9 credit hours (CME) have been awarded for the Falk Workshop by the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) - European Board of Gastroenterology (EBG).
Preface

The Dr. FALK Pharma GmbH is celebrating its 50th anniversary and we are very happy to contribute with our workshop “Liver and Pancreatic Diseases: Consequences of Chronic Alcoholic Consumption” to the success of the IV FALK GASTRO-CONFERENCE. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the Falk family, especially Mrs. Ursula Falk for having generously supported great science in hepatology and gastroenterology for half a century.

Alcohol-related disorders account for an enormous part of global mortality and for an even greater part of the life years lost by disabilities due to alcohol consumption. In Europe and the USA, more than 20% of men and approximately 9% of women hospitalized in varying medical departments in general hospitals feature alcohol-related disorders. Especially alcoholic liver disease continues to be a major health problem with respect to both morbidity and mortality.

To enhance the understanding of the molecular mechanisms of alcoholic liver and pancreatic injury a group of international basic and clinical researchers met first in Marina del Rey, California, USA in 2006, and in the following years in Kobe, Japan 2007, Bilbao, Spain 2008 and Hurghada, Egypt 2009. The present workshop is the successive meeting of these international symposia on alcoholic liver and pancreatic diseases (ALPD) and cirrhosis.

The workshop starts with two extraordinary opening lectures on the evolutionary origin of alcohol consumption and on the understanding of alcohol dependent liver diseases by means of system biology. In five sessions the latest results of clinical and basic research on the pathomechanisms of alcohol induced damage of liver and pancreas will be presented. In addition, the role of alcohol drinking associated factors in the development of these diseases will be discussed. Further special lectures deal with new advances in the pathophysiology of pancreatitis and with animal models to help unravelling pathways involved in alcohol induced damage.

Both clinicians and basic scientists attending this FALK workshop will learn about the frontiers and future perspectives of treatment of both hepatic and pancreatic diseases.

We are looking forward to see you at this exciting IV FALK GASTRO-CONFERENCE in Freiburg.

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Sam Zakhari, NIAAA, Bethesda, USA
Craig McClain, University of Louisville, USA
Steven Dooley, University of Heidelberg, Mannheim, Germany
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at the congress office

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12.30 Welcome Lunch

13.30 Welcoming remarks

M. V. Singer, Mannheim

Opening Session

Chair: M. V. Singer, Mannheim; S. Zakhari, Bethesda

13.40 Evolutionary origin and development of alcohol consumption

R. Spanagel, Mannheim

14.10 Systems biology to understand alcohol dependent liver disease

J. B. Hoek, Philadelphia

Session I

Clinical Research

Chair: H. E. Blum, Freiburg; C. J. McClain, Louisville

14.40 Genetics of pancreatitis: A guide for clinicians

H. Witt, Munich

15.10 Alcohol and pancreatic cancer: A pooled analysis of fourteen cohort studies

R. M. Schmid, Munich

15.40 Long-term, clinical follow-up in fatty liver patients

F. Bendtsen, Hvidovre

16.10 Coffee break with poster session
### Session II
**Pathomechanisms of alcohol induced damage (Part I)**

**Chair:** P. Mathurin, Lille; S. J. Pandol, Los Angeles

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### Special Lecture I

**Chair:** M. Löhr, Stockholm

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20 Minutes lecture 10 minutes discussion
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**Special Lecture II**

**Chair:** S. Dooley, Mannheim

**8.30** Animal models of alcohol damage

G. E. Arteel, Louisville

**Session III**

**Pathomechanisms of alcohol induced damage (Part II)**

**Chair:** J. Hoek, Philadelphia; Y. Kohgo, Asahikawa

**9.00** Gut-liver axis and sensing microbes

G. Szabo, Worcester

**9.30** Zinc and alcoholic liver disease

Z. Zhou, Louisville

**10.00** Role of endocannabinoid system in alcoholic liver disease

S. Siegmund, Bonn

**10.30** Coffee break with poster session

**11.00** MnSOD overexpression prevents liver mitochondrial DNA depletion after an alcohol binge, but worsens this effect after prolonged alcohol consumption in mice

