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**POSTGRADUATE  
ATHENS LYMPHOMA SEMINAR**

**October 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
**Athens, Greece**

On behalf of the Organizing Committee

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Dear colleagues,

It is a great pleasure for us to announce the organization of the 2017 Athens Lymphoma Seminar, in Athens Greece, under the auspices of the Foundation of the Hellenic Society of Haematology, the University of Athens, the Athens Medical Center-Psychikon Branch, the University of Crete and the Hellenic Society of Haematology.

Our current action is continuing a tradition that was initiated and run since 1992 by professors Pangalis and Polliack.

The aim of the Seminar is to discuss in depth pathology-biology and other diagnostic issues of malignant lymphomas, side by side with their clinical aspects, including therapeutic options. Case presentations will also be included, raising diagnostic and therapeutic dilemmas in order to generate a fruitful discussion among the participants and the tutors.

A highly qualified faculty will contribute to this event.

Some form of fellowships will be provided.

We welcome you to Athens

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**Thursday, 12 October 2017**

**INTRODUCTION**

**08:45-09:00**

**CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA**

Chair: **P. Panayiotidis**

Lecturers: **K. Stamatopoulos, P. Baliakas**  
*Biology of CLL: Genetics vs Immunology*  
**09:00-09:40, Discussion: 10'**

Chairs: **G.A. Pangalis, K. Tsatalas**

Lecturer: **M. Hallek** *Treatment of Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia*  
**09:50-10:30**

Lecturer: **T. Tadmor** *Richter's Syndrome*  
**10:30-10:50, Discussion: 10'**

**Coffee Break 11:00-11:20**

**MARGINAL ZONE LYMPHOMAS**

Chair: **T. Papadaki**

Lecturer: **E. Campo** *Marginal Zone and Lymphoplasmacytic Lymphomas; Diagnostic Challenges and the contribution of molecular diagnostics*  
**11:20-11:50, Discussion: 5'**

Chairs: **M. Siakantaris, C. Kalpadakis**

Lecturer: **C. Thieblemont** *Splenic Marginal Zone Lymphoma. Prognosis and Treatment* **11:55-12:25**

Lecturer: **C. Montalban** *What to do with Nodal Marginal Zone Lymphoma* **12:25-12:55**

Lecturer: **F. Bertoni** *Gastric MALT Lymphoma*  
**12:55-13:25**

Lecturer: **C. Kalpadakis** *Extranodal non-gastric marginal zone lymphomas: Clinical heterogeneity and treatment* **13:25-13:55, Discussion: 5'**

**Lunch Break 14:00-15:30**

**WALDENSTROM'S MACROGLOBULINEMIA**

Chair: **G.A. Pangalis**

Lecturer: **M-C Kyrtsionis** *Treatment of Waldenstrom Macroglobulinemia,*  
**15:30-16:00, Discussion: 5'**

**HODGKIN LYMPHOMA**

Chair: **M. Melachrinou**

Lecturer: **G. Rassidakis** *Pathology and Biology of Hodgkin Lymphoma: An update with focus on novel targets for therapy*  
**16:05-16:35, Discussion: 5'**

Chairs: **P. Tsirigotis, T. Vassilakopoulos**

Lecturer: **T. Vassilakopoulos** *Treatment of Hodgkin Lymphoma in Early and Intermediate Stages*  
**16:40-17:10**

Lecturer: **V. Diehl** *Treatment of Hodgkin Lymphoma in Advanced Stages* **17:10-17:40**

Lecturer: **M. Angelopoulou** *Treatment of Relapsed/Refractory Hodgkin Lymphoma*  
**17:40-18:10, Discussion: 10'**

**Coffee Break 18:20-18:40**

**CASE PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES**

**18:40-19:40**

Moderators: **G. Pangalis, V. Pappa**

Presenters/Commentors: **J. Asimakopoulos, C. Kalpadakis, F. Kontopidou, P. Korkolopoulou, C. Pontikoglou**

