14th European Congress of Toxicologic Pathology

Adverse or Not Adverse – Assessment and Consequences



20th - 23rd of September 2016, Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain

organized under the auspices of the European Society of Toxicologic Pathology



Invitation

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

The European Society of Toxicologic Pathology is pleased to invite you to the 14th EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF TOXICOLOGIC PATHOLOGY which will be held at the Avenida Palace Hotel in the city center of Barcelona, Spain from the 20th to 23rd of September 2016.

This congress will cover assessment of adversity of preclinical toxicopathological findings in lung, kidney, thyroid, and lympho-hematopoietic systems with consequences on development and regulatory approval of drugs and chemicals. Invited medical and human health experts will address interpretation of preclinical adversity with respect to its translation to human clinical exposures. The program will also present some new technologies to investigate adverse findings in the kidney and immune system. A half-day IATP symposium on juvenile toxicity with emphasis on the adverse and nonadverse theme will precede the main congress. Plenary lectures, oral presentations, interactive panel discussions and case presentations as well as a poster session will provide opportunity for formal and informal interactions with colleagues and friends. New books, innovative equipment and techniques, and contract research organizations services will be featured at the trade exhibition.

Moreover, as a satellite event, the 5th ESTP International Expert Workshop, on the topic "Adversity of Lysosomal Accumulation" will take place after our main meeting at the congress venue and will allow an audience of up to 50 interested registrants.

Barcelona, the second most populated city in Spain and the capital of the autonomous community of Catalonia, is a vibrant and exciting venue for this congress. Located on the northeast coast of the Iberian Peninsula, facing the Mediterranean Sea, this beautiful and friendly city offers to its visitors a wide variety of cultural and gastronomical highlights including tapas, pintxos and vermouth. Impressive buildings can be found downtown: from ancient remains of Roman settlements in El Born, to the many famous modernist works of Antoni Gaudí including his masterpiece, the still incomplete La Sagrada Familia Basilica, and Park Güell.

For all participants, the social program will include a welcome reception on the roof terrace of the Avenida Palace Hotel with a great view over the city of Barcelona, and a congress dinner in the Xalet de Montjuïc on top of the Montjuïc park.

We will be very pleased to welcome you to Barcelona,

On behalf of the ESTP

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Preliminary Program

Tuesday, 20th September 2016 (start at 08.30 h)

IATP session on juvenile toxicity with emphasis on adverse and non-adverse findings.

Tuesday, 20th September 2016 (start at 13.15 h)

A keynote on the main theme, adversity and adaptation, will open the congress. It will be followed by the lung session dealing with adversity of pathological findings and lung toxicology in humans related to drugs. New technologies for investigation of adverse pathological findings will conclude this first day.

Wednesday, 21st September 2016

The first session of the day will focus on adversity of preclinical thyroid findings with animal models and translation to human clinical exposure including examples relevant to drug and chemical development and use of clinical pathology in risk assessment.

The second session will continue with kidney and an "INHAND" review focusing on adverse or not adverse findings. It will also include examples from drug and chemical development and translation to humans, followed by an expert panel discussion.

Thursday, 22nd September 2016

Adversity in the lympho-hematopoietic system will be the major topic of this third day with a keynote lecture on stress-related versus compounds effects/adversity. New technologies for investigation of adverse pathological findings in immune system and an interactive session on adversity in clinical pathology will be followed by interactive case presentations to end this day.

Friday, 23th September 2016 (morning till 13.00 h)

The final morning session will be dedicated to presentations of the European and US regulatory perspective of adversity, with a special focus on the topics and organ systems covered during the congress. It will be concluded with an expert panel discussion and interactive case presentations.

Satellite Event

Friday, 23rd September 2016 (afternoon) and Saturday 24th September 2016 (morning and afternoon)

5th ESTP International Expert Workshop "Adversity of Lysosomal Accumulation"
This face-to-face expert panel discussion of more than 20 international scientists
allows an audience of up to 50 interested registrants. Detailed information about this
event and its registration procedure will follow shortly.

Awards

The Congress Program will also include the following Awards

- Chirukandath Gopinath Lecture Award sponsored by the British Society of Toxicological Pathology (BSTP)
- Award for the Best Poster sponsored by the French Society of Toxicologic Pathology (SFPT)
- IATP Charles Capen Trainee Award, rewarding a major contribution in toxicologic pathology by a student or trainee
- ESTP Thesis Award
- IFSTP trainee Award

BSTP Chirukandath Gopinath Lecture

The award (engraved glass award), instigated by the British Society of Toxicological Pathology in 2008, was due in part to the BSTP's involvement in the organization of the scientific program of the 2008 Annual ESTP Congress held in Edinburgh. To mark the occasion, the BSTP sponsored the keynote lecture and since then this sponsorship has become a tradition at the ESTP Congresses.

