10th Pezcoller Symposium

Tenth Pezcoller Symposium The Genetics of Cancer Susceptibility June 29-July 1, 1998; Trento, Italy

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The tenth Pezcoller Symposium will be held in Trento, Italy, from June 29 to July 1, 1998.

It is entitled, "The Generics of Cancer Susceptibility" and it will include major emphasis on issues of penetrance and expressivity, and on the genetic modifiers of cancer susceptibility.

Increasing knowledge is being acquired on the fundamental role of genetic functions in determining the development and then the progression of cancer.

This knowledge leads to a better understanding of the biology of neoplasia and provides opportunities for the assessment of risk factors, for early diagnosis, for a prediction of response to treatments, and for a prognostic evaluation of cancer progression in individual patients.

The multidisciplinary discussions to be held at this Symposium are expected to clarify issues pertinent to the opportunities mentioned above.

In recognition that Roswell Park Cancer Institute, the first cancer research center in the world, is 100 years old in 1998, this Symposium is dedicated to this anniversary celebration.

Program:

June 29

8:00	Registration	
8:30	Enrico Mihich:	Pezcoller Foundation Officers
		Welcome & Introductory Remarks
8:50	Richard Klausner	Focus & Goals

AM, Session I, Genes and Genetic Pathways

Co-Chairmen: Paul Nurse and Sidney Brenner

9:10 9:40	Ed Harlow Discussion	Functional studies of the retionoblastomia protein
10:10 10:30 11:00	Coffee Break Carol Prives Discussion	Signaling to P53 by covalent and non-covalent modifiers
11:30 12:00	Jean Wang Discussion	DNA damage signaling

PM, Session II, Animal Models

Co-Chairmen: Peter Aplan and Tommaso Dragani

13:30 14:00	Ronald De Pinho Discussion	Cancer and development in the telomerase RNA knockout mouse
14:30 15:00	Peter Demant Discussion	Genetic dissection of cancer susceptibility in the mouse
15:30	Coffee Break	
16:00 16:30	Douglas Hanahan Discussion	Genomics of islet carcinogenesis in transgenic mice
17:00 17:30	Terry Van Dyke Discussion	P53 tumor suppression mechanisms
18:00	Adjourn	

June 30

AM, Session III, Penetrance versus Expressivity

Co-Chairmen: Albert de la Chapelle and Marco Pierotti

8:30 9:00	Allan Balmain Discussion	Genetic basis of tumour predisposition and progression in mice
9:30	Bruce Ponder	Ret mutations and associated developmental and cancer
10:00	Discussion	syndromes
10:30	Coffee Break	
11:00	William Dove	The intestinal epithelium and its neoplasms: genetic, cellular and tissue interactions
11:30	Discussion	
12:00	Posters	
13:00	Lunch	

PM, Session IV, Mutator Phenotype

Co-Chairmen: Lucio Luzzatto and Marcello Siniscalco

14:00	Richard Kolodner	Genome instability, mutator genes and cancer susceptibility
14:30	Discussion	

15:00	Raju Kucherlapati	Multiple roles of colorectal cancer genes
15:30	Discussion	
16:00	Coffee Break	
16:30 17:00	Thea Dorothy Tlsty Discussion	Loss of genomic integrity in preneoplastic cells
17:30	Adjourn	

AM, Session V, Population Studies

Co-Chairmen: David Goldgar and Douglas Easton

8:30	Louise Strong	Cancer risk in Li Fraumeni syndrome: A model for hereditary cancer susceptibility
9:00	Discussion	
9:30	Joseph Fraumeni, Jr.	Gene - environment interactions in cancer etiology
10:00	Discussion	
10:30	Coffee Break	
11:00	Aravinda Chakravarti	The nature of genetic variation underlying complex human diseases
11:30	Discussion	
12:00	Lunch	
13:00	Adjourn	