Workshop

Future Perspectives in Hepatology:
From Basics to Clinics

January 19 – 20, 2017
Universitätsklinikum Essen
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Dear colleagues,

It is a great pleasure for me to welcome you all to the GASL Research Workshop 2017 entitled “Future Perspectives in Hepatology – From Basics to Clinics” and organized by the Falk Foundation e.V. in Freiburg.

The progress in the management of HCV infection represents the recent tremendous progress in diagnostic and treatment of viral hepatitis being recognized as a modern unbloody revolution in disease discovery and elimination. However, over the last decade a new era is rising indicating the clinical burden of non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) as a most common cause of chronic liver disease not only in western countries but also all over the world including Far East and China. However, NAFLD includes the concept of a multisystem-disease with multi-organ involvement including for example diabetes, cardiovascular or cardiac diseases, chronic kidney disease, hepatocellular carcinoma and other extrahepatic disorders. However, the management of NAFLD from pathogenesis to new pharmacological therapies is still in the beginning as a challenge for the future. Among the common complications of liver cirrhosis, portal hypertension and the concept of fibrosis are further areas for the future and need new strategies for clinical research. This also includes new concepts in liver cancer, cell therapy for liver disease from liver transplantation to cell factory and new pathogenetic insights coming from the microbiome data. Due to the dramatic improvement in survival after liver transplantation as a consequence of improvement of surgical and clinical techniques, the post-transplant management as prevention of disease recurrence and other post-transplant complications are now coming to the main focus. Such approaches will also include strategies for new concepts in long-term immunosuppression with new classes of immunosuppressive drugs in the pipeline aiming a full immune tolerance of the graft in the future.

Therefore, this GASL Research Workshop focusses on future perspectives in hepatology from basics to clinics describing the Agenda 2025. During this workshop, international outstanding experts will discuss the most promising hepatological topics at the horizon. There will be an accompanying poster session on both days. The Workshop will be followed by the annual meeting of the GASL 2017 which I also would like to invite you to cordially.

Hopefully, you will enjoy the workshop with fruitful discussions in a familiar atmosphere at the Essen University Hospital. Last but not least, I hope you will enjoy Essen and the Ruhr in the heart of Germany and Europe as one of the biggest European metropolitan areas.

Together with all our local scientific and clinical organizers I thank you all for coming to Essen.

Guido Gerken
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The 33th Annual Meeting of the German Association for the Study of the Liver will follow the Workshop:
January 20, 12.30 h to January 21, 14.30 h

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English

Call for Posters:
A poster session will take place. For details see page 9.

Publication Date of the Final Program:
January 2017

The final program will be available on the homepage www.falk-foundation-symposia.org one week before.
Thursday, January 19, 2017

12.00 Lunch with poster session

13.00 Welcome

Opening remarks

G. Gerken, Essen
J. Buer, Dean of the Faculty, University of Essen

Session I
Viral Hepatitis / HCC

Chair: U. Dittmer, Essen; M.P. Manns, Hannover

13.30 Immunoregulation in chronic viral hepatitis
B. Rehermann, Bethesda

13.55 Molecular viral hepatocarcinogenesis in HBV and HCV
C. Bréchot, Paris

14.20 Novel antiviral strategies to eradicate HBV
U. Protzer, Munich

14.45 Antiviral HCV-management in harder-to-treat HCV patients
H. Wedemeyer, Hannover

15.10 Global hepatitis vaccination programs to prevent HCC
D. Shouval, Jerusalem

15.35 A look into the future: Immune therapy of HCC
R. Thimme, Freiburg

16.00 Coffee break with poster session
Thursday, January 19, 2017

Session II
NASH / NAFLD

Chair: E. Roeb, Giessen; C. Trautwein, Aachen

16.30 The role of the liver in the metabolic syndrome: A global challenge
P. Newsome, Birmingham

16.55 The role of microbiota in the gut-liver axis
M. Trauner, Vienna

17.20 Molecular pathogenesis in NAFLD and NASH: Osteopontin and more!
W.-K. Syn, Charleston

17.45 Emerging new pharmacotherapeutics in NAFLD and NASH
A.E. Canbay, Essen

18.10 State-of-the-Art Lecture:
Perspectives of gene therapy in liver diseases
N.P. Malek, Tübingen

18.35 Scientific discussion with snacks
Friday, January 20, 2017

Session III
Fibrosis / Cirrhosis / CCC
Chair: F. Lammert, Homburg; A.W. Lohse, Hamburg

