

It is a pleasure to invite you to the 3rd Conference on Coagulation in Liver Disease to be held in Groningen on the 18th and 19th of September 2009. This two-day conference will focus on the pathogenesis, laboratory analysis, and clinical aspects of hemostasis-related complications in patients with liver disease. Participants will be able to expand their knowledge about current and emerging insights in mechanisms, diagnostic pitfalls, and novel therapeutic strategies to treat and prevent bleeding or thrombosis in patients with liver disease.

The goals and objectives of this meeting are:

- Understand the interaction between the coagulation system and various liver diseases.
- Understand the strength and limitations of laboratory assays in detecting coagulation abnormalities in patients with liver disease.
- Make the best practice decisions in the treatment and prevention of bleeding or thrombotic complications in patients with liver disease.

The local organizing committee wishes you a very pleasant and educative stay in Groningen.

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Organisation

The Department of Surgery in co-operation with the Wenckebach Instituut, Postgraduate School of Medicine of the University Medical Center Groningen, The Netherlands.

Sponsors

CLS Behring and Sanquin.

Targetgroups

Physicians, hepatologists, hematologists, gastroenterologists, surgeons, anesthesiologists, scientists and those in training for these specialities.

Language

The official language is English. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

Venue

The conference will be held in the University Medical Center Groningen, The Netherlands.

Hotel Accommodation

Reservations can be made via the Groningen Congres Bureau (GCB), telephone +31 (0)50 3168877, fax +31 (0)50 3126047, e-mail info@groningencongresbureau.nl, website www.groningencongresbureau.nl

Travel Information

Direct connection by train from Amsterdam Schiphol Airport to Groningen takes about 2,5 hours. The railway station and the UMCG are situated in the city centre of Groningen.

Costs and registration

Registration costs are € 250,- including lunches, coffeebreaks and conference dinner. For participants in training there is a reduced fee of € 100,- provided a written statement confirming trainee status is sent with the application. You can register before August 21, 2009 online at www.wenckebachinstituut.nl, select International Conferences. Cancellation of your registration is possible before August 21, 2009: full refund minus €35,- handling fee. Cancellation after August 21, 2009: no refund.

Call for abstracts & travel awards

We invite submission of abstracts (250 words or less) related to research on coagulation and liver disease before July 1st to be presented in poster sessions during the Conference. The 5 best abstracts will receive a travel award of € 750,-. Upon acceptance of an abstract for poster presentation, a reduced registration fee of € 100,- will be offered. Submit your abstract by e-mail to: j.a.lisman@chir.umcg.nl.

Accreditation

Participants will receive a certificate of attendance. For Dutch participants, accreditation will be requested for at the Dutch Societies for internal medicine, hepatologists, hematologists, gastroenterologists, surgeons and anesthesiologists.

Website

For all information please visit www.wenckebachinstituut.nl, click: International conferences.

Requests for further information

Please contact the Wenckebach Instituut, P.O. Box 30.001, 9700 RB Groningen, The Netherlands, telephone: +31 (0)50 361 1402, fax +31 (0)50 3611819, e-mail: paog@wenckebach.umcg.nl.

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Program
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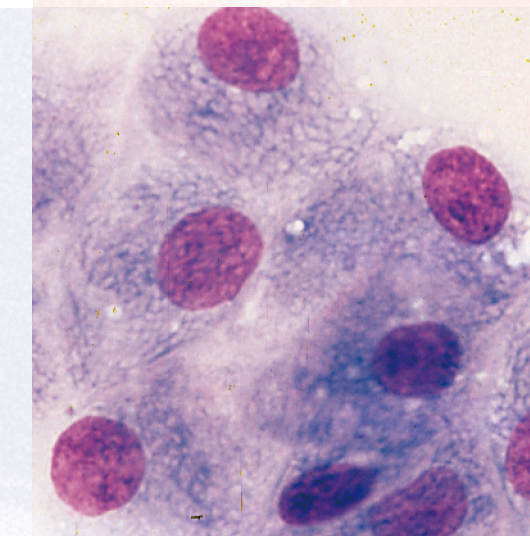
September 18-19, 2009 Groningen, The Netherlands

Program

09.00	Reception and registration for the conference	Session 2 - Effect of liver disease on coagulation Part 1: Bleeding
10.00	Welcome	13.00 Evidence for coagulopathy in patients with cirrhosis <i>Francesco Violi</i>
	Introduction on hemostasis <i>Marcel Levi</i>	Variceal bleeding - a role for the hemostatic system? <i>Marco Senzolo</i>
	Hemostatic defects in patients with liver disease <i>Peter Witters</i>	Bleeding in acute liver failure <i>Todd Stravitz</i>
	Compensatory hemostatic mechanisms in patients with liver disease <i>Ton Lisman</i>	Link between infection and coagulation in patients with cirrhosis <i>Andrew Burroughs</i>
	Discussion	Managing platelets in hepatitis C <i>Carl Berg</i>
12.00	Lunch	Discussion
		15.30 Break
		Part 2: Thrombosis
		16.00 Hypercoagulation and thrombosis in patients with cirrhosis <i>Patrick Northup</i>
		Budd Chiari Syndrome and portal vein thrombosis <i>Harry Janssen</i>
		Hypercoagulation and NASH <i>Arun Sanyal</i>
		Anticoagulation in the NASH patient with coronary artery disease and liver failure <i>Stephen Caldwell</i>
		Anticoagulant therapy in patients with cirrhosis <i>Dominique Valla</i>
		Discussion
18.30	Conference dinner	

08.00	Reception with coffee	Session 3 - Effect of the coagulation system on the liver
08.30	The role of hypercoagulation in the pathogenesis of liver fibrosis <i>Quentin Anstee</i>	The role of platelet-derived serotonin in the liver disease and regeneration <i>Pierre-Alain Clavien</i>
	Discussion	Discussion
09.45	Break	09.45 Break
	Session 4 - Advances and pitfalls in laboratory testing	
10.15	Limitations of routine laboratory tests of hemostasis <i>Philip de Groot</i>	10.15 Novel global tests of hemostasis and its value in liver disease <i>Armando Tripodi</i>
		The INR and the MELD score: are we making progress? <i>James Trotter</i>
		Discussion
12.00	Lunch	12.00 Lunch
		17.00 Keynote & wrap-up lecture <i>Stephen Caldwell</i>
		18.00 Closing Drinks

	Session 5 - Management of coagulation disorders in patients with liver disease
13.00	Coagulation management in cirrhotic patients undergoing minor invasive procedures <i>Frank Leebeek</i>
	Use of plasma concentrates during small invasive procedures in patients with cirrhosis <i>Pratima Chowdary</i>
	Adverse effects of blood products <i>Joost de Wolf</i>
	The role of pharmacological agents to control bleeding in cirrhotic patients <i>Jerrold Levy</i>
15.00	Break
15.30	Fluid restriction as a method to control bleeding in cirrhotic patients undergoing major surgical procedures <i>Robert Porte</i>
	The role of topical hemostatic agents in liver surgery <i>Marieke de Boer</i>
	Treatment and prevention of thrombosis in patients with liver disease <i>Marco Vivarelli</i>
	Discussion
	Session 6 - Future perspectives
17.00	Keynote & wrap-up lecture <i>Stephen Caldwell</i>
18.00	Closing Drinks



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