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DEAR COLLEAGUES AND FRIENDS,



On behalf of the Local Organizing Committee, it is our great pleasure to invite you to participate in the 21ST MEETING OF THE EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF DIABETES EYE COMPLICATIONS, STUDY GROUP EASDEC, the Satellite Session of the EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF HYPERTENSION AND EYE DISEASES and NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES MEETING — SCREENING FOR DIABETIC RETINOPATHY IN EUROPE, which will take place in Gdansk, Poland on 13-15th May, 2011.

Gdansk is a city on the Baltic coast in northern Poland and a principal Polish seaport. The thousand-year-old Gdansk, with its very rich history and an attractive location has a great cultural heritage. We are especially proud to invite you to the city where Lech Wałęsa lives. We will offer you an ambitious scientific program, and will host you with the traditional Polish hospitality.

The venue of the meeting is the Medical University of Gdansk.

Our meeting is committed to the active promotion of the quality of life of every diabetic person. We want all diabetic patients to achieve good metabolic control and develop the least vascular diabetic complications. Our mission is to provide such patients with practical, step by step assistance.

We hope that EASDec 2011 will be a scientifically successful meeting, in the friendly and welcoming city of Gdansk.

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KEY NOTE LECTURES

Irene STRATTON

Does high blood pressure matter in diabetic retinopathy? A review of evidence old and new

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Neurodegeneration as an early event of diabetic retinopathy: therapeutic implications

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Prevention and rehabilitation of significant vision impairment in diabetes mellitus

Roland E. SCHMIEDER

Vascular remodeling of the microcirculation in hypertension and diabetes

Enrico Agabiti ROSEI

Treatment of hypertensive diabetic patients: goals and strategies

EASDec 2011 PROGRAMME

FRIDAY 13TH MAY 2011

12.30-4.45 **SATELLITE 1**

SCREENING FOR DIABETIC RETINOPATHY IN EUROPE
- STRATEGIES FOR OVERCOMING HURDLES TO PROGRESS

Organising Committee: Professor Simon HARDING, Dr Deborah BROADBENT, Dr Kenneth SWA, Professor Elżbieta BANDURSKA-STANKIEWICZ

4.45-6.00 **SATELLITE 2**

NOVARTIS SYMPOSIUM: RANIBIZUMAB IN DME — NEW AGE OF TREATMENT

Chaired by: Professor Krystyna RACZYŃSKA and Professor Anne Katrin SJØLIE

Dr Paweł LIPOWSKI

Diabetic macular oedema — epidemiology and social issue

Diagnostic and current methods of treatment of DME

Prof. Grażyna MALUKIEWICZ

Lucentis in DME – results of clinical studies

Dr Iwona PARTYKA

7.15 OPENING CEREMONY FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS ARTUS COURT, DŁUGI TARG 43/44 STREET



21ST MEETING OF THE EASDec (EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF DIABETES AND EYE COMPLICATIONS STUDY GROUP) DIABETES, HYPERTENSION AND THE EYE

SATURDAY 14TH MAY 2011

8.30-9.15	Registration
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9.15 Anne Katrin SJØLIE and Elżbieta BANDURSKA-STANKIEWICZ Introduction and welcome

SESSION 1 COMBINED SESSION WITH THE EUROPEAN HYPERTENSION SOCIETY

Chairs: Krzysztof NARKIEWICZ and Massimo PORTA

- 9.20–9.50 Invited lecture: Roland E. SCHMIEDER

 Vascular remodelling of the microcirculation in hypertension and diabetes
- 9.50–10.05 E. BERRONE, E. BELTRAMO, S. TARALLO, M. PORTA

 Possible role of angiotensin II receptor blockade in the glucotoxicity on human retinal pericytes
- 10.05–10.20 J.M. TARR, L. GATTI, E.M. KOHNER, K. KAUL, A. DATTI,
 A. ORLACCHIO, R. CHIBBER

 Mitochondrial-derived ROS controls MMP2 activity by retinal
 capillary pericytes exposed to high glucose
- 10.20–10.35 N. GRIGORYEVA, E. SHKLYAROV, F. SHADRICHEV, O. KRYANEVA
 Fenofibrate effect on diabetic retinopathy

- 10.35–10.50 J. GRAUSLUND, J.S. JØRGENSEN, A. GREEN, A.K. SJØLIE

 Long-term associations between serum lipids and panretinal photocoagulation in type 1 diabetes
- 10.50-11.20 Coffee/tea, exhibitions

