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FORUM OF ITALIAN RESEARCHERS ON MESENCHYMAL AND STROMAL STEM CELLS MSC Between Big Killers and Nanoparticles

Collegio Borromeo Pavia

Scientific Organizers:

Lorenza Lazzari Massimo Dominici Rosaria Giordano Massimiliano Gnecchi

h 9.00 - 10.00: Registration h 9.45 — 10.00: Welcome by organizers

Mesenchymal Progenitors in Prevalent Diseases

h 10.00 – 11.20 **Session:**MSC and cardiac repair

h 10.00 – 10.20

Paolo Madeddu: "Pericyte
progenitor cells and infarcted heart"

Experimental Cardiovascular

Medicine, Bristol Heart Institute, University
of Bristol, UK

h 10.20 – 10.40

Carlo Ventura: "Placental stem cells and cardiogenesis"

Laboratory of Molecular Biology and Stem Cell Engineering, Bologna, Italy

h 10.40 – 11.20 Session: MSC and cancer

h 10.40 – 11.00 **Paola Chiarugi**: "Epithelial mesenchymal transition and stemness"

Department of Biochemical Sciences, University of Florence, Italy



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h 11.00 – 11.20

Emile Voest: "Mesenchymal stem cells induce resistance to chemo-therapy through the release of platinum-induced fatty acids" Cancer Res. Department of Medical Oncology, Utrecht, The Netherlands

Lectures on Mesenchymal Stem Cells

h 11.30 – 12.30

Jeffrey M. Karp, "Towards Bio-engineered Control of MSC Destiny Post Transplantation" Laboratory for Advanced Bio-materials and Stem-Cell-Based Therapeutics, Harvard

Stem Cell Institute, Cambridge, MA, USA

h 12.30 – 14.30 Lunch break

h 14.30 - 15.00 Lecture

Bruno Péault "MSC and pericytes, and back".

University of Edinburgh Center for Vascular Science, UCLA Orthopaedic Surgery

h 15.00 – 16.15

Young Researchers, FIRST Award (to be selected)

Mesenchymal Progenitors and Biomaterials

h 16.15 – 16.35

Nicola Elvassore: "Mechanotransduction in mesenchymal stem cell differentiation". Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Padova, Italy

h 16.35 – 16.55

Nikolaj Gadegaard: "Nanoscale surfaces for the longterm maintenance of mesenchymal stem cell phenotype and multipotency" Department of Electronic & Electrical Engineering, University of Glasgow, Scotland, UK

h 17.00 Closing remarks

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