
The Vascular Endothelium

Basic and Clinical Aspects

Third International Congress

Pisa (Italy) , October 2-3, 2000

**Palazzo dei Congressi
Via Matteotti, 1**

October 2

Auditorium

08.30 **Opening ceremony**

Introduction

C. Mittermayer (Aachen)

Endothelium and fluid dynamics

Chairpersons: **M.W. Collins** (London, UK)
F.M. Montevercchi (Milan, I)

09.00 **T.M. Griffith** (Cardiff, UK)
Internal endothelial processes

09.15 **A. Remuzzi** (Bergamo, I)
Fluiddynamic implications on endothelial cells

09.30 **W. Wang** (London, UK)
External endothelial processes
The role of endothelial glycocalyx on the interaction between flow and vascular endothelium

09.45 **V. Coscia, M. Padula** (Ferrara, I), **G. Pontrelli** (Rome, I), **M.W. Collins** (London, UK)
A nonlinear mathematical model for the dynamics of the saccular aneurysm

09.55 **M.A. Atherton, D.J. Doorly, M.W. Collins** (London, UK)
A new approach to planning in vitro and in vivo experiments for cardiovascular stents (1) Fundamental of design procedures

10.05 **M.A. Atherton, D.J. Doorly, M.W. Collins, U. Sigwart** (London, UK)
A new approach to planning in vitro and in vivo experiments for cardiovascular stents (2) Planning of experiments

10.15 Discussion

Endothelium, biomaterials and bioengineering

Chairpersons: **H. Richter** (Aachen, D)
D. De Rossi (Pisa, I)

10.25 **S. Mantero, F.M. Montevercchi** (Milan, I)
Biomaterial endothelization

10.40	F.M. Montevercchi, S. Mantero (Milan, I) Protein absorption on to biomaterial promote cell adhesion
10.50	V. Charulatha, H. Richter, S. Handt (Aachen, D) Evaluation of the in vitro blood compatibility of polymeric biomaterials
11.00	H.C. Lüdtke-Handjery, M. Wenzel, H. Richter, C. Mittermayer (Aachen, D) Scaffold - a possibility for the fixation of implants; influence of structure and surface on the 3D-growth of cells
11.15	P. Chiarelli, G. Di Santi, A. D'Arcangelo (Pisa, I) Antibiotics delivery by means of poly-vinyl-alcohol matrix
11.25	J.M. Schierholz (Bonn, D), J. Beuth (Cologne, D) Immunology and implant-healing. Developing new antiinfectious materials
11.35	Discussion

Endothelium dependent hyperpolarization

Chairpersons:	P.M. Vanhoutte (courbevoie, F) T. M. Griffith (Cardiff, UK)
11.45	P.M. Vanhoutte (Courbevoie, F) Overview: The other relaxing factor(s)
12.10	M. Féletalou, P.M. Vanhoutte (Courbevoie, F) Prostacyclin and EDHF
12.30	A.H. Weston (Manchester, UK) The role of potassium channels and potassium ions in EDHF-induced hyperpolarizations
12.50	T.M. Griffith (Cardiff, UK) Gap junctional communication and endothelium-dependent hyperpolarization
13.10	R. Busse (Frankfurt, D) EDHF and vascular homeostasis
13.30	P.M. Vanhoutte (Courbevoie, F) Conclusion Discussion Lunch

Endothelium-dependent contractions

Chairpersons:	P.M. Vanhoutte (Courbevoie, F) Z.S. Katusic (Rochester, USA)
14.40	P.M. Vanhoutte (Courbevoie, F) Overview
15.05	Z.S. Katusic (Rochester, USA) Superoxide Anions
15.25	S. Taddei (Pisa, I) Endothelium-dependent contractions: Cyclooxygenase
15.45	P.M. Vanhoutte (Courbevoie, F)

Conclusion

Discussion

Endothelium basic studies

Session I

Chairpersons: **R. Giardino** (Bologna, I)

