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NEWSLETTER

MAY 2002

Dear colleagues,

Shortly before the meeting in Siena I am happy to send you the yearly newsletter. This newsletter contains the information for the general assembly. Further information on the meeting you can find on the website. I hope to see you all in Siena, preferably already during the Biomed meeting on Saturday afternoon.

Han van Krieken

Message from the secretary

The executive committee gathered in Siena on January 20 to prepare the program of the 2002 meeting. The proposal by the team headed by Leoncini was accepted and resulted in the promising set of activities you have seen announced.

The 2000 London meeting organised by Isaacson and his team was evaluated and considered to be a great success, there were many compliments from delegates; the workshop report will be submitted to the Am J Surg Path. Preliminary balance indicates a small profit, which will be saved for reprints.

Suggestions for upcoming meetings: in the *workshop* less presentations, more discussion; *poster session*: authors present on indicated times; all authors bring 2-3 slides including one that shows the faces of all authors; 6-10 selected posters will be presented by the chairman

The 2004 meeting will be in the fall, Sept 25-30 in Thessaloniki, Greece. The meeting will be organized by Papadimitriou and different active Greek members will support the organization. The president, past president and the meeting secretary will visit the meeting facilities two years in advance.

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Composition of the executive committee: in 2002 Baroni, Franssila and Hurwitz will leave as well as Isaacson; Leoncini, Vanderwalt, Ralfkiaer and Wilkins will be proposed to replace them.

The ESP will organize a new meeting: slide seminar and lectures by the working groups for young pathologists. Hurwitz will propose a slide seminar in the bone marrow group. Baroni will invite a member for a lecture.

The website is updated and can be reached by www.haematopathology.org.

Agenda for the general assembly

1. Welcome and opening
2. Report of the general assembly May 9, 2000 (see previous newsletter)
3. Report from the meeting secretary
4. Report from the treasurer
5. Proposal for new board members to replace Isaacson, Baroni, Franssila and Hurwitz: Leoncini, Vanderwalt, Ralfkiaer and Wilkins. New president: Stein. New president elect: Piris; New meeting secretary elect: Campo
6. Proposal 2004 meeting: Thessaloniki, Greece (25-30 Sept 2004). President: Papadimitriou
7. Proposal for 2006 meeting
8. Other business

Meeting calendar

2002

Information: Miguel A Piris, Meeting Secretary, email: mapiris@cniio.es.

- Sienna, **EAHP**, 26th-29th May. See for further information and complete program www.unisi.it/eventi/EAHP2002. Abstracts will be published in the JCP.
- Firenze, EAH-7, 4th-7th June.
- Lugano, Lymphoma Meeting, 11th-15th June.
- London, November 29th Annual Meeting of the British Division of the IAP on lymphoreticular disease (Nick.Rooney@ruh-bath.swest.nhs.uk).
- Ljubljana: An update on diagnostic approach to the malignant lymphomas December 5-6, 2002 (information jjjancar@onko-i.si)

Financial report (by Han van Krieken)

Financial accounts 14/07/2000 - 31/12/2000

Balance July 14, 2000 fl 120.575,64

Revenues

Membership fees 2000 fl 25.519,80

Special funds fl 1.835,00

Interest bank normal account 2000 fl 98,06

Revenues subtotal fl 27.452,86

Expenses

Charges bank fl 291,04

Expenses workshop Panel EAHP fl 16.600,31

Expenses total fl 16.891,35

Balance 2000 fl **131.137,15**

Financial accounts 01/01/2001 - 31/12/2001

Balance January 1, 2001 fl 131.137,15

Revenues

Membership fees fl 11.594,81

Special funds fl 440,00

Revenues meeting Exp. Univ. London fl 15.544,35

Interest normal account fl 202,97

Interest busin. account fl 1.107,53

Interest bonusbusin. account fl 131,25

Revenues subtotal fl 29.020,91

Expenses

Secretarial costs fl 1.842,00

Expenses board meeting Siena fl 13.291,28

Expenses workshop panel meeting Siena fl 1.362,99

Charges bank fl 830,27

Expenses reprints fl 7.727,53

Expenses total fl 25.054,07

Balance 2001 fl **135.103,99**

€ **61.307,52**

Conference Announcement

Dear Colleague,

Presently we are organising the **14th Germinal Centre Conference** on "Lymphatic Tissues and Germinal Centres in Immune Reactions", to be held in Groningen, the Netherlands, 23 - 27 June 2002.

