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WELCOME TO ET-18 CONFERENCE!

Welcome to the «International Conference on Endothelin» (ET-18), in Rome, Italy.

For more than three decades the Endothelin Conferences have been global venues for scientists and clinicians to meet and discuss recent developments in basic endothelin research, as well as clinical applications of endothelin receptor antagonists and use of endothelin as a biomarker of disease.

The conference program of the ET-18 conference includes lectures and presentations from leading authorities and young investigators in the endothelin field. The program will also include updates on the most recent clinical trials on endothelin-targeting drugs, as well as thematic sessions.

We look forward to this first in-person endothelin conference after the COVID-19 pandemic. We are confident that the meeting will provide stimulating discussion and scientific exchange, and the opportunity to renew friendships with your colleagues from around the world.

On behalf of the Conference Co-Chairs



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WEDNESDAY, 11th OCTOBER 2023 - AFTERNOON

02:00 p.m. *Speakers Briefing*
05:00 p.m.

05:00 p.m. Registration
06:00 p.m.

06:00 p.m. **Welcome Faculty Meeting**
08:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, 12th OCTOBER 2023 - MORNING

08:50 a.m. Opening remarks:
 C. Cardillo (Rome, IT)
09:00 a.m. **N. Dhaun** (Edinburgh, UK)
 F. Schinzari (Rome, IT)

SESSION I - ENDOTHELIN TARGETING IN ONCOLOGY

Chairpersons: **P. D'Orleans-Juste** (Sherbrooke, CA)
J. Maguire (Cambridge, UK)

09:00 a.m. Opening Lecture
09:30 a.m. **A. Davenport** (Cambridge, UK)
Recent advances in drugs acting on the endothelin system

09:30 a.m. KeyNote Lecture:
10:00 a.m. **R. Savai** (Giessen, DE)
Role of the endothelin system in cancer-supporting phenotypic alterations

10:00 a.m. **A. Bagnato** (Rome, IT)
10:15 a.m. Identification of new therapeutic vulnerabilities in cancer exploiting the molecular ET-averse

10:15 a.m. **I. Masi** (Rome, IT)
10:30 a.m. Regulation of invasion and peritoneal dissemination of serous ovarian cancer by Endothelin A receptor and Integrin β interplay

10:30 a.m. **D. Boquet** (Gif-Sur-Yvette, FR)
10:45 a.m. Preclinical immunotherapeutic approaches to treat tumours overexpressing endothelin receptors

10:45 a.m. **R. Sestito** (Rome, IT)
11:00 a.m. The endothelin-1/ miR-200b-c/ZEB1 circuit drives novel gasdermin E nuclear functions to fuel inflammatory responses and metastatic progression in high-grade serous ovarian

11:00 a.m. *Coffee Break*
11:30 a.m.

SESSION II - ENDOTHELIN ANTAGONISM IN HYPERTENSION

Chairpersons: **D. Webb** (Edinburgh, UK)
I. Vaneckova (Prague, CZ)

- 11:30 a.m. KeyNote Lecture:
12:00 p.m. **E. Schiffrin** (Montreal, CA)
Non-selective endothelin receptor antagonism in resistant hypertension: the PRECISION trial
- 12:00 p.m. **D. Pollock** (Birmingham, USA)
12:15 p.m. Evidence for endothelin regulation of the suprachiasmatic nucleus – the master circadian clock
- 12:15 p.m. **A. Berry** (Boulder, USA)
12:30 p.m. Hypertension Worsens Endothelin-1-Mediated Vasoconstrictor Tone in Adults with Obesity
- 12:30 p.m. **Y. Abdul** (Charleston, USA)
12:45 p.m. Environmental Enrichment after Ischemic Stroke Decreases Brain Endothelin -1 (ET-1) and ETA Receptor Expression in Spontaneously Hypertensive Rats
- 12:45 p.m. **Special Lecture of the Nobel Laureate**
01:15 p.m. **Louis J. Ignarro** (Los Angeles, USA)
- 01:15 p.m. *Lunch*
02:15 p.m.
- 02:15 p.m. **J. Pollock** (Birmingham, USA), **M. Gumz** (Gainesville, USA)
03:15 p.m. Poster Discussion

