The Management of Paediatric Allergy: in Whose Hands? From Bench to Bedside

Preliminary Programme

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The meeting takes stock of the state of the art in food allergy in the contexts of changing diagnosis, management and utilisation of resources in paediatric allergy medicine.

Meeting Opening Address

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Meeting President
Friday, 20\textsuperscript{th} January
“New Tools On The Bench”

\textbf{Session 1} \hspace{5cm} 9.00-11.00
The Allergy Consumer Between Research and Legislation

The concept of the meeting
Patrizia Restani (Milano, Italy), Carlo Agostoni (Milano, Italy)

RedAll: Where are we now?
Angelika Paschke (Hamburg, Germany)

Allergentest: the state of the art
Sabine Baumgartner (Tulin, Austria)

PRIN 2004-2006
Marcello Duranti (Milano, Italy)

Being the parent of a food allergic child in the supermarket.
Erkka Valovirta (Turku, Finland)

\textbf{Keynote Concepts} \hspace{5cm} 11.00-11.30

The Ga\textsuperscript{2}len project. An update.
Paul Van Cauwenberge (Ghent, Belgium)

\textbf{Session 2} \hspace{5cm} 11.30-13.30
Implementing the European Union Legislation on Food Allergens: Current Experience and Perspectives

The new European directive on food labelling
Giuseppe De Giovanni (Roma, Italy)

A voice for all stakeholders: Patient’s associations, manufacturers, retailers, consumer groups and Paediatrician allergists’ associations

Working lunch
Friday, 20th January
“New tools on the bench”

Session 3a
Technological Analysis of Hidden Allergens in Foods
Thresholds, trace ingredients and their immunochemical detection
Patrizia Restani (Milano, Italy)
Immunochemical techniques: ELISA
Paola Zunin (Genova, Italy)
PCR: applications, limitations and future developments
Marco Arlorio (Novara, Italy)
Detection of hidden allergens in food by peptide nucleic acids (PNA) - based methods
Rosangela Marchelli (Parma, Italy)
Progress in optical detection for bioanalytical methods
Mladen Franko (Nova Gorica, Slovenia)
HACCP and manufacturers
Giuseppe Ciozzani (Milano, Italy)
Consumers and tests
Ulrike Immer (Landwehrstr, Germany)
Discussion

Parallel Session
Session 3b
The Diagnosis of Food Allergy in Children
Searching for allergens across the placenta
Zsolt Szepfalusi (Vienna, Austria)
In vitro diagnosis of cow's milk hypersensitivity: from controversial evidence to novel technologies
Alberto Ugazio (Roma, Italy)
Standardisation of food challenges – one year after the EAACI Document
Bodo Niggemann (Berlin, Germany)
The atopy patch test in food allergy diagnosis: the state of the art
Knut Brochow (Munich, Germany)
Discussion
Saturday, 21st January
“New Bedside Rules”

Session 4 09.00-10.30
The GP and the Specialist: a Tale of Two Continents
EU: The GP office as gateway to specialist care
Screening, referral and the post-specialist management of mild allergic disease
Alessandro Fiocchi (Milano, Italy)

US: Allergy care and treatment plans
Unmet needs of children in managed care programmes
Emil Bardana (Portland, ORE, USA)

EU: The training of the paediatrician in allergy and pulmonology
Mario La Rosa (Catania, Italy)

US: The role of the allergy specialist in paediatric asthma care
Michael Blaiss (Memphis, USA)

Session 5 11.00-12.30
Round Table: Specific Allergen Immunotherapy for Food Allergy: Has the Time Come?
Food tolerance in food-allergic patients
An immunologist’s point of view
Tbd

Can the experience of SLIT translate into immunotherapy for food allergy in humans?
An allergist’s point of view
G. Walter Canonica (Genova, Italy)

Current models and future for prospects of immunotherapy for food allergy
How close are we to bedside application?
Wesley Burks (Durham, USA)

Keynote Concepts 12.30-13.00
Potential new methods for prevention and treatment of food allergy
Sami Bahna (Shreveport, LO, USA)

The Symposium adjourns at 1.00 pm
Target audience
All professionals from:
Paediatrics, allergy, dermatology and pharmacology

All scientists from:
Academic allergy and immunology research, basic and clinical research centres, industry R & D

The Venue
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The Hotel is situated in Milan’s entertainment quarter ten minutes’ walk from the central cathedral square. Standing opposite Garibaldi Railway Station and the exit of the Metro Green Line and Blue Transit System Garibaldi Stations, this four-star Hotel caters to an international business clientele.

How to Reach the Venue
From Malpensa International Airport (48 km). A shuttle train service (Malpensa Express) runs between the airport and the city. Alight at Bovisa Politecnico, transfer to the Blue Transit System and proceed directly to Garibaldi Railway Station on a Pioltello-Porta Vittoria train. Please note that tickets should be purchased from vending machines or newsagents inside the Malpensa terminal. The conductor will only issue a ticket after the payment of a fine. Taxi fares to a central location can run upwards of 80 Euro, depending on traffic conditions.

From Linate Airport (8 km). The N. 73 bus service runs between Linate International Arrivals and Piazza San Babila (displayed on the front of the bus) and terminates there. Tickets cannot be bought from the driver but should be obtained from kiosks or bars inside the terminal for 1 Euro. Taxi fares on the same route can be expected to average 15 Euro under light traffic conditions.

From Milan Central Railway Station. The Hotel Garibaldi FS underground station is only two stops away from the Central Station on Green Line southbound trains directed to Abbiategrasso and tickets may be purchased from a bank of vending machines or from newsagents’ inside the station.

Exhibition Space
Companies interested in sponsoring exhibition space within the Symposium area should contact the meeting organisers.
**General information**

**Opening Ceremony**
Registered attendees and companions are welcome to the Opening Ceremony, which is to be held on Friday, 20\textsuperscript{th} January, during the Concert Performance. Formal wear is to be worn on this occasion to hear the greetings of the Symposium scientific patrons and from the Regional Council and the City authorities.

**Official Languages**
Official languages are English and Italian. A simultaneous translation service of the international programme is provided.

**Call for Oral Presentations**
Authors are encouraged to submit abstract(s) for Scientific Committee review through the Symposium web site: www.mcaevents.org. This year, our oral presentation format is strictly “stand-up performance” style, see the “Speaker’s Corner, Hyde Park” insert in the brochure for details.

**Symposium Delegate Kit and Badges**
The Symposium kit includes details of scheduled events, a CD-ROM with the Proceedings, promotional material. Badges are issued for privileged access, CME accreditation recording and entitlement to scheduled events as well as for socialising purposes.

**Presentations**
Material for PC PowerPoint presentation should be handed in at the Presentation Center at least one hour before scheduled sessions.

**Certificate of attendance and CME credits**
A Certificate of Attendance will be issued to all registered attendees at the conclusion of the Symposium and can be obtained from the Symposium Organisers’ desk. European credits have been granted to validate Symposium work for Continuing Medical Education and Italian CME credits will also be issued.
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