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**1st International Course
on Kidney
Transplantation:
*Prevention of graft rejection***

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AIM OF THE COURSE

The immunological pathways of acute and chronic graft rejection after renal transplantation are among the most challenging issues in clinical practice.

New insights on pathophysiological mechanisms and possible therapeutical interventions are however emerging with increased possibility of improved short and long term outcome.

The Course is intended to be an appraisal of the subject for clinicians and investigators who are interested in a deeper understanding of the molecular as well as physiological bases of graft rejection.

Acute and chronic rejections are considered, together with all the strategies which can be implemented to prevent them.

The Faculty includes the most important experts in the field, with an outstanding experience in research and clinical practice.

The audience of the course will hopefully be multidisciplinary, including physicians from different disciplines such as nephrology, surgery, immunology and intensive care.

We expect the Vicenza Course on Kidney Transplantation to become an important event for scientific exchange and for improved knowledge in the field of Transplantation. The tradition of the courses held in Vicenza on other disciplines represent a background and a warranty for high quality and outstanding scientific content.

November 11, 2004

Opening session:

Kidney Transplantation: where are we?

17.00: Kidney Transplant program: the Italian national surveillance

A. Nanni-Costa (Roma, Italy)

17.30: Selection of transplant recipients: advances in immunotyping

M. Scalamogna (Milano, Italy)

18.00: What we have learnt in the past 50 years of organ transplantation: achievements and open questions

Giuseppe Remuzzi (Bergamo, Italy)

18.30: Opening Ceremony

Fifteen Years of Kidney Transplantation in Vicenza

Claudio Ronco (Vicenza - Italy)

The Vicenza Award For Kidney Transplantation

19.30: Reception

November 12, 2004

Session 1:

Early events in kidney transplantation

8.45: The hyper-immunized recipients
James M. Gloor (Rochester, USA)

9.10: Induction therapy: what is in the pipeline
Flavio Vincenti (San Francisco, USA)

9.30: Steroid or calcineurin-inhibitor sparing immunosuppressive protocols
Josep M. Grinyo (Barcelona, Spain)

9.50: Steroid-free Lymphocyte depletion protocols
Jerry Mc Cauley (Pittsburgh, USA)

10.10: Discussion

10.30: Break

Session 2:

Chronic allograft nephropathy

11.00: Chronic graft loss: immunological and non-immunological factors
Robert I. Lechler (London, USA)

11.20: Drugs to target immunological factors
Larry A. Turka (Philadelphia, USA)

11.40: Monitoring of Drug Therapy
Stefano Chiaramonte (Vicenza, Italy)

12.00 A multidrug approach to target non-immunologic factors
Piero Ruggenenti (Bergamo, Italy)

12.20: Discussion

12.40: Lunch

Session 3:

Perspectives of tolerance in kidney transplantation

- 14.00: Different players in the complex scenario of transplantation tolerance
Mohamed H. Sayegh (Boston, USA) and Giuseppe Remuzzi (Bergamo, Italy)
- 14.40: Dendritic cells: regulators of alloimmunity and opportunities for tolerance induction
Angus W Thomson (Pittsburgh, USA)
- 15.10: Natural versus adaptive regulatory T cells
Marina Noris (Bergamo, Italy)
- 15.30: CD8+ CD28- T suppressor cells
Nicole Suciú-Foca (New York, USA)
- 15.50: Break
- 16.20: A journey from ignorance to memory
Fadi G Lakkis (New Haven, USA)
- 16.40: The goal of intragraft gene therapy
Ariela Benigni (Bergamo, Italy)
- 17.00: Panel Discussion
- 18.00: Closing Remarks
Claudio Ronco (Vicenza, Italy)

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GENERAL INFORMATION

LANGUAGE: The official language is English. Simultaneous translation English-Italian will be provided

VENUE: The Course will be held at the Congress Center of Hotel Tiepolo, Viale San Lazzaro 110, 36100 Vicenza (Italy), on November 11-12, 2004

List of the Hotel

Stars	Hotel	e-mail	notice
4 sup.	Hotel De La Ville Viale Verona Vicenza Tel. +39 444 549049 Fax +39 444 569183	reservation@delaville.boscolo.com	Walking distance
4	Jolly Hotel Tiepolo Viale San Lazzaro Vicenza Tel. +39 444 954011 Fax +39 444 966111	vicenza_tiepolo@jollyhotels.it	Congress site
4	Hotel Europa S.S. Padana v/VR Vicenza Tel. +39 444 564111 Fax +39 444 564382	europa@sogliahotels.com	Walking distance

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TRANSPORTATION: Vicenza is a small city without an airport. However, several daily connections are available from Milano, Venice and Verona. Venice and Verona airports are located 45 minutes from Vicenza.

HOTEL ACCOMODATION: you may see a complete list of available hotels with telephone, fax, e-mail and notices to provide directly at the reservation.

The course is incorporated in the Continuous Medical Education program and will be given CME credits by the Italian Ministry of Health and the European Community.

REGISTRATION: The deadline for registration is October 30, 2004. For ISN members the registration fee is 180 € (€ 150 + € 30 iva) and includes: congress kit, book of proceedings, attendance to scientific sessions, coffee breaks, lunch during the course. Registration after October 30 and on-site registration will be subject to space availability and the registration fee will be 240 € (€ 200 + € 40 iva) for ISN members. For non ISN members the registration fee is 300 € (€ 250 + € 50 iva) before October 30 and 360 € (€ 300 + € 60 iva) after October 30, 2004.

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