3<sup>RD</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON RESPONSIBLE STEM CELLS RESEARCH

# FROM CELLS TO CELL PRODUCTS: DEVELOPMENT OF NEW THERAPEUTIC TOOLS

WEDNESDAY 16 – FRIDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2016

Padova, Italy

## WEDNESDAY 16 AFTERNOON

#### **Opening Session**

- 14.00: Opening Address
- 14.30: Regenerative Medicine: meeting the expectations? *K. LeBlanc (Sweden)*
- 15.00: Significance of paracrine signaling in cell therapy J. Frisen (Sweden)
- 15.30: Stem Regenerative Medicine as tissue/organ replacement: the challenge of Tissue Engineering. *P. De Coppi (UK)*
- 16.00: Stem cell based therapies for cancer *Khalid Shah, (USA)*
- 16.30: Impact of the "Disease-in-a-Dish" model on the management of genetic diseases *G.Tiscornia*, *(Spain)*
- 17.00: Bioethics Henk Ten Have (USA)
- 17.30: Discussion
- 18.00: Coffee Break
- 18.30: Nobel Prize Lecture (video conference): Dissecting human reprogramming towards pluripotency S. Yamanaka (Japan)

19.00: Welcome drink

## **THURSDAY 17 MORNING: CLINICAL**

## I Plenary Session: Clinical advances in cell therapy and tissue engineering

09.00: Cell Therapy of Multiple Sclerosis at bedside. A Uccelli (Italy)

09.25: Regenerative Medicine as tissue/organ regeneration: the new approach of extracellular vesicles. *G. Camussi (Italy)* 

09.50: Tissue engineering at bedside: the paradigm of corneal reconstruction (P. Rama, Italy) 10.15: Mesenchymal Stem/stromal Cells from biology to clinical use. *S. Scheding (Sweden)* 

10.40: Bioethics of clinical applications. C. Petrini, Rome)

11.05: Coffee Break

### **II Plenary Session**

#### Mesenchymal stem/stromal cells (MSCs)

11.30: Opinion and evolving concept on MSCs (L. Sensebè, France)

11.55: Mechanisms of immune modulation by MSCs (A. Viola, Italy)

12.20 The potential of MSCs as vehicles for drug delivery

A. Pessina (Italy)

#### **Focus on Cell Factories**

*Moderators: M. Krampera, Italy; A Pessina, Italy* 12.45: GMP facilities for cell therapy: comparing challenges for a private company and a public hospital *(M. Jurga, Belgium, L. Lazzari, Italy)* 13.20: End of Session

## **THURSDAY 17 AFTERNOON: RESEARCH**

#### **III Plenary Session: Paracrine signaling**

14.30: Extracellular vesicles: biology and characterization (*P.J. Quesenberry, USA*)
14.55: Regulation of immune responses by extracellular vesicles and potential applications for immunotherapy of cancer and infectious diseases (*PD Robbins, USA*)
15.20: Mesenchymal stromal cell-derived extracelluar vesicles as immune modulators (*M. Muraca, Italy*)
15.45: Bioethics of research (*M. Condic, USA*)
16.10: Coffe Break

#### 16.40 - 18.30: First Parallel Session

Session A: LIVER: Key lecture (*E. Sokal, Belgium*): Cell Therapy of inherited liver metabolic diseases *Free Communications* 

Session B: Immunotherapy of cancer (*M. Dominici, Italy*) Free Communications

Session C: to be defined *Free Communications* 

Social Dinner

## FRIDAY 18 MORNING: RESEARCH

#### IVa Plenary Session (Cell Reprogramming and Epigenetics)

- 09.00: Epigenetic and mechano-sensing related control of cell fate *N. Elvassore (Italy)*
- 09.25: Epigenetic conversion of cell lineage *T. Brevini (Italy)*
- 09.50 Cell reprogramming for the study of hereditary neurological diseases

### IVb Plenary Session (Bioartificial organs and organ reconstruction)

- 10.15: Bioartificial organs: dead or alive? (Z. Pitkin, USA)
- 10.40: Tissue engineering of the gastrointestinal tract (T.C. Grikscheit, USA)

11.00: Coffee Break

### 11.30 – 13.30: Second Parallel Session (Tissue biology)

Session A: Stem cell treatment of multple sclerosis (*N. Scholding, UK*) *Free Communications* 

Session B) :Neural stem cells and neurogenesis in the adult (C. Göritz, Sweden) *Free Communications* 

Session C: to be defined *Free Communications* 

# FRIDAY 18 AFTERNOON

#### V Plenary Session (Resources, regulations, media)

14.30: Trends in EU regulations - EMA. D. Melchiorri (Italy, EMA-CHMP member)

- 14.55: Trends in EU regulations Tissue/organ transplantation. C. Pintus (Italy)
- 15.20: Industry perspective. A. Vertes (UK)

15.45: Coffe Break

16.15: The pivotal role of media in the advancement of therapeutic tools. R. Stutzki (CH)

16.40: The role of patient organizations

17.05: Cord blood banking. A. Nanni Costa (Italy)

17.30: Bioethics of resources. S. Semplici (UNESCO)

18.00: End of Session