

**THE MOSAIC OF AUTOIMMUNITY**  
**AN INTERNATIONAL SATELLITE OF THE CONGRESS ON AUTOIMMUNITY**  
**KFAR MACCABIAH, ISRAEL, FEBRUARY 10-11, 2008**

**SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM**

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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2008**

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07:50 – 10:00 PLENARY SESSION I

Chairpersons: **M. Sela**, Israel  
**Y. Mekori**, Israel

07:50 INTRODUCTORY WELCOME  
**Y. Blachar**, Israel - *President of the World Medical Association (WMA)*  
**Y. Mekori**, Israel - *Dean of the Sackler Faculty of Medicine, Tel-Aviv University*  
**M. Sela**, Israel - *Department of Immunology, Weizmann Institute of Science*

08:00 THE CAUSES OF PRIMARY BILIARY CIRRHOSIS: CONVENIENT AND  
INCONVENIENT TRUTHS  
**M.E. Gershwin**, USA

08:15 THE HUGHE'S SYNDROME (APS SYNDROME) 2008  
**G. Hughes**, UK

08:30 NEW INSIGHTS INTO THE PATHOGENESIS OF ANCA-ASSOCIATED  
VASCULITIS  
**C.G.M. Kallenberg**, The Netherlands

08:45 APS PATHOGENESIS, ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THE MOSAIC OF  
AUTOIMMUNITY  
**P.L. Meroni**, Italy

09:00 USE OF THE IVIG: WHAT HAVE THE LAST DECADES TAUGHT US?  
**S. Kaveri**, France

09:15 THE GENETICS OF AUTOIMMUNE MYOCARDITIS  
**N. Rose**, USA

09:30 IN VITRO STUDY MODELS FOR BETA2 GLYCOPROTEIN I - PHOSPHOLIPID  
INTERACTION  
**B. Rozman**, Slovenia

09:45 NEUROIMAGING IN NPSLE  
**G. Castellino**, Italy

10:00 *Coffee Break*

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10:30 – 13:00 PLENARY SESSION II

Chairpersons: **Z. Tellier**, France  
**J. Shemer**, Israel

- 10:30 THE SPREADING OF AUTOIMMUNE RESPONSE IN PRIMARY ANTIPHOSPHOLIPID SYNDROME: ANTI-CHROMATIN ANTIBODIES  
**A. Tincani**, Italy
- 10:45 THE ETIOLOGY OF THYROID AUTOIMMUNITY: AN INTERPLAY BETWEEN GENETIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS  
**Y. Tomer**, USA
- 11:00 TARGETING T REGULATORY CELLS IN AUTOIMMUNITY  
**E. Toubi**, Israel
- 11:15 CYTOKINES – IN AUTOIMMUNITY  
**V. Barak**, Israel
- 11:30 SLE MOSAIC: SO HETEROGENEOUS, SO REPRODUCIBLE  
**C. Vasconcelos**, Portugal
- 11:45 THE ROLE OF TARGET CELL SUSCEPTIBILITY IN THE PATHOGENESIS OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE  
**G. Wick**, Austria
- 12:00 NOVEL MOLECULAR TARGETS IN SLE  
**G. Tsokos**, USA
- 12:15 THE ANTIPHOSPHOLIPID SYNDROME AND TOLL LIKE RECEPTOR ACTIVATION  
**P. von Landenberg**, Germany
- 12:30 TARGETED THERAPIES OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES. THE AGE OF BIOLOGICALS  
**G. Valesini**, Italy
- 12:45 IS BAFF THE MURDER WEAPON IN AUTOIMMUNE MOSAIC  
**P. Youinou**, France
- 13:00 *Lunch Break*

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14:30 – 15:45 PLENARY SESSION III

Chairpersons: **G. Keren**, Israel  
**J. Berkun**, Israel

14:30 FEATURES OF CARDIOVASCULAR INVOLVEMENT IN SLE  
**M. Abu-Shakra**, Israel

14:45 RECURRENT PERICARDITIS- OLD DISEASE WITH A NEW TREATMENT  
**Y. Adler**, Israel

15:00 MICROANGIOPATHIC - ASSOCIATED OR MICROVASCULAR  
ANTIPHOSPHOLIPID SYNDROMES; SEMANTIC VS ANT SEMANTIC  
**R.A. Asherson**, South Africa

15:15 FIBROMYALGIA AND AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES: THE PAIN BEHIND  
AUTOIMMUNITY  
**D. Buskila**, Israel

15:30 MECHANISM OF DYSLIPOPROTEINEMIA IN SYSTEMIC LUPUS  
ERYTHEMATOSUS  
**J. Carvalho**, Brazil

15:45 *Coffee Break*

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16:15 - 17:00 PLENARY IV

Chairpersons: **C. Dias**, Portugal  
**J. Chapman**, Israel

16:15 IVIG-VEGF AUTOIMMUNITY AND CANCER  
**M. Damianovich**, Israel

16:30 PROLACTIN, DENDRITIC CELLS, AND SYSTEMIC LUPUS  
ERYTHEMATOSUS  
**L.J. Jara**, Mexico

16:45 PREVENTING AUTOIMMUNE AND INFECTION TRIGGERED  
ATHEROSCLEROSIS FOR AN ENDURING HEALTHFUL LIFESTYLE  
**E. Matsuura**, Japan