A. Mansouri, Paris

**11.30** Investigating the pathobiology of alcoholic pancreatitis

S. J. Pandol, Los Angeles

**12.00** Alcoholic and non-alcoholic steatohepatitis: Pathophysiological similarities, differences and synergisms

C. Hellerbrand, Regensburg

**12.30** Lunch break with poster session

**Chair:** F. Lammert, Homburg; N.N.
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Session IV
Pathomechanisms of alcohol induced damage (Part III)

Chair: L. E. Nagy, Cleveland; H.-K. Seitz, Heidelberg

15.00 Protective role of HO-1 for alcohol dependent liver damage A. Nüssler, Munich

15.30 HCV, HBV and alcohol – The Dionysos study S. Bellentani, Carpi

16.00 Alcohol and regulation of iron metabolism S. Mueller, Heidelberg

16.30 Coffee break with poster session

Session V
Alcohol drinking associated factors

Chair: P. R. Galle, Mainz; S. Siegmund, Bonn

17.00 Role of CYP2E1 in ethanol-induced oxidant stress, fatty liver and hepatotoxicity A. Cederbaum, New York

17.30 Pancreas – Non-alcoholic constituents and their effects A. Gerloff, Los Angeles

18.00 Presentation of Poster Prizes and discussion of future research programs S. Dooley, Mannheim
M. V. Singer, Mannheim
S. Zakhari, Bethesda

18.20 Invitation to the 6th International Symposium on ALPD and Cirrhosis in Hokkaido, Japan 2011 Y. Kohgo, Asahikawa

18.30 Farewell M. V. Singer, Mannheim

20 minutes lecture 10 minutes discussion
Poster Session

Posters will be exhibited on October 5–6, 2010, at the Konzerthaus Freiburg. The authors will be in attendance during coffee and lunch breaks on both days.

Epidemiology and correlation studies

1. The epidemiology of survival in alcoholic hepatitis among Chilean population
   M. Gonzalez Moncada, E. Aravena, C. Bluhm, R. Martinez (Santiago de Chile, RCH)

2. Incidence of acute pancreatitis in North Adriatic Region in Croatia during last ten years (2000–2009)
   D. Stimac, I. Mikolasevic, I. Krznaric-Zrnic, M. Radic, G. Poropat, S. Milic (Rijeka, HR)

3. Chronic pancreatitis in children – Three clinical cases
   M. Baycheva, E. Panteleeva, C. Zhelev, P. Yaneva (Sofia, BG)

4. Multiple cancers of liver and pancreas associated alcohol drinking in Czech population
   P. Díte, E. Geryk (Brno, CZ)

5. Study of the relationship between chronic hepatitis C virus, non alcoholic fatty liver disease and insulin resistance

Pathology

6. The QT interval in alcoholic patients
   I. Mozos, C. Serban, L.M. Susan (Timisoara, RO)

7. The prevalence of Th17 cells in patients with alcoholic liver disease
   B. Kasztelan-Szczerbinska, A. Surdacka, M. Slomka, J. Rolinski, K. Celinski, P. Paprzycki (Lublin, PL)

8. Intestinal permeability is increased in patients with alcoholic liver cirrhosis
   V. Gerova, D. Svinarov, S. Stoynov (Sofia, BG)

9. Gender differences in the development of hepatic steatosis after acute ingestion of ethanol and beer in mice
   S. Wagnerberger, G. Kanuri, C. Bode, S.C. Bischoff, I. Bergheim (Stuttgart, D)

10. High echogenicity of pancreas is an obligatory sign in patients with alcoholic steatohepatitis and metabolic risk factors
    S. Pimanov, E.V. Makarenko, E. Ruselik (Vitebsk, WR)
11. Discovery of the missed link between schistosomiasis and HCV infection  

12. Laboratory abnormality in HCV associated B NLH  
M. Badea, D. Badea, A. Genunche-Dumitrescu, P. Mitrut, A. Marinas, M. Moanta  
(Craiova, RO)

13. Malignant B lymphoproliferative diseases associated with HCV infection  
M. Badea, D. Badea, A. Genunche-Dumitrescu, D. Iordache, D. Duta (Craiova, RO)

14. Hepatic encephalopathy after TIPS  
V. Romao, P. Crespo, D. Seixas, S. Calretas, R. Santos, J. Nascimento Costa  
(Coimbra, P)

