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Kidney cancer and melanoma: progresses in clinical and translational research

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PRESENTATION

The rapid advance of science and technology in human medicine has opened huge new opportunities in prevention, diagnosis and therapy.

The application of these advances to cancer medicine is essential for human health.

The Mediterranean School of Oncology aims at providing health care professionals, i.e., physicians, nurses and investigators who are involved in management of cancer patients, with the best possible deepening of their oncological skill in a specific area or organ site. Additionally, there are training courses designed to fulfil the educational needs of those who have only recently approached cancer medicine and health professionals who are not frequently dealing with cancer patients.

The School, which is located in Rome, Italy, is open to candidates of any nationality, allowing the interaction of students with somewhat different national and educational background.

I would like very much to welcome you to the courses of the Mediterranean School of Oncology in Rome because we expect both Rome and the courses to be a very rewarding and enjoyable experience.

Since only a limited number of students can be accepted, we invite those interested to register as early as possible, to ensure both the possibility of attending the chosen course(s) and the preferred type of accommodation.

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Kidney Cancer and Melanoma: Progresses in Clinical and Translational Research

**November 23-24, 2007
Domus Sessoriana, Rome, Italy**

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Course Description

Cutaneous melanoma (CM) is a cancer of the neural crest-derived cells responsible for skin pigmentation. Over the past four decades, the incidence of melanoma has increased more rapidly than that of any other malignancy. Although the causative transformation events remain elusive, an increasing wealth of biological data have identified a number of molecular mechanism responsible for CM progression. However, no current treatments substantially enhance patient survival once metastatic disease has occurred. Therefore CM research remains a potent conceptual stimulus from the biological and the translational view point as well. Recent developments in the molecular biology of renal cell carcinoma (RCC) have identified multiple pathways associated with the development of this cancer. Substantial clinical activity has been reported with various agents targeting these pathways, most notably with small molecules targeting vascular endothelial growth-factor receptor associated kinases. This course is aimed at providing an update on basic and clinical aspects of CM and RCC through the sharing of the personal current experience of investigators of various biomedical fields.



Program

Friday, November 23

10.00 Course presentation

P. G. Natali, Rome - R. Tenaglia, Chieti-Pescara

10.15 Melanoma

Stem cells

C. La Porta, Milan

Genetics

P. Grammatico, Rome

cDNA profiling

P. Giacomini, Rome

12.30 General discussion

13.00 Lunch

14.00

New therapeutic targets: the endothelin B receptor

A. Bagnato, Rome

Immunotherapy: state of the art and future directions

M. Maio, Siena

IFN-alpha & other cytokines. What has been done.

What's next

P. A. Ascierto, Naples

Chemo-immunotherapy combinations.

A new alliance?

P. Nisticò, Rome

**Epigenetic immunotherapy of human melanoma:
molecular bases and perspective clinical applications**

L. Sigalotti, Aviano

18.00 General discussion



Saturday, November 24

8.30 *Kidney Cancer*
Chairman
E. Bajetta, Milan

Keynote Lecture

New cancer therapies based on thyrosine kinase inhibitors
A. Ullrich, Martinsried

Kidney cancer: prognostic factors and new surgical approaches
R. Tenaglia, Chieti-Pescara

Medical management of renal cell carcinoma
P. Marchetti, Rome

Targeted therapy in advanced renal cell carcinoma
P. F. Conte, Modena

Renal cell carcinoma: what does the future hold?
F. Ciardiello, Naples

11.30 General Discussion

11.45

Case presentations (with voting system)
R. Tenaglia, Chieti- Pescara - P. Marchetti, Rome -
P. F. Conte, Modena - F. Ciardiello, Naples

The EAU Urological Guidelines and Practice Recommendations
E. Bajetta, Milan – R. Tenaglia, Chieti-Pescara

13.00 General discussion and conclusions



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LOCATION AND HOUSING

The School is located in the St. John Lateran Basilica, Coliseum quarter, a walking distance from the centre of historic Rome.

Participants will be housed at the:

“Domus Sessoriana”

Piazza Santa Croce in Gerusalemme

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The Domus Sessoriana is a first-class hotel located on the slopes of the Esquiline Hill, in one wing of the Monastery of the Basilica of Santa Croce in Gerusalemme, a short distance from the Coliseum and the St. John Lateran Basilica. This hotel is infused with 2000 years of history and some of the city’s oldest ruins can be viewed from the hotel terrace. Accommodation is in a single room basis with a limited number of twin rooms available on a first-come first-served basis. Each room has traditional tiled floors and furnishings, bathrooms with showers, air conditioning, satellite TV and internet access. Some of the rooms are part of the ancient structure, while others on the top floor have rooftop view over Rome and the monastery. In addition to the rooms in the Domus Sessoriana, some participants may be housed in local hotels, depending upon the size of the group.