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08:00 – 10:00 PLENARY SESSION V

Chairpersons: **P. Sarzi-Puttini**, Italy  
**Y. Levy**, Israel

08:00 VIT. D THE MIRACULOUS COMPOUND FOR AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES  
**H. Amital**, Israel

08:15 THE MULTIPLE AUTOIMMUNE SYNDROME CLUSTERS. A GENUINE  
KALEIDOSCOPE OF AUTOIMMUNITY  
**J-M. Anaya**, Colombia

08:30 GLATIRAMER ACETATE – MODE OF ACTION AND POTENTIAL FOR NEW  
APPLICATIONS  
**R. Arnon**, Israel

08:45 INFECTIONS AND AUTOIMMUNITY - EBV, CMV AND H. PYLORI  
**O. Barzilai**, Israel

09:00 THE STORY OF 16/6 FROM MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY TO A THERAPY  
**M. Blank**, Israel

09:15 PROTEOMIC ANALYSIS OF THE SALIVA: A CLUE FOR UNDERSTANDING  
PRIMARY FROM SECONDARY SJOGREN'S SYNDROME?  
**S. Bombardieri**, Italy

09:30 LESSONS OF THE EURO-PHOSPHOLIPID PROJECT  
**R. Cervera**, Spain

09:45 THE MOSAIC OF AUTOIMMUNITY  
**Y. Shoenfeld**, Israel

10:00 *Coffee Break*

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10:30 – 13:00 PLENARY SESSION VI

Chairpersons: **J. Rovensky**, Slovak Republic  
**Z. Stoeger**, Israel

10:30 MANAGEMENT OF REFRACTORY ANCA ASSOCIATED VASCULITIDES  
**L.P. Guillevin**, France

10:45 PREVENTIVE STRATEGIES IN SLE  
**A. Doria**, Italy

11:00 LIPOCALIN-2: A NOVEL ROLE IN THE PATHOGENESIS AND EVALUATION  
OF SLE  
**C. Putterman**, USA

11:15 EPIGENETICS IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS  
**S. Gay**, Switzerland

11:30 FERRITIN: A NEW PLAYER IN AUTOIMMUNITY  
**G. Goddard**, Israel

11:45 CIRCADIAN RHYTHMS IN ARTHRITIS: HORMONAL EFFECTS ON THE  
IMMUNE/INFLAMMATORY REACTION  
**M. Cutolo**, Italy

12:00 FERMENTED WHEAT GERM EXTRACT (AVEMAR): FROM BENCH TO  
BEDSIDE  
**M. Hidvegi**, Hungary

12:15 INDUCTION OF REMISSION AS STRATEGY OF TREATMENT OF  
AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES  
**C. Galarza**, Equador

12:30 MICROARRAY PROFILING OF AUTOIMMUNE REPERTOIRE IN HEALTH AND  
DISEASE  
**I. Cohen**, Israel

12:45 ENVIRONMENTAL: STRESS AND AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE  
**L. Stojanovich**, Serbia

13:00 *Lunch Break*

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14:30 – 15:45 PLENARY SESSION VII

Chairpersons: **P-H. Feng**, Singapore  
**J.J. Scali**, Argentina

14:30 IS THERE A ROLE FOR HMGB-1 IN THE PATHOGENESIS OF SLE?  
**J. Kalden**, Germany

14:45 MULTIPLE AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES AFTER CD34<sup>+</sup>- SELECTED  
AUTOLOGOUS HEMATOPOIETIC STEM CELL TRANSPLANTATION IN A  
PATIENT WITH SYSTEMIC SCLEROSIS  
**T. Koike**, Japan

15:00 THE CHALLENGES OF PREGNANCY IN APS  
**R.A. Levy**, Brazil

15:15 AUTOIMMUNE RHEUMATIC DISEASES: A CLUSTER OF 'HEART BREAKING'  
SYNDROMES  
**Y. Sherer**, Israel

15:30 A NOVEL SYNTHETIC PEPTIDE FOR THE SPECIFIC TREATMENT OF  
LUPUS: CLINICAL EFFECTS AND MECHANISM OF ACTION  
**E. Mozes**, Israel

15:45 *Coffee Break*

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16:15 - 17:00 PLENARY VIII

Chairpersons: **J. George**, Israel  
**T. Matthias**, Germany

16:15 ANTI CD44 – AUTOIMMUNITY INTER RELATIONSHIP  
**D. Naor**, Israel

16:30 ACTIVATION OF IL-10 PROMOTER BY PROTECTIVE ANTIBODIES:  
A NOVEL APPROACH TO ANTI-INFLAMMATORY TREATMENT  
**J. Naparstek**, Israel

16:45 LOW PREVALENCE OF ANTIBODIES TO HBV IN PATIENTS WITH SLE, MS  
AND T1D - PROTECTIVE ROLE?  
**M. Ram**, Israel

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