ADVANCES IN STEM CELL TRANSPLANTATION AND IMMUNE THERAPY
30 years of blood stem cell transplantation and 1000th allogeneic transplantation in Heidelberg

SYMPOSIUM honouring the 65th birthday of Prof. Anthony D. Ho
DEAR COLLEAGUES AND FRIENDS,

It is now 30 years since the first autologous blood stem cell transplantation was performed in Heidelberg. Being one of the first PBSCTs world-wide, this pioneer achievement was the cornerstone for the rapidly evolving Heidelberg stem cell transplantation activity. With more than 200 autologous and 100 allogeneic transplants per year, the Heidelberg stem cell transplantation program is now the largest in Germany with particular focus on lymphoproliferative diseases and myeloma.

To celebrate this anniversary and the recent performance of the 1000th allogeneic transplantation in Heidelberg, we would like to welcome you to our symposium highlighting recent advances in stem cell transplantation and immune therapy. We are happy that we can dedicate this conference to Professor Anthony D. Ho on the occasion of his 65th birthday. Professor Ho was not only personally involved in the very first stem cell transplantation and a founding member of the Heidelberg transplant program, but has also largely contributed to its outstanding development and accounted for the successful expansion of its allogeneic part.

We are proud and grateful that we can present you a unique faculty of international experts in stem cell transplantation and immune therapy (most of them with Heidelbergian roots!) and are looking forward to two days of exciting science.

Peter Dreger, Gerlinde Egerer, Emmie Ho-Tsui, Alwin Krämer, Hanns-Martin Lorenz, Barbara Ludwig, Johann-Wilhelm Schmier, Michael Schmitt, Christiane Wickenhöfer, Patrick Wuchter

FRIADY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2013

12:30 – 14:00 WELCOME RECEPTION BY PROF. DR. ANTHONY D. HO

OPENING AND WELCOME TO THE SYMPOSIUM

14:00 – 14:30 Staatsministerin Maria Böhmer, Beauftragte der Bundesregierung für Migration, Flüchtlinge und Integration, Bundeskanzleramt, Berlin

Eckart Würzner, Mayor, City of Heidelberg

Georg F. Hoffmann, Vice-Dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of Heidelberg

Hugo Katus, Speaker of the Board, Department of Medicine, University Hospital Heidelberg

Harald zur Hausen, Nobel Prize laureate 2008, Professor emeritus, German Cancer Research Center, Heidelberg

14:30 – 15:15 KEY NOTE SPEECH

Chairperson: Gerhard Ehninger (Dresden)

Hans-Jochem Kolb, Munich

The potentials and perspectives of graft-versus-leukemia activities

15:15 – 15:45 Coffee Break

SESSION I PERSPECTIVES OF TARGETED THERAPY

Chairpersons: Kai Neben (Baden-Baden), Martin Göerner (Bielefeld)

15:45 – 16:15 Michael Andreeff, Houston

Biology and targeting of the leukemia stem cell niche

16:15 – 16:45 Hartmut Goldschmidt, Heidelberg

Heidelberg experience in multiple myeloma during the last two decades

16:45 – 17:15 Burt Rolfoje, Little Rock

The curiosity of multiple myeloma: current status and path for the future

on behalf of the Organizing Committee

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2013

SESSION II TRANSPANTATION AND ACUTE LEUKEMIA

Chairpersons: Uwe Martens (Heilbronn), Stefan Frühwald (Darmstadt)

Salome Schorer, Heidelberg

Heidelberg Stem Cell Register: 10 years serving mankind

Ted Rabi, San Diego

AMA: The place of autologous stem cell transplantation in 2013

Gerhard Ehninger, Dresden

25 years of AML therapy from mitoxantrone to arsenic trioxide – how far did we get?

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee Break

SESSION III LYMPHOMA AND STEM CELL BIOLOGY

Chairpersons: Peter Dreger (Heidelberg), Antonia Pozzato (Berlin)

Michael Pfreundschuh, Homburg

How effective is an aggressive B cell lymphoma – must or myth?

10:30 – 11:00

Ralf Hess, Düsseldorf

Autologous stem cell transplantation in follicular and mantle cell lymphoma – still indicated in the rituximab era?

11:00 – 11:30

Bart Barlogie, Little Rock

The curability of multiple myeloma: current status and path for the future

11:30 – 12:00

Wolfgang Wagner, Jena

Forever young: DNA methylation changes in long-term culture and aging

12:00 – 12:30

Farewell Lunch, Foyer, Lecture Hall

WHERE? LECTURE HALL AND FOYER, MEDIZINISCHE UNIVERSITÄTSKLINIK, IM NEUENHEIMER FELD 410

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