

# 8<sup>TH</sup> DRESDEN SYMPOSIUM ON AUTOANTIBODIES

DRESDEN, SEPTEMBER 12–15, 2007



FINAL PROGRAMME



View to the picturesque Old Town of Dresden, 2007

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the organizers, the Medical Faculty of the Technical University Dresden and the „Gesellschaft zur Förderung der Immundiagnostik e.V.“ (Society for the Advancement of Immune Diagnostics), I am honoured and pleased to welcome you to the 8th Dresden Symposium on Autoantibodies.

Disease-associated autoantibodies become more and more important for routine diagnostics as well as basic and applied research. As many of these autoantibodies are detectable long time before clinical manifestations, they may be used to predict the development of the appropriate disease. However their potential role in the very early diagnosis or risk assessment of disease development remains to be further studied. The current Dresden Symposium on Autoantibodies entitled „From Etiopathogenesis to the Prediction of Autoimmune Diseases: Relevance of Autoantibodies“ will focus on the current knowledge as well as the perspectives of the prediction of organ specific and systemic autoimmune diseases. For disease prediction and early intervention it is necessary to understand the pathologic processes leading to autoimmune diseases. For instance, components of the innate immune system (e.g. Toll-like receptors) can have a dramatic impact on autoantibody response and disease pathogenesis, either by promoting or by regulating disease. Furthermore, the different effects of autoantibodies in immune homeostasis and autoimmune manifestations will be presented and discussed. Once again, concerning their growing importance, the Dresden meeting will focus on pathologic, diagnostic and prognostic relevance of autoantibodies against citrullinated proteins and peptides. Emerging technologies for the identification of novel autoantibodies as well as for the determination of autoantibodies and autoantibody profiles will be presented and improvement of autoantibody analyses by autoantigen designing and technological innovations will be discussed. Optimized, standardized and cost-effective

# WELCOME

multiparametric assays are the prerequisite for the future use of autoantibodies for a more accurate prediction of diseases.

Since the last symposium many exciting changes have happened in Dresden. The reconstruction of the famous "Church of our Lady", destracted in 1945, is finished. Around the Church you will find a number of new, revived historical buildings reforming the historical New Market silhouette. Next to the Church, the reconstruction of the former Saxonian Royal Residence, also destracted in 1945, is nearly completed. There you can visit the immeasurable, fantastic art treasures and crown jewels of the former Saxonian Kings. We are sure you will enjoy your stay in Dresden.

I am very grateful to all participants for their active contribution. I express my gratitude towards all organisers and sponsors who enabled this symposium. We will do our best to make the 8th Dresden Symposium on Autoantibodies an unforgettable event.

Karsten Conrad

**WEDNESDAY  
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<b>Registration</b>	<b>08.00–10.00</b>
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	<b>10.00–10.15</b>
<b>INAUGURAL LECTURE</b> Autoantibodies as predictors of diseases – Past, present, future <i>N.R. Rose (Baltimore, USA)</i>	<b>10.15–11.00</b>
 <b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	11.00–11.30
 <b>INDUCTION OF AUTOANTIBODIES</b> Co-Chairs: M. Bachmann (Dresden, Germany) C.A. Casiano (Loma Linda, USA)  The role of Toll-like receptors in the induction of auto- antibodies and the development of autoimmune diseases <i>M. Ehlers (Berlin, Germany)</i>	<b>11.30–13.00</b>
 Induction of autoimmune responses in animal models of rheumatoid arthritis by inflammatory stimuli <i>G. Steiner (Vienna, Austria)</i>	11.30–12.00
 Origin of ANCA – New insights <i>E. Csernok (Bad Bramstedt, Germany)</i>	12.00–12.30
 <b>LUNCH BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING</b>	12.30–13.00
 <b>EFFECTS OF AUTOANTIGENS AND AUTOANTIBODIES</b> Co-Chairs: E. Csernok (Bad Bramstedt, Germany) F. Blaes (Giessen, Germany)  Protective autoantibodies – Clinical relevance and therapeutic potential <i>E. Toubi, Y. Shoenfeld (Haifa, Israel)</i>	<b>14.30–16.00</b>
	13.00–14.30
	14.30–15.00

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15.00–15.20

Pathophysiology of antiphospholipid antibodies:  
Interaction with monocytes and activation of  
procoagulant cytokines and Toll-like receptors  
*P. von Landenberg (Mainz, Germany)*

