

Friday, 14 July 2017

14th International Conference on Thalassaemia & Haemoglobinopathies

17 – 19 November 2017

Thessaloniki, Greece

Friday 17th November 2017 // **Hall TBC**

OPENING CEREMONY

Master of Ceremonies:

- 18.00 – 19.00 Opening remarks
19.00 – 19.15 TIF Award Ceremony

KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS

Chairpersons: C. Kattamis & D. Loukopoulos

- 19.15 – 19.30 Haemoglobinopathies Care & Cure: Have we reached the end? – *J. Porter*
19.30 – 19.45 Migration: The aftershocks to the provision of healthcare – *S. Lobitz*
19.45 – 20.00 Patients' as Equal Partners in Decision-Making: The Global Reality

Saturday 18th November 2017 // **Olympia B Hall**

08.45 – 10.15 Session 1: Diagnosis & Prevention

Chairpersons: J. Synodinou

- 08.45 – 09.00 Diagnosis of Haemoglobinopathies: New scientific advances – *C.L. Harteveld*
09.00 - 09.15 New Challenges in diagnosis of haemoglobinopathies: Migration of Populations – *J. Old*
09.15 – 09.30 Global Overview of Neonatal Screening Practices of Haemoglobinopathies – *S. Lobitz*
09.30 – 09.45 Informed choice in a multicultural world – *M. Petrou*

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Coffee & Lunch will be available in Healthcare Professionals Exhibition Area (Olympia C) at designated times on 18 & 19 November 2017.

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- 09.45 – 10.00 Diagnostic strategies on hemoglobinopathy testing, the role of a reference laboratory in the USA
10.00 – 10.15 Discussion

10.15 – 11.30 Session 2: Cornerstones of Clinical Management of Haemoglobinopathies
Chairpersons:

- 10.15 – 10.30 Optimal Blood Transfusion Therapy in Haemoglobinopathies – *J. Porter*
10.30 – 10.45 Iron Overload & Chelation in Haemoglobinopathies – *A. Taher*
10.45 – 11.00 Multidisciplinary Care: the UK Experience – *P. Eleftheriou*
11.00 – 11.15 Best practices in assessing iron overload today: A need for Guidelines? – *V. Viprakasit*
11.15 – 11.30 Discussion

11.30 – 13.00 Session 3: Managing Complications in Haemoglobin Disorders – New Advances (I)
Chairpersons:

- 11.30 – 11.50 Endocrine complications – *V. de Sanctis*
11.50 – 12.10 Cardiac complications – *M. Walker*
12.10 – 12.30 Liver complications
12.30 – 12.50 Renal complications – *A. Taher*
12.50 – 13.00 Discussion

13.00 – 13.45 Session 4: Haemoglobinopathies in Focus: Sickle Cell Disease
Chairpersons: *A. Taher*

- 13.00 – 13.15 Clinical Management of Sickle Cell Disease in Childhood & Adolescence – *M. Abboud*
13.15 – 13.30 Clinical Management of Sickle Cell Disease in Adulthood
13.30 – 13.45 Discussion

13.45 – 15.15 SATELLITE SESSION 1

15.15 – 16.15 Session 5: Challenges in Delivering Treatment
Chairpersons:

- 15.15 – 15.30 National policies in ensuring access to quality & safety of drugs: A challenge or a prerequisite – *M. Hadipour*
15.30 – 16.00 Adherence to Treatment: Doctor vs Patient Perspective – *F. Shah & TBC*

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- 16.00 – 16.15 Patient care: Unmet needs globally – *M. Angastiniotis*
- 16.15 – 17.15 Session 6: Improving quality healthcare – Networks & Accreditation**
Panellists: M. Angastiniotis, L. Brunetta, G. Constantinou, P. Eleftheriou, S. Fucharoen & A. Taher
- 16.15 – 16.30 The EUROBLOODNET Experience
- 16.30 – 16.45 Global initiatives for improving quality healthcare by the Thalassaemia International Federation – *A. Eleftheriou*
- 16.45 – 17.15 Panel Discussion – Challenges in securing quality healthcare services for haemoglobinopathy patients
- 17.15 – 18.45 SATELLITE SESSION 2**

Sunday 19th November 2017

08.30– 09.30

Oral Presentations

Hall 1 – Olympia B

Hall 2 – V. Patoulidou

Hall 3 – Ilida

Hall 3 – Kallipateira

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Plenary Sessions: Olympia B Hall

09.30 – 10.30 Session 7: Managing Complications in Haemoglobin Disorders – New Advances (II)

Chairpersons:

09.30 – 09.50 Osteoporosis – *E. Voskaridou*

09.50 – 10.10 Pain: Time for more action?

10.10 – 10.20 The role of CNS in the care of haemoglobinopathy patients – *B. Hylton*

10.20 – 10.30 Discussion

10.30 – 11.00 Session 8: Quality of Life in Patients with Haemoglobin Disorders

Chairpersons: R. Elbard & G. Theophanous

10.30 – 10.40 Quality of Life: Transfusion Dependent Thalassaemia vs Non-Transfusion Dependent Thalassaemia – *M. Karimi*

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10.40 – 10.50	Moving towards Patient Reported Outcomes – <i>V. Viprakisit</i>
10.50 – 11.00	Discussion
11.15 – 12.45	Session 9: New Advances in Haemoglobinopathies Chairpersons: D. Kountouras & E. Yannaki
11.15 – 11.45	The changing face of Management: Latest update of on-going clinical trials – <i>A Piga</i>
11.45 – 12.00	Advances in Gene Therapy Trials
12.00 – 12.15	Treatment of Liver Disease: New developments
12.15 – 12.30	Gene Editing – <i>B. Lundberg</i>
12.30 – 12.50	TBC
12.50 – 13.00	Discussion
13.00 – 13.15	Closing remarks <i>P. Englezos, V. Dimos, C. Papageorgiou, S. Tuli, R. Ficarra</i>
13.15 – 14.00	LUNCH