

The fourth EULAR course in Diagnostic Laboratory Testing in conjunction with AutoCure Hopital Edouard Herriot, Lyon, September 4-6, 2008

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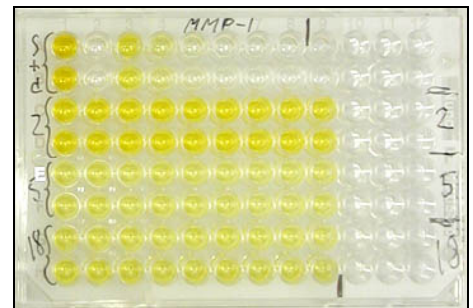
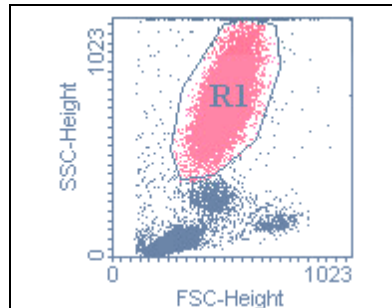
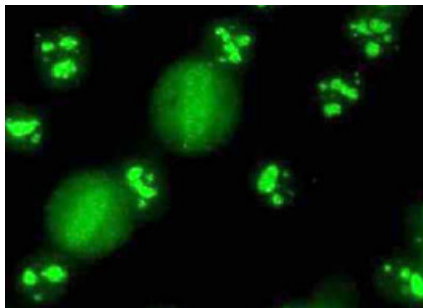
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Welcome to Lyon!

The fourth EULAR course is intended to bring European rheumatologists in training closer to today's and tomorrow's diagnostic and prognostic laboratory techniques.

The meeting is primarily intended to be a practical workshop, and after three intensive days in our laboratory you will have a hands-on feeling for both traditional and frontline laboratory techniques. This field is becoming increasingly important with the increasing rate of introduction of new laboratory tests.

The mixed research unit of the Edouard Herriot Hospital in Lyon is a dynamic environment combining basic high-tech biomedical and clinical research under the same roof. We hope that this environment also will facilitate the exchange of ideas and views between rheumatologists and clinical immunologists.

There are opportunities for bursaries for this course:

There are EULAR bursaries, covering the course fee. For instructions concerning how to apply, please look at the EULAR website (www.eular.org).

There are also Autocure bursaries for Autocure members covering the full course fee. For instructions concerning this possibility, please visit the Autocure website (www.autocure.org)

Again welcome to Lyon

Pr Pierre Miossec, for the organizing committee

Program:Thursday September 4th:

9.00	Welcome/introduction	Pierre Miossec
9.15	Lecture: ANA testing, HEp-2 patterns, specific autoantibodies	Allan Wiik
10.00	Lecture: Immunofluorescence and ELISA techniques	Nicole Fabien
10.45	Practice : Immunofluorescence I: serum application	Sophie Veber
11.15	Coffee	
	Practice : Immunofluorescence II: washing slides & conjugate	Sophie Veber
	Practice : ELISA I: identification of ANCA/NSA, serum application	Sophie Veber
12.00	Lecture: ANA quality assurance	Johan Rönnelid
12.30	Lunch	
13.30	Practice : Immunofluorescence III: : Reading HEp-2 patterns	Sophie Veber
	Practice : ELISA II: Substrate application	Sophie Veber
15.15	Coffee	
	Practice : ELISA practice III: reading results	Sophie Veber
	Practice : Demonstration ELISA, immunoblotting	Nicole Fabien
	Practice : IF practice IV: learning HEp-2 reading, quiz	Allan Wiik
16.30	Lecture: Diagnostic use of ANCA/NSA	Nicole Fabien
17.00	Lecture: Lupus and clinical subsets	Allan Wiik
18.00	Discussion/Round table	Graham Hughes
18.15	End of the day and joint dinner in a downtown restaurant	

Friday September 5th:

9.00	Lecture: Markers of response to cytokine inhibitors	Pierre Miossec
9.45	Lecture: DNA and RNA technologies: clinical applications	Bruno Mougin
10.30	Coffee	
	Practice : PCR I: DNA and RNA preparation	
	Practice : PCR II: PCR application	
13.00	Lunch	
14.00	Practice : Analysis of DNA and RNA results.	
	Practice : PCR III: Gel application	
16.00	Coffee	
16.15	Lecture: New cytokines in RA	Pierre Miossec
17.00	Lecture: Anti-phospholipid syndrome	Graham Hughes
18.00	End of lectures and joint dinner in a downtown restaurant	

Saturday September 6th

9.00	Lecture: Genetics of RA	Gerd Burmester
9.45	Lecture : Purification of cell subsets and culture	Assia Eljaafari
10.30	Coffee	
11.00	Practice : Cell culture demonstration	Assia Eljaafari
12.30	Lunch	
13.15	Lecture: From genes to new disease markers and treatment	Ling Toh
15.00	Lecture: RA-specific autoantibodies and contribution to pathogenesis	Gerd Burmester
15.30-16.00	Summary, course evaluation and farewell	

Congress Fee: 1.000 Euros incl. V.A.T.

The fee includes participation in the scientific program, printed documentation, hotel accommodation for three nights from September 3th - September 5th, three lunches, two dinners (September 4th and September 5th) and coffee breaks. Most participants need to be in Lyon on the night of Wednesday September 3th to be able to follow the course from the start. There is a direct connection by metro from the hotel to the hospital (Line D, Grange Blanche station). The metro station is just in front of the hospital Edouard Herriot. The meeting will be in Pavillon F, located at the back of the hospital.

Registration form:

Last Name:..... First name..... Title

Street ZIP code City

Country Phone Fax

Mobile phone..... Email

Last day of registration is Monday August 15th, 2008

(due to our booking in advance of hotel accommodation).

Maximum number of participants is limited to 20. In the case of more applications, participation will be granted to the first 20 definitely registered applicants.

Send Your registration and a letter indicating your interest in the course by email to the address below. You will thereafter be billed for the congress fee. You will be definitely registered when we have obtained the course fee.

Do not send any money before receiving a confirmation letter/invoice.

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