THURSDAY, 12th OCTOBER 2023 - AFTERNOON

SESSION III - ENDOTHELIN AND NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS

Chairpersons: **R. Tostes** (Sao Paulo, BR)
K. Hyndman (Birmingham, USA)

03:15 p.m. KeyNote Lecture:
03:45 p.m. **A. Ergul** (Charleston, USA)
Effects of endothelin on the brain microvasculature

03:45 p.m. **M. Lavhale** (Greater Noida, IN)
04:00 p.m. Sovateltide, a neural progenitor cell therapeutic for the
treatment of acute ischemic stroke, shows no effect on the
thrombolytic activity of t-PA

04:00 p.m. **A. Ranjan** (Willowbrook, USA)
04:15 p.m. Role of Sovateltide Mediated Agonism of Endothelin B Re-
ceptors in Regeneration and Repair in the Adult Brain after
Ischemic Stroke

04:15 p.m. **Y. Abdul** (Charleston, USA)
04:30 p.m. Intranasal inhibition of brain endothelin receptor A (ETA)
exerts positive effects on cognitive functions in a hypoper-
fusion model of VCID in diabetic rats

04:30 p.m. Invited Lecture:
05:00 p.m. **A. Gulati** (Illinois, USA)
Advances in the treatment of neurologic disorders using
drugs active on the endothelin system

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SESSION IV - RECENT ACQUISITIONS IN THE TREATMENT OF KIDNEY DISEASE

Chairpersons: **A. Benigni** (Bergamo, IT)
D. Pollock (Birmingham, USA)

09:00 a.m. KeyNote Lecture:
09:30 a.m. **H. Lambers Heerspink** (Groningen, NL)
Review of recent clinical trials with drugs targeting the endothelin system

09:30 a.m. **M. Sayer** (Edinburgh, UK)
09:45 a.m. First-line treatment with sparsentan, a dual endothelin and angiotensin receptor antagonist, in patients with immunoglobulin A nephropathy: initial results of the SPARTAN study

09:45 a.m. **J. Pollock** (Birmingham, USA)
10:00 a.m. Endothelium-derived endothelin-1 mediates sickle cell inflammation and nephropathy

10:00 a.m. **M. Kasztan** (Birmingham, USA)
10:15 a.m. Endothelin A receptor antagonist promotes iron recycling in murine models of iron overload

10:15 a.m. Invited Lecture:
10:45 a.m. **P. L. Tharaux** (Paris, FR)
Is there a role of endothelin targeting for nephroprotection in the era of SGLT2 or mineralcorticoid receptor inhibition?

10:45 a.m. *Coffee Break*
11:05 a.m.

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SESSION V - CARDIOLOGY

Chairpersons: **J. Pernow** (Stockholm, SE)
R. Gupta (Boston, USA)

11:05 a.m. KeyNote Lecture:
11:35 a.m. **K. Docherty** (Glasgow, UK)
Could targeting the endothelin system become a suitable approach in HFpEF?

11:35 a.m. **S. Das** (Baltimore, USA)
11:50 a.m. Endothelin mediates communication between heart and skeletal muscle during heart failure

11:50 a.m. **A. Berry** (Boulder, USA)
12:05 p.m. Endothelin-1 Impairs the Capacity of Brain Endothelial Cells to Release Tissue-Type Plasminogen Activator

12:05 p.m. **S. Foster** (Herston, AUS)
12:20 p.m. Dissecting endothelin-dependent functional responses in human cardiac organoids to identify new heart failure targets

12:20 p.m. Invited Lecture:
12:55 p.m. **M. Barton** (Zurich, CH)
Endothelin in coronary artery diseases

12:55 p.m. Hot Topic Presentation:
01:15 p.m. **Y. Kurihara** (Tokyo, JP)
Mandibulofacial dysostosis with alopecia resulting from ET_AR gain-of-function

01:15 p.m. *Lunch*
02:00 p.m.

