11th Dresden Symposium on Autoantibodies

Dresden, September 1–4, 2013
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Final Programme
The congress venue 2013: Centre for Regenerative Therapies (CRTD) in 01307 Dresden, Fetscherstrasse 105
(picture: Clemens A. Schulze Lohoff)
Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee it is a great pleasure to welcome you to our 11th Dresden Symposium on Autoantibodies. The Symposium is organised by the Institute of Immunology of the Medical Faculty of the Technical University Dresden in cooperation with the Association for the Advancement of Immune Diagnostics (www.gfid-ev.de) and the Section Immunodiagnostics of the German Society for Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (www.dgkl.de). The symposium intends to bring together clinicians of different disciplines, immunologists and basic researchers for discussion of the various aspects of the induction, pathogenetic role and clinical relevance of autoantibodies. The current symposium entitled “Infections, Tumors and Autoimmunity” will focus on manifold aspects of autoimmunity in infections and tumors, novel aspects in the pathogenesis of autoimmune diseases, paraneoplastic and tumor associated autoantibodies, autoantibodies in systemic autoimmune rheumatic and neurological diseases, the standardization/harmonization of autoimmune diagnostics and other methodical aspects of autoantibody testing.

We would like to express our thanks to the members of the International Advisory Board and to the active contributors who will present their latest achievements as well as to the many sponsors who enabled this symposium. The organizers of the symposium are deeply indebted to the Center of Regenerative Medicine (CRTD) and in particular to the Director of the CRTD, Professor Michael Brand and to Professor Ezio Bonifacio, for placing at our disposal this wonderful congress venue.

We expect that our 11th Dresden Symposium on Autoantibodies will stimulate a broad debate how the new achievements from the bench work could help to improve diagnostics and therapy of autoimmune diseases. We hope that you will enjoy the scientific programme and your stay in Dresden.

Karsten Conrad
On behalf of the Organizing Committee
PROGRAMME

SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 01

12.00–21.00
Registration

14.00–14.30
Welcome and Introduction

14.30–16.00
INFECTIONS AND AUTOIMMUNITY
Co-Chairs: K. Conrad (Dresden, Germany)
Y. Shoenfeld (Tel Hashomer, Israel)

14.30–15.10
The ASIA syndrome: Adjuvants in infections, silicone and vaccines; autoimmunity and cancer
Yehuda Shoenfeld (Tel Hashomer, Israel)

15.10–15.35
Possible role of infections in the pathogenesis of autoimmune liver diseases
Dimitrios Bogdanos (London, UK)

15.35–16.00
GP2 – The link between innate and acquired immune system in the intestine
Dirk Roggenbuck, Dimitrios Bogdanos, Dirk Reinhold, Karsten Conrad (Senftenberg, Germany)

16.00–16.30
COFFEE BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING

16.30–18.00
PATHOGENESIS OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES – NOVEL ASPECTS
Co-Chairs: E.K.L. Chan (Gainesville, USA)
E. Csernok (Lübeck, Germany)

16.30–17.10
Neutrophil extracellular traps – From infection to autoimmunity
Arturo Zychlinsky (Berlin, Germany)

17.10–17.35
Aggregation of NETs: flipping the switch to resolution of inflammation
Markus Hoffmann, Martin Herrmann, Christine Schorn, Luis Munoz (Erlangen, Germany)

17.35–18.00
Memory plasma cells in autoimmunity – An update
Falk Hiepe (Berlin, Germany)

18.00
Welcome Reception
HALL A

NETOSIS, IMMUNODEFICIENCY AND AUTOIMMUNITY
Co-Chairs: G.J.M. Pruijn (Nijmegen, The Netherlands)
L.E.C. Andrade (São Paulo, Brazil)

NETs: the missing link between cell death and systemic autoimmune diseases?
Felipe Andrade (Baltimore, USA)

NETs and ANCA-associated vasculitides
Elena Csernok (Lübeck, Germany)