15.20–15.40

Identification of candidate interacting partners of the  
stress-response autoantigen DFS70/LEDGF using  
transcription factor protein arrays  
*P. Chatterjee, E.J. Adkins, C.A. Casiano (Loma Linda, USA)*

15.40–16.00

Characterization of cellular and humoral autoimmune responses to histone H1 and core histones in patients with SLE  
*G. Stummvoll, R. Fritsch, B. Meyer, M. Aringer, J. Smolen,  
G. Steiner (Vienna, Austria)*

16.00–16.30

COFFEE BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING

**16.30–18.30**

**EFFECTS OF AUTOANTIBODIES**

Co-Chairs: E. Toubi (Haifa, Israel)  
M. Fritzler (Calgary, Canada)

16.30–17.00

Clinical and pathological significance of autoantibodies against protective molecules  
*M. Szypner Kravitz, Y. Shoenfeld (Tel Aviv, Israel)*

17.00–17.30

Catalytic autoantibodies – Role in immune homeostasis and autoimmune pathogenesis  
*S. Suchkov (Moscow, Russia)*

17.30–18.00

Are autoantibodies secreted by long-lived plasma cells pathogenic?  
*F. Hiepe (Berlin, Germany)*

18.00–18.30

Complex regional pain syndrome and autoantibodies against differentiation-dependent neuronal surface antigens  
*F. Blaes, D. Nascimento, K. Schmitz, O. Matz, M. Tschernatsch, M. Kaps (Giessen, Germany)*

**19.00**

**Welcome Reception**

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## RECEPTORS, AUTOANTIBODIES, AND DISEASE

Co-Chairs: A. Kromminga (Hamburg, Germany)  
K. Conrad (Dresden, Germany)

Anti-receptor autoantibodies in cardiac diseases  
*M. Fu (Goteborg, Sweden)*

09.00–10.00

09.00–09.40

Diagnostic and pathogenic relevance of autoantibodies  
against peptide-hormone receptors  
*G. Wallukat (Berlin, Germany)*

09.40–10.00

## COFFEE BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING

10.00–10.45

Poster viewing

**P1** Effects on autoantibodies

**P51–P55** Autoantibodies in miscellaneous diseases

## AUTOANTIBODIES IN NEUROMUSCULAR AND NEUROLOGICAL DISEASES

10.45–12.00

Co-Chairs: B. Lang (Oxford, UK)  
U. Wurster (Hannover, Germany)

Pathogenic and diagnostic relevance of autoantibodies  
against ion channels  
*B. Lang, A. Vincent (Oxford, UK)*

10.45–11.25

Surface-binding autoantibodies and B-cell activating factor  
(BAFF) in pediatric opsoclonus-myoclonus syndrome  
*F. Blaes, D. Nascimento, K. Schmitz, O. Matz, M.  
Tschernatsch, M. Kaps (Giessen, Germany)*

11.25–11.45

Anti-neuropil antibody in a patient with limbic  
encephalitis and breast cancer  
*R. Vitaliani, M. Zoccarato, S. Irani, S. Zanini, G.L. Gigli, B.  
Giometto, A. Vincent (Padova, Italy)*

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Poster viewing

**P2–P12** Autoantibodies in neurologic diseases

**P13–P27** Autoantibodies in gastrointestinal, liver,  
exocrine and cutaneous diseases

13.30–15.30

**AUTOANTIBODIES TO MACROMOLECULAR COMPLEXES**

Co-Chairs: G. Steiner (Vienna, Austria)  
F. Hiepe (Berlin, Germany)

13.30–14.00

Autoantibodies to key components of RNA interference pathway

*E.K.L. Chan (Gainesville, USA)*

14.00–14.30

Autoantibodies to cytoplasmic „somes“: Endosomes, exosomes, aggresomes and the Golgi complex

*M. Fritzler (Calgary, Canada)*

14.30–15.00

Novel aspects of autoantibodies to the human exosome (PM/Scl complex)

*M. Mahler (Neuss, Germany)*

15.00–15.30

The human interferon-inducible protein IFI16 – Autoantigen, autoantibodies and pathophysiological mechanisms

*P.L. Meroni (Milan, Italy)*

15.30–16.20

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**METHODICAL ASPECTS AND DIAGNOSTIC STRATEGIES I**

Co-Chairs: N. Bizzaro (Tolmezzo, Italy)

