Genotyping of viral hepatitis: do we need it?
• HBV DNA quantification: how and when?
• Occult hepatitis B
• Staging and grading of viral hepatitis

Acute viral hepatitis: treatment and prevention

• Treatment of acute hepatitis C: to wait or not to wait?
• Fulminant viral hepatitis
• Prevention of hepatitis A, E
• Prevention of hepatitis B, C, D

Workshop: case studies (in rotating small groups)

• Group A: Discussion and interpretation of viral hepatitis (B, C, D) serology
• Group B: Autoimmune hepatitis and interpretation of liver related tests (e.g. ANA, ASMA)
• Group C: Liver cirrhosis and transplantation

Saturday, 14 November 2009
Therapy of chronic viral hepatitis B

• Antiviral drug resistance and management
• Management of chronic hepatitis B: making the right choice
• Treatment of non-responders

Therapy of chronic viral hepatitis C

• HCV viral kinetics and predictors of response
• Tailored therapy of chronic viral hepatitis C
• Treatment of non-responders

Workshop: case studies (in rotating small groups)

• Group A: Co-infection HIV-HBV, HBV-HEV, HIV-HBV-HCV
• Group B: Clinical management of immunocompromised patients with chronic hepatitis B
• Group C: Side effect management of treatment of chronic hepatitis C

Organization

Application Procedure

The application form can be found on the ESCMID website at www.escmid.org/education. Please return it to the course administrative secretariat by 15 September 2009.

Tuition Fee

ESCMID or EKMUD members: EUR 200
Non-members: EUR 250

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

Attendance Grants

ESCMID provides a number of attendance grants for young attendees (born in 1969 or later) covering the tuition fee, but no travel or accommodation costs. Applicants should send the application documents and their ESCMID membership number (if applicable) before 15 September 2009 to the administrative secretariat. If there are more applicants than available grants, preference will be given to ESCMID and EKMUD members. Applicants will be informed about their acceptance by 1 October 2009.

CME Accreditation

The organizer of the course will apply for European CME accreditation.
Updated Course Programme (last update: 8 June 2009)

Friday, 13 November 2009

09:00 Opening session. Dominique Salmon, Gaye Usluer

09:15 Diagnosis of viral hepatitis
Chairs: Haluk Vahaboglu, Andy Hoepelman

- Genotyping of viral hepatitis: do we need it? Mithat Bozdayi
- HBV DNA quantification: How? When? Valeria Ghisetti
- Occult hepatitis B. Resat Ozaras
- Staging and grading of chronic viral hepatitis. Cenk Sokmensuer

10:45 Coffee break

11:00 Acute viral hepatitis: treatment and prevention
Chairs: Iftihar Koksal, Dominique Salmon

- Treatment of acute hepatitis C: to wait or not to wait. Will Irwing
- Fulminant viral hepatitis and transplantation. Munci Kalayoglu
- Viral hepatitis in pregnancy. Hasan S.Z. Aksu
- Prevention of Hepatitis B, C, D. J.E. Arends

12:30 Lunch

Workshops: Case studies (three groups in rotation)

- 14:00 Group A: Discussion and interpretation of viral hepatitis serology. Hakan Leblebicioglu
- 14:45 Group B: Autoimmune hepatitis and interpretation of liver related tests (e.g. ANA, ASMA etc.). Ramazan Idilman

15:30 Coffee break

- 15:45 Group C: Liver cirrhosis. Necati Ormeci

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09:00 Treatment of chronic hepatitis B
Chairs: Fehmi Tabak, Valeria Ghisetti

- HBV drug resistance and management. Hans L Zaatier
- Management of chronic hepatitis B: making the right choice. Andy Hoepelman
- Treatment of non-responders. Bulent Degertekin
10:30 Coffee break

10:45 **Treatment of chronic hepatitis C**  
**Chairs:** Gaye Usluer, Will Irwing

- HCV viral kinetics and predictors of response. Hakan Senturk
- Tailored therapy of chronic hepatitis C. Nurdan Tozun
- Treatment of non-responders. Philippe Sogni
- New hepatitis C antiviral drugs. Hakan Erdem

12:30 Lunch

**Workshop: Case studies (three groups in rotation)**

- 14:00 Group A: Co-infection, HIV-HBV, HBV-HCV, HIV-HBV-HCV. Dominique Salmon
- 14:45 Group B: Clinical management of immunocompromised patients with chronic hepatitis B. Ran Tur-Kaspa

15:30 Coffee break

- 15:45 Group C: Side effect management of treatment of chronic hepatitis C. Can Polat Eyigun

16:30 **Closing session**

16:45 **End of course**