The interface between primary immunodeficiency and systemic lupus erythematosus
Luis E.C. Andrade (São Paulo, Brazil)

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Poster viewing
P1-P15 Contributions of the candidates for the Dresden Prize on the Study of Autoantibodies

HALL A

AUTOIMMUNITY IN INFECTIONS AND TUMORS
Co-Chairs: C.A. Casiano (Loma Linda, USA)
K. Conrad (Dresden, Germany)

Vitamin D in infection, autoimmunity and cancer
Yehuda Shoenfeld (Tel Hashomer, Israel)

Target of autoantibody in HCV patients during interferon/ribavirin therapy
Edward K.L. Chan (Gainesville, USA)

Novel vaccine against autoimmunity – harnessing parasitic infection for autoimmunity and cancer
Miri Blank (Tel Hashomer, Israel)

Hyper-ferritinemic syndrome in infection and autoimmunity
Cristina Rosario (Matosinhos, Portugal)

The fate of the Ro autoantigen associated YRNAs in Coxsackievirus-infected cells
Ger J.M. Pruijn (Nijmegen, The Netherlands)
HALL B

11.00–12.30 IMMUNE REACTIONS AGAINST BIOLOGICAL DRUGS
Co-Chairs: A. Kromminga (Hamburg, Germany)
M. Tovey (Paris, France)

Clinical relevance of anti-drug antibodies
Arno Kromminga (Hamburg, Germany)

Immunogenicity testing of recombinant hGH – Methodological challenges and clinical relevance
Michael Schaab (Leipzig, Germany)

Quantification of the activity and neutralizing antibody response to TNF-alpha antagonists
Michael Tovey (Paris, France)

12.30–14.30 LUNCH BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING
Poster viewing
P16-P38 Systemic Autoimmune Diseases – Methodical Aspects

12.30–14.30 EASI LUNCH MEETING (meeting room)
(EASI members only)

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14.30–15.50 PRESENTATIONS OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE DRESDEN PRIZE ON THE STUDY OF AUTOANTIBODIES
(in alphabetical order of the presenting authors)
Co-Chairs: K. Conrad (Dresden, Germany)
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D. Reinhold (Magdeburg, Germany)
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Gerd-Rüdiger Burmester, Karl Egerer, Robert Biesen and Falk Hiepe (Berlin, Germany)

Development of a method for multiplex real-time analysis of enzymatic activity on a microbead-chip
Stefan Rödiger, Alexander Böhm, Jörg Nitschke, Luba Stavitskaya, Melanie Gruner, Alena V. Kundzer, Margarita V. Volkova, I. Generalov, Carsten Schmidt, Christian Schröder, Dirk Roggenbuck, Peter Schierack (Senftenberg, Germany)

Quantitative results of automated indirect immunofluorescence enable value added reporting for antinuclear antibody testing
Sofie Schouwers, Myriam Bonnet, Patrick Verschuuren, René Westhovens, Daniel Blockmans, Godelieve Mariën, Xavier Bossuyt (Leuven, Belgium)

CytoBead ANCA – a novel indirect immunofluorescence test for the simultaneous detection of anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic antibodies
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Role of autoantibodies against Zinc transporter protein (anti-ZnT8) in the diagnosis and follow-up of type I Diabetes Mellitus: an Italian experience
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AUTOANTIBODIES IN CONNECTIVE TISSUE DISEASES
Co-Chairs: P.L. Meroni (Milan, Italy)
M. Mahler (San Diego, USA)

Anti-Mup44 autoantibodies in inclusion-body myositis
Ger J.M. Pruijn (Nijmegen, The Netherlands)

Autoantibody profiling in idiopathic inflammatory myopathies: Validation of the myositis antigens Mi-2a, MDA5, NXP2 and SAE1 in a line immunoasay