R. Strom (Rome, I)

- 16.00 **A.M. Müller, K.M. Müller** (Bochum, D), **C. Cronen, C.J. Kirkpatrick** (Mainz, D)
Comparison of endothelial cells in a monolayer and an organ-culture-model
- 16.10 **V. Lubrano, C. Vassalle, C. Blandizzi, M. Del Tacca, A. L'Abbate** (Pisa, I)
Effect of oxidized-low density lipoproteins on nitric oxide production from human endothelial cells
- 16.15 **M. Scavuzzo, F. Ambrogi** (Pisa, I)
Modulation of Leucocyte-Endothelium interaction by Cyclosporin A
- 16.25 **P. Romagnani, F. Annunziato, L. Lasagni, E. Lazzeri, C. Beltrame, M. Francalanci, L. Cosmi, L. Maurenzig, G. Galli, E. Maggi, S. Romagnani, M. Serio** (Florence, I), **M. Uguccioni, M. Baggioolini** (Bern, CH)
CXC chemokine receptor 3 (CXCR)3 is expressed by human microvascular endothelial cells in the S/G2-M phase of the cell cycle and mediates angiostatic activity
- 16.35 **R. Strom, P. Cardelli, A. Fiori** (Rome, I)
Characterization of the permeation and transport system of brain microvessels
- 16.45 **M. Rocca, G. Giavaresi, M. Fini, R. Giardino** (Bologna, I)
Experimental approach in skeletal muscle ischaemia-reperfusion injury
- 16.55 **A. Perna, G. Tarro, F. Perna, C. Esposito** (Naples, I)
Immunohistochemical evaluation of endothelial damage by angioinvasivity
Discussion

Endothelium basic studies

Session II

Chairpersons: **G. Remuzzi** (Bergamo, I)

A.P. Davenport (Cambridge, UK)

- 17.15 **D. Giannessi, S. Del Ry, A. Biagini** (Pisa e Massa, I)
Endothelin receptors in human heart
- 17.25 **A.P. Davenport** (Cambridge, UK)
Endothelin pathways and human cardiovascular disease
- 17.40 **H. Jin, R. Yang, H. Lu, A.K. Ogasawara, W. Li, A. Ryan, F. Peale, N.F. Paoni** (San Francisco, USA)
How to mend a broken heart: beneficial effects of growth hormone treatment following acute myocardial infarction
- 17.50 **G. Remuzzi** (Bergamo, I)
Pathophysiology of thrombotic microangiopathies
- 18.05 Discussion

19.00	Welcome address of local Authorities. Welcome party (Town Hall, Sala delle Baleari)
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October 3

Endothelium: clinical studies

Chairpersons: **C. Mittermayer** (Aachen, D)
A. Sagripanti (Pisa, I)

08.30	A. Vittoria, G.L. Messa, A. Benocci, M. Belluardo, G. Pantone, G. Giorgi, A.I. Fiaschi, M. Artusa, P. Borgogni, A. Auteri (Siena, I) Behaviour of nitric oxide (NO) during exercise in hypertensive patients
08.40	G.L. Messa, A. Vittoria, M. Belluardo, G. Pantone, A. Benocci, A. Ghezzi, M. Artusa, P. Borgogni, A. Auteri (Siena, I) Tissue plasminogen activator (T-PA) and plasminogen activator inhibitor (PAI-1) before and after physical exercise in essential hypertension
08.45	A. Cupisti, M. Rossi, S. Placidi, R. Caprioli, E. Morelli, G. Manca Rizza, S. Paoletti, G. Barsotti (Pisa, I) Endothelium-dependent and endothelium-independent vasodilation in the skin of chronic uremics patients
08.50	S. Mariani, F. Fagnani, L. Rossi, A. Lucchetti, D. Calci, G. Grandi, E. Boldrini, O. Giampietro, E. Matteucci (Pisa, I) Plasma homocysteine in families of type 1 diabetic patients
08.55	S. Mazzuca, R. Cimino, D. Ferrari, G. Muccari, R. Giovinazzo, D. Galasso (Catanzaro, I) Underuse of statins in type 2 diabetic patients with hyperlipemia
09.00	E. Matteucci, S. Quilici, V. Cinapri, G. Forotti, D. Calvi, O. Giampietro (Pisa, I) Oxidative stress in families of type 1 diabetics
09.10	Discussion
09.15	S. Mazzuca, R. Cimino, D. Ferrari, G. Muccari, F. Talarico, D. Galasso (Catanzaro, I) Laser doppler of skin blood flow in limited and diffuse systemic sclerosis
09.20	G. Ruotolo, S. Mazzuca, S. Giancotti, F. Talarico, P. Gareri, D. Galasso (Catanzaro, I) Role of videocapillaroscopy in chronic autoimmune thyroiditis
09.25	G. Muccari, S. Mazzuca, R. Cimino, D. Ferrari, F. Talarico, D. Galasso (Catanzaro, I) Primary heart disease in a patients with crest syndrome
09.30	G. Ruotolo, P. Gareri, G. Clericò, F. Talarico, S. Giancotti, D. Galasso (Catanzaro, I) Relationship between cognitive status and vascular risk factors
09.35	R. Cimino, S. Mazzuca, D. Ferrari, V. Celia, G. Muccari, D. Galasso (Catanzaro, I)

