From Chronic Inflammation to Cancer

June 4 – 5, 2010
Hotel Voronez
Brno, Czech Republic

Preliminary Program
14 CME credits for the Falk Symposium 173 have been applied for at the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) – European Board of Gastroenterology (EBG). The number of credits awarded will be printed in the final program.
Preface

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to this international symposium devoted to exploration of the connection between chronic inflammation and various malignancies of the gastrointestinal tract. We will proceed from the basic research that allows more and better understanding of the molecular mechanisms involved in the development and progression of GI malignancy to clinical management, which has seen significant advances in recent years.

Specifically, we will look at hepatobiliary cancer, taking hepatocellular and cholangiocellular carcinoma as clinical and basic-science models of the connection between inflammation and cancer. We will take a similar approach with chronic inflammation and cancer of the esophagus, stomach, bowel and pancreas, with special emphasis on advances in diagnosis and therapy.

Thanks to the generous support of the Falk Foundation, we have again been able to recruit a top-rate international faculty to provide up-to-the-minute inputs into this important exchange of experience and information.

The historical city of Brno will be a very appropriate setting for a meeting that places heavy emphasis on basic and molecular science and research. It was here at the Abbey of St. Thomas that Gregor Mendel, Augustinian priest and later abbot, scientist and teacher, working with pea plants and four o’clock flowers, laid the foundation for modern genetics. That foundation was long neglected and silted over, and it was only at the turn of the 20th century that his work came into its own as the basis for modern genetics, and with time and by extension, for the molecular genetics that today are the source of so much hue and cry.

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Registration:
Thursday, June 3, 2010
16.00 - 21.00 h
at the congress office

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Publication date of final program:
May 2010

The final program will be available on the homepage www.falkfoundation.org one week before.
Friday, June 4, 2010

8.15 Welcome

Session I
Chronic inflammation

Chairmen: P. Díte, Brno; F. Farinati, Padua

8.30 Inflammation and immunity in the tumor microenvironment
J. Emmrich, Rostock

9.00 Oxidative stress and iNO induction in carcinogenesis
F. Farinati, Padua

9.30 Role of COX in pathogenesis and prevention in the development of GI tumors
N. Arber, Tel Aviv

10.00 Chronic inflammation and gene polymorphism
C. R. Boland, Dallas

10.30 Coffee break with poster session

Session II
Liver malignancies

Chairmen: L. Kuzela, Bratislava; F. Szalay, Budapest

11.00 Chronic hepatitis – Risk factor for hepatic carcinoma
J. Lata, Brno

11.30 The diagnostic and therapeutic approach for primary solid liver tumors in adults
M. Pech, Magdeburg

12.00 Biliary tract cancers – Pathogenesis and risk factors
G. Ramadori, Goettingen

12.30 Endoscopic therapy of biliary tract malignancies
T. Marek, Katowice

13.00 Lunch break with poster session
Friday, June 4, 2010

Session III
Gastric cancer

Chairmen: G. J. Krejs, Graz; Z. Tulassay, Budapest

14.00 Epidemiology
   G. J. Krejs, Graz

14.30 Molecular pathogenesis of H. pylori infection –
      The role of bacterial virulence factors
   B. Molnar, Budapest

