INTERNATIONAL MEETING ON PULMONARY RARE DISEASES AND ORPHAN DRUGS

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MILANO – ITALY
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FEBRUARY 27-28, 2015
The EXPO 2015 will be hosted by Milan, between May 1st and October 31st, and it will explore the theme “Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life”, a topic of great importance for the future of our lives and for world health: such world exposition is expected to attract more than 20 million visitors from all over the world.

Just few weeks before the EXPO 2015, Milan will also host the 6th International Meeting on Pulmonary Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs, which will be held on February 27th-28th.

The first International Meeting was held in 2003; since then, the Meeting has taken place regularly every 2 years, with growing success and ever increasing numbers of participants and speakers from around the world.

The International Meeting on Pulmonary Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs is the only European event dedicated to different types of rare pulmonary diseases affecting both parenchymal and vascular structures. In recent years, the interest for rare diseases has grown throughout the entire medical community, and many respiratory physicians were pioneers in this field of medicine.

The 6th International Meeting on Pulmonary Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs goes further in this direction, highlighting that rare diseases represent an important field of medicine not only for pulmonologists who are skilled in diagnosing and treating particular groups of these illnesses but for all respiratory physicians.

Knowledge exchange and dissemination among experts on different areas of clinical and basic research in respiratory medicine, with different specialized pulmonary medicine expertise (from vascular to interstitial lung diseases), is part of the stimulating challenge of providing new insights into science and clinical care, thus helping patients and supporting doctors.

We would like to thank the whole faculty, the sponsors and the participants for their support and enthusiasm. We all look forward to seeing you in Milan, Expo city 2015: Feeding the lungs, Energy for life!

Sergio Harari
Welcome to the Audience

RARE CONDITIONS OF COMMON LUNG DISEASES

Chairpersons: Marco Confalonieri (Trieste, Italy), Fernando J. Martinez (Ann Arbor, MI - USA), Gérald Simonneau (Le Kremlin-Bicêtre, France)

Lecture
Tuberculosis: the many faces of an old witch
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Bronchiectasis in non cystic fibrosis patients
Francesco Blasi (Milan, Italy)

Feeding the lung: respective role of obesity and of anorexic drugs in the development of PH
Olivier Sitbon (Le Kremlin-Bicêtre - France)

Lecture
Pulmonary hypertension in chronic lung diseases
Vincent Cottin (Lyon, France)

Discussion

COFFEE BREAK

PULMONARY HYPERTENSION AND AROUND

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Progress in pulmonary hypertension
Gérald Simonneau (Le Kremlin-Bicêtre, France)

Morbidity and mortality in clinical trials in rare diseases: the lesson learned from PAH
Maurizio Rainisio (Sanremo, Italy)

Pulmonary veno-occlusive diseases: gene and environment interaction
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Lecture
A multimodality approach to chronic tromboembolic pulmonary hypertension: efficacy of surgery-angioplasty and medical therapy
Irene Lang (Vienna, Austria)

Discussion

BUFFET LUNCH

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 27, 2015
MORNING SESSION

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AFTERNOON SESSION

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14.30 Lecture
Vasculitides with lung involvement
Jean François Cordier (Lyon, France)

15.00 PH in myeloproliferative disorders
Yochai Adir (Haifa, Israel)

15.20 Pollution and COPD: a lesson from alfa 1 antitrypsin deficiency
Maurizio Luissetti (Pavia, Italy)

15.40 The changing face of a rare disease: LAM
Olga Torre (Milan, Italy)

16.00 Lecture
The scleroderma lung: where do we stand?
Marco Matucci Cerinic (Florence, Italy)

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FEBRUARY 28, 2015
MORNING SESSION

08.00 - 09.00 POSTER SESSION “at breakfast”
Chairpersons: Carlo Vancheri (Catania, Italy), Olivier Sitbon (Le Kremlin-Bicêtre, France)

IPF AND AROUND: WHERE WE ARE
Chairpersons: Vincent Cottin (Lyon, France), Ganesh Raghu (Seattle, WA – USA), Cesare Saltini (Rome, Italy)

