
Scientific Program

Chairman: Prof. Jean-Pierre Pelletier
Co-Chairman: Prof. Michel Lequesne

Friday 21 May 1999

Welcome *Georges Bernard Guillou (France)*

Presentation of the workshop *Emmanuel Maheu (France)*

Introducing remarks *Jean-Pierre Pelletier (Canada)/
Michel Lequesne (France)*

Introduction lecture

Successive workshops

Session 1: Epidemiology — Genetics and risk factors

Chair Tim Spector (UK)
Co-chair Umberto Serni (Italy)
Secretary Michael Doherty (UK)

Short presentations

- Introduction: Review on epidemiology of hand OA *Tim Spector (UK)*
- Genetics of nodal/hand OA *Michael Doherty (UK)*
- New Italian data on epidemiology of Hand OA *Umberto Serni (Italy)*

Session 2: Clinical aspects — Clinical assessment of hand OA

Chair Eric Vignon (France)
Co-chair Marc C. Hochberg (USA)
Secretary Emmanuel Maheu (France)

Short presentations

- Introduction: Hand OA as a marker of OA *Eric Vignon (France)*
- Pain and disability in hand OA among elderly women: data from women's health and aging study *Marc C. Hochberg (USA)*
- Clinical tools to assess hand OA *Emmanuel Maheu (France)*
- New data on the functional index for hand OA *R. Liliane Dreiser (France)*
- Grip strength as a predictor of incident radiographic hand OA *Christine E. Chaisson (USA)*
- New data on the validation process of AUSCAN *Nick Bellamy (Australia)*
- A weekly self assessment of painful joints in patients with hand OA: a new tool? *Emmanuel Maheu (France)*

Discussion

Session 3: Imaging — Radiological assessment of hand OA

Chair Gust Verbruggen (Belgium)
Co-chair J. Chris Buckland-Wright (UK)
Secretary Paul Boulos-Haraoui (Canada)

Short presentations

- Review of the radiological methods to assess hand OA *Gust Verbruggen (Belgium)*
- Advancement of the zone of calcified cartilage into articular cartilage and the role of subchondral bony changes to the onset and development of hand OA *J. Chris Buckland-Wright (UK)*
- Progression — retardation of finger joint OA lesions as a variable to assess DMOADS *Gust Verbruggen (Belgium)*
- Inter-rater reliability of 4 radiological scoring methods for hand OA *Emmanuel Maheu/Christian Cadet (France)*

Discussion

Session 4: Therapeutics and methods to assess efficacy of therapeutics in hand OA

Chair Xavier Chevalier (France)
Co-chair Silvia Babini (Argentina)
Secretary Othmane Mejjad (France)

Short presentations

- Review of the clinical trials performed in hand OA *Othmane Mejjad (France)*
- Methodological recommendations to assess drug efficacy in hand OA — Proposals *Michel Lequesne (France)*

Discussion

Synthesis preparation by chair, co-chair and secretary for each session

Saturday 22 May 1999

Results of the sessions: What have we learned?

Introduction *Jean-Pierre Pelletier (Canada)*

Reports from Sessions 1 *Michael Doherty (UK)*
and 2 *Marc C. Hochberg (USA)*

Synthesis and discussion

Reports from Sessions 3 *Christopher Buckland-Wright (UK)* **and 4** *Xavier Chevalier (France)*

Synthesis and discussion

General conclusion: Which goals for the future?
Jean-Pierre Pelletier (Canada)/Michel Lequesne (France)