15.00 H. pylori infection and gastric cancer
   P. Malfertheiner, Magdeburg

15.30 Multimodal therapy of gastric cancer
   A. D. Wagner, Lausanne

16.00 Coffee break with poster session

Session IV
Colorectal cancer

Chairmen: J. Regula, Warsaw; M. Zavoral, Prague

16.30 IBD as a risk factor for colorectal cancer
   M. Lukas, Prague

17.00 The use of molecular markers in diagnosis of colorectal cancer screening
   C. Gasche, Vienna

17.30 New endoscopic approaches in colorectal cancer diagnosis
   H. Messmann, Augsburg

18.00 Multimodal therapy of colorectal cancer
   J. Zaloudík, Brno

18.30 End of afternoon session
Saturday, June 5, 2010

Session V
Esophageal cancer

Chairmen: H. Hammer, Graz; P. Malfertheiner, Magdeburg

9.00 Etiology and risk factors for esophageal carcinoma
    L. Lundell, Stockholm

9.30 Esophageal cancerogenesis
    K. E. L. McColl, Glasgow

10.00 New diagnostic endoscopic approaches of esophageal cancer
    R. Kiesslich, Mainz

10.30 Multimodal treatment of esophageal cancer
    J. Zacherl, Vienna

11.00 Coffee break with poster session

Session VI
State-of-the-art-lecture
Dr. Herbert Falk memorial lecture

Chairmen: P. Díte, Brno

11.30 Advances in screening for gut malignancies
    M. Classen, Munich

12.10 Lunch break with poster session
### Saturday, June 5, 2010

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Poster Session

Posters will be exhibited on June 4 - 5, 2010 at the Hotel Voronez. The authors will be in attendance during coffee and lunch breaks on both days.

Call for posters

Please submit your poster abstract before **February 15, 2010**. Only one-page abstracts not exceeding 250 words, written in English and saved in Microsoft Word format will be accepted. Abstracts must be submitted via our Internet Abstract Submission System (http://www.falkfoundation.com/poster) where further information regarding the submission format and the submission process is available. The abstracts will be selected by the scientific organizers, preference being given to those thematically related to one of the sessions of the program. The accepted abstracts will be printed and distributed to the participants of the congress together with the documents of the meeting. The authors will receive notification about acceptance and further instructions in **March 2010**.

Contact address for further information on the poster session:
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For the **first author** of an accepted poster, expenses for accommodation (June 3–6, 2010) and fees for the scientific program and evening activities will be covered during the Falk Symposium 173. **Travel expenses are not covered.**

Poster prizes

Three prizes will be awarded for the best presentations. Prize winners will be presented with a prize certificate and cheques for € 1.500,-, € 1.000,- and € 500,- respectively. Travel expenses will be covered additionally for the first author of prize winning posters.
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Opening Hours:
Thursday, June 3, 2010  16.00 – 21.00 h  
Friday, June 4, 2010   7.30 – 18.30 h  
Saturday, June 5, 2010  8.30 – 16.15 h

Congress Fees

Scientific program of the Falk Symposium 173  € 200,-  
Students and residents  € 100,-

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Day ticket  € 120,-  
Students and residents  € 60,-

The congress fees include:
- Welcome Evening on June 3, 2010  
- Refreshments during coffee breaks  
- Lunch on June 4 and 5, 2010  
- A copy of the abstract volume
Registration

Congress registrations must reach the Falk Foundation e.V. by **April 15, 2010 at the latest**. Congress fees may be paid by cheque payable to the Falk Foundation e.V. or by bank transfer to Volksbank Freiburg e.G., Germany, Bank No. 68090000, Account No. 1452010. (IBAN DE33 6809 0000 0001 4520 10, BIC Genode 61 FR1. Please mark bank transfers with “Falk Symposium 173”.

To ensure correct registration, participants are asked to send in their registration and the fee remittance together.

After receipt of registration form, each participant will be provided with confirmation of his registration. On presentation of this confirmation at the Congress Office in Brno participants will receive the congress folder containing name badges, admission tickets and the abstract volume.

In the event of registration cancellations, a handling fee of € 20,- will be deducted from the refund. All participants will receive a written confirmation of attendance at the end of the meeting.

Admission to Scientific Events

For admission to scientific events your name badge should be clearly visible.

Hotel Accommodation

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Congress Report

The official congress report of the Falk Symposium 173 “From Chronic Inflammation to Cancer” will be published in English in the first half of 2011 by Karger Publishers, Basel. Orders for this book at a reduced subscription price of € 35,- can be placed at the Congress Office during the congress in Brno.

Congress Short Report

The congress short report of the Falk Symposium 173 “From Chronic Inflammation to Cancer” will be published by the Falk Foundation e.V. with number FSK 173 in the second half on 2010.

Orders for this short report, free of charge, can be placed with the Falk Foundation e.V.

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