Welcome Address

Dear Colleagues,

As the development and availability of new targeted therapies boosted important evolutions in the field of clinical immunology, many of us realized the need for more intensive interaction and collaboration not only with fundamental immunologists and with industrial partners but also with our academic colleagues from other organ-specific disciplines than our own. Therefore, we initiated in 2004 an European Working Group of leading academic physician-scientists involved in clinical immunology, rheumatology, dermatology, gastroenterology, transplantation immunology. Our global aim is to create a forum for informal but intensive interaction and networking between translational immunologists from different organ-specific disciplines.

The keys of our organization are:
• Focus on translational immunology with direct clinical relevance
• Emphasis on cross-disciplinary interactions and projects
• Strong interaction between academia and pharmaceutical partners, especially biotech companies focusing on immunomodulation and immunomonitoring

Our organization is open and democratic. Therefore, all interested partners are welcome to join this initiative.

Over the last eight years, we have made a big step forward to reach this goal through the organization of the European Workshop on Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases in Amsterdam in 2006, Nuremberg in 2007, London in 2008, Cascais-Lisbon in 2009, Sitges-Barcelona in 2010, Nice in 2011, Noordwijk aan Zee in 2012.

In 2013, the Steering Committee and Scientific Committees decided to turn the 3-day Workshop into a biennial event. The biennial Workshop will be alternated with a biennial one-day Masterclass on a relevant topic. So in 2013 a Masterclass on Immunomonitoring took place in Brussels, Belgium.

This year we have the honor to announce the 8th European Workshop on Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases - ewIMID’14 - taking place in Funchal - Madeira, Portugal on November 5 - 7, 2014.

We are proud that Prof. João Eurico Fonseca and Prof. Luís Graça accepted to be the Scientific Chairs of ewIMID’14.

The Workshop Chairs, the Steering Committee and the Scientific Committee look forward to your active participation and sincerely hope to welcome you to Funchal.

The Steering Committee
Thomas Giese, Heidelberg, Germany
Timothy Radstake, Utrecht, The Netherlands
Leonie Taams, London, UK
Call for Abstracts

The Workshop Chairs and the Scientific Committee invite you to participate actively in the 8th European Workshop on Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Diseases.

We look forward to receiving your scientific contributions on one of the following topics:

- Rheumatology
- Gastroenterology
- Dermatology
- Transplantation
- Clinical immunology
- Basic immunology
- Inflammation
- Immunodeficiencies
- Neuroimmunology

Kindly note that the call for abstracts will be open from June 1 until September 1.

Preliminary Program - Wednesday, 5 November

13.00  Registration

14.00  Welcome Address
    João Eurico Fonseca and Luis Graça, Workshop Chairs

14.15  Opening Keynote Lecture: Immune-mediated inflammatory diseases
    Iain McInnes, Glasgow, Scotland

Session I: Tfh subsets and the control of antibody production

15.00  Regulation of Tfh function
    Michelle Linterman, Cambridge, UK

15.30  Human Tfh subsets in health and disease
    Hideki Ueno, Dallas, USA

16.00  Coffee Break and Poster Viewing

Session II: Metabolism and immune regulation

16.30  The impact of metabolism in the control of inflammation
    Adrian Liston, Leuven, Belgium

17.00  CD8 and CD4 targeting of CNS neurons
    Roland Liblau, Toulouse, France

18.00  Wine Tasting at the Madeira Wine Institute
Preliminary Program - Thursday, 6 November

07.00  Walk and Run

Session III: New insights on co-stimulation and functional genomics

08.30  Tfh cells, co-stimulation molecules, and type 1 diabetes
        Lucy Walker, London, UK

09.00  Genetics of mucosal inflammatory diseases
        Stefan Schreiber, Kiel, Germany

09.30  Selected oral presentations

10.00  Poster Tour 1 and Coffee Break

Session IV: Immune regulation

11.00  The impact of TNF on Treg function in autoimmunity –
        The case of multiple sclerosis
        Benoit Salomon, Paris, France

11.30  Immune regulation in skin and neuroinflammation
        Clare Baecher-Allan, Boston, USA

12.00  Selected oral presentations

12.30  Lunch

13.30  Satellite Symposium 1

15.00  Coffee Break and Poster Viewing

Session V: Immune intervention

15.30  The impact of apoptotic cells and antigen-loaded nanoparticles in the
        regulation of immune-mediated diseases
        Stephen D. Miller, Chicago, USA