Intravenous iloprost in the treatment of critical lower limbs ischemia (CLI)
Discussion

Endothelium and haemostatic system

Chairpersons: **C. Mittermayer** (Aachen, D)
N. Nardi (Pisa, I)

- 09.45 **A. Ferretti, A. Guastini, M. Duminuco** (Pistoia, I)
Reduction of platelet activity markers after an oral methionine load in normal healthy adults
- 09.50 **B. Fattori, A. Nacci, A. Casani, C. Donati, A. Carpi, A. Sagripanti** (Pisa, I)
Relevance of plasma D-dimer measurement in patients with acute peripheral vertigo
- 09.55 **A. Sagripanti, L.M. Sarteschi, R. Toscano, L. Evangelisti, A. Realì, M. Calonaci, S. Puccetti, A. Carpi, R. Giordani, F. Ambrogi** (Pisa, I)
A comprehensive study of coagulation and fibrinolytic system parameters in patients with atherothrombotic disorders
- 10.05 **A. Sagripanti, S. Murri, L. Evangelisti, A. Carpi, R. Giordani, M. Nardi** (Pisa, I)
Haemostatic abnormalities in patients with retinal vein occlusion
- 10.15 **M. Mosti, F. Veschi, S. Orsucci, G. Tognetti** (Massa, I), **A. Carpi, A. Sagripanti** (Pisa, I)
D-dimer testing for the exclusion of Venous Thromboembolism: a comparative study of four assays
- 10.20 **A. Murinello, F. Pinto, A. Agapito, A. Gonçalves, C. Loureiro, J. Melo** (Lisbon, E)
Antiphospholipid syndrome and chronic pulmonary thromboembolism
- 10.25 **E. Turio, A. Avvenente, L. Evangelisti, R. Giordani, A. Sagripanti, P. Barachini** (Pisa, I)
Measurement of plasmatic parameters of blood coagulation and fibrinolysis in patients affected with venous ulcer, either post-phlebitic or non post-phlebitic
Discussion

Dear Colleague,

we thank you for your participation and we hope you appreciate this scientific program which explores the pathophysiologic role of endothelium and reports new data on the origin of clinically important tumors as well as on their management.

Progress in experimental research, technology and clinical management is the basis of this congress program. To this purpose the collaboration of the co-organizing Institutions and the Advisory Committee has been precious.

Special thanks are due to the Italian Nuclear Medicine Association for its patronage to this congress in which many members are covering new important topics on cancer management. We can not forget to acknowledge the support of the Menarini International Foundation which continues since 1988.

We hope very much all these collaborations will permit the further editions of this meetings which pursue the ambitious aim to contribute to stimulate research and clinical progress on vascular

diseases and cancer.

Please, feel free to send comments or suggestions for the next congress on 2002.

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