15. The relationship between bile duct lesions and the severity of biomorphologic  
parameters in patients with viral chronic hepatitis  
M. Cornianu, E. Lazar, A. Dema, S. Taban, D. Lazar, R. Sirli, A. Faur, I. Marincu,  
I. Sporea, I. Muntean (Timisoara, RO)

16. Pseudocysts in chronic pancreatitis  
K. Kalinova, V. Dimitrova, E. Mileva, M.V. Gulubova (Stara Zagora, BG)

17. Immune investigations in primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC)  
C.A. Silosi, I. Silosi, V. Biciusca, S. Rogoz (Craiova, RO)

18. Chronic ethanol-induced alterations to the liver mitochondrial respiratory chain  
proteome: Protection by betaine  
K. Kharbanda, A. King, D.J. Tuma, S. Bailey (Omaha, Birmingham, USA)

Co-factors of alcohol

19. Hepatic dysfunction is evident in zebrafish larvae exposed to ethanol: A model  
for acute alcoholic liver disease  
D.L. Howarth, K.C. Sadler (New York, USA)

20. Association of chronic alcohol consumption with hepatitis C virus infection:  
Interactions and consequences  
A. Genunche-Dumitrescu, D. Badea, P. Mitrut, M. Badea (Craiova, RO)

21. Impact of moderate alcohol consumption on histological liver lesions in patients  
with chronic hepatitis C  
I. Marincu, L. Negrutiu, I. Iacobiciu, M. Cornianu, A.M. Negrina, L. Marincu,  
R. Neghina (Timisoara, RO)
22. Low-level ethanol intake impairs liver angiogenesis and exacerbates hepatic fibrosis in mice in response to CCl4
D.J. Chiang, M.T. Pritchard, S. Roychowdhury, M.R. McMullen, B.T. Pratt, L.E. Nagy (Cleveland, USA)

23. Association of overweight and obesity worsens the evolution of alcoholic liver cirrhosis

24. Chronic pancreatitis after lead contaminated alcohol consumption
M. Deac, R.G. Mihaila, E.C. Rezi, A. Deac (Sibiu, RO)

25. Complication of chronic pancreatitis associated with obesity in heavy-drinkers patients
A. Genunche-Dumitrescu, D. Badea, M. Badea, P. Mitrut (Craiova, RO)

26. Resveratrol inhibits amylase release and protein tyrosine phosphorylation in rat pancreatic AR4-2J cells by an increase of protein tyrosine phosphatase activity
P. Feick, A. Gerloff, M.V. Singer (Mannheim, D)

27. Echovirus pancreatitis and parotitis following infliximab and prednisolone therapy in a patient with ulcerative colitis
I. Mikolasevic, S. Milic, B. Mijandrusic Sincic, D. Stimac (Rijeka, HR)

28. Analysis of the etiology in 458 pancreatitis patients according to the M-ANN-HEIM multiple risk factor classification
A. Schneider, J.M. Löhr, M.V. Singer (Mannheim, D; Stockholm, S)

29. Clinical and morphological elements influencing health related quality of life in patients with chronic pancreatitis
A. Tudora, O.P. Ciof, A. Gal, G. Burragohain, I. Sporea (Timisoara, RO)

30. Alcohol abuse as a risk factor for hepatocarcinoma in noncirrhotic liver
L. Tugui, B. Ioanitescu, C. Preda, G. Becheanu, M. Dumbrava, A. Mehedintu, M. Diculescu, R. Vadan, I. Simionov (Bucharest, RO)

31. Mortality risk factors in alcoholic hepatitis
M. Gonzalez Moncada, E. Aravena, C. Bluhm, R. Martinez (Santiago de Chile, RCH)

Mechanisms and animal models

32. Hepatic stellate cell apoptosis is mediated through differential aquaporin expression
A.M. Lakner, T.L. Walling, I.H. McKillop, L.W. Schrum (Charlotte, USA)
33. Ethanol suppresses proteasome function in HCV+ hepatocytes via induction of oxidative stress and impaired protein methylation
   N.A. Osna, K. Kharbanda, R. White, F. Bardag-Gorce (Omaha, Los Angeles, USA)