Autoantibodies to 3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl-Coenzyme A reductase (HMGCR) a novel biomarker for statin associated necrotizing myopathies
Makoto Miyara, Olivier Benveniste, Jean-Luc Charuel, Alexander Shikhman, Olivier Boyer, Joe Philips, Lucile Musset, Michael Mahler (San Diego, USA)

Autoantibody signatures of connective tissue disease patients identified with a bead-based assays approach
Angelika Lueking, Petra Budde, Heike Goehler, Jessica Schwermann, Martin Gamer, Klaus Marquardt, Anna Telaar, Daniel Chamrad, Carmen Theek, Matthias Schneider, Peter Schulz-Knappe (Dortmund, Germany)

Identification of novel autoantibody signatures reflecting the heterogeneity of systemic lupus erythematosus
Petra Budde, A. Lueking, S. Vordenbäumen, H. Göhler, M. Gamer, K. Marquardt, A. Telaar, D. Chamrad, C. Theek, B. Ostendorf, P. Schulz-Knappe, M. Schneider (Dortmund, Germany)

HALL B
AUTOANTIBODIES IN NEUROLOGICAL DISEASES
Co-Chairs: D. Roggenbuck (Senftenberg, Germany)
V. Somers (Diepenbeek, Belgium)

Autoantibodies against coronin-1a in clinically isolated syndrome and multiple sclerosis
Veerle Somers (Diepenbeek, Belgium)
Diagnostic and pathophysiologic relevance of autoantibodies against aquaporin-4  
Friedemann Paul, Brigitte Wildemann, Sven Jarius (Berlin, Germany)

Autoantibodies against the neuronal surface antigen DPPX: markers for an emerging neurological disease entity  
Bettina Balint, Simon Nagel, Uwe Haberkorn, Christian Probst, Inga-Madeleine Blöcker, Bianca Teegen, Kristin Rentzsch, Ramona Bahtz, Lars Komorowski, Sandra Saschenbrecker, Andreas Kastrup, Martin Kuthe, Hans-Michael Meinck, Winfried Stöcker (Lübeck, Germany)

New autoantibodies in multiple sclerosis  
Bernhard Hemmer (Munich, Germany)

COFFEE BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING  

PATHOGENESIS AND THERAPY OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES – NOVEL ASPECTS  
Co-Chairs: D. Bogdanos (London, UK)  
F. Hiepe (Berlin, Germany)

Inherited defects in nucleic acid metabolism and autoimmunity  
Min Ae Lee-Kirsch (Dresden, Germany)

Induction of autoimmunity by defects of intracellular nucleases: Mouse models for Aicardi-Goutières syndrome  
Axel Roers (Dresden, Germany)

Protective natural autoantibodies in atherogenesis and autoimmunity  
Gregg J. Silverman (New York, USA)

The use of Aptamers as a new tool for the treatment of autoantibody associated diseases  
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AUTOANTIBODIES IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS
Co-Chairs: M.J. Fritzler (Calgary, Canada)
G. Steiner (Vienna, Austria)

Serological pre-RA diagnostics
Günter Steiner (Vienna, Austria)

Antibodies against carbamylated proteins in different stages of rheumatoid arthritis
Leendert A. Trouw (Leiden, The Netherlands)

Development and initial use of a multiplex chip-based assay for the detection of autoantibodies against citrullinated peptides in rheumatoid arthritis patients
Johan Rönnelid (Uppsala, Sweden)

LUNCH BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING
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P39-P54 Organ Specific Autoimmune Diseases – Methodical Aspects

GFID MEETING (BioInnovationszentrum room 5604)
(GFID members only)

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EASI SYMPOSIUM
STANDARDIZATION/HARMONIZATION IN AUTOIMMUNE DIAGNOSTICS
Co-Chairs: Y. Shoenfeld (Tel Hashomer, Israel)
U. Sack (Leipzig, Germany)

Standardization of reference material for autoantibody testing: the state of the art
Pier Luigi Meroni (Milan, Italy)

