2nd Verona Meeting
Phytotherapy
Food & Health
Verona International Meeting on Foods, Phytotherapeutic Compounds and Health
September 29-30, 2007
Auditorium Centro Servizi
Banca Popolare di Verona
Invitation

Dear colleagues,

It is our pleasure to invite you to the 2nd Verona International Meeting on Food, Phytotherapeutic Compounds and Health organized by the University of Verona with the cooperation of the Pharmacists’ Association and Federfarma of Verona. The Meeting will take place in Verona, Italy, on September 29th - 30th, 2007 and will be held under the auspices of the Minister of Health, Province and Town Hall of Verona, Veneto Region, University of Verona, Association for Universities Studies of Verona, Veneto Agricultura, National Pharmacists’ Association, SIF, Pharmacists’ Association and Owner Pharmacies of Trento, Surgeon Physicians’ and Odontologist’s Association of Verona and Banca Popolare of Verona. Italian and International Researchers will be invited.

Why should you attend the Meeting?
In the last years the use of phytotherapeutic products for the cure and the prevention of numerous diseases has grown substantially. In addition, consumers became more and more interested in nutritional facts of everyday food and its relation with health. There is scientific evidence that many substances good for our health are present in plants and food. Connections between health and nutrients are even more evident in the vegetal kingdom.
In this Meeting the most recent scientific studies on Phytotherapy and Nutrition will be presented to Physicians, Pharmacists, other health professionals and final consumers.

What will be the goals of the Meeting?
- To present the most recent results of international research in the Food and Phytotherapeutic Compounds field.
- To promote communication and collaboration between international researchers with the objective to improve the current use of phytotherapeutic products.
- To study strategies on how to submit the most relevant information and how to train Physicians, Pharmacists, Health Professionals, final consumers, as regards the right and rational use of Food and Phytotherapeutic products.

We look forward to seeing you in Verona

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SATURDAY September 29, 2007

9:00 - 9:30  Opening Ceremony: Rector of the University of Verona, Delegate of Veneto Region, President of Medical Association of Verona, Presidents of Pharmacist’s Association of Verona and Trento

9:30 - 10:15  Plenary lecture: Antiinflammatory and antioxidative phytonutrients/phytopharmaceuticals for chemoprevention and cytoprotection
Young-Joon Surh (Seoul, South Korea)

10:15 - 11:30  SYMPOSIUM 1: Antiinflammatory phytotherapeutic compounds
Chairman: Hisanori Suzuki (Verona, Italy)
- Salvatore Cuzzocrea (Messina, Italy): *Syringa vulgaris* cell culture extract in experimental inflammation
- Tiziano Scarabelli (Detroit, USA): Aminoacid supplementation differentially modulates STAT1 and STAT3 activation in the myocardium exposed to ischaemia/reperfusion injury
- Roberto Della Loggia (Trieste, Italy): Antiinflammatory products from essential oil distillation residues
- Toshihiko Osawa (Nagoya, Japan): Development of novel functional food materials by fermentation of antioxidative phytochemicals

11:30 - 11:50  COFFEE BREAK

11:50 – 13:00  SYMPOSIUM 2: Antitumoral phytotherapeutic compounds
Chairman: Spiridione Garbisa (Padua, Italy)
- Spiridione Garbisa (Padua, Italy): Anti-tumor compounds from two well known plants, *Green Tea* and *Hypericum*
- Elena Darra (Verona, Italy): Study of the molecular mechanism of anti-tumor action of alfa-bisabolol
- Marco Falasca (London, UK): Anticancer activity of the bioactive compound inositol-pentakisphosphate
- Hiroshi Maeda (Kumamoto, Japan): Both infection and chemically induced cancer can be suppressed by a natural product, canolol, from crude canola oil

13:00 - 14:30  LUNCH

14:30 - 16:00  SYMPOSIUM 3: Pharmacovigilance of herbal medicines
Chairman: Giampaolo Velo (Verona, Italy)
- Phil Routledge (London, UK): Could the European herbal medicines Directive have saved the lives of Romeo and Juliet?
- Francesca Menniti-Ippolito (Roma, Italy): Surveillance of adverse events to natural products: the Italian experience
- Laura Cuzzolin (Verona, Italy): Knowledges about herbal products among subjects on warfarin therapy
- Marco Bacchini (Verona, Italy): Phytotherapeutic compounds: the customer-pharmacist relationship

16:00 - 16:20  COFFEE BREAK

16:20 - 17:40  SYMPOSIUM 4: Cosmetovigilance
Chairman: Giampaolo Velo (Verona, Italy)
- Luigi Naldi (Bergamo, Italy): Assessment of the risk of fragrance allergy in the general population. Challenges and method issues
- Ugo Moretti (Verona, Italy): Cosmetovigilance: the “beautiful” risk
- Lidia Sautebin (Naples, Italy): Adverse cosmetic events: a pilot project

SOCIAL DINNER
SUNDAY September 30, 2007

9:00 - 9:45  Plenary lecture: Tailoring diet based chemoprevention regimens for prostate cancer
Hasan Mukhtar (Wisconsin, USA)

9:45 – 10:45  SYMPOSIUM 5: Prebiotics, probiotics and immunity
Chairman: Monique Lacroix (Quebec, Canada)