L.E.C. Andrade (Sao Paulo, Brazil)

16.20–17.00

Strategies and tools to attain early diagnosis and estimate prognosis of autoimmune rheumatic disorders

*A.S. Wiik (Copenhagen, Denmark)*

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Elements for the interpretation of a positive autoantibody test in an apparently non-autoimmune individual <i>L. Andrade (Sao Paulo, Brazil)</i>	17.00–17.30
Lessons from autoantibody binding avidity <i>A. Kromminga (Hamburg, German)</i>	17.30–18.00
The definition of reference intervals in autoantibody assays using indirect methods based on current data <i>R. Tozzoli (Latisana, Italy)</i>	18.00–18.30
Meeting of the German EASI group	18.30–20.00

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09.00–10.25

**PREDICTION AND EARLY DIAGNOSIS OF  
AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES I**

Co-Chairs: M. Ehlers (Berlin, Germany)  
E. Bonifacio (Dresden, Germany)

09.00–09.40

Prediction and prevention of autoimmune diseases –  
Myth and reality  
*Y. Shoenfeld (Tel Aviv, Israel)*

09.40–10.10

Autoantibody characteristics and combinations in the  
prediction of type 1 diabetes  
*E. Bonifacio (Dresden, Germany)*

10.10–10.25

Differentiation of type 1 diabetes risk by GAD antibody  
epitope analysis and insulin antibody affinity in antibody  
positive children from a general population  
*M. Schlosser, W. Kerner, P. Achenbach, C.S. Hampe, R.  
Walther (Greifswald, Germany)*

10.25–11.00

COFFEE BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING

11.00–12.30

**PREDICTION AND EARLY DIAGNOSIS OF  
AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES II**

Co-Chairs: Y. Shoenfeld (Tel Aviv, Israel)  
P.L. Meroni (Milano, Italy)

11.00–11.40

Autoantibodies, classification criteria and diagnosis of  
systemic autoimmune diseases  
*M. Fritzler (Calgary, Canada)*

11.40–12.05

Infections and anti-phospholipid antibodies in prediction  
of autoimmune disease manifestations  
*Y. Sherer (Tel Hashomer, Israel)*

12.05–12.30

Diagnostic and predictive value of specific antibodies  
cross-reacting with a 28-kDa Drosophila antigen  
*C. Duftner (Klagenfurt, Austria)*

12.30–13.30

LUNCH BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING

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Poster viewing

- P35–P43** Autoantibodies in SLE and APS  
**P44–P47** Autoantibodies in systemic sclerosis  
**P48–P50** Autoantibodies in systemic vasculitis

**PREDICTION AND EARLY DIAGNOSIS OF RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS**

Co-Chairs: M. Aringer (Dresden, Germany)  
P. von Landenberg (Mainz, Germany)

Rheumatoid arthritis – From early diagnosis to early therapy  
*J. Rönnelid (Uppsala, Sweden)*

13.30-15.30

Clinical and pathophysiological relevance of the autoimmune response to citrullinated proteins in rheumatoid arthritis  
*G. Serre (Toulouse, France)*

13.30–14.00

Early diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis by autoantibodies against citrullinated protein/peptide  
*W.J. van Venrooij (Nijmegen, The Netherlands)*

14.00–14.30

Diagnostic and prognostic value of autoantibodies against Sa/cit-vimentin  
*H.A. Menard (Montreal, Canada)*

14.30–15.00

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**P28–P34** Autoantibodies in rheumatoid arthritis

**Departure to Meissen Castle**

16.30

Guided walking tour

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Social Dinner

18.00

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## NOVEL AUTOANTIBODIES

Co-Chairs: E.K.L. Chan (Gainesville, USA)  
M. Mahler (Neuss, Germany)

Discovery and validation of novel disease-associated autoantibodies using protein array technologies  
*J. Beator (Dortmund, Germany)*

Identification of two new autoantigens in patients with high titres of antinuclear antibodies using protein macroarray technology  
*C. Hempp, F. Haag, F. Koch-Nolte, T. Krieger (Hamburg, Germany)*

Sera of glaucoma patients show complex autoantibody profiles against human retina and optic nerve antigens  
*S.C. Joachim, J. Reichelt, S. Berneiser, N. Pfeiffer, F.H. Grus (Mainz, Germany)*