09.00 Lecture
Unmet needs and clinical problems in idiopathic interstitial pneumonia
Athol Wells (London, UK)

09.30 IPF: from clinical trial to real life
Antonella Caminati (Milan, Italy)

09.50 What’s new on smoking related lung diseases
Katerina Antoniou (Heraklion, Greece)

10.10 Lecture
Acute exacerbation in IPF: pathogenesis and clinical approach
Harold Collard (San Francisco, CA – USA)

10.40 Discussion

11.00 Coffee break

IPF AND AROUND: WHERE WE ARE GOING TO
Chairpersons: Harold Collard (San Francisco, CA – USA), Carlo Vancheri (Catania, Italy), Athol Wells (London, UK)

11.20 Lecture
Susceptibility and mortality of IPF: the role of genetic and of other factors
Fernando J. Martinez (Ann Arbor, MI - USA)

11.50 Can pollution explain the epidemiological raise of IPF?
Sergio Harari (Milan, Italy)

12.10 Lecture
The new era of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis: lesson learned from clinical trial
Ganesh Raghu (Seattle, WA – USA)

12.40 Discussion

13.00 End of the International Meeting

FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 27, 2015
17.00 - 18.30
EVENING ITALIAN SYMPOSIUM

RARE DISEASES IN ITALY: TIME FOR A NEW PERSPECTIVE
Chairpersons: Alberto Pesci (Monza, Italy), Cesare Saltini (Rome, Italy)

Carlo Agostini (Padua, Italy)  Venerino Poletti (Forlì, Italy)
Antonella Caminati (Milan, Italy)  Paola Rottoli (Siena, Italy)
Carlo Albera (Turin, Italy)  Alessandro Sanduzzi Zamparelli (Naples, Italy)
Marco Confalonieri (Trieste)  Alfredo Sebastiani (Rome, Italy)
Sergio Harari (Milan, Italy)  Carlo Vancheri (Catania, Italy)
Maurizio Luisetti (Pavia, Italy)  Patrizio Vitulo (Palermo, Italy)
Fabrizio Luppi (Modena, Italy)

Cocktail “Wine And Science” – wine tasting
CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

All participants are invited to submit abstracts.

Submission Deadline and Notification of Acceptance
The submission deadline for abstracts is December 12th, 2014. The abstracts will be reviewed and selected by the scientific committee. Please send the abstracts to info@victoryproject.it

Abstract Guidelines
The abstract should not exceed 300 words. The abstract must be typed in English using Times 12 pt. Please do not forget to enter your information as follows:

Address of the corresponding author
Valid e-mail address is mandatory; fax/phone numbers and postal address may be useful in case of problems with e-mail correspondence.

Title
The title should not exceed 20 words.

Author’s names
The name of the Presenting Author should be mentioned first underlined. Separate multiple authors with commas.

Institution(s) of the authors
We recommend that the abstracts are structured into paragraphs, such as:
- Aim
  Please mention the aim of the study.
- Methods
  Give enough details for the reader to understand what techniques were used; include details of statistical methods.
- Results
  Results must be stated. Should the method produce numerical data, then numbers must be presented with appropriate statistical results.
- Summary/Conclusions

Notification of Acceptance
The submitting authors will be notified of acceptance or rejection via e-mail by January 15th, 2015.

GENERAL INFORMATION

ORGANIZING SECRETARIAT
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SECRETARIAT ON SITE
Secretariat and registration desk in congress venue will be on duty on:
Friday, February 27 from 08.15 to 18.00
Saturday, February 28 from 07.30 to 14.00

TECHNICAL EXHIBITION
An exhibition of scientific and technical equipment will be organized in the Congress Area. Interested companies are kindly requested to contact the Organizing Secretariat to obtain the exhibition kit with full information.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE
A certificate of attendance will be given to all registered participants upon presentation of their badge at the secretariat desk on Saturday, February 28.

CME/ECM ACCREDITATION FOR ITALIAN PARTICIPANTS
Scientific program will be submitted for Continuing Medical Education accreditation.