SESSION 2 COMBINED SESSION WITH THE EUROPEAN HYPERTENSION SOCIETY

Chairs: Tunde PETO and Elisabet AGARDH

11.20-11.50 Invited lecture: Enrico Agabiti ROSEI

Treatment of hypertensive diabetic patients: the goals and strategies

- 11.50–12.05 A.K. SJØLIE for the DIRECT Programme Study Group

 The predictive power of microaneurysm count on development of sight threatening retinopathy and the response to treatment with an angiotensin receptor blocker. Results from the DIRECT Programme
- 12.05–12.20 A.G. KUZMIN, D.V. LIPATOV, T.A. CHISTYAKOV, O.M. SMIRNOVA, M.I. ARBUZOVA, A.V. ILYIN, M.V. SHESTAKOVA

 Deterioration of the glomerular filtration rate and high vascular endothelial growth factor level in the eye are seemed to be the markers of diabetic retinopathy progression after cataract
- 12.20–12.35 J. PIECZYNSKI, E. BANDURSKA-STANKIEWICZ,
 W. MATUSZEWSKI, J. RUTKOWSKA, D. WIATR-BYKOWSKA

 Risk factors for diabetic eye complications in short duration
 (1–10 years) of type 1 diabetes in Warmia and Mazury, Poland
- 12.35–12.50 R. BROE, B.S. OLSEN, J. GRAUSLUND, P. HOUGAARD, A.K. SJØLIE.
 Winner of the Best Abstract Prize

 Blindness and Frequency of Vitrectomy in Young Danish Type 1
 Diabetic Patients. A 15-year follow-up
 - 12.50-1.45 Lunch and Exhibition viewing

surgery

1.45-2.45 SESSION 3 POSTER SESSION

Chairs: Stela VUJOSEVIC and Grażyna MALUKIEWICZ

T. SOSNA, R. SVANCAROVA, M. KAHLE

A new system for screening of diabetic retinopathy in the Institute for Clinical and Experimental Medicine (IKEM)

K. LUNDBERG, A.K. SJØLIE, J. GRAUSLUND

Changes in vascular diameter after laser treatment in patients with diabetic macular edema

T. von HANNO, G. BERTELSEN, J. GRAUSLUND, A.K. SJØLIE, E.B. MATHIESEN Diabetes is associated with changes in retinal vessel calibre in women

G. BERTELSEN, M.G. ERKE, A.K. SJØLIE, I. NJØLSTAD

No difference in prevalence of retinal vein occlusions (RVO) between diabetic and non diabetic participants in The Troms? Eye Study

C. MULHOLLAND, M. QUINN, W. CHAN, B. FOOT

British Ophthalmic Surveillance Unit (BOSU) study of Progression to Sight Threatening Retinopathy in Pregnancy (STDR)

K. WHITEHOUSE, P.M. DODSON

Management and Outcome of Cholesterol Embolus Identified in a Diabetic Retinopathy Screening Programme

K.E. ALSBIRK, J.H. SELAND

Does long chain polyunsaturated fatty acids (PUFA) protect against diabetic retinopathy?

J. PIECZYNSKI, E. BANDURSKA-STANKIEWICZ, W. MATUSZEWSKI, J. RUTKOWSKA, D. WIATR-BYKOWSKA

Diabetic retinopathy prevalence in patients with short duration (1-10 years) of type 1 diabetes in Warmia and Mazury region, Poland

M. GORCZYCA, S. ZALEWSKI

Evaluation of the effectiveness of surgical treatment of idiopathic macular holes using optical coherence tomography

J. PIECZYNSKI, E. BANDURSKA-STANKIEWICZ, W. MATUSZEWSKI

Posterior vitrectomy in the ophthalmology unit of general district hospital in Olsztyn, Poland

M.B. SULTAN, C. STARITA, K. HUANG

Prevalence and incidence of diabetic macular edema in the pediatric population

H.M. WHARTON, J.M. GIBSON, P.M. DODSON

How accurate are photographic surrogate markers used to detect macular oedema in the English National Screening Programme?