16.00  Organ-specific chronic inflammation: The paradigm of liver diseases
        Carlo Selmi, Milan, Italy

Session VI: Novel treatments

16.30  Treg cell therapy for transplantation tolerance
        Kathryn Wood, Oxford, UK

17.00  DNA-damage response and protection from severe sepsis
        Luis F. Moita, Lisbon, Portugal

Special Lecture supported by Novartis

17.30  IL-17 in spondyloarthritis
        Dominique Baeten, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

20.00  Workshop Dinner
Preliminary Program - Friday, 7 November

09.00  Satellite Symposium 2
10.30  Poster Tour 2 and Coffee Break

Session VII: Inflammation

11.30  Induction and Regulation of IL-17+ T cells in Human Inflammatory Disease
       Leonie Taams, London, UK
12.00  Selected oral presentations
13.00  Lunch
14.00  Closing Plenary Lecture
       Helen Lachmann, London, UK
14.45  Closing Remarks
       Tim Radstake

Registration

Registration fees

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*Trainees/Residents must send proof of status to Medicongress (fax: +32 9 344 40 10 or email to Laurence@medicongress.com). Without this proof, the participant fee will be charged.

The registration fee includes
The registration fee includes access to the scientific sessions and the exhibition, the congress bag and badge as well as the Workshop program and abstract book. Coffee breaks and lunches as indicated in the program are also included. The Wine Tasting on Wednesday and the Workshop Dinner on Thursday are included in the registration fee, but pre-registration is mandatory.

Important
The Workshop Dinner on Thursday evening is included in the Registration Fee, but only a limited number of seats are available.

How to register
Register online at www.ewimid.com.
The registration and payment form is secured so that credit card information can be submitted safely. Only credit card payments are accepted (Visa, Mastercard, Diners, American Express).

Confirmation
Immediately after submitting your online registration form, an automatic confirmation is sent by email. If you do not receive this automatic confirmation, your registration has not been made successfully. Medicongress will send a formal confirmation by email after receipt of payment.
General Information

Dates
5 – 7 November 2014

Venue
VIDAMAR Congress Center
Estrada Monumental, 175-177
9000-100 Funchal
Madeira, Portugal

The City
The Funchal city of today is a modern, cosmopolitan, rejuvenated city, well known for its many stunning restaurants and its agreeable climate.

The city itself is nestled in a great natural amphitheatre, facing the blue Atlantic with a backdrop of dramatic mountains. Located in the stunning south of Madeira, on its sunniest coast amidst banana plantations and wonderful gardens, it is an extremely lush, green and relaxed city by day but scratch Funchal’s surface and you will find it to have a vibrant and varied nightlife scene as well.

Language
The official language of ewIMID’14 is English. There will be no simultaneous translation.

Scientific Exhibition
An exhibition of medical and pharmaceutical products will be held during the Workshop.

Liability
Neither the organizers nor Medicongress accept liability for damages and/or losses of any kind which may be incurred by ewIMID’14 participants. Participants are advised to take out insurance against loss, accidents or damage which could be incurred during ewIMID’14.

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Hotel Accommodation

The organizers have reserved a number of rooms at attractive group rates at the following hotels (all at less than 5 minutes’ walking distance from the Congress Center).

The listed rates are per night and include breakfast.

Vidamar Hotel
Single room: € 83,60
Double room: € 94,00

Hotel Girassol
Junior suite – Single € 60,00
Junior Suite – Double € 70,00
Executive Suite – Single € 80,00
Executive Suite – Double € 90,00

Any requests for hotel accommodation must be made via the online registration from and are to be accompanied by a credit card number, in order to secure the room.

This credit card will not be charged by the organizers but only serves as a reservation guarantee. Delegates will have to pay their hotel room and personal expenses at the hotel upon check-out.

A confirmation of the hotel booking will be sent by email after receipt of the on-line registration form, the housing request and the payment of the registration fee.

Participants are requested not to contact the hotel directly in order to avoid double bookings. If changes are to be made to the original hotel reservation, Medicongress is to be contacted.

Room availability cannot be guaranteed after September 30, 2014.

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