The sponsored lecture was called the BSTP Chirukandath Gopinath Lecture in tribute to one of the founder members of the BSTP whose name is recognized by toxicological pathologists all over the world. The lecture is to be on a topic in pathology relevant to practicing toxicological pathologists. The speaker is an internationally recognized scientist and is chosen by the scientific organizing committee and approved by the BSTP council.

IATP CHARLES CAPEN TRAINEE AWARD

The Charles Capen Trainee Award given by the International Academy of Toxicologic Pathology (IATP) recognizes Dr. Charles Capen and his legacy as a researcher, teacher, and mentor to the pathology and toxicology communities spanning more than four decades. Dr. Capen was recognized worldwide as an exceptional leader in veterinary and biomedical research. He was a highly regarded mentor to numerous graduate students and postdoctoral scientists. His students and trainees are now leaders throughout academia, government and industry.

The Charles Capen Awards provides a classic reference book to the awardee to further his or her training and education in the field of toxicologic pathology.

The successful applicant must be a pathology, toxicology or toxicologic pathology trainee. A trainee is defined as an individual working on an academic degree, in a training or residency program, or in a postdoctoral training position and have demonstrated achievements in the field of toxicologic pathology including but not limited to:

Research contributing to public safety as it relates to the adverse health effects of xenobiotics; establishing test methods and standards that enhance the field of toxicologic pathology; and/or developing new or novel uses of toxicologic pathology in safety research.

Please send your application to: poster.abstracts.estp@gmail.com by June 15th, 2016 by the latest.

Awards

ESTP award for a thesis

This award consists of first, second and third prize with award certificate, prize money $1^{st} \in 2000, -, 2^{nd} \in 1500, -, 3^{rd} \in 1000, -$ and one year free ESTP membership. With this endowment it is attempted to promote cooperation between Universities and industry and to interest young scientists in toxicological pathology and related fields.

Doctoral theses or PhD-theses on any aspect of toxicologic pathology, laboratory animal pathology or experimental pathology will be considered for an award. Applicants have to be enrolled in a European University. Theses have to be written in English or the applicant must be willing to arrange for translation if requested. Theses of the two previous years are considered.

Please send your applications to heike-antje.marxfeld@basf.com by June 30^{th} , 2016 the latest.

Evaluation and discussion by the awards committee will be done by end of August. Presentation of the awards takes place at the yearly ESTP conference.

Best poster awards sponsored by **The French Society of Toxicologic Pathology (FSTP)**. Since 2010, the French STP sponsors the 2 Best Poster Awards selected by the Poster Committee with a diploma and a monetary prize of € 1000,—. The aim of the SFPT is to help scientists to share their work and results to their scientific peers and to favor direct contact during the poster sessions. All posters with pathology content are eligible; however toxicologic pathology topics will be favored and one award will more specifically be offered to a young colleague. To submit a poster, please follow the description on the ESTP homepage and usethe poster submission form.

IFSTP (International Federation of Societies of Toxicologic Pathologists) is a confederation of ten national and regional societies of toxicologic pathology (STPs) representing scientists from around the globe. The IFSTP's stated role is to build, integrate and set standards in toxicologic pathology. Its activities are controlled by the member STPs, which provide funds and volunteers to conduct IFSTP functions.

IFSTP has established a trainee award for PhD students training in toxicologic pathology. The IFSTP will fund an award in the amount of \$750,— USD, which can be used by the successful student for travel or registration costs to attend the ESTP conference.

This award is offered to a deserving student to attend the upcoming ESTP meeting. The successful applicant should have demonstrated achievements in the field of toxicologic pathology and should be prepared to present a poster of their work at the conference. Please send your application following the description on the ESTP homepage and using the poster submission form to poster.abstracts.estp@gmail.com by June 15th, 2016 by the latest.

Call for Case Presentations

Cases for oral presentation are welcome on all topics of pathology. The template for case presentations, as well as the online submission form, are now available on the Case Presentation Submission Page for the Congress of the ESTP Website (http://www.eurotoxpath.org/meetings/form_casepres2016.php).

The deadline for submission is June 30th, 2016.

