



Virtual International Symposium

1-3 September 2023

Program

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# International Symposium

Friday September 1, 2023

PARALLEL ROOM

### Opening remarks

D.P. Bogdanos (Greece) & L.I. Sakkas (Greece)

#### 10.00-12.00

### Session 1: Genes, Environment and autoimmunity

Chair: D.P. Goulis (Greece), A. Koutsoumpas (Greece/UK)

- Molecular mimicry as a trigger of autoimmunity D.P. Bogdanos (Greece)
- Immunopathogenesis of spondyloarthritis A. Watad (Israel)
- Genetic and other biomarkers in psoriatic arthritis C. Perricone (Italy)
- Pathogenesis of autoimmune thyroiditis D. Goulis (Greece)

Remarks: D. Goulis (Greece)

#### 12.00-13.30

#### Session 2: Provocative topics in autoimmunity

Chair: E.I. Rigopoulou (Greece)

- Is fibromyalgia an autoimmune disease?
  - Y. Shoenfeld (Israel)
- Can we prevent PsA in patients with psoriasis?
  - A. Watad (Israel)
- Why POTS could be considered an immune-mediated or autoimmune disease: emerging concepts
  - Z. Lazurova (Slovakia)
- Polyautoimmunity in Common Variable Immunodeficiency M.G. Danieli (Italy)

Remarks: E.I. Rigopoulou (Greece)

13.30-14.30

Break



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14.30-16.00

#### Session 3: Infection and Autoimmunity

Chairs: I. Kostoglou (Greece), M.G. Danieli (Italy)

- COVID-19 and autoimmune thyroiditis: casual and causal relationship I. Kostoalou (Greece)
- Long Covid, chronic fatigue syndrome and immune dysfunction: a detailed functional characterization

M. Osman (Canada)

- COVID-19, post-acute COVID-19 syndrome (PACS, "long COVID") and post-COVID-19 vaccination syndrome (PCVS, "post-COVIDvac-syndrome"): Similarities and differences with respect to inflammation and autoimmunity F. Scholkmann (Switzerland)
- Re-evaluation of high affinity-predicted peptides in SARS-CoV-2 molecular mimicry studies through the lens of different affinity thresholds of the HLA alleles

Y. Adiguzel (Turkey)

Remarks: I. Kostoglou (Greece)

16.00-18.00

#### Session 4: Nutrition, Immunity and Autoimmunity

Chairs: M. Gramatikopoulou, D. Polymeros (Greece)

- Gluten and systemic inflammation
  - A. Lerner (Israel)
- Obesity, chronic inflammation and autoimmunity
  - P. Bastos (Sweden/Portugal)
- Nutritional modulation of autoimmunity
  - P. Bastos (Sweden/Portugal)
- Immunonutrition in pressure ulcers: results from randomized controlled trials M. Grammatikopoulou (Greece)
- Dietary manipulation of the gut microbiome as a treatment for autoimmune diseases; Inflammatory Bowel Diseases leading the way

V. Svolos (Greece/UK)



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### PARALLEL ROOM

#### 10.30-12.00

### Session 5: Emerging aspects of autoimmunity

Chair: A. Koutsoumpas

- Gluten and non-celiac autoimmunity
  - A. Lerner (Israel)
- Hormones and autoimmunity: emerging issues of a continuum V. Borba (Israel)
- Autoimmune Diagnostics and Polymorphisms in Metabolic Enzymes M. Schneider (Germany)

#### 12.00-13.30

#### Session 6: Autoantibodies: Diagnostic and clinical Implications

Chairs: C. Tsigalou (Greece), J. Damoiseaux (The Netherlands)

- Diagnosis vs classification of autoimmune diseases: the positioning of autoantibodies
  - J. Damoiseaux (The Netherlands)
- Prediction and prevention of rheumatoid arthritis M. Mahler (USA)
- Is immunofluorescence about to disappear in clinical laboratories? N. Bizzaro (Italy)

Remarks: C. Tsigalou (Greece)

## 13.30-16.00

### Session 7: Autoantibodies: markers or makers? The best of

Chairs: D.P. Bogdanos (Greece), P.-L. Meroni (Italy)

- Pragmatic aspects of precision health; an update M. Frizler (Canada)
- Epitope specificity of anti-beta2GPI IgG in APS: clinical relevance P.-L. Meroni (Italy)
- IgG4 antibodies after mRNA injections
  - M. Raszek (Canada)
- Autoantibodies in Idiopathic Inflammatory Myopathies D. Ielo (Italy)
- Autoantibodies as markers in inflammatory bowel diseases: new challenges
  - D. Roggenbuck (Germany)

Remarks: D.P. Bogdanos



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**PARALLEL ROOM** 

16.00-16.30

Novel Aspects in Autoimmunity

Chair: D.P. Bogdanos (Greece)

• Chat GTP and artificial intelligence: what it changes dramatically for patients and physicians Y. Mvir (Israel)





# **International Symposium**

**Sunday September 3, 2023** 

## PARALLEL ROOM

10.00-11.30

#### Round Table. Clinical Aspects of Autoimmunity I

Chairs: P. Stamatis, G. Karygiannis (Greece)

- Residual pain in spondyloarthritis N. Luciano (Italy)
- Functional connectivity associated with response to biologics in rheumatoid arthritis and spondyloarthritis
  - Y. Fuiieda (Japan)
- The usefulness of magnetic resonance imaging of the salivary glands in primary Sjogren's syndrome
  - M. Maślińska (Poland)

11.30-14.00

## Round Table. Clinical Aspects of Autoimmunity II

Chair: A. Koutroubas (Greece)

- Determinants and management of difficult to treat (D2T) rheumatoid and psoriatic arthritis'?
  - C. Selmi (Italy)
- Catastrophic antiphospholipid syndrome?
  - R. Cervera (Spain)
- Renal involvement of Scleroderma
  - L. Mouthon (France)
- Smartphone images of digital ulcers provide a clear picture of scleroderma's progression for the first rheumatology visit
  - A. Madenidou (UK)



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### Young Investigators - Oral Presentations

Chairs: C. Liaskos, M. Mytilinaiou (Greece)

- Low-dose Intravenous Immunoglobulin treatment in ocular myositis E. Antonelli (Italv)
- Refractory chronic spontaneous urticaria treated with Intravenous Immunoglobulin in a patient with common variable immunodeficiency I. Claudi (Italv)
- Heterozygus mutation in NLRP3 gene in a family with autoimmune diseases and immunodeficiency
  - D. Palmeri (Italy)
- Efficacy of on-label biologic use for palmoplantar psoriasis: systematic review and network meta-analyses
  - S. Tsiogkas (Greece)
- EBV as a trigger of systemic sclerosis: a humoral study
  - G. Efthymiou (Greece)
- Pathogen antigen-specific antibody reactivity in myasthenia gravis E. Papagianni (Greece)
- Proteomics in fibromyalgia: a systematic review
  - A. Gouvi (Greece)
- Prevalence of malnutrition in patients with autoimmune rheumatic diseases: a single center study
  - E. Pardali (Greece)



