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WELCOME MESSAGE

Dear Friends and Colleagues from Italy and Israel,

This is the third Israel-Italy Meeting on Advances in Autoimmunity and Rheumatology. A third meeting is not an incidental meeting. It indicates tradition. Moreover, we are already planning the 4th Israel-Italy Meeting which will take place in Siena on September 27-29, 2015 and will be organized by Prof. Mauro Galeazzi. These meetings are a great opportunity for exchange of ideas, which on many occasions materialize in real collaborations, common papers and projects. Likewise, the meetings lead to exchange of young and senior physicians and researchers between our centers and countries, further strengthening the ties that bond us. Let us hope that the young fellows will continue this wonderful tradition for many years to come.

We welcome all of you with open arms in our small country and hope that you will enjoy not only the scientific interaction but also the cultural events that we have planned for you.

Grazie mille,

Yours always,

Yehuda Shoenfeld MD, FRCP (hon), MaACR



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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

THURSDAY – OCTOBER 23, 2014

7:30-8:00	Coffee
8:00-8:15	Welcome Mr. Itzhak Razin: a word on B. Maylowitz Prof. Zeev Rotstein, Head of Sheba Medical Center Prof. Ehud Grossman, Dean of the Sackler Faculty of Medicine, Tel Aviv University Prof. Ori Elkayam, President of the Israeli Society of Rheumatology Dr. Nancy Agmon-Levin, President of the Israeli Society of Allergy and Clinical Immunology Representatives of the Embassy of Italy in Israel

SESSION 1: CUTTING EDGE IN AUTOIMMUNITY

Chairs	Y. Mekori (Israel), E. Toubi (Israel), R. Gerli (Italy)
8:15-8:30	Andrea Doria: Anti-PTX3 antibodies in lupus nephritis
8:30-8:45	Tomer Bashi: Helminthes derivative for treating autoimmune diseases
8:45-9:00	Claudio Lunardi: Modulation of adaptive immune response following intravenous immunoglobulin therapy in COVID
9:00-9:15	Maria Arango: Narcolepsy: A new autoimmune disease
9:15-9:30	Roberto Perricone: Hereditary angioedema and autoimmunity
9:30-9:45	Zahava Vadasz: New potential biomarkers for disease activity and fibrosis in systemic sclerosis
9:45-10:15	Coffee break

SESSION 2: RHEUMATOLOGY: NOVEL ASPECTS IN DIAGNOSTICS & THERAPY

Chairs	G. Zandman-Goddard (Israel), A. Livneh (Israel), M. G. Danieli (Italy)
10:15 -10:30	Mauro Galeazzi: A phase Ib clinical trial with dekavit (F8-IL10), for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis, used in combination with methotrexate
10:30 -10:45	Miri Blank: Domain-I/beta2GPI tolerogenic dendritic cells attenuate experimental antiphospholipid syndrome
10:45 -11:00	Nicola Bizzaro: Prediction of autoimmunity
11:00-11:15	Mahmoud Abu Shakra: Sepsis in SLE and RA
11:15-11:30	Angela Tincani: Pregnancy in APS: can we progress in the patients management?
11:30-11:45	Alessandra Melegari: Harmonization of Autoimmune Diagnostics with ANA: approach and clinical relevance
11:45-12:00	Roberto Gerli: New perspectives in diagnosis and treatment of primary Sjogren's syndrome
12:00 -13:00	Lunch break

SESSION 3: FEDERICO: PEBBLES IN AUTOIMMUNITY

Chairs	P. Langevitz (Israel), N. Bizzaro (Italy), P.L. Meroni (Italy)
13:00 -13:10	Carlo Perricone: The autoimmune side of rheumatic fever
13:10 -13:20	Mariele Gatto: Serpin B3 ameliorates lupus in NZB/W and MRL-lpr mice
13:20 -13:30	Cristina Rosario: Hyperferritinemic syndrome
13:30 -13:40	Serena Colafrancesco: SCD163 in adult onset still's disease: a biomarker for macrophage activation related to hyperferritinemia
13:40 -13:50	Maurizio Rinaldi: ASCA and autoimmunity
13:50 -14:00	Shaye Kivity: CNS lupus autoantibodies
14:00 -14:30	Coffee break

SESSION 4: PREVENTION & INNOVATIVE THERAPY IN AUTOIMMUNITY

Chairs	A. Puccetti (Italy), T. Trenti (Italy), D. Roccatello (Italy)
14:30 -14:45	Giorgia Bizzaro: Vitamin D and autoimmunity
14:45 -15:00	Smadar Gertel: Pathogenic immune response induced by anti-citrullinated protein autoantibodies (ACPA) in human rheumatoid arthritis (RA) and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) patients lymphocytes
15:00 -15:15	Alessandra Soriano: Who should not be vaccinated?
15:15 -15:30	Piercarlo Sarzi-Puttini: New biologic treatments in psoriatic arthritis
15:30 -15:45	Howard Amital: Understanding the aspects of diagnosis and compliance of patients with fibromyalgia in a large Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) in Israel
15:45 -15:55	Chiara Gelardi: Subcutaneous immunoglobulin in idiopathic inflammatory myositis
16:00	Adjourn

FRIDAY – OCTOBER 24, 2014

8:00 – 8:30	Coffee break
SESSION 5: FRONTIERS IN AUTOIMMUNITY	
Chairs	R. Mader (Israel), C. Bonaguri (Italy), M. Ehrenfeld (Israel)
8:30-8:45	Yaakov Naparstek: Prozumab-an anti HSP 60 antibody suppresses autoimmune inflammatory diseases
8:45-9:00	Laura Andreoli: Belimumab for the treatment of refractory SLE patients: does it work in 'real life'?
9:00-9:15	Caterina De Carolis: War and Peace at the feto-placental front line: recurrent spontaneous abortion
9:15-9:30	Merav Lidar: Cryopyrin Associated Periodic Fever Syndrome (CAPS)
9:30-9:45	Mathilde Versini: Obesity in autoimmune diseases: not a passive bystander
9:45-10:15	Coffee break

SESSION 6: INFECTION, VACCINE & IMMUNOREGULATION IN AUTOIMMUNITY

Chairs	G. Valesini (Italy), R. Arnon (Israel), C. Selmi (Italy)
10:15-10:30	Elias Toubi: B regulatory cells: A big family of regulatory cells rather than one subset of cells
10:30-10:45	Elon Pras: Fishing for genes in autoimmunity
10:45-11:00	Irun Cohen: Arresting beta-cell destruction in T1D: Mobilizing autoimmunity to treat autoimmunity
11:00-11:15	Dan Buskila: Rheumatic manifestations of HIV
11:15-11:30	Nancy Agmon-Levin/L. Tomljenovic: HBV and Gardasil vaccinations of healthy and NZB/W F1 mice induce behavioral changes
11:30-11:45	Rina Aharoni: Enhanced myelination in autoimmunity and in normal development induced by glatiramer acetate
11:45-12:00	Aharon Kessel: Toll-like receptor 9 expression on B cells from inflammatory bowel disease patients
12:00-12:15	Joab Chapman: Advances in understanding the antiphospholipid syndrome as a disease of the brain
12:15-12:30	Dafna Paran: Impaired learning and memory abilities in SLE - lessons from advanced brain imaging studies
12:30-13:30	Lunch break