International recommendations for the assessment of autoantibodies to cellular antigens referred to as anti-nuclear antibodies (ANA)
Jan Damoiseaux (Maastricht, The Netherlands)
14.50–15.10  Reading and interpretation of ANA-immunofluorescence tests: results of a comparative study with 6 automated systems  
Nicola Bizzaro (Tolmezzo, Italy)

15.10–15.30  ANA measurement by IIF in comparison to other methods in the diagnosis of connective tissue diseases  
Xavier Bossuyt (Leuven, Belgium)

15.30–15.50  ANA questionnaires in Europe (results and possible consequences)  
Jan Damoiseaux (Maastricht, The Netherlands)

15.50–16.30  COFFEE BREAK

16.30–17.00  DRESDEN PRIZE ON THE STUDY OF AUTOANTIBODIES  
Award Ceremony

17.15  Departure to Albrechtsberg Castle

17.45  Musical Champagne Reception and visit of the Castle

18.30  Social Dinner
HALL A

METHODICAL ASPECTS OF AUTOANTIBODY TESTING
Co-Chairs: N. Bizzaro (Tolmezzo, Italy)  
X. Bossuyt (Leuven, Belgium)

Toward new concepts and approaches to autoantibody testing
Marvin J. Fritzler (Calgary, Canada)

New (automated) assays for screening and monitoring autoimmune diseases
Boris Gilburd (Tel Hashomer, Israel)

Evaluation of a new ELISA for the determination of autoantibodies against human M-type phospholipase A2 receptor in primary membranous nephropathy

Comparison of two ELISAs for the detection of anti-MZGP2 antibodies as a new serological marker for Crohn’s disease
Laura M. Stinton, Gary L. Norman, Zakera Shums, Maria T. Arias-Loste, Marcos Lopez-Hoyos, Michael Mahler (Calgary, Canada)

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PARANEOPLASTIC AND TUMOR ASSOCIATED AUTOANTIBODIES
Co-Chairs: Edward K.L. Chan (Gainesville, USA)  
T. Krieger (Hamburg, Germany)

Proteomic profiling of autoantibodies in prostate cancer: a health disparities perspective
Carlos Casiano (Loma Linda, USA)

Characterisation of novel autoantibody biomarkers in oncology and autoimmunity
Will Colón, Colin Wheeler, Ezam Uddin, Nicholas Workman, Pooja Agashe, Tim Vyse and Michael B. McAndrew (Oxford, UK)
Multi-parametric recombinant cell-based indirect immunofluorescence assay (RC-IFA) for the determination of autoantibodies associated with paraneoplastic neurological syndromes

Inga-Madeleine Blöcker, Christiane Radzimski, Mandy Unger, Linda Döring, Winfried Stöcker, Josep Dalmau, Peter Sillevis Smitt, Lars Komorowski, Christian Probst (Lübeck, Germany)

Development of sensitive and specific assays for serological diagnosis of anti-laminin 332 mucous membrane pemphigoid

S. Groth, A. Abadpour, K. Vafia, C. Probst, L. Komorowski, W. Schlumberger, W. Stöcker, D. Zillikens and E. Schmidt (Lübeck, Germany)

COFFEE BREAK – POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING

THE RENAISSANCE OF THE HEP-2 CELL ASSAY


Standardization of ANA-HEp-2 pattern nomenclature

Luis E.C. Andrade (São Paulo, Brazil)

The clinical significance of the dense fine speckled immunofluorescence pattern on HEp-2 cells in the diagnosis of systemic autoimmune disease

Michael Mahler (San Diego, USA)

Rare staining pattern on HEp-2 cells

René Louis Humbel (Esch-sur-Alzette, Luxembourg)

Optimization of the automated HEp-2 cell assay by stepwise improvement of software algorithms

Rico Hiemann, Nadja Röber, Dirk Roggenbuck, Karsten Conrad (Senftenberg, Germany)