8.00 Acute-on-chronic liver failure: A new entity  F. Tacke, Aachen
8.25 New treatment options for liver fibrosis: From bench to bedside  D. Schuppan, Mainz
8.50 Endoscopic imaging and intervention in hepatobiliary disorders  A. Dechene, Essen
9.15 Pathogenesis and management of CCC in the future  G.J. Gores, Rochester

9.40 Coffee break with poster session

Session IV
Liver Transplantation
Chair: W.O. Bechstein, Frankfurt; C.P. Strassburg, Bonn

10.10 Acute liver failure: To transplant or not to transplant?  D. Samuel, Paris
10.35 Marginal organs in liver transplantation: How to improve?  A. Paul, Essen
11.00 Primary liver cancer: To resect or to transplant?  H. Lang, Mainz
11.25 Living donor liver transplantation in children and adults: Obstacles and visions for the future  S. Yilmaz, Malatya
11.50 Immunomodulation in the future management of transplantations  P.A. Knolle, Munich
12.15 Closing remarks  G. Gerken, Essen

12.30 Lunch with poster session

13.15 Opening of the Annual Meeting of the GASL  President, Prof. Dr. G. Gerken, Essen
Poster Session

Posters will be exhibited on January 19-20, 2017, at Universitätsklinikum Essen (Germany). The authors will be in attendance during coffee and lunch breaks on both days.

Call for Posters

Please submit your poster abstract before **October 30, 2016.** Only one-page abstracts not exceeding 300 words, written in English and saved in Microsoft Word format will be accepted.

Abstracts must be submitted via our Internet abstract submission system (http://www.falkfoundation.com/poster) where further information regarding the submission format and the submission process is available.

The abstracts will be selected by the scientific organizers, preference being given to those thematically related to one of the sessions of the program.

The accepted abstracts will be printed and distributed to the participants of the congress together with the documents of the meeting.

The authors will receive notification about acceptance and further instructions in **November 2016.**

Contact address for further information on the poster session:

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The first author of an accepted poster will receive refund of travel/hotel expenses for the Workshop up to EUR 300,- (original expense vouchers obligatory).
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Thursday, January 19, 2017 10.00 – 18.30 h
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Congress Fees

Scientific program of the Workshop For students (copy of student ID required)
EUR 100,- EUR 50,-
Day Ticket
EUR 50,-
For students (copy of student ID required) EUR 25,-

The congress fees include:
- Refreshments during coffee breaks
- Lunch on January 19 and 20, 2017
- Snacks during scientific discussion on January 19, 2017
- A copy of the abstract volume
- A copy of the final program
Registration

Congress registrations must reach the Falk Foundation e.V. by December 31, 2016 at the latest.

After receipt of the registration form each participant will be provided with confirmation of his registration/invoice. On presentation of this confirmation at the congress office in Essen participants will receive the congress folder containing name badge and the abstract volume.

All participants will receive a written confirmation of attendance and CME credits at the meeting.

Admission to Scientific Events

For admission to scientific events your name badge should be clearly visible.

Directions to Congress Venue

From Düsseldorf International Airport
You can take the regional train S1 or RE1 to Essen main train station and continue with U17 (direction: Margarethenhöhe) to the congress venue Universitätsklinikum Essen. Please get off at stop “Holsterhauser Platz”.

From Essen main train station
You can take subway U17 (direction: Margarethenhöhe) to the congress venue Universitätsklinikum Essen. Please get off at stop “Holsterhauser Platz”.

Tram No. 101/106 as well as Bus No. 160/161 stop at the main entrance of the Universitätsklinikum Essen.

Parking

Fee required 24 hours parking garages at the main driveway Hufelandstraße as well as at Virchowstraße.

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EUR 100,-

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Day ticket (please insert date)
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