M. LIND, A.K. SJØLIE

Pre-eclampsia is not a predictor of progression of diabetic retinopathy

2.45-3.10 Coffee break

SESSION 4 RISK FACTORS

Chairs: Simon HARDING and Elżbieta BANDURSKA-STANKIEWICZ

3.10-3.30 Deborah BROADBENT

Report to Conference: Screening for diabetic retinopathy in Europe/Strategies for overcoming hurdles to progress

3.30-3.45 K. TILMA, T. BEK

Cardiovascular disease and mortality are related to which vision threatening complication that develops in type 2 diabetic patients

3.45–4.00 G.M. MORPHIS, T.A. SANDIGHA, I.A. MCKAY, D.M. BROADBENT, S.P. HARDING. H. HEIMANN

Survival analysis of diabetic patients undergoing vitrectomy

4.00-4.45 Eva KOHNER lecture: Irene STRATTON

Does high blood pressure matter in DR? A review of evidence old and new

4.45-5.00 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

GALA DINNER

8.00 gdansk university of technology, gabriela narutowicza 11/12 street



SUNDAY 15TH MAY 2011

SESSION 5 PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF DIABETIC RETINOPATHY

Chairs: Edoardo MIDENA and Toke BEK

- 9.00–9.30 Invited lecture: Rafael SIMÓ

 Neurodegeneration as an early event of diabetic retinopathy:
 therapeutic implications
- 9.30–9.45 E. MIDENA, F. MARTINI, A. REDIU, M. CASCIANO, S. VUJOSEVIC

 Retinal Glial Cells Activation in Diabetics with and without
 Retinopathy: An in Vivo Study
- 9.45–10.00 S. VUJOSEVIC, E. PILOTTO, F. MARTINI, A. REDIU, E. MIDENA

 Diabetic Choroidopathy: A Spectral Domain OCT Study
- 10.00–10.15 S.P. HARDING, S.J. GLOVER, P.I. BURGESS, D.B. COHEN, H.W.C. HOFLAND, E.E. ZIJLSTRA, T.J. ALLAIN

 Prevalence of diabetic retinopathy and visual impairment in diabetic patients in sub-Saharan Africa
- 10.15–10.30 T. PETO, T.E. CLEMONS, F.B. SALLO, I. LEUNG

 The impact of diabetes on the characteristics of Type 2 Macular Telangiectasia
- 10.30-11.00 Coffee break

Chairs: Francesco BANDELLO and Krystyna RACZYŃSKA

11.00-11.30 Invited lecture: Jan TATOŃ

Prevention and rehabilitation of significant vision impairment with diabetes mellitus

11.30-11.45 H.L. TANG, T. PETO, J. GOH, Y. JIN, C. CHULUUNKHUU

Filtering Normal Diabetic Retinopathy Images through Evolutionary Computation

11.45-12.00 LATE BREAKING NEWS ABSTRACT

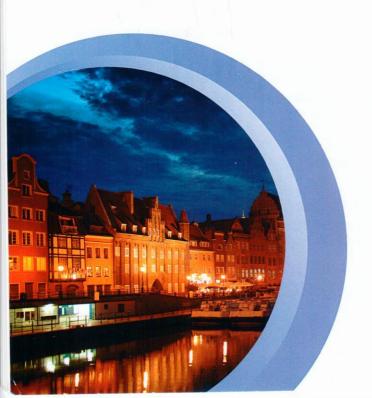
12.00–12.15 T.K. GELETEW, P.M. AMRELIA, H.M. WHARTON,

P.M. DODSON, J.M. GIBSON, A. WRIGHT

Proliferative diabetic retinopathy (R3) referrals from the digital diabetic retinopathy screening program: Urgency of appointment in the hospital eye service achieved and needed?

12.15 AWARDING OF THE BEST POSTER PRIZE

12.20 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING



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ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATIONS

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Elżbieta BANDURSKA-STANKIEWICZ

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Department of Hypertension and Diabetology of the Medical University of Gdansk and *Termedia* Publishing House

LANGUAGE

The official language of the Congress is English

FRIDAY 13TH MAY 2011

7.15: Opening Ceremony followed by refreshments (admission upon presenting ID badge)
Artus Court
Gdansk, Długi Targ 43/44

SATURDAY 14TH MAY 2011

Gala dinner: 8.00 (admission upon presenting ID badge) Gdansk University of Technology Gabriela Narutowicza 11/12, 80-233 Gdansk



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REGISTRATION

13th May: 11.30-18.30 14th May: 8.00-17.00

15th May: Certificates can be collected between 8.00 and 13.00.

LUNCH

Lunch will be served upon presenting a voucher:

13th May: 12.00-12.30 14th May: 12.50-13.45

ID BADGES

ID badges: authorize holders to participate in the lectures, Medical Exhibition, Opening Ceremony and Gala Dinner.

TAXI

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