This year, cases will be presented on the 22nd and 23th September, 2016. These will be interactive sessions, if possible around adversity, on interpreting pathology slides, diagnostic findings as adverse or non-adverse. This interactive session will hopefully generate lively and productive discussions, and most importantly, allow us to have a good time!

For each case, the presenter could project:

a. a series of images from lesions,

b. clinical and/or toxicological endpoints with potential adversity questions, and suggest a choice of diagnoses/answers. The audience will then vote via wireless keypads, and the voting results will be displayed on the screen. After each voting session, time for discussion will be allowed.

Call for Posters

The template for poster abstract and the online submission form are now available. The deadline for submissions is June 30th, 2016. Please see the Abstract Submission Page on the ESTP Website (http://www.eurotoxpath.org/meetings/form_abstract2016.php) for further details.

As in previous years there will be an award for the best poster sponsored by the SFPT (French Society of Toxicologic Pathology) http://www.toxpathfrance.org/.



Congress Venue

The conference will take place at the Avenida Palace Hotel in the city center of Barcelona. With its combination of classicism and a cutting edge modernity, the hotel offers perfect meeting rooms and also rooms for the social events.

Located in the edge of the district L'Eixample and near the historic center, the hotel is a perfect starting point for touristic tours as well as shopping. Many bars and restaurant within walking distance offering the perfect places for the end of the day.





It is nearly a must for each person visiting Barcelona to also visit the Sagrada Familia. This still incomplete church, designed by Antonio Gaudí, is only 10 minutes away from the hotel (with the metro L2). In 2010 Pope Benedict XVI consecrated the church so that it is now a basilica.

Another creation of Gaudí is the Parc Güell with constructions built of stone and fantastic mosaics made of ceramic chards. This colorful place belongs to the UNESCO World Cultural Heritage.

The castell de Montjuïc offers a wide variety of culture, art, sport and parks in addition to a spectacular view over Barcelona. This touristic place can be reached by bus and metro within about 30 minutes. Those not wanting to walk up the mountain can get there by cable car.



Social Events

Welcome Reception - Tuesday 20th September

On the evening of Tuesday 20th September we would like to invite you to join us at the Welcome Reception.

The Reception will take place in the congress venue on the roof terrace where you will have the opportunity to meet colleagues and friends, to chat and prepare yourself for the following days of the conference.

Join us, have a drink and enjoy the great view over the city of Barcelona.



Conference Dinner - Thursday 22nd September

The Conference dinner will take place in Xalet de Montjuïc on Thursday 22nd September. You are invited to enjoy a delicious dinner and to meet friends and colleagues in a relaxed atmosphere. Xalet de Montjuïc is a round restaurant with a large panorama window on top of the Montjuïc park. Its special feature is that the room revolves very slowly so that anyone sitting near a window will have the chance to enjoy the view of Barcelona. This is the perfect opportunity to relax and reflect on the congress and engage in spirited conversation.





Congress Registration

To register for the Congress, please use the on-line Registration Form on the ESTP Website: http://www.eurotoxpath.org/meetings/index.php?id=congress2016. If you have any questions about the registration procedure please contact our Congress Organizer "Solution Office" (estp@solution-office.de).

Registration Fees

	Until June 30, 2016	After June 30, 2016	
ESTP Member	€ 360,-	€ 430,-	
Participant (non-member)	€ 440,-	€ 510,-	
One day registration ESTP member	€ 200,-	€ 200,-	
One day registration non-member	€ 230,-	€ 230,-	
Students*	€ 100,-	€ 100,-	
Accompanying Person**	€ 100,-	€ 100,-	

Above fees include all lectures, free communications, lunch, welcome reception and congress dinner***.

- * Students' registration to be supported by a letter from their supervisor of active training/residency in Pathology.
- ** Accompanying Person fee includes welcome reception and congress dinner. Participation in the scientific sessions is not included.
- *** Coffee, tea, refreshment beverage and snacks are served during the coffee breaks. Lunch is provided during the lunch breaks on:

 Wednesday, 21st September
 Thursday, 22nd September

Registration information concerning the ESTP International Expert Workshop will follow shortly.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

Cancellations are to be notified in writing to the Congress Organizing Office. Refunds will be made under the following conditions:

- You may cancel without extra costs within 48 hours of placing your registration.
- Until August 1st, 2016, a 60% refund of the registration fee will be given.
- After August 1st, 2016, no registration fees will be refunded
- All refunds will be handled after the Congress.

