

PIVAC-17

17th International Conference on Progress in Vaccination Against Cancer

27th–30th September 2017 «Alexandrion» Conference Hall Loutraki, Corinth, Greece





Organized by

- The Cancer Immunology and Immunotherapy Center, St. Savas Cancer Hospital
 The Hellenic Pasteur Institute
 - The Hellenic Society of Immuno-Oncology

























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Day 1 - Wednesday 27 September 2017

13.00 - 20.00 REGISTRATION Entrance Lobby of the Alexandrion Conference Hall

13.00 - 14.30 WELCOME LUNCH

13.00 - 20.45 POSTER EXHIBITION

15.00 - 15.15 WELCOME BY THE MAJOR OF LOUTRAKI
George Gionis

WELCOME BY THE PIVAC -17 CHAIR

Costas Baxevanis Cancer Immunology and Immunotherapy Center, St. Savas Hospital, Greece

SESSION 1

Session Chair: C. Baxevanis

- 15.15 15.45 **Rafael Solana** Maimonides Biomedicine Institute of Cordoba (IMIBIC), Reina Sofia Hospital, University of Cordoba, Spain "New insights on NK cell-based immunotherapy of cancer"
- 15.45 16.15 **Rolf Kiessling** *Karolinska Institutet, CCK, Stockholm, Sweden* "Combining Adoptive Cell Therapy with DC vaccination for therapy of malignant melanoma"
- 16.15 16.45 **Per thor Straten** Center for Cancer Immune Therapy, Department of Hematology, University Hospital Herlev, Denmark "Therapy of solid tumors using T cells and running shoes"
- 16.45 17.15 COFFEE BREAK

SESSION 2

Session Chair: B. Seliger, F. Garrido

- 17.15 17.45 **Barbara Seliger** *Institute of Medical Immunology, Martin Luther University Halle Wittenberg, Halle, Germany* "Tumor-induced immune escape mechanisms due to deregulation of immune relevant components"
- 17.45 18.15 **Federico Garrido** Departamento de Bioquimica, Biologia Molecular III e Inmunologia, Facultad de Medicina, Universidad de Granada, Spain "Cancer Immune Escape: HLA Class I Loss And Tumour Tissue Architecture"
- 18.15 20.00 Proffered Papers

Toos Daemen Department of Medical Microbiology, Tumor Virology and Cancer Immunotherapy, University of Groningen, University Medical Center Groningen, Groningen, the Netherlands "Semliki Forest Virus-based anticancer vaccines"



D.H. Madsen Center for Cancer Immune Therapy (CCIT), Copenhagen University Hospital, Herlev, Denmark "Tumor extracellular Matrix as a potent regulator of intratumoral immunity"

Ch. Delle, D.H. Madsen Center for Cancer Immune Therapy (CCIT), Dept. of Haematology, Herlev Hospital, Herlev Ringvej, Denmark "Is the activity of tumor-infiltrating T cells modulated by colon cancer cells?"

M. Eckey *JPT Peptide Technologies GmbH, Berlin, Germany* "TERS-routine application of a new tool for standardizing functional T-cell assays"

Elena Quaglino Department of Molecular Biotechnology and Health Sciences, University of Turin, Italy "TENM4 emerges as a potential target for Triple Negative Breast Cancer Stem Cells immune-targeting"

Barbara-ann Guinn School of Life Sciences - Biomedical Science, University of Hull, Hull, UK "New targets for the immunotherapy of adult B-acute lymphocytic leukaemia"

Barbara-ann Guinn School of Life Sciences - Biomedical Science, University of Hull, Hull, UK "Can a cancer-testis antigen act as biomarker for early stage ovarian cancer?"

20.00 - 22.00 WELCOME RECEPTION



Day 2 - Thursday 28 September 2017

SESSION 3
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Session Chair: W.H. Fridman

- 09.00 09.30 **Efstratios Stratikos**, *National Center for Scientific Research Demokritos*, *Agia Paraskevi, Athens, Greece* "Modulating intracellular antigen processing for enhancing tumour antigenicity"
- 09.30 10.00 **Wolf Herve Fridman**, *INSERM Paris, France; Université Paris Descartes/Paris V, Sorbonne Paris Cité, Paris, France* "Cancer microenvironments: prognostic and theranostic impacts"
- 10.00 10.30 **Doriana Fruci**, *Immuno-Oncology Laboratory, Ospedale Pediatrico Bambino, Rome, Italy* "Clinical relevance of tumor-infiltrating immune cells in neuroblastoma"
- 10.30 11.00 **Ioannis Pateras**, *Department of Histology and Embryology, University of Athens, Greece* "Biomarkers in Inflammation- relevance to cancer"
- 11.00 11.30 COFFEE BREAK

SESSION 4

Session Chair: C. Figdor

- 11.30 12.00 **Gustav Gaudernack**, Department of Immunology, Institute for Cancer Research, University Hospital-Radiumhospitalet, Oslo, Norway "Clinical trials with a second generation hTERT vaccine, UV1. Single agent therapy and combination with checkpoint inhibitors"
- 12.00 12.30 **Sjoerd van der Burg**, *Leiden University Medical Center, The Netherlands* "Cancer Immunotherapy, not without vaccination"
- 12.30 13.00 **Carl Figdor**, Department of Tumor Immunology, Radboud Institute for Molecular Life Sciences, Nijmegen, The Netherlands "21st Century Cancer Vaccines"
- 13.00 13.30 COFFEE BREAK