## COFFEE BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING

Poster viewing

**P56–P57** Identification of novel autoantibodies

**P58–P66** Multiparametric autoantibody determination

## METHODICAL ASPECTS AND DIAGNOSTIC STRATEGIES II

Co-Chairs: U. Sack (Leipzig, Germany)  
L. Cebeclauer (Piestany, Slovak Republic)

Proteomics on a chip for monitoring autoimmune diseases  
*A.M.C. Lokate, J.B. Beusink, G.A.J. Besselink, G.J.M. Pruijn, R.B.M. Schasfoort (Nijmegen, The Netherlands)*

Sensitive and specific detection of pemphigoid autoantibodies by an Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay using multimers of the NC16A domain of BP180 as antigen  
*C. Probst, C. Dähnrich, L. Komorowski, I.M. Bloecker, E. Schmidt, W. Schlumberger, C. Sitaru, C. Rose, W. Stöcker, D. Zillikens (Lübeck, Germany)*

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Deamidated gliadin peptides are superior to native gliadin in ELISA for diagnosis of childhood coeliac disease

*C. Prause, C. Probst, C. Dähnrich, W. Schlumberger, W. Stöcker, T. Richter, A.C. Hauer, M. Stern, H. Uhlig, M. Laas, K.-P. Zimmer, T. Mothes (Leipzig, Germany)*

11.30–11.45

Antibodies against nucleosomes and DNA:

Clinical and pathogenic significance

*L. Cebečauer, I. Lochmann, V. Kral, R.W. Burlingame, W. Schlumberger (Piestany, Slovak Republic)*

11.45–12.00

Can anti-chromatin antibody ELISA replace FARR in a routine diagnostic laboratory?

*M. Spellerberg, M. Hayman, P. Chapman, L. Stamp, J. O'Donnell (Christchurch, New Zealand)*

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## POSTER EXHIBITION

### Effects of autoantibodies

**P1** Catalytic autoantibodies in organ-specific autoimmunity: an update

*E. Tretyak, S. Suchkov (Moscow, Russia)*

### Neuromuscular and neurologic diseases

**P2** Paraneoplastic limbic encephalitis with anti-MA2 and CV2 antibodies

*B. Giometto, M. Zoccarato, L. Zuliani, R. Vitaliani (Padova, Italy)*

**P3** Long term survival of two patients with small cell lung carcinoma and anti-Hu antibodies. Relation to therapy and serial antibody determination

*U. Wurster, J. Tümmler, E. Sindern, A. Borchert, M. Schilling (Hannover, Germany)*

**P4** Possible implementation of diagnostic tools in paraneoplastic neurological disorders

*D. Saccamanno, G.P. Comi, N. Bresolin, M. Carpo (Milan, Italy)*

**P5** EUROLINE Neuronal Antigens: A newly developed line immunoassay for the detection of antibodies against neuronal antigens in paraneoplastic syndromes

*T. Scheper, W. Meyer, P. Klatt, L. Komorowski, C. Probst, W. Schlumberger, W. Stöcker (Lübeck, Germany)*

**P6** Antineurofilament antibodies in cerebrospinal fluid and serum in patients with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis

*I. Malbohan, L. Fialová, J. Varcová, A. Barto, P. Ridzo, R. Rusina (Prague, Czech Republic)*

**P7** Avidity of antineurofilament antibodies determined by ELISA method

*I. Malbohan, J. Varcová, L. Fialová, A. Barto (Prague, Czech Republic)*

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**P8** Anti-ganglioside autoantibodies profiling in patients with autoimmune peripheral neuropathies by a new line immunoassay

*H. Schneider, K. Conrad, T. Ziemssen, T. Talaska, D. Reinhold, R.-L. Humbel, D. Roggenbuck (Dresden, Germany)*

**P9** Detection of anti-MOG autoantibodies in acute disseminated encephalomyelitis (ADEM) by FACS analysis using MOG-transfected LN18 cells

*P. W. Modderman, L.A. Aarden, R.Q. Hintzen, D. Hamann (Amsterdam, The Netherlands)*

**P10** Discovery and validation of novel Multiple Sclerosis associated biomarkers using protein biochips

*A. Lüking, C. Gutjahr, K. Schulte, V. Gruß, H.E. Meyer, C. Huels, S. Müllner, J. Beatoer (Dortmund, Germany)*