Anti-nematin antibodies in practice

J. Goetz, R. L. Humbel, G. Uettwiller, F. Habersetzer, M. Doffoel (Strasbourg, France)
LUNCH BREAK

HALL A

EASI/GFID Symposium for General Practitioners
(in German)

AUTOIMMUNDIAGNOSTIK IN DER KLINISCHEN PRAXIS

Vorstellung des Buches „Autoimmunerkrankungen für Praktische Ärzte“
Ulrich Sack (Leipzig)

Autoimmunerkrankungen in der klinischen Praxis
Manfred Herold (Innsbruck)

Serologische Diagnostik von Autoimmunerkrankungen
Karsten Conrad (Dresden)

COFFEE BREAK

Meeting of the German and Austrian EASI Group
(in German)
POSTER EXHIBITION
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Systemic Autoimmune Diseases – Methodical Aspects

Efficient autoantibody titration using indirect immunofluorescence assays (IIFA)
Jan Martinek, Ivo Lochman, Alexandra Lochmanová, Vladimir Krauz (Ostrava, Czech Republic)

Autoimmunity diagnostic strategies (ANA, anti-dsDNA, anti-ENA) in Italian clinical laboratories
A. Radice, L. Bianchi, S. Glionna, B. Trezzi, on behalf of Forum Interdisciplinare per la Ricerca sulle Malattie Autoimmuni (F.I.R.M.A) (Milan, Italy)

Evaluation of ANA testing results: is there a need for revision of our protocol for antibody specificity testing?
Andrea Tesija Kuna, Ines Vukasovic, Nada Vrkic (Zagreb, Croatia)

Automation in ANA HEP-2 cells microscopy: can the machine substitute the human eye?
Cristovão Pitangueira Mangueira, Eliane Aparecida Rosseto (São Paulo, Brazil)
P20 HELIOS, a bright future for ANA – automated indirect immunofluorescence (IIF) assay
B. Gilburd, N. Agmon-Levin, T. Martins, Andrea Petzold, T. Matthias and Y. Shoenfeld (Tel-Aviv, Israel)

P21 Comparability of the AESKUSLIDES ANA-HEp-2 antinuclear antibody (ANA) immunological test system with a commercially available system
Torsten Matthias, Sascha Pfeiffer, Trishna Martins, Peter Trinder and Andrea Petzold (Wendelsheim, Germany)

P22 CytoBead ANA – a novel indirect immunofluorescence test for the simultaneous detection of anti-nuclear antibodies
Juliane Scholz, Ilka Knüttner, Kai Grossmann, Rico Hiemann, Mandy Sowa, Nadja Röber, Karsten Conrad, Dirk Roggenbuck (Senftenberg, Germany)

P23 Microtiter plate-based multiparametric assay for detection of non-organ specific autoantibodies
Jana Langer, Erik Höchel, Klemens Löster, Martin Eberhardt, Nadja Röber, Karsten Conrad, Silvia Porstmann, Tomas Porstmann (Heidesee, Germany)

P24 Evaluation of a novel chemiluminescent assay (QUANTA Flash® CTD Screen Plus) for the rapid detection of autoantibodies in systemic autoimmune rheumatic diseases
C. Bentow, A. Seaman, A. Swart, A. Shikhman, N. Goodman, M. Mahler (San Diego, USA)

P25 Prevalence and clinical associations of anti-DFS70 antibodies in samples with high titer of ANA but without detectable fine-specificity
Michael Mahler, Sofie Schouwers, Roger Albesa, Eric Tena, Nathalie Vandeputte, Doreen Dillaerts, X. Bossuyt (Leuven, Belgium)