SESSION 5

Session Chair: P. Coulie

- 13.30 14.00 **Federica Cavallo**, *Molecular Biotechnology Center, University Turin, Italy* "The cystine/ glutamate antiporterxCT: A new cancer stem cell target for anticancer vaccines"
- 14.00 14.30 **Pierre Coulie**, *de Duve Institute, Université Catholique de Louvain, Brussels, Belgium* "Immunogenicity of primary breast carcinomas"
- 14.30 15.00 **Kostas Kosmatopoulos**, *Vaxon Biotech, Paris, France* "Optimized cryptic peptides: a universal neoantigen therapeutic cancer approach"



15.00 - 16.30 LUNCH

Chairs: F. Cavallo, C. Baxevanis

16.30 - 18.15 Proffered Papers

Simon Klaessens, Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, Brussels; Belgium. de Duve Institute, Université catholique de Louvain, Brussels, Belgium "Tryptophan 2,3-dioxygenase, an enzyme involved in tumour immune escape, is positively regulated by its substrate tryptophan"

Alvaro Lladser, *Laboratory of Gene Immunotherapy, Fundacion Ciencia* ⊕ *Vida, Santiago, Chile* "Vaccination-induced skin-resident and circulating memory CD8+ T cells collaborate to mediate broad protection against cutaneous melanoma"

Marit R. Myhre, Department of Cellular Therapy, Section for Cancer Immunology, Oslo University Hospital-The Norwegian Radium Hospital, Oslo, Norway "Exploiting CD4+ T cells for adoptive cell therapy in cancer"

Thomas W. Smith, Department of Surgery, Loyola University Medical Center; Department of Surgery, Medical University of South Carolina, USA "Genetically enhanced T cells with IL2Ra lead to increased survival and proliferation"

Marius Strioga, *National Cancer Institute, Vilnius, Lithuania* "Chemoimmunotherapy using autologous dendritic cell vaccines for the treatment of recurrent glioblastoma multiforme"

Raquel Tarazona, Immunology Unit, University of Extremadura, Cáceres, Spain "Increased expression of activating receptors and recovery of NK cell function in Acute Myeloid Leukaemia patients after in vitro culture with IL-15"

Claudia Wurzenberger, *Immunocore Ltd.*, *Milton Park*, *Abingdon*, *Oxfordshire*, *UK* "ImmTACTM: From TCR discovery to bi-specific immunotherapeutic agents for the treatment of cancer"

18.15 - 18.45 COFFEE BREAK

"Satellite Session by the industry"

- 18.45 19.15 **Paul Lehmann**, *Case Western Reserve University, USA* "Tumor antigen recognition by healthy individuals and cancer patients"
- 19.15 19.45 **Robert Stad**, *Perkin Elmer*, "Immunophenotyping the Tumor Microenvironment in FEPE Sections"
- 20.00 22.00 DINNER



Day 3 - Friday 29 September 2017

SESSION 6

Session Chair: V. Umansky

- 09.00 09.30 **Victor Umansky**, *Skin Cancer Unit, German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ), Heidelberg, Germany* "Accumulation of myeloid-derived suppressor cells in melanoma microenvironment and their targeting"
- 09.30 10.00 **Vincenzo Bronte**, *Department of Medicine, University Hospital, University of Verona, Italy* "Myeloid cells assist tumor progression by molecular mechanisms either dependent or independent from adaptive immunity"
- 10.00 10.30 **Suzanne Ostrand-Rosenberg**, *Department of Biological Sciences, University of Maryland Baltimore County, Baltimore, MD* "The good, the bad, and the in-between: immune suppression, obesity, and tumor progression"
- 10.30 11.00 COFFEE BREAK

SESSION 7

Session Chair: S. Ostrand-Rosenberg

- 1 1.00 1 1.30 **Vincenzo Cerundolo**, *MRC Human Immunology Unit, University of Oxford, UK* "Amino acid degrading enzymes and their role in tumour immune escape mechanisms"
- 11.30 12.00 **Benoit van den Eynde**, *Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, Oxford, UK* "Mechanisms of resistance to cancer immunotherapy"
- 12.00 12.15 POSTER AWARDS
- 12.15 14.00 LUNCH

SESSION 8

Session Chair: G. Pawelec

- 14.00 14.30 **Gunter Hammerling** *Division of Molecular Immunology, German Cancer Research Center Heidelberg, Germany* "Reprogramming of the tumor microenvironment for efficient cancer immunotherapy"
- 14.30 15.00 **Graham Pawelec** Second Department of Internal Medicine, University of Tübingen, Germany "Immunotherapy of Cancer: triumphs and challenges, and the impact of immunosenescence"
- 15.00 15.30 **Cornelis Melief** Department of Immunohematology and Blood Transfusion, Leiden University Medical Center, The Netherlands "Combination immunotherapy against cancers expressing viral or neo-antigens"

15.30 - 16.00 COFFFF BREAK

SESSION 9

Session Chair: C. Gouttefangeas

- 16.00 16.30 **Gosse Adema** Department of Tumor Immunology, Radboud Institute for Molecular Life Sciences, Nijmegen, The Netherlands "Immuno-combination therapies for cancer"
- 16.30 17.00 **Antonia Dimitrakopoulou-Strauss** *Clinical Cooperation Unit Nuclear Medicine, German Cancer Research Center, Heidelberg, Germany* "Therapy monitoring of immune checkpoint inhibitors in patients with metastatic melanoma with PET-CT"
- 17.00 17.30 **Cecile Gouttefangeas** *Group leader at the Institute for Cell Biology, Department of Immunology, Tübingen, Germany* "Immunomonitoring as a tool to identify biomarkers predicting the outcome of immunotherapy-treated patients"
- 17.30 19.00 Cancer Immunology and Immunotherapy editorial board meeting
- 19.00 20.30 DINNER

Saturday 30, September 2017

Free day - Excursion to Epidaurus old theater, Ancient Mycenae, Nafplion

