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1st Announcement - Call for Abstracts



12th Balkan
Day

28th Annual Meeting
of the Hellenic Society
of Haematology



HELLENIC SOCIETY OF HAEMATOLOGY

Athens, November 2-4, 2017



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► Welcome Message

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Organizing and Scientific Committee of the 28th Annual Meeting of the Hellenic Society of Haematology and the 12th Balkan Day to be held in Athens, at Megaron Athens International Conference Centre, from 2 to 4 November 2017, we have the honor and pleasure to invite you and to request your active participation.

We want to assure you, that we will make every effort to organize another successful conference of our Society by arranging a Meeting that will promote the work of the Greek Haematologists and reveal the significant contribution of our specialty to science and society. The duration of the Meeting will be two days plus one day devoted to the scientific events of the pharmaceutical companies.

On Saturday, 4th of November, our Meeting will host the 12th Balkan Day with two symposia and a joint symposium with the European Hematology Association to exchange treatment option in malignant and benign hematology disorders with our Balkan colleagues. In addition, there will be a session of poster presentation from selected abstracts to be submitted from our neighbors. During the Balkan Day, there will be no parallel sessions in order to have the appropriate time to interact with participants of the other Balkan countries.

The Scientific Committee, with the active participation of representatives of the Society's Working Groups, has developed an interesting agenda with Greek and International speakers that covers the whole spectrum of Haematology progress for our future strategies at clinical and research level, providing the opportunity for interaction and co-operation with specialists from around the world. The aim is to present original data and to share ideas on haematological innovation as well as the dissemination of evidence-based knowledge of clinical significance.

In the educational program, all the Scientific Working Groups of the Society will be represented by one high-level symposium and there will be lectures by renowned scientists, highlighting state-of-the art clinical practice, the latest findings in haematology research and many more interesting sessions.

Finally, we wish to emphasize that the success of our Meeting depends primarily on the quality of the abstracts to be submitted, as well as on the active participation of the delegates. Therefore, we invite you to present your scientific and research activity.

The Opening Ceremony, as always, will be consistent with the aesthetic quality and culture of Greek Haematologists.

Dear Colleagues,

We hope that you will honor us with your presence and your active participation in all the events of the meeting. Its success depends on all of us.

We look forward to meeting you in Athens.

Kind regards,

Panayiotis Panayiotidis
*President of the HSH
& of the Organizing Committee*

Evangelos Terpos
*President
of the Scientific Committee*



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2017

	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C
09.00	Registrations		
09.30 – 20.30	Satellite Symposia		
20.30 – 22.00	Opening Ceremony – Cocktail Reception		

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2017

	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C
09.00 – 10.30	EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM Therapeutic implications in special groups of MDS patients - Treatment of lower-risk MDS with adverse prognostic factors - Treatment options in higher-risk MDS post hypomethylating agents failure - Treatment of atypical cases of mixed MDS/MPN patients	EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM Interactive quiz cases in Hematology - Interactive case in acute leukemia - Interactive case in lymphoproliferative disorder - Interactive case in autoimmune hematologic disorder	
10.30 – 12.00	EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM Addressing AML treatment in 2017 - AML- ELN Guidelines: Important changes - Targeted therapies in AML - Novel therapeutic approaches in ALL	EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM A perfect balance: Iron Metabolism - Hepcidin in the diagnosis of iron disorders* - Iron mediated Oxidative Stress and Neurogenerative Diseases - Erythroferrone: a new regulator of iron homeostasis	
12.00 - 12.30	Break		

** All lectures of the 12th Balkan Day of Haematology and the lectures indicated with an asterisk will be given in English

	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C
12.30 – 14.00	EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM Diagnostic challenges and treatment dilemmas - CLL: First line treatment in patients with comorbidities - Novel drugs for the treatment of Myeloma: From bench to bedside* - Lymphoproliferative disorders following allogeneic haematopoietic stem cell transplantation	EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM New clues for transfusion immunopathology - Red blood cells alloimmunization -which patients, how and why? - Platelet transfusion -the new immunology of an old therapy - Transfusion-related immunomodulation - benefit or harm?	
14:00 – 15.30	Break		
15.30 – 17.30	EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM Towards improving the outcome of bone marrow transplant recipients - Polyomavirus infections in transplant recipients: Diagnosis and treatment - Methods of monitoring and strategies to improve immune reconstitution after hematopoietic cell transplantation. - Novel treatment concepts for graft versus host disease	EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM Rare disorders of the coagulation cascade: thrombosis or haemorrhage? - Contact system-new insights - Disorders of FXIII - Congenital disorders of Fibrinogen	
17.30 – 18.30	Oral Presentations	Oral Presentations	Oral Presentations
18.30 – 20.00	E-Poster Walk (abstracts submitted for the 28th Congress of the Hellenic Society of Hematology)		

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2017
12th BALKAN DAY OF HAEMATOLOGY, 08:30 – 15:00