HOW TO GET TO THE SCHOOL

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By plane:

Leonardo da Vinci Fiumicino Airport: board the “Leonardo” train (departure every 30 min.) to the “Termini” central rail station in Rome.

Take Metro A direction Anagnina. Get off at San Giovanni, then on foot to the Piazza Santa Croce in Gerusalemme (500 m). Alternatively, from the Termini station take Bus N.° 649 getting off at the bus stop in Via Santa Croce in Gerusalemme.

By train:

From the Roma Termini station, take Metro A, direction Anagnina. Get off at San Giovanni; then walk on foot to the Piazza Santa Croce in Gerusalemme (500 m). Alternatively, from the Termini station take Bus N.° 649 getting off at the bus stop in Via Santa Croce in Gerusalemme.

Trainschedulecanbeasilyfoundatwebsite:www.trenitalia.it

By car:

From the ring-road motorway, GRA (Grande Raccordo Anulare), you have two choices:

Exit 14, take the “tangenziale” highway alongside motorway, direction San Giovanni to its end. At the traffic light, turn right. After passing the Roman arch, Santa Croce in Gerusalemme is on your right.

Exit 27, take Via Cristoforo Colombo and follow it to its end; pass the Roman Arch and reach the Baths of Caracalla.

Pass the church of San Giovanni in Laterano, take Viale Carlo Felice to Santa Croce in Gerusalemme.



REGISTRATION FEE

Advanced registration is encouraged as courses are limited to a total of 50 participants. The registration fee includes participation to the classes, educational material and a group photo. The registration fee varies from course to course; the registration fee will be reduced for participants who register 60 days before course commencement, for members of the European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO), for residents and Ph.D. students in oncology or oncology-related disciplines.

HOW TO REGISTER

Registration can be made by filling in the Registration Form and returning it to the Organizing Secretariat by fax +39 0871 3556707 or by regular mail to:

Mediterranean School of Oncology
c/o Cattedra di Oncologia Medica
Università "G. d'Annunzio"
Via dei Vestini, 5
66100 Chieti ITALY

PAYMENT PROCEDURE

1) Ask your bank to send a wire transfer (SWIFT method) for the sum of €_____ as follows:

Bank name: Cassa di Risparmio della Provincia di Chieti,
Chieti, Italy

Account name: CINBO-MSO

Account number: 90051

ABI Code (Bank Code): 06050

CAB Code (Agency or Branch Code): 15598

Reason for transfer of funds:

Fee for _____ (your name)
course _____ (course name)

2) Fax us +39 0871 3556707 a copy of your registration form as well as the receipt of the bank transfer.

3) As soon as we receive the above payment and documentation,
we will send you a letter of acceptance for the course.

CANCELLATION AND REFUND

Cancellations should be notified in writing to the School Offices (e-mail or fax). Cancellations received 15 days before the beginning of the selected course: 30% refund; cancellations received after 15 days before the beginning of the course: no refund.



SCHOLARSHIP

A limited number of scholarships is made available to candidates who are 30 years of age or younger. The school may grant a full or a partial scholarship. To apply for a scholarship, please send a brief curriculum vitae and/or a letter of presentation from an authorised officer at the institute of your affiliation. Scholarship applications will only be considered if they reach the School secretariat at least 70 days before the commencement of the course. Successful applicants will receive an offer of scholarship from the school approx. 60 days before commencement of the course. Please note that acceptance of the scholarship is subject to your commitment to come to Rome to attend the course. Your acceptance and consequent NON-attendance will prevent another applicant who may not have been as fortunate as yourself, from benefiting from your unused scholarship opportunity.

ACCREDITATION

All course programs will be submitted for accreditation to the ESMO Educational Committee (for courses conducted in English) or to the Italian Ministry of Health (Ministero della Salute) for ECM (Continuing Medical Education) credits. Upon completion of the courses, participants will receive a certificate of attendance including an indication of the number of credit awarded.

LANGUAGE

Most courses will be conducted in English; therefore a good command of the English language is necessary.

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