Congress Venue

Hotel Avenida Palace Gran Vía de les Corts Catalanes 605 08007 Barcelona Spain

The Avenida Palace Hotel is situated in the city center of Barcelona, in the northeast of Spain at the Mediterranean Sea. Barcelona can be reached by plain, rail and road.

http://www.avenidapalace.com/en/

How to get to Barcelona, Avenida Palace Hotel

By air

Barcelona International Airport (Barcelona-El Prat International Airport – BCN)

The Barcelona El Prat airport is located in the south of the city and is a major transport hub and flights land from all over Europe and beyond. The airport is only about 12-14 km away from the city centre.

A cheap and fast option is the half-hourly RENFE R2 Nord suburban train line calling at Sants (travel time is 18 min), Passeig de Gràcia (24 min), El Clot-Aragó (30 min) and more stations beyond Barcelona city limits. The station "Passeig de Gràcia" is only a few walking minutes away from the hotel.

The other opportunity of public transport is the aerobus. Aerobús is the city's shuttle bus service that connects the Airport (both terminals) with the centre of Barcelona (Plaça de Catalunya), leaving every 5-10 minutes (A1), every 10-20 minutes (A2), every day of the year. The "A1" line takes you to/from Terminal 1 and the "A2" line takes you to/from Terminal 2. The shuttle bus service is available everyday from 5:30am to 1am, and the journey lasts about 30 minutes (although it can take considerably longer during rush hour). Exit at the station "Catalunya" either walk to the Hotel or take the metro to the station "Passeig de Gràcia" which is slightly a few walking minutes closer to the hotel.

The other possibility is to take the underground L9 from the airport to the station "Zona Universitaria" and then change to L3 until the station "Catalunya".

http://www.aeropuertobarcelona-elprat.com/cast/lineag-metro-aeropuerto-barcelona.htm
By taxi it will take ca. 30 minutes (30-40 to the city centre). Please regard that there
are extra taxistand where you have to stand in line.

Taxileader.net (airport taxi transfers with English speaking private driver),

→ +44 20 3239 1595 (customerservice@taxileader.net), 24hs

Nearby airports

Some low-cost carriers, notably Ryanair, use airports in Girona, nearly 100 km to the north, or Reus, around the same distance to the south, instead. Since Ryanair recently started operating at Barcelona El Prat (airport code BCN) check using the three-letter airport codes where your flight actually goes. Girona's airport code is GRO and Reus's airport code is REU.

For **Girona Airport**, the Barcelona Bus service runs a shuttle bus from Estació del Nord (which is walking distance to the Arc de Triomf metro stop) in Barcelona to Girona Airport and this ties in with various flight times. A one-way ticket costs \in 16,– and a return ticket costs \in 25,–. The journey takes approximately one hour and ten minutes.

Timetables are available: http://www.sagales.com/index.php?nldioma=LANG3

From the bus station it is a short walk to the train station Arc de Triomf. Take the trains R1, R3 and R4 in the direction of Mataro to the station Catalunya. Then it is only a few walking minutes to the hotel.

For **Reus Airport**, the easiest way to get there is to take the bus run by Hispano Igualadina from the Barcelona Sants bus station to the airport. Bus departures are synchronized with Ryanair plane departures/arrivals. One way ticket costs \in 13,– and a return ticket costs \in 24,–. The journey takes c. 100 min, depending on the traffic on the motorway.

Timetables are available: http://www.igualadina.com/pdfs/REUS%20AIRPORT.pdf?

By train

The main station Barcelona Sants is one of the stops of the Madrid-Barcelona high-speed rail line. From Madrid to Barcelona it takes 2 h 30 min. Since 2013 this rail line is connected to Perpignan in France where it is directly connected to the TGV.

For the train time tables, see Renfe we bsite: http://www.renfe.com/EN/viajeros/index.html

By coach

Barcelona can also be reached by coach. For possible departures and timetable see: www.euroline.com

By car

For the arrival by car, please use your navigation system. The address of the congress venue is:

Hotel Avenida Palace Gran Vía de les Corts Catalanes 605 08007 Barcelona Spain

Car Parking

There is the possibility to use the parking area Parking Baldisa, Carrer de la Diputació, 244,08007 Barcelona. The costs are € 21,50 per 24 hours.

