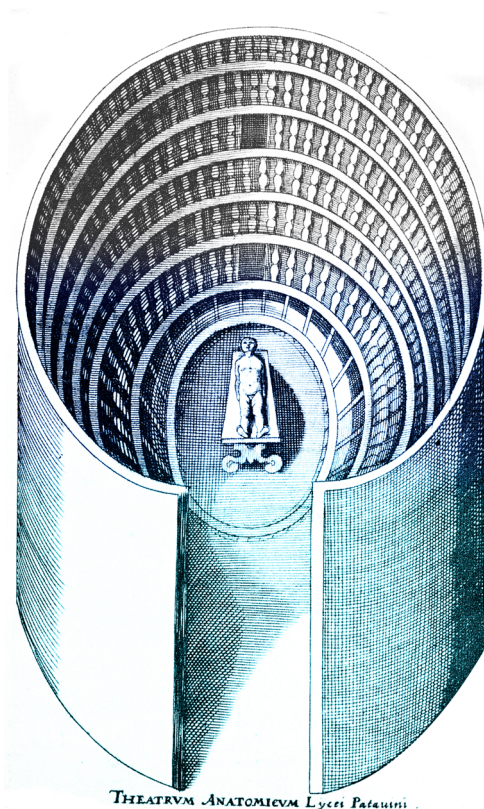




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INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON THYMUS MYASTHENIA GRAVIS THYMECTOMY



Padua – Italy, March 15-16, 2013
Palazzo del Bò – Aula Nieveo

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WELCOME TO PADUA

It is a great pleasure for us to invite you to attend the
“INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON THYMUS-MYASTHENIA
GRAVIS-THYMECTOMY”,
taking place in Padua, Italy on March 15-16, 2013

The “**INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON THYMUS - MYASTHENIA GRAVIS - THYMECTOMY**” is organized by the Thymic Working Group of the European Association for Cardio - Thoracic Surgery (EACTS) which contributed with an Educational Grant. The main focus of the workshop is on non-thymomatous and thymomatous Myasthenia Gravis with key issues on basic research and diagnostic and therapeutic controversies. The aim is to realize a multidisciplinary workshop with the contribution of several professional figures (neurologists, radiologists, pathologists, oncologists and surgeons) coming from all over the world, and with well-known expertise in the basic research and in the complex clinical management of non - thymomatous and thymomatous Myasthenia Gravis, in order to cover all the aspects of this disease.

We would like to thank the whole faculty, the sponsors and the participants for their support and enthusiasm.

We all look forward to seeing you in Padova.

Federico Rea
Marco Lucchi

PROGRAM

FRIDAY, MARCH 15th, 2013

Hrs. 12.30 Registration

Hrs. 13.00 Welcome Address

Introduction

Federico Rea, Marco Lucchi, Conference Chairmen

**SESSION I THYMUS AND MYASTHENIA GRAVIS:
DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC
CONTROVERSIES**

Chairmen: F. Melfi - Pisa, B. Schalke - Regensburg

Hrs. 13.20 Pathophysiological mechanisms
in Myasthenia Gravis

S. Berrih-Aknin, Paris

Hrs. 13.40 Pathological aspects of thymus
in Myasthenia Gravis patients

F. Calabrese, Padua

Hrs. 14.00 Myasthenia Gravis:
a review of the medical treatments

R. Mantegazza, Milan

Hrs. 14.20 Status of the trial for thymectomy
in nonthymomatous Myasthenia Gravis
patients receiving prednisone (MGTX)

G.I. Wolfe, Buffalo

Hrs. 14.40 Discussion

Hrs. 15.00 Coffee break

FRIDAY, MARCH 15th, 2013

- Hrs. 15.20** **Selection criteria to thymectomy
and pre-operative assessment**
E. Pegoraro, Padua
- Hrs. 15.40** **Surgery in Myasthenia Gravis patients:
the anaesthetist point of view**
P. Feltracco, Padua
- Hrs. 16.00** **Surgical approaches to thymectomy
in nonthymomatous Myasthenia Gravis:
Cervicotomy**
E. Ruffini, Turin

Transternal
P. Granone, Rome

Thoracoscopic monolateral
J. Sonett, New York

Thoracoscopic bilateral
M. Zielinski, Zakopane

Robotic
G. Marulli, Padua

- Hrs. 17.40** **Neurological outcome following thymectomy
and prognostic factors**
A. Evoli, Rome