P26 LEDGF antibodies and DFS pattern in routine diagnostics
Uwe Höpner, Tim Fülling, Uta Kießling, Teresa Trimpop, Manuela Rejzek, Andrea Thieme, Nadja Röber, Karsten Conrad (Dresden, Germany)
P27 Longitudinal study of anti-DFS70 antibodies in 5 patients without antinuclear antibody associated autoimmune rheumatic disease
Sofie Schouwers, Michael Mahler, Doreen Dilaerts, Nathalie Vandeputte, Xavier Bossuyt (Leuven, Belgium)

P28 Evaluation of the first dot blot assay for the detection of anti DFS 70 antibodies as part of a 12plex ANA Profile
Johannes Schulte-Pelkum, Eric Tena, Alain Vigneron, Nicolas Bodart, Michael Mahler (San Diego, USA)

P29 Novel autoantibodies showing chromatin binding in the HEp-2 cell assay
Angelika Lueking, Heike Goehler, Petra Rengers, Martin Gamer, Klaus Marquardt, Petra Budde, Anna Telaar, Daniel Chamrad, Carmen Theek, Karsten Conrad and Peter Schulz-Knappe (Dortmund, Germany)

P30 Evaluation of ANCA by Automated IFA Image Analysis on NOVA View®
Carol E. Buchner, Cassandra C. Bryant, Rachel A. Rosenblum, Marlene Gonzalez, Gabriella Lakos (San Diego, USA)

P31 Evaluation of recombinant TIF1γ in a line immune assay for the detection of autoantibodies in idiopathic inflammatory myopathies

P32 The anti-CCP2 is the anti-citrullinated protein antibody (ACPA) with highest diagnostic value in rheumatoid arthritis
E. Grenmyr and Y. Sommarin (Malmö, Sweden)

P33 Occurrence of anti-RA33 antibody in various types of juvenile idiopathic arthritis
Gabor Nagy, Barbara Szasz, Diana Garan, Ibolya Szollosi, Sandor Sipka, Tamas Constantin (Debrecen, Hungary)
P34 Clinical evaluation of total and high avidity anti-dsDNA antibody EIA for the diagnosis of systemic lupus erythematosus
Pengjie Wan, Shuxia Zhou, Hua Cao, Weiping Li, Doug Scott, Joel Hardy, Tony Presitigiacomo, Jie Zheng (Hercules, USA)

P35 Significance of anti-C1q antibody detection in SLE patients with lupus nephritis
Ivana Stiborová, Vlastimil Král, Stanislava Blažičková (Usti nad Labem, Czech Republic)

P36 MMP-3 is a marker for disease activity in rheumatoid arthritis
S. Reuter, T. Matthias (Wendelsheim, Germany)

P37 The conversion of QuantiFERON TB Gold test during biological treatment by anti-TNF preparations
E. Zanova, D. Kozakova, I. Rybar, I. Solovic, J. Rovensky (Piestany, Slovak Republic)

P38 Interferon-gamma and QuantiFERON-TB Gold test conversion during biological treatment
D. Kozakova, E. Zanova, I. Rybar, I. Solovic, J. Rovensky (Piestany, Slovak Republic)

Organ Specific Autoimmune Diseases – Methodical Aspects

P39 Nonradioactive determination of autoantibodies against acetylcholine receptors in myasthenia gravis: A new enzyme-linked immunoassay for manual and automated processing
J. Westermann, E. Denczyk, C. Probst, L. Komorowski, W. Schlumberger (Lübeck, Germany)

P40 Clinical validation of a novel immunofluorescence assay for the detection of anti-MuSK antibodies based on MuSK transfected HEP-2 cells
Nadja Röber, Silke Weber, Jochen Schäfer, Sandra George, Ilka Knütter, Dirk Roggenbuck, Jan-Heiner Küpper, Karsten Conrad (Dresden, Germany)
P41 Pleural mesothelioma and anti-MA2-associated encephalitis
Adriano Jiménez-Escrig, Silvia Medina, Ángela Carrasco (Madrid, Spain)

P42 What should be the cut-off for VGKC complex antibodies?
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Social Dinner in Albrechtsberg Castle (Dresden) (90 €)  
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