34. Impaired protein and lipid trafficking: Its role in the development of alcoholic liver injury
   C.A. Casey, D.J. Tuma, B.L. McVicker (Omaha, USA)

35. Alcohol-loading and obesity regulate the expression of transferrin receptor 1 and hepcidin in mice liver

36. Expression of angiopoietin-2 (Ang-2) and vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF) in duodenal tissue of patients with alcoholic liver cirrhosis
   K. Kobus, J. Czyszek, P. Milkiewicz, M. Milkiewicz (Szczecin, PL)

37. Iron overload in ALD: Deregulated expression of hepcidin in liver cells?
   A. Müller, S. Müller, Q. Li, S. Dooley, K. Breitkopf (Mannheim, Heidelberg, D)

38. Metabolites of arachidonic acid – Lipidic kiss of death in steatohepatitis?
   J. Raszeja-Wyszomirska, K. Safranow, P. Milkiewicz, E. Stachowska (Szczecin, PL)

39. S-Adenosylmethionine regulates ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme 9 protein level and sumoylation
   M.L. Tomasi, K. Ramani, T.W.H. Li, J. Xu, S.C. Lu (Los Angeles, USA)

40. Role of hepatic asialoglycoprotein receptor in lymphocyte-associated liver injury in concanavalin A-mediated acute murine hepatitis
   B.L. McVicker, D.J. Tuma, G.M. Thiele, N.A. Osna, C.A. Casey (Omaha, USA)

41. Features of copper homeostasis in patients with chronic hepatitis C
   L. Lupasco, S. Maev, V.-T. Dumbrava (Chisinau, MOL)

**Diagnosis, genetics and susceptibility**

42. Glypican-3 amino terminal marker for early detection of HCC
   A.A. Abd El Moety, Y. Rostom, M.M. El Sawy, H.A. Abd El Moety (Alexandria, ET)

43. The ultrasound study of the portal circulation and spleen in alcoholic cirrhosis: Relationship between noninvasive parameters and the severity of portal hypertension
   S. Sarbu-Pop, I. Török, S. Bataga (Tirgu Mures, RO)
44. Assessment of liver fibrosis in alcoholic patients using Fibroscan
E. Dumitru, L. Alexandrescu, A.I. Suceveanu, A.P. Suceveanu, I.M. Dumitru, I.T. Tofolean (Constanta, RO)

45. Diagnosis of focal lesions of the liver – Visualizing examinations or biopsy

46. The adequacy of liver biopsies can be predicted from the length of fresh tissue obtained at the time of biopsy
V.J. Appleby, H. Gavin, M. Kon, I. Georgiades, S. Moreea (Bradford, GB)

47. The abdominal duplex-Doppler sonography in alcoholic liver disease patients
J. Zabielska, G. Zabielski, A. Bala (Lódz, PL)

48. Assessment of severity of alcoholic steatohepatitis
I. Copaci, L. Micu, M. Voiculescu (Bucharest, RO)

49. Potential role of serum adiponectin for diagnose of NAFLD or ALD
D. Neagoe, G. Ianosi, M. Calbureanu Popesu, A. Turculeanu, M. Popescu, V. Comanescu (Craiova, RO)

50. Significance of mTOR signaling proteins for prognosis of chronic alcohol hepatitis
E.A. Martinova, T.B. Masternak (Moscow, R)

51. The correlation between liver fibrosis scores and other laboratory parameters in alcoholic hepatitis
E.C. Rezi, L. Tiurean, R.G. Mihaila, L. Nedelcu, O. Fratila, M. Deac (Sibiu, Brasov, Oradea, RO)

52. Recognition of alcohol misuse and impact on admissions in a district general hospital

53. Genetic polymorphism of CYP2E1 and alcohol liver cirrhosis
H. Cichoz-Lach, E. Lis, M. Slomka (Lublin, PL)

54. Dynamic changes in liver stiffness measured by transient elastography during acute alcoholic hepatitis
E. Dumitru, L. Alexandrescu, A.I. Suceveanu, A.P. Suceveanu, I.M. Dumitru, I.T. Tofolean (Constanta, RO)