- Hrs. 18.00** **Discussion**

FRIDAY, MARCH 15th, 2013

Hrs. 18.20 Featured abstracts

Hrs. 18.40 **EACTS** thymic survey and further proposals
P. Van Schil, Antwerp

SATURDAY, MARCH 16th, 2013

SESSION II THYMOMA AND MYASTHENIA GRAVIS: DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC CONTROVERSIES

Chairmen: R. Schmid - Bern, F. Rea - Padua

Hrs. 09.00 Pre-operative diagnosis: when and how
K. Athanassiadi, Athens

Hrs. 09.20 Imaging of thymus:
from hyperplasia to thymic tumor
A. Priola, Orbassano

Hrs. 09.40 Which role for PET in thymic malignancies
P. Erba, Pisa

Hrs. 10.00 Discussion

Hrs. 10.20 Coffee break

Hrs. 10.40 What is around a thymoma biology:
autoimmunity and beyond
A. Marx, Mannheim

SATURDAY, MARCH 16th, 2013

- Hrs. 11.00** **Thymomatous and nonthymomatous
Myasthenia Gravis: two different diseases?**
N. E. Gilhus, Bergen
- Hrs. 11.20** **Overview of difficult pathological diagnosis**
P. Stroebel, Gottingen
- Hrs. 11.40** **Role of minimally invasive approach
for thymectomy in early stage thymoma**
J.C. Rueckert, Berlin
- Hrs. 12.00** **Multimodality treatments: a critical review**
F. Detterbeck, New Haven
- Hrs. 12.20** **Neoadjuvant therapy of primary
not resectable thymoma with Sandostatin
LAR® + Prednisolon**
B. Schalke, Regensburg
- Hrs. 12.40** **Discussion**
- Hrs. 13.00** **Featured abstracts**
- Hrs. 13.30** **Light lunch**

FACULTY

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VENUE

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- SITA coach (every 30 minutes) until 10 pm
- Train from Venezia–Mestre railway station. The airport is linked to the train station by ATVO Fly bus or ACTV city bus no. 5
- Air Service (tel. 049 8704425, reservation@airservicepadova.it) or Landomas minibus (Phone number +39 049 8600382, landomas@landomas.it). Book at least 24 hours in advance.

BY CAR (toll motorway)

A4 Torino – Trieste. Exits at Padova Ovest and Padova Est

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BY TRAIN

The railway station is a 15-minute walk from the old town centre; train services are available to Venice, Trieste, Verona, Milan, Bologna, Florence, Rome, and points south.

For timetables and information: www.trenitalia.com

CONGRESS LANGUAGE

The official language of the International Workshop on Thymus-Myasthenia Gravis-Thymectomy is English.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

Certificates of attendance for pre-registered participants are issued along with the congress documentation upon arrival. Participants who register on-site can request this certificate at the registration desk.

CME CREDITS

CME Desk

Delegates can collect CME documents, including questionnaires and data sheets, from the CME desk located at the Congress Secretariat Registration Area.

Italian Accreditation

The International Workshop on Thymus-Myasthenia Gravis-Thymectomy has been accredited by the Italian Ministry of Health.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The Scientific Committee has provided a space into the scientific programme for selected communications. The best abstracts will be presented and discussed during the workshop. Abstracts must be sent no later than 28th February 2013 by e-mail at the Organizing Secretariat: e.cazzin@keycongress.com.

Abstract acceptance and programme scheduling will be communicated to the corresponding author's e-mail address by the Organizing Secretariat within 5th March 2013. For your abstract to be included in the final scientific programme, it is mandatory to register for the congress and to settle payment as soon as you have received the notification of abstract acceptance.

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- The first page should contain: the title of the abstract in CAPITAL LETTERS; the name(s) of the author(s) (no more than 10 authors), the Institutional affiliation and information about the
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- The text should be not more than 500 words
- The use of 1 table or graph is possible
- The abstract must consist of four paragraphs labelled: OBJECTIVE, METHODS, RESULTS, CONCLUSIONS
- The material should not have been published or presented at any international meeting before

The accepted topics are:

- Non-thymomatous Myasthenia Gravis
- Thymoma and Myasthenia Gravis

Contributions from biologists, neurologists, pathologists, radiologists, oncologists and surgeons are welcomed.

REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION FEES

- Delegates € 200,00
- Trainees, residents, fellows, medical students € 100,00

All registration fees are quoted in Euro and include VAT 21%. Registration will only be processed if payment is made in full.

Registration fee includes: Admission to all scientific sessions, congress kit, final program, certificate of attendance, coffee breaks, light lunch.

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The Organizing Secretariat has booked some rooms at special rates in hotels located near the venue. Please do not hesitate to contact Key Congress at the following e-mail address e.cazzin@keycongress.com in order to get more information or book a room.

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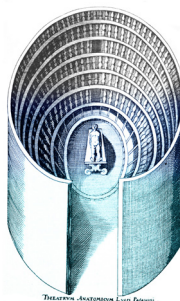
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