**P11** Neurological complications in celiac disease: could have an autoimmune origin?

*M. Carpo, D. Saccomanno, M.T. Bardella, S. Allaria, N. Bresolin, G.P. Comi (Milan, Italy)*

**P12** Spectrum of autoantibodies in patients with psychiatric manifestations

*L. Laadhar, O. Sidhorn, S. Masmoudi, M. Zitouni, M. Kallel Sellami, H. Zoubei, S. Makni (Tunis, Tunisia)*

## Gastrointestinal and liver diseases

**P13** Anti-carbohydrate antibodies as a new marker for inflammatory bowel disease

*K. Malickova, P.L. Lakatos, R. Donoval, P. Sandova, I. Janatkova, M. Lukas, (Prague, Czech Republic)*

**P14** Differential diagnosis between Crohn's Disease vs non Crohn's Disease patients using a combination of Antiglycan Antibodies (gASCA, ALCA, ACCA and AMCA)

*M. Franco, M. Ramalho, S.F. Alberto, L. Novais, G. de Sousa, J.R. de Deus (Amadora, Portugal)*

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**P15** Aberrant expression of B cell-activating factor of the TNF family (BAFF) and its receptor in duodenal biopsies of patients with celiac disease

*M. Fabris, F. Barone, A. Lerussi, D. Visentini, A. Picierno, R. Maieron, D. Villalta, S. De Vita, N. Bizzaro, R. Tozzoli, S. Pizzolitto, J. Spencer, E. Tonutti (Udine, Italy)*

**P16** Overexpression of B cell-activating factor of the TNF family (BAFF) in serum and duodenal biopsy in celiac disease patients

*M. Fabris, A. Lerussi, F. Barone, J. Spencer, D. Visentini, A. Picierno, R. Maieron, D. Villalta, F. Curcio, S. De Vita, N. Bizzaro, R. Tozzoli, E. Tonutti (Udine, Italy)*

**P17** Antibodies against deamidated gliadin peptides as novel biomarkers of childhood coeliac disease

*M. Ritter, R. Lieske, T. Richter, A.C. Hauer, M. Stern, H. Uhlig, M. Laas, K.-P. Zimmer, T. Mothes (Leipzig, Germany)*

**P18** Deamidated gliadin peptides are superior to native gliadin in ELISA for diagnosis of childhood coeliac disease  
*C. Prause, C. Probst, C. Dähnrich, W. Schlumberger, W. Stöcker, T. Richter, A.C. Hauer, M. Stern, H. Uhlig, M. Laas, K.-P. Zimmer, T. Mothes (Leipzig, Germany)*

**P19** Screening for celiac disease in patients with Hashimoto thyroiditis

*L. Laadhar, F. Harzallah, A. Hassin, M. Zitouni, M. Kallel-Sellami, S. Masmoudi, H. Slimane, S. Makni (Tunis, Tunisia)*

**P20** Production of celiac disease autoantibodies after in vitro gliadin challenge is dependent on small-bowel mucosal transglutaminase 2-specific IgA deposits

*S. Stenman, K. Lindfors, I.R. Korponay-Szabo, O. Lohi, H. Wieser, M. Mäki, K. Kaukinen (Tampere, Finland)*

**P21** Coeliac disease-specific IgA class autoantibodies disturb angiogenesis

*E. Myrsky, K. Kaukinen, M. Syrjänen, I.R. Korponay-Szabo, M. Mäki, K. Lindfors (Tampere, Finland)*

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**P22** Detection of primary biliary cirrhosis-associated anti-mitochondrial antibodies using an improved test system: anti-M2/BPO ELISA

*L. Komorowski, D. P. Bogdanow, C. Probst, C. Dähnrich, A. Rosemann, W. Schlumberger, W. Stöcker (Lübeck, Germany)*

**P23** A help on primary biliary cirrhosis diagnosis? Comparison between a newly developed ELISA (PBC screen) to the sp100, gp210 ELISAs

*T. Martins, I. Abreu, C. Cardoso, A. Bastos, H. Trindade, J. Chaves (Alges, Portugal)*

**P24** A comprehensive line immunoassay for the detection of autoantibodies in primary biliary liver cirrhosis (PBC)

*W. Meyer, T. Scheper, N. Janssen, L. Komorowski, C. Probst, W. Schlumberger, D. Bogdanos, W. Stöcker (Lübeck, Germany)*

