



Allergy School

Allergy and Immunotherapy – From Tolerance to Early Intervention

FINAL SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

31 March – 03 April 2011
Saariselkä, Finland

Organisers: EAACI Immunotherapy Interest Group and Finnish National Society of Allergy and Clinical Immunology

DAY 1: Thursday, 31 March 2011

13:00 – 15:00	Lunch
16:00 – 17:00	Registration and coffee
17:00 – 19:15	Epidemiology and Environmental Factors of Allergic Diseases
17:00 – 17:15	Chairpersons: Elina Toskala, Finland, and Luis Delgado, Portugal Welcome by the Finnish Society of Allergology and Clinical Immunology (Elina Toskala, Finland), by EAACI (Luis Delgado, Portugal), and by EAMG (Lars Jacobsen, Denmark)
17:15 – 17:30	Epidemiology of respiratory allergic diseases – setting the scene for the school Lars Jacobsen, Denmark
17:30 – 18:00	Environmental exposure and influence by the genes Adnan Custovic, UK
18:00 – 18:30	Risk factors for adult asthma, hormones or environment? Maritta Kilpeläinen, Finland
18:30 – 19:00	Tolerance induction and the Finnish Allergy Programme Erkka Valovirta, Finland
19:00	General discussion
19:15 – 20:00	Finnish Experience: Sauna
20:30 – 22:00	Get-Together party and buffet dinner in the hotel

DAY 2: Friday, 01 April 2011

08:30 – 12:15	Basic Immunology and Antigen Characterisation
08:30 – 09:00	Chairpersons: Johannes Savolainen, Finland and Adnan Custovic, UK Antigen presentation and inflammation Lars K. Poulsen, Denmark
09:00 – 09:30	Humoral and cell-mediated immunity specific antibodies Harri Alenius, Finland
09:30 – 10:00	Allergen sources and protein technology Lars Jacobsen, Denmark
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee and exhibition
10:30 – 10:50	Chemical and physical modification of allergens Oliver Cromwell, Germany
10:50 – 11:10	Recombinant methodology Lars Jacobsen, Denmark/Oliver Cromwell, Germany
11:10 – 11:30	The regulation of allergen extracts and products for immunotherapy Stefan Vieths, Germany
11:30 – 11:45	General discussion

11:45 – 12:30 Lunch

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

16:00 – 17:20 Identification of Patients Suitable for Allergen Specific Immunotherapy and SOTI

Chairpersons: Paula Pallasaho, Finland, and Lars Poulsen, Denmark

16:00 – 16:30

Allergic rhinitis

Elina Toskala, Finland

16:30 – 16:50

Asthma

Maritta Kilpeläinen, Finland

16:50 – 17:10

Choosing the optimal immunotherapy – Single or multiple allergens

Hans-Jorgen Malling, Denmark

17:10 – 17:30

SOTI in food allergy

Mikael Kuitunen, Finland

17:30 – 17:50 Coffee break and exhibition

17:50 – 18:40 Allergens, Tolerance and Specific Immunotherapy

Chairpersons: Harri Alenius, Finland, and Moises Calderon, UK

17:50 – 18:10

Allergen meets the epithelium

Risto Renkonen, Finland

18:10 – 18:40

Mechanisms of allergen induced tolerance and of allergen specific immunotherapy

Johannes Savolainen, Finland

Off-site dinner in an exotic Lapland restaurant, departure from the hotel at 19:45 and return at 23:00

DAY 3: Saturday, 02 April 2011

09:00 – 15:00 Immunotherapy in Allergic Diseases for 100 Years

Chairpersons: Hans-Jorgen Malling, Denmark, and Erkka Valovirta, Finland

Patient Cases - An Interactive Voting Session

09:00 – 09:30

Patients with allergic rhinoconjunctivitis

Hans-Jorgen Malling, Denmark

09:30 – 10:00

Patients with allergic asthma

Hans-Jorgen Malling, Denmark

10:00 – 10:30

Patients with stinging insect allergy

Antti Lauerma, Finland

SIT in Children and Quality of Life

10:30 – 11:00

Immunotherapy in children

Erkka Valovirta, Finland

11:00 – 11:30

Allergic children

Maritta Paasilta, Finland

11:30 – 12:00

SOTI for children with food allergies

Mikael Kuitunen, Finland

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – Open Chairpersons: Maritta Kilpeläinen, Finland, and Mikael Kuitunen, Finland

13:00 – 14:00

Poster presentations

14:00 – 14:30

Practical issues to be considered during immunotherapy

Moises Calderon, UK

14:30 – 15:00

SIT 100 yrs: Past, Present, Future

Lars Jacobsen, Denmark

15:00 – Open

ARIA and GINA Guidelines - Treatment of respiratory allergic diseases

Erkka Valovirta, Finland, and Moises Calderon, UK

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

FREE EVENING

DAY 4: Sunday, 03 April 2011

Breakfast in the hotel, free time, outdoor activities, and departures