55. Study of portal and systemic levels of nitric oxide, endothelin-1 and procollagen III peptide in chronic liver disease in Egypt
H. Abd El Moety, G. Fadaly, M. Kandil, M. Elkendy, M. Abd El Baky (Alexandria, ET)
56. Adiponectin a differential marker between steatosis and steatohepatitis
H. Abd El Moety, D. Maharem, M. El Gandour (Alexandria, ET)

57. Prehepatic portal hypertension in adults
E. Kitsenko, E. Lyubivy, E. Fandeev, E. Sysoeva, E. Lukina (Moscow, R)

58. The data mining approach optimizes the interpretation of biochemical tests in Wilson disease
M. Dadalski, M. Plutecki, P. Socha, J. Mulawka (Warsaw, PL)

59. Noninvasive scoring systems in nonalcoholic fatty liver disease may reduce the need for liver biopsy
D. Crisan, M. Grigorescu, D. Feier, C. Radu (Cluj-Napoca, RO)

60. Clinical and laboratory characteristics in patients with portal thrombosis and prehepatic portal hypertension
E. Kitsenko, E. Lubivy, E. Fandeev, E. Lukina, E. Sysoeva, E. Dmitrenko, G. Sukhanova (Moscow, R)

61. Red distribution width (RDW) and ferritin as prognostic factors in acute pancreatitis
I. Mikolasevic, S. Milic, M. Radic, D. Stimac (Rijeka, HR)

62. Perspectives of using of c-kit-positive Langerhans islets cells in elaboration of new therapeutic and diagnostic approaches for pancreas diseases
M.S. Kaligin, D.I. Andreeva, I.M. Gazizov, E.I. Sharipova, M.A. Titova, A.A. Gumerova, A.P. Kiassov (Kazan, R)

Treatment

63. The importance of Ursofalk® in the complex therapy of patients with alcoholic steatohepatitis
N. Antonova, D. Barba, N. Bodrug (Chisinau, MOL)

64. Acute alcohol-induced liver steatosis in mice: Protective effects of chicoric acid
G. Kanuri, A. Spruss, B. Huber, S. Wagnerberger, C. Stahl, S.C. Bischoff, I. Bergheim (Stuttgart, D)

65. The study of the efficacy of UDCA (ursodeoxycholic acid) therapy in alcoholic steatohepatitis
P. Mitrut, A. Genunche-Dumitrescu, A.O. Mitrut, D. Badea, D. Salplahta (Craiova, RO)
66. Perspectives of different populations of stem/progenitor cells in treatment of alcoholic hepatitis

67. Evaluation of CD34 expression in liver in alcoholic liver cirrhosis after autologous stem cell transplantation

68. Autologous stem cells transplantation as novel therapy for alcoholic liver disease

69. Corticosteroids + pentoxifylline versus corticosteroids alone in the treatment of severe alcoholic hepatitis (SAH): A retrospective study
N. Tehami, S. Ahmad, M. Mendall, S. Zar, S. Dover (Glasgow, GB)

70. Influence of zinc supplementation in patients with alcoholic liver cirrhosis
V. Vacariu, C. Banciu, L.M. Susan, I. Romosan (Timisoara, RO)

71. Management of the variceal bleeding in patients with chronic myeloproliferative diseases
E. Kitsenko, E. Lyubivy, E. Fandeev, E. Lukina, E. Sysoeva, E. Dmitrenko (Moscow, R)

72. Study of proliferative activity of hepatocytes after autotransplantation of hematopoietic stem cells in patients with alcoholic liver cirrhosis
I.M. Gazizov, G.R. Burganova, S. Abdulkhakov, A.A. Gumerova, T.S. Yilmaz, M.A. Titova, A. Odintcova, A.P. Kiassov (Kazan, R)

73. Expression of Bcl-2 in liver biopsies of patients with alcoholic cirrhosis after stem cell transplantation

74. Profiling of liver triglycerides in CFTR+/+ and CFTR-/- mice: Accumulation of specific molecular species in steatotic liver of susceptible genetic strains
75. Involvement of magnesium deficiency in the appearance of type 2 diabetes mellitus in patients with acute pancreatitis

76. Utilization of medical ozone in patients of advanced age with chronic pancreatitis
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