### **Endocrine diseases**

**P25** Examination of the diabetes-associated autoantigen GAD65 in serum as a possible early diagnostic marker of beta cell loss

*U. Walschus, I. Klötting, R. Walther, M. Schlosser (Greifswald, Germany)*

### **Cutaneous autoimmune diseases**

**P26** Prevalence of autoantibodies in patients with pemphigus

*K. Mejri, M. Kallel Sellami, L. Laadhar, H. Lahmer, M. Zitouni, S. Makni (Tunis, Tunisia)*

**P27** Successfull anti-CD20 therapy in paraneoplastic pemphigus associated with a follicular dendritic cell sarcoma

*R. Bailloud, J. Serratrice, S. Desplat-Jégo, P. Thomas, P.-J. Weiller (Marseille, France)*

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### Rheumatoid arthritis and other arthropathies

**P28** The synovial citrullinome of rheumatoid arthritis patients

*J.B.C. van Beers, R. Rajmakers, E. Oosterink, A. van der Heijden, A.J.W. Zendman, G.J.M. Pruijn (Nijmegen, The Netherlands)*

**P29** Comparison of anti-mutated citrullinated vimentin antibodies with anti-CCP antibodies: interest in RA diagnosis and during infliximab therapy

*P. Nicaise-Roland, S. Grootenboer-Mignot, A. Bruns, M. Hurtado, E. Palazzo, G. Hayem, O. Meyer, S. Chollet-Martin (Paris, France)*

**P30** Improvement of serological RA diagnostics by auto-antibody profiling

*K. Conrad, R. Christoph, B. Roch, K. Lüthke, B. Heschel, S. Bornstein, H.E. Schröder (Dresden, Germany)*

**P31** Cost effectiveness of autoantibodies against cyclic citrullinated peptide in the very early diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis

*A. Konnopka, K. Conrad, C. Baerwald, G. Kobelt, H.-H. König (Leipzig, Germany)*

**P32** Characterization of cells expressing citrullinated proteins in synovial tissue of patients with rheumatoid arthritis, reactive arthritis, psoriatic arthritis and osteoarthritis

*C. Zimmermann, M. Tohidast-Akrad, P. Zenz, J. Smolen, G. Steiner (Vienna, Austria)*

**P33** Hypothesis-testing for etiopathogenesis, therapy and prevention of ankylosing spondylitis, Klebsiella-reactive uveitis and rheumatoid arthritis

*F. Hartig, R. Pechlaner (Innsbruck, Austria)*

**P34** Autoantibody profile in slovak patients with juvenile idiopathic arthritis

*D. Kozáková, V. Bosák, E. Kosková, F. Mateicka (Piestany, Slovak Republic)*

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### **SLE and antiphospholipid syndrome**

**P35** Evaluation of novel assay systems for the determination of autoantibodies to double-stranded DNA in patients with SLE

*C. Zimmermann, E. Hoefler, J. Smolen, G. Steiner (Vienna, Austria)*

**P36** A novel dot assay for the detection of anti-dsDNA antibodies in SLE sera

*T. Lüttich, P. Eissfeller, C. Jauris, A. Kromminga (Neuried, Germany)*

**P37** Characterization of cellular and humoral autoimmune responses to histone H1 and core histones in patients with SLE

*G. Stummvoll, R. Fritsch, B. Meyer, M. Aringer, J. Smolen, G. Steiner (Vienna, Austria)*

**P38** Cryopreservation of crithidia luciliae

*S. Carujo, A. Belén Polonio, P. Munujos (Barcelona, Spain)*

**P39** High sensitive detection of dsDNA antibodies by a modified CLIFT

*W. Schößler, T. Büttner, D. Roggenbuck, K. Conrad (Berlin, Germany)*

**P40** Anti-C1q antibodies: prevalence and follow up of antibody levels in patients with biopsy-proven lupus nephritis.

*M. Sanmarco, N. Bardin, P. Giaime, P. Brunet, L. Daniel, Y. Berland (Marseille, France)*

**P41** The association of anti-SS-A/Ro52 and anti-SS-A/Ro60 antibodies in different connective tissue diseases

*P. Eissfeller, J. Bartel, T. Lüttich, C. Jauris, M.J. Fritzler (Neuried, Germany)*

**P42** Evaluation of novel chemiluminescence-based methods for the detection of anti-cardiolipin antibodies in APS and SLE patients