	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C
08.30 – 10.30	Non-malignant hematology disorders - PNH: Diagnosis and treatment - Cold Agglutinin Syndrome - Novel approach for ITP - HUS		
10.30 – 11.30		BALKAN MYELOMA STUDY GROUP - Organization - Aims of the Balkan Myeloma study group - ASCT in Slovenia - Registry of the BMSG	
11.30 – 12.00	Break		
12.00 – 14.00	EHA - BALKAN Common Symposium - Chemotherapy - Free Treatment in APL - CML: Can a patient with MR4 or MR4.5 stop TKI treatment? - Novel treatment of multiple Myeloma - Transthyretin - related amyloidosis		
14.00 – 15.00		Break – E-Poster walk (abstracts submitted for the 12th Balkan Day of Hematology)	

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	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C
15.00 – 16.00	Oral Presentations	Oral Presentations	Oral Presentations
16.00 – 16.45	THE HELLENIC SOCIETY OF HAEMATOLOGY FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIP FORUM Lecture: Multidrug-resistant bacteria in the Haematology Ward and BMT Unit... A grave long-lasting problem	Round Table for Laboratory technicians	Round Table for nurses
16.45 – 17.30			
17.30 – 18.00	Break		
18.00 – 18.45	Lecture: Marginal zone lymphomas: new possibilities, new challenges*		
18.45 – 19.30	Lecture (Invited by the President Speaker) Functional Cure in CML*		
19.30 – 21.00	PLENARY SESSION (6 selected oral presentations) FESSAS AWARD GOUTTAS AWARD		

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► General information

Venue

The 28th Annual Meeting of the Hellenic Society of Haematology will be held in Athens, Greece, at the Megaron, Athens International Conference Center, November 2 - 4, 2017.

The Meeting will begin at 09:00h on November 2, 2017 and will end at 21:00h on November 4, 2017.

The 12th Balkan Day of Haematology is scheduled for November 4, 2017 at 08:30 - 15:00.

Registrations

Delegates are entitled to participate only if they have registered. Registration fees for participants from Balkan Countries are waived.

► CALL FOR ABSTRACTS (e-posters)

Instructions to the Authors

Preparation of abstracts

Title

The abstract title should be brief and clear written in capital letters.

Abstract text and tables

- Abstracts may be submitted in English in the MS Word format (.doc or docx).
- The title should be written in capital letters.
- The names of the authors (with the name of the author making the presentation underlined).

- and affiliation (laboratory or clinical institution that produced the presentation) should follow.
- The abstract text will come next, which should indicate, in order, the objective of the presentation, the material and methods used, the results and the conclusions (discussion should not be included).
- It is stressed that the abstract should not exceed 400 words. Words at the end of a line should not be broken with a hyphen, but written on the next line.

General Instructions for the preparation of abstracts

- a. Do not leave an indent at the beginning of each paragraph
- b. Use the TAB key and not the space bar to line up text lines or table rows, when necessary
- c. Do not use characters that are not available in all fonts
- d. Charts and tables should be placed one below the other, not side by side

Submission of abstracts

- **The deadline for abstract submission is September 1st, 2017.**
- The abstracts may be sent to the Congress Secretariat only by e-mail with subject "FOR THE 12th BALKAN DAY".
- The Secretariat e-mail address is info@vitacongress.gr
- Abstracts submitted via fax or regular mail, will not be accepted.
- The abstract should be attached as a separate file on e-mail. A completed registration form should be sent along with the abstract.



- While submitting the abstract, please send to the Congress Secretariat the following communication data of the corresponding author: First and Last name, Affiliation Center (clinical institution, laboratory, hospital, university hospital, research institution, other), Address, Telephone number and e-mail address.
- A confirmation e-mail for each abstract submitted, will be sent to the corresponding author within 24 hours. In case you do not receive the confirmation e-mail, please contact the Congress Secretariat.
- Any relevant information pertaining to the submitted abstract will be electronically forwarded to the corresponding author by the Congress Secretariat.
- Any questions regarding abstract submission may be addressed to the Congress Secretariat which can be contacted by e-mail (info@vitacongress.gr) or telephone (+30 210 7254360).

Abstract evaluation

By the end of the submission deadline all abstracts submitted for the 12th Balkan Day of Haematology will be sent to the evaluation committee. Following evaluation, each abstract will be classified into one of the following categories: 1. e-Poster 2. Publication only, 3. Rejection. The authors will be informed by e-mail by the end of September of the evaluation results. For any additional information at that time, refer to the congress secretariat (info@vitacongress.gr).

Criteria for abstract evaluation

The abstracts will be evaluated upon the following criteria: Originality, Study design and setting, Methodology, Results/statistical analysis, Extraction of novel scientific data.

Best Abstract (e-poster) Award

The best Abstract (e-poster) submitted for the 12th Balkan Day of Haematology will be granted with a 500€ award.



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Participation Form

FIRST NAME _____

LAST NAME _____

AFFILIATION _____

COUNTRY _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

E-MAIL _____

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I wish to participate to the Meeting

Participation with e-poster to the 12th Balkan Day

DATE

SIGNATURE

ATTENTION: Abstracts submission deadline: 1st September 2017.