As a member of the European Association of of Haematopathology, we thought you might be interested in attending this meeting.

Traditionally, Germinal Centre Conferences (the first one was held in 1966) deal with **in vivo** Immunology and focus on the relation between structure and function of lymphoid organs involved in immune reactions.

For 14 GCC traditional lines like only plenary sessions, an excellent set of invited speakers/chairpersons (all have accepted), a restricted number of participants (250 max.) and a stimulating social program (included in the fee!) will form the basic ingredients of 14 GCC.

However, for a good meal more is needed than just basic ingredients. As you may see from our provisional program, there is ample space for your own contribution to give an extra flavour to this meeting.

So this is inviting you to come to Groningen and present your data in one of the 7 sessions scheduled over a 4 day period.

For all information, on the history of GCC as well as on our Scientific and Social program and Registration, please visit our website at <http://www.14GCC.rug.nl>.

Looking forward to meeting you in Groningen,
With kind regards,
Paul Nieuwenhuis
Chairman Organising Committee

P.S. In case you may not have the opportunity to come to Groningen yourself, perhaps people in your immediate (or not so immediate) surroundings might be interested. If so, please forward this message to them.

Thank you!

Conference Announcement



BIOMED-2 Concerted Action BMH4-CT98-3936

PCR-BASED CLONALITY STUDIES FOR EARLY DIAGNOSIS OF LYMPHOPROLIFERATIVE DISEASES



XIth Meeting of the European Association for Haematopathology BIOMED-2 Satellite Symposium Saturday, May 25th, 2002, SIENNA, IT (14:00 – 18:30)

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| 14:00 – 14:30 | <i>J.J.M. van Dongen</i> (Rotterdam, NL)
BIOMED-2 Concerted Action: aims and first results |
| 14:30 – 15:00 | <i>A.W. Langerak</i> (Rotterdam, NL)
Guidelines for heteroduplex and GeneScan analysis of Ig/TCR PCR products |
| 15:00 – 15:20 | <i>M. Brüggemann</i> (Kiel, DE)
TCRB gene rearrangements as new PCR target for clonality studies and for detection of minimal residual disease |
| 15:20 – 15:40 | <i>P.A. Evans</i> (Leeds, GB)
Real-time quantitative PCR detection of <i>BCL2-IGH</i> fusions of t(14;18) |
| 15:40 – 16:00 | <i>H. White</i> (Southampton, GB)
PCR-based clonality studies on DNA from paraffin-embedded tissues |
| 16:00 – 16:30 | <i>BREAK</i> |
| 16:30 – 16:45 | <i>G. Salles</i> (Lyon, FR)
PCR-based detection of Ig/TCR gene rearrangements in diffuse large B-cell lymphomas (DLBCL) |
| 16:45 – 17:00 | <i>E.A. Macintyre</i> (Paris, FR)
PCR-based detection of Ig/TCR gene rearrangements in anaplastic large cell lymphomas (ALCL) |
| 17:00 – 17:15 | <i>J. Cabçadas</i> (Lisboa, PT)
PCR-based detection of Ig/TCR gene rearrangements in follicular lymphomas (FCL) |
| 17:15 – 17:30 | <i>C. Pott</i> (Kiel, DE)
PCR-based detection of Ig/TCR gene rearrangements in peripheral T-cell lymphomas |
| 17:30 – 17:45 | <i>J.H.J.M. van Krieken</i> (Nijmegen, NL)
PCR-based clonality of Ig/TCR gene rearrangements in gene rearrangements in reactive lesions |
| 17:45 – 18:00 | <i>R. García Sanz</i> (Salamance, ES)
<i>IGH</i> gene rearrangements patterns in multiple myeloma |
| 18:00 – 18:30 | Discussion and announcements (moderator: J.J.M. van Dongen) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• European Study Group on PCR-based clonality studies in lymphoproliferations• Quality Control program for PCR-based clonality studies |
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REGISTRATION FORM

For BIOMED-2 Concerted Action members

Name:

Address:

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Telephone:

Telefax:

E-mail:

I will join the BIOMED-2 Satellite Symposium (Saturday, May 25): YES NO

I will join the BIOMED-2 Concerted Action Meeting (Sunday, May 26): YES NO

I will join the BIOMED-2 dinner on Saturday evening, May 25: YES NO

Signature:

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