*A.W. Götz, F. Capuano, L. Pallavicini, K. Conrad, K. Tausche, H.E. Schröder (Dietzenbach, Germany)*

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**P43** Value of serum levels of autoantibodies for monitoring therapy with aphaeresis in antiphospholipid syndrome (APS)

*M. Tamporia, A. Ramunni, A. Zucano, P. Lisi, G. Pannarale, A. Fontana (Bari, Italy)*

### **Systemic sclerosis**

**P44** Evaluation of an enzyme immunoassay for the detection of scleroderma-related autoantibodies

*R. Tozzoli, G. Kodermaz, N. Bizzaro, E. Tonutti, M. Tamporia, S. Platzgummer, A. Antico (Latisana, Italy)*

**P45** RNA polymerase III antibodies in patients with systemic sclerosis: validation of a new ELISA method

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**P46** Anti-Scl70 antibody levels correlate with skin and organ fibrosis in patients with systemic sclerosis – analysis from the Charité SSc cohort

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**P47** Antibodies against CENP-B antigen identify a subset of systemic sclerosis patients with sicca syndrome and missing lung fibrosis – analysis of the Charité SSc cohort

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### **ANCA-associated vasculitis**

**P48** MPO and PR3 autoantibodies: evaluation of a new indirect immunofluorescence method

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**P50** A newly developed ELISA using a mixture of native PR3 and recombinant PR3 expressed in human cells improves the serological investigation of ANCA-associated vasculitis

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*I. Wichmann, I. Aguilera, A.J. Alvarez-Marquez, M.A. Gentil, A. Nuñez-Roldan (Sevilla, Spain)*

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*N. Virstyuk, E. Cherkachuna (Ivano-Frankivsk, Ukraine)*

**P53** Determination of serum anti-S100 autoantibodies in patients with acute ischemic stroke

*M. Cojocaru, I.M. Cojocaru, C. Burcin, A. Atanasiu (Bucharest, Romania)*

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*K. Nkana, F. Lachenal, J.R. Nove, I. Durieu, N. Fabien (Pierre Benite, France)*

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*A. Kowald (Bochum)*

**P57** Anti-prostasome autoantibodies in serum from prostate cancer patients

*K.G. Ronquist, L. Carlsson, G. Ronquist, A. Larsson (Uppsala, Sweden)*

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*U. Klause, M. Rothfuss, H. Eberl, M. Wanger, A. Nichtl, H.-J. Müller, B. Risse (Penzberg, Germany)*

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*I. Abreu, H. Guimarães, A. Bastos, V. Pato, F. Barcelos, G. Sousa, H. Trindade (Lisbon, Portugal)*

**P60** BioPlex™2200 system: simultaneous detection of anti-dsDNA and anti-nucleosome antibodies in patients with systemic lupus erythematosus

*N. Bardin, S. Desplat-Jego, B. Larida, M. Sanmarco (Marseille, France)*

**P61** Comparison between UltraPlex™ barcoded micro-particle technology and enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay for the determination of antibodies to dsDNA and extractable nuclear antigens

*T. Witte, J. Smith, D. Mosedale, R.E. Schmidt (Hannover, Germany)*

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*A. Kozmar, M. Rudolf, I. Radic, B. Malenica (Zagreb, Croatia)*

**P63** EUROLINE Myositis Profile: A newly developed line immunoassay for the detection of myositis specific autoantibodies

*W. Meyer, T. Schepel, N. Janssen, S. Torkler, W. Schlumberger, W. Stöcker (Lübeck, Germany)*

**P64** Microblots for autoantibody differentiation

*K. Großmann, U. Wagner, R. Hiemann, S. Milius, E. Kalz, T. Büttner, K. Conrad, W. Lehmann (Lipzen, Germany)*

**P65** HEp-2 cell preparation for automated analysis of autoantibodies

*J. Michel, R. Hiemann, N. Hilger, K. Kaltschmidt, M. Weigert, U. Sack, U. Anderer (Senftenberg, Germany)*

**P66** Autoantibody screening by indirect immunofluorescence on Hep-2 cells: Comparison of a novel automated image processing with visual examination

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# INFORMATIONS

## Venue

The modern Lecture Hall Centre of the Technical University of Dresden is located on the University Campus in the South of the city, about 15 minutes walk away from the Central Railway Station.

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## Social programme

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September 12, 2007  
19.00

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