LANGUAGE
Italian and English are the official languages of the Congress. Simultaneous translation will be available.

SLIDE CENTRE
Only pc data projection will be available during the congress. Conference room will be provided with a laptop, therefore the use of personal laptop is not allowed. To allow a smooth running of sessions, speakers are requested to contact the computer centre and hand in their cd or pen drive at least one hour before the beginning of their session.
REGISTRATION

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PAYMENT
Registration prices are in Euro and include VAT

- **AIPO – SIMER MEMBERS**
  Before November 30, 2014 € 290,00
  After November 30, 2014 € 330,00

- **NON MEMBERS**
  Before November 30, 2014 € 350,00
  After November 30, 2014 € 400,00

Only registered participants are allowed to attend the scientific sessions. After February 20, 2015 only registrations on site, at the New Registration Desk in the Congress Venue, will be accepted.

Payment of registration fee can be placed by:

- **BANK TRANSFER (PLEASE ENCLOSE COPY) TO:**
  Victory Project Congressi Srl
  UniCredit Banca - Agenzia 21903 - Milan, Italy
  IBAN IT58Z 02008 09403 00000 9340484
  SWIFT UNCRITM1L41

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- **CREDIT CARD:**
  CartaSi - Mastercard - Visa - American Express

Please note that only registrations accompanied by the relevant payment will be processed.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUND
In case of cancellation of the registration, you are kindly requested to contact the Organizing Secretariat by January 15, 2015. A 70% of paid fee will be refunded.

No refund will be given after this date.

HOTEL RESERVATION

All those interested in making hotel reservation are kindly requested to send the enclosed form, by November 30, 2014, to:

**Victory Project Congressi**
Via C. Poma 2 - 20129 Milan - Italy
Fax: +39 02.20.13.95
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We will send a proposal based in the availability at the moment. Due to the great demand for hotel rooms in Milan in this period, we cannot guarantee any hotel reservation after expiration of the deadline.

- **3-stars hotels**
  DUS min € 120,00 max € 220,00
  DWB min € 170,00 max € 250,00

- **4-stars hotel**
  DUS min € 160,00 max € 350,00
  DWB min € 200,00 max € 410,00

The above listed rates are expressed in Euro and are per room per night, including continental breakfast, services and taxes.

The total prepayment of the requested nights and a booking fee of € 25,00 per room are requested.

We remind you that a Tourist Tax from 3€ to 5€, depending on the hotel category, per person, per night shall be paid in cash by each guest to the hotel at the moment of check out.

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No refund will be made for hotel rates.
CONGRESS VENUE

Palazzo delle Stelline
Corso Magenta, 61 – 20123 Milan, Italy

Located right in the centre of Milan and at walking distance from the S. Maria delle Grazie Church and the Castello Sforzesco fortress, the Palazzo delle Stelline was a 15th century monastery. The original building has been recently refurbished and restored through the addition of full-view windows installed in the cloister.

HOW TO REACH THE CONGRESS VENUE

By Plane
From Malpensa Airport: take the train Malpensa Express and stop in Cadorna Station.
From Linate Airport: take the bus 73 to San Babila Square and then the Underground Red Line and stop in Cadorna Station.

By Train
From Central Railway Station take the Underground Green Line and stop in Cadorna Station.

By Car
From any highway exit, follow indications Centro and then ask for piazza Cadorna. In piazza Cadorna you are at 10 minutes walking to the Congress Venue. Parking facilities are available near the Congress Venue.

By Local Transportations
* Underground Line 1, Red – Cadorna Stop
* Underground Line 2, Green – Cadorna Stop
* Bus: nr. 54, nr. 70, nr. 94
* Tram: nr. 19, nr. 27, nr. 29

To be sent to:
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Fax + 39 02 20 13 95
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Preferably within February 20, 2015

PLEASE FILL IN THIS FORM USING A TYPEWRITER OR BLOCK LETTERS

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- 4-star hotel
- Double used single
- Double

**Arrival**

**Departure**

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  - CartaSi
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