Please contact Pia Schröder: pia.schroeder@solution-office.de

Additional Travel Information

http://wikitravel.org/en/Barcelona Trains: http://www.renfe.com

Taxis:

http://www.taxiclassrent.com, Tel: +34 933 07 07 07

E-mail: ae@taxiclassrent.com

Taxileader.net (airport taxi transfers with English speaking private driver),

≈ +44 20 3239 1595 (customerservice@taxileader.net), 24hs

Accommodation

The Avenida Palace Hotel, the conference venue, is holding a limited number of rooms until the 22nd of July 2016. After this date you can also book directly through the hotel webpage (http://www.avenidapalace.com/en/).

Besides this some other hotels are holding rooms at a special congress rate. Make your reservation as soon as possible. Barcelona is well booked all year!

Hotel	Star rating	Address	Approximate distance to the congress venue	single room/	Room block	how to book a room
Avenida Palace Hotel	4 star	Hotel Avenida Palace Gran Vía de les Corts Catalanes 605 08007 Barcelona	_	€ 180,- plus € 1,21 Tourist City tax per person and day	40	Via the application form on the webpage of the ESTP
Praktik Rambla Barcelona Hotel	3 star	Praktik Rambla Barcelona Hotel Rambla de Catalunya 27 08007 Barcelona	200 M	€ 149,- € 169,-	4 double standard 10 double/ twin superior	Via the application form on the webpage of the ESTP
Novotel Barcelona City	4 star	Novotel Barcelona City Avda. Diagonal 201 08018 Barcelona	2,7 km	€ 145,- plus € 1,21 Tourist City tax per person and day	50	Via the application form on the webpage of the ESTP
Hotel ibis Barcelona Plaza Glories 22	2 star	Calle Ciutat de Granada 99 HB004372 08018 Barcelona	3,0 km	€ 89,- plus € 1,21 Tourist City tax per person and day	40	Via the application form on the webpage of the ESTP

Several other hotels in different categories are located in walking distance to the Avenida Palace hotel but can't offer group allotments.

For example:

Hotel NH Barcelona Calderón Rambla de Catalunya, 26,08007 Barcelona Tel.: +34 93 3010000 nhcalderon@nh-hotels.com http://www.nh-hoteles.es/hotel/nh-barcelona-calderon

Vasanta Hotel Casp street, 31, Barcelona tel (+34)93 412 17 43 info@vasanta.es http://vasanta.es

Hotel Constanza
Calle Bruc 33, 08010 Barcelona
Tel: +34 93.270.1910
info@hotelconstanza.com
http://hotelconstanza.com/en/index.html

Ecozentric Urban Hostel Barcelona Calle Balmes, 23, Principal 2ª,08007 Barcelona Reservations: +34 93 412 21 18 http://en.ecozentric.com

Weather in Barcelona

As a coastal city at the Mediterranean Sea, Barcelona has a Mediterranean climate. During the summer it is warm, sometimes hot but dry with temperatures around 28 degrees. In winter the day temperature is around 13 degrees with more rain than in summer.

In September the average temperature has comfortable 22 to 25 degrees. The water temperature is still warm enough to go swimming in the ocean. At the evening it is getting a little bit colder but you can still sit outside.

Language

The official language in Spain is Spanish. In Catalonia and so in Barcelona the second official language is Catalan which is the dominant language. In the rest of Spain they do not speak Catalan. In the tourism sector most people speak English.

The language of the congress is English.

Electricity

The main voltage is 230 Volt like almost in whole Europe. The flat European standard fit into the Spanish sockets. Most Europeans do not need to buy an adapter plug for Spain. Swiss and UK citizens need an adapter!

Currency

The currency in Spain is the Euro (€), divided into 100 Cent.

Since the launch of the euro there are not that many exchange offices anymore, but credit cards are accepted almost everywhere. Note that most institutions charge a fee for the use of the card in foreign countries. Please check on your contract.

Visa

Citizen of the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein do not require a visa, you can enter with a valid passport or national identity card.

All other citizens should check here if they need to apply for a visa: http://www.exteriores.gob.es/Portal/en/ServiciosAlCiudadano/InformacionParaExtranjeros/Paginas/Inicio.aspx

Visa Requirements

It is the sole responsibility of the attendee to take care of his / her visa requirements. Attendees who require an entry visa must allow sufficient time for the application procedure. Attendees should contact the nearest embassy or consulate to determine the appropriate timing of their visa applications. It is recommended to apply for a visa at least 3 months in advance of the Congress. When the registration has already been paid, the registration fee minus a handling fee of \leqslant 50,— will be refunded after the Congress if the visa was applied for in time, and proof of this, together with an official notice from the embassy confirming that a visa could not be granted, is forwarded to: Pia.schroeder@solution-office.de