- Monique Lacroix (Quebec, Canada): Efficiency of probiotic bacteria in prevention of intestinal infections
- Helena Tlaskalova-Hogenova (Prague, Czech Republic): The impact of probiotic and commensal bacteria on the immune system
- Willem Broekaert (Leuven, Belgium): Arabinofuranosyl-oligosaccharides (AXOS): production and prebiotic potential

10:45 - 11:05  COFFEE BREAK

11:05 - 13:00  SYMPOSIUM 6: Phytotherapeutic compounds in diabetes, dislipidemia and atherosclerosis
Chairman: Giuseppina Benoni (Verona, Italy)

- Pellegrino Masiello (Pisa, Italy): Protective effects of vegetal compounds against cytokine-induced beta cell dysfunction and death
- Francesco Francini-Pesenti (Padua, Italy): Phytotherapy in the hypercholesterolemia treatment
- Ulrich Forstermann (Mainz, Germany): Phytotherapy for the prevention of vascular oxidative stress and atherosclerosis
- Piero Marchetti (Pisa, Italy): Type 2 diabetes in humans, the pancreatic beta-cell and the role of phytotherapy
- Pierre Petit (Montpellier, France): From medicinal plants to novel antidiabetic compounds

13:00 - 14:30  LUNCH

14:30 - 15:30  POSTER SESSION

15:30 - 16:30  SYMPOSIUM 7: Functional food
Chairman: Junji Yodoi (Kyoto, Japan)

- Cosimo Pizza (Salerno, Italy): Yucca spp: a source of bioactive and very unusual phenolics
- Junji Yodoi (Kyoto, Japan): Thioredoxin inducers: molecular mechanism and application
- Urs Ruegg (Geneve, Switzerland): Investigation of nutritional components including those from *Green Tea* extract on models of Duchenne muscular dystrophy

16:30 – 16:50  COFFEE BREAK

16:50 – 17:50  SYMPOSIUM 8: *Glycyrrhiza glabra* : experimental and clinical researches
Chairman: Decio Armanini (Padua, Italy)

- Decio Armanini (Padua, Italy): Licorice derivatives in the treatment of endocrinological and metabolic diseases
- Cristina Fiore (Padua, Italy): Antiviral and antibacterial properties of licorice
- Mario Palermo (Sassari, Italy): Effect of *Glycyrrhiza Glabra* Leguminosae (licorice) on sodium and potassium balance in man

17:50 – 18:30  ECM
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INFORMATION
Place: Conference Room of Banca Popolare di Verona – Viale delle Nazioni 4
Verona (exit motor-way Verona Sud) – (find it in www.viamichelin.it)
Official languages: Italian and English. Simultaneous translation will be available
Exhibits: An exhibition area will be organized with information desks for sponsoring companies

DEADLINES
Abstract submission: June 30th, 2007
Early registration: June 30th, 2007

REGISTRATION FEES
Full registration: € 80,00 (+ VAT/IVA 20%) = € 96,00
One day registration: € 50,00 (+ VAT/IVA 20%) = € 60,00
Students and post-doctors: € 40,00 (2 days) – € 25,00 (1 day)

Registration fee includes: access to scientific sessions, access to exhibitions, abstract book, coffees, lunches.
Social Dinner tickets will be available for € 40,00.
Deadline for registration: September, 10th
Please send a filled out copy of the attached Registration Form and a copy of the bank transfer by FAX to the ORGANIZING OFFICE (Fax: +39 045 8015481)

ECM (CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION): credits have been requested for Physicians and Pharmacists

CANCELLATION
Cancellations must be notified in writing to the Organizing Office.
Cancellation notified before September 9th will receive a full refund less a deduction of a 30% administrative charge.
Cancellations received after September 10th will NOT be refunded.

GUIDELINES FOR PRESENTERS
Authors presenting Abstracts must pay the Registration Fee. In absence of the Registration Fee, abstracts will be rejected. All submitted abstracts will be examined by the SCIENTIFIC SECRETARIAT for presentation as posters (until to max of 50). Abstracts should be written in English and submitted only by e-mail to the SCIENTIFIC SECRETARIAT within June 30th. Format: Times New Roman, pt 12, single space, max length 250 words. Structure: Title (in capital letters), authors, affiliation, text, references. Abstracts must be only text: no pictures, tables or graphs will be accepted. References: maximum 4.
All abbreviations must be defined before being used in the text.
The poster measures will be 1.0 m wide by 1.0 m high. An abstract book will be available to all registered participants.

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HOTEL MONACO*** www.hotelmonacovr.com tel. 045.580809 (300mt from conference room) and HOTEL SUD POINT*** www.hoteisudpoint.com 045.8200922 (800mt from conference room): € 67,00 single room; € 90,00 double room.
HOTEL CRISTALLO*** www.cristallo.vr.com tel.045.8520932 (4km from conference room – bus service): € 62,00 single room; € 85,00 double room.
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HOTEL VILLA MALASPINA**** Tel. 045.580809 (4,5km from conf.room – bus service): € 88,00 single room; € 128,00 double room.
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LINKS PARTNERS: www.bpv.it; www.aboca.it; www.arkopharma.it; www.bodyspring.com; www.katjes.de; www.sana.it; www.altromercato.it; www.veronafiere.it
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□ Optional: Gala Dinner @ € 40,00 for ........ people: TOTAL € ......

ECM (fields required only for Italian participants eligible for accreditation):

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