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**Friday, 13 October 2017**

**MANTLE CELL LYMPHOMA**

Chair: **C. Kittas**

Lecturer: **E. Campo** *Mantle Cell Lymphoma: Pathology and Biology*

*09:00-09:30, Discussion: 10'*

Chair: **C. Montalban**

Lecturer: **S. Sachanas** *Therapeutic Strategy in Mantle Cell Lymphoma*

*09:40-10:20, Discussion: 10'*

*Coffee Break 10:30-11:00*

**FOLLICULAR LYMPHOMA**

Chair: **D. Rontogianni**

Lecturer: **B. Nathwani** *Pathology of Follicular Lymphoma. The significance of grading and histologic transformation*

*11:00-11:40, Discussion: 10'*

Chair: **K. Konstantopoulos**

Lecturer: **J. Apostolidis** *Advances in the Treatment of Follicular Lymphoma*

*11:50-12:30, Discussion: 10'*

**DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF LEUKEMIC LOW GRADE NON HODGKIN LYMPHOMAS**

Chair: **G.A. Pangalis**

Lecturer: **M. Guenova** *Differential Diagnosis of Leukemic Chronic B-cell Lymphoproliferative Disorders, 12:40-13:10*

Lecturer: **E. Matutes** *Progress in Immunophenotyping of Chronic B-cell Lymphoproliferative Disorders. Can we predict diagnosis accurately? 13:10-13:40, Discussion: 10'*

*Lunch Break 13:50-15:30*

**LARGE B CELL LYMPHOMAS**

Chair: **B. Nathwani**

Lecturer: **P. Korkolopoulou** *Classification and Diagnosis of Large B-cell Lymphomas*

*15:30-16:15, Discussion: 10'*

Chair: **P. Panayiotidis**

Lecturer: **T. Vassilakopoulos** *Advances in the Prognosis and Treatment of Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma*

*16:25-17:05, Discussion: 10'*

*Coffee Break 17:15-17:45*

**CASE PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES**

*17:45-19:45*

Moderators: **T. Vassilakopoulos, P. Panayiotidis**

Presenters/Commentors: **M. Angelopoulou, E. Hatzimichael, P. Konstantinidou, V. Palaska, S. Papageorgiou, M. Papaioannou, V. Pappa, E. Spanoudakis, T. Vassilakopoulos**

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**Saturday, 14 October 2017**

**PERIPHERAL T CELL LYMPHOMAS**

Chair: **E. Patsouris**

Lecturer: **S. Pileri** *Pathology and Biology of Peripheral T-cell Lymphomas*

*09:00-09:40, Discussion: 10'*

Chair: **A. Polliack**

Lecturer: **M. Angelopoulou** *Advances in the Treatment of Peripheral T-cell Lymphomas*

*09:50-10:30, Discussion: 10'*

**LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA / LYMPHOMA**

Chair: **H. Papadaki**

Lecturer: **D. Hoelzer** *Advances in the Treatment of Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia/Lymphoma*

*10:40-11:20, Discussion: 10'*

*Coffee Break 11:30-12:00*

**POSITRON EMISSION TOMOGRAPHY IN LYMPHOMAS**

Chair: **T. Vassilakopoulos**

Lecturer: **A. Gallamini** *The role of Positron Emission Tomography in the Management of Lymphomas*

*12:00-12:40, Discussion: 10'*

**NOVEL AGENTS IN LYMPHOPROLIFERATIVE DISEASES**

Chair: **M. Angelopoulou**

Lecturer: **P. Panayiotidis** *Novel agents in lymphoproliferative diseases: Clinical applications, mechanisms of action and mechanisms of resistance*

*12:50-13:30, Discussion: 10'*

*Lunch Break 13:40-15:30*

**CASE PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES**

*15:30-17:30*

Moderators: **M. Angelopoulou, A. Spyridonidis**

Presenters/Commentors: **M. Angelopoulou, J. Asimakopoulos, G. Gainaru, E. Konstantinou, E. Koulteris, M. Moschogianni, G. Pangalis, M. Siakantaris, N. Spyridis, A. Spyridonidis, T. Vassilakopoulos**

**CLOSING REMARKS**

*17:30*

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