02:00 p.m. **I. Vaneckova** (Prague, CZ), **K. Hyndman** (Birmingham, USA)
03:00 p.m. Poster Discussion

FRIDAY, 13th OCTOBER 2023 - AFTERNOON

SESSION VI - ENDOCRINOLOGY AND METABOLISM

Chairpersons **J. De Mey** (Maastricht, NL)
M. Tesouro (Rome, IT)

03:00 p.m. KeyNote Lecture:
03:30 p.m. **R. Touyz** (Montreal, CA)
Role of endothelin in the oxidative stress associated with
diabetic vasculopathy

03:30 p.m. **J. Speed** (Jackson, USA)
03:45 p.m. Adipocyte specific ETB receptor knockout attenuates
insulin resistance and dyslipidemia in mice fed high fat diet

03:45 p.m. **P. Rinastiti** (Kobe, JP)
04:00 p.m. Loss of Endothelin-2 Impairs Early-Stage Adipocyte
Differentiation

04:00 p.m. **R. Tostes** (Ribeirão Preto, BR)
04:15 p.m. Endothelin-1 promotes perivascular adipose tissue
dysfunction in obese mice via Nrf2 downregulation and
oxidative stress

04:15 p.m. Invited Lecture:
04:45 p.m. **W. Kwanten** (Antwerp, BE)
Role of endothelin and endothelin antagonism in
Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease

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SATURDAY, 14th OCTOBER 2023 - MORNING

SESSION VII - PNEUMOLOGY AND RHEUMATOLOGY

Chairpersons: **P. D'Orleans-Juste** (Sherbrooke, CA)
B. Widyantoro (Jakarta, ID)

KeyNote Lecture:

09:00 a.m. **N. Emoto** (Kobe, JP)

09:30 a.m. Update on the use of endothelin antagonists in pulmonary hypertension

09:30 a.m. **P. Ambery** (Göteborg, SE)

09:45 a.m. Dapagliflozin and ambrisentan co-administration in patients hospitalised with COVID-19. A report from multi-Arm therapeutic sTudy in pre-Icu patients admitted with Covid-19 – Experimental drugs and mechanisms (TACTIC-E)

09:45 a.m. **A. Musthafa** (Kobe, JP)

10:00 a.m. Acute amelioration of inflammatory activity caused by endothelin-2 deficiency during acute lung injury

10:00 a.m. **M. T. Au** (Hong Kong, CH)

10:15 a.m. Targeting endothelin signalling for combating SARS-CoV-2-induced osteochondral defect

Invited Lecture:

10:15 a.m. **N. Dhaun** (Edinburgh, UK)

10:45 a.m. Role of endothelin in vasculitis

10:45 a.m.

11:05 a.m. *Coffee Break*

SATURDAY, 14th OCTOBER 2023 - MORNING

SESSION VIII - DERMATOLOGY AND WOMEN'S HEALTH

Chairpersons: **M. Barton** (Zurich, CH)
D. Kohan (Salt Lake City, USA)

11:05 a.m. KeyNote Lecture:
11:35 a.m. **M. Rendl** (New York, USA)
Endothelin and hair follicle regeneration

11:35 a.m. **A. B. Hartopo** (Yogyakarta, IND)
11:50 a.m. Serum endothelin-1 increased in Indonesian hypertensive females: the result of Sleman HDSS populational survey

11:50 a.m. **J. Faulkner** (Augusta, USA)
12:05 p.m. Leptin is a novel upregulator of placental endothelin-1 in preeclampsia

12:05 p.m. **M. Gumz** (Gainesville, USA)
12:20 p.m. Sex-specific role for the clock protein PER1 in the regulation of renal ET-1 in salt-sensitive hypertension

12:20 p.m. **J. Danser** (Rotterdam, NL)
12:50 p.m. Role of endothelin in pre-eclampsia

12:50 p.m. *Lunch*
01:35 p.m.

01:35 p.m. Round Table: Endothelin Targeting: where are we going?
02:45 p.m. **D. Kohan** (Salt Lake City, USA)
Introduction and Panel Discussion

02:45 p.m. **Award Ceremony**
03:15 p.m.

03:15 p.m. **Highlights of the Meeting**
03:45 p.m. Wrap-up:
M. Yanagisawa (Tsukuba, JP)

03:45 p.m. **Closing remarks of the Conference Chairs**
04:00 p.m.

04:00 p.m. End of the Conference
04:30 p.m.

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