

FRIDAY OCTOBER 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008**12.30 on REGISTRATION****14.00–16.30 POST GRADUATE COURSE IN ALLERGOLOGY Hall “Sithonia”***Coordinators:***E. Manousakis** (Hellas), **N. Mikos** (Hellas)

Allergy–Atopy, Allergens–Haptens and hypersensitivity reactions

**E. Stefanaki** (Hellas)

Inflammatory cells and mediators in IgE–mediated reactions

**V. Vesleme** (Hellas)

The Atopic march, Food allergy, Atopic dermatitis

**G. Konstantinou** (Hellas)

Allergic respiratory diseases (Rhinoconjunctivitis and asthma)

**A. Vithoulka** (Hellas)

Urticaria/Angioedema and Contact dermatitis

**A. Chliva** (Hellas)**14.00–16.30 WORKSHOP I Hall “Alexandros”*****Venom Immunotherapy: the current approach to a life threatening problem****Coordinators:***E. Mingomataj** (Albania), **P. Dimaka** (Hellas)

Hymenoptera–insect identification

**F. Hatjina** (Hellas)

Novel approaches to diagnosis and therapeutic interventions in Venom anaphylaxis

**M. Zidarn** (Slovenia)A modified rush and ultra rush scheme of  
Venom immunotherapy**K. Pitsios** (Hellas)

Venom immunotherapy in mastocytosis

**D. Giannakopoulos** (Hellas)**16.30–17.00 COFFEE BREAK**

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**17.00–18.30 PLENARY I Main Hall “Theodora”**

***Asthma and Allergy: genes, environment and the century`s epidemic***

*Chairpersons:*

T. Mustacov (Bulgaria), D. Papaioannou (Hellas)

Epidemiology of atopic diseases in the Balkan area

T. Popov (Bulgaria)

The genetic basis of asthma severity

O. Kalayci (Turkey)

Genetic and environmental interactions

A. Custovic (UK)

**18.30–19.15 LECTURE I Main Hall “Theodora”**

*Chairpersons:*

P. Boura (Hellas), P. Creticos (USA, Hellas)

The role of Toll-like Receptors in Allergy

P. Skendros (Hellas)

**19.15–20.00 GSK SPONSORED LECTURE Main Hall “Theodora”**

*Chairperson:*

I. Sidiropoulos (Hellas)

Allergic Rhinitis: Fluticasone Furoate –a new, innovating glucocorticosteroid

I. Moissidis (Hellas)

**20.00 OPENING CEREMONY Main Hall “Theodora”**

**Welcome Address**

**Presentation**

“Ο Βασιλιάς Αλέξανδρος απέθανε ή ζει;

Is King Alexander alive or dead?”

**21.00 WELCOME RECEPTION**

SATURDAY OCTOBER 18th, 2008

**08.00–09.00 POSTER Placement*****Prevalence of allergy and respiratory allergic diseases*****09.00–10.30 MAIN SYMPOSIUM I Main Hall "Theodora"*****Dermatological and Drug allergy****Chairpersons:***A. Papadouli (Hellas), E. Panayotopoulou (Hellas)**

Introductory note: the enigmatic eosinophil

**E. Mingomataj (Albania)**

Atopic dermatitis, from pathogenesis to rational treatment

**A. Dimitriou (Hellas)**

Drug induced, ANCA-associated vasculitis

**B. Bonaci Nikolic (Serbia)**

Dermatological manifestations of severe drug reactions

**S. Chrysoulakis (Hellas)****10.30–11.00 LECTURE II Main Hall "Theodora"***Chairpersons:***A. Sin (Turkey), N. Deliargyris (Hellas)**

Novel aspects of regulating mast cell secretion

**Th. Theoharidis (USA, Hellas)****11.00–11.30 COFFEE BREAK****11.30–13.00 PLENARY II Main Hall "Theodora"*****Environment and Pollinosis in the Balkan and Mediterranean areas****Chairpersons:***D. Dumitrascu (Romania), Ch. Chrysanthopoulos (Hellas)**

The Balkans as an important source of pollen &amp; spores in the East Mediterranean

**Y. Waisel (Israel)**

Human activity and the changing allergenic environment in the South end of the Balkans: the Athens example

**K. Kontou-Fili (Hellas)**

The travelling of allergens and of allergic people: their impact on allergic rhinitis

**C. Geller Bernstein (Israel, Romania)**

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**13.00–14.30 NOVARTIS SPONSORED SYMPOSIUM** Main Hall “Theodora”

***Xolair: A new therapeutic approach in allergic diseases***

*Chairpersons:*

A. Gaga (Hellas), I. Sidiropoulos (Hellas)

Xolair (Omalizumab) in clinical practice

N. Papadopoulos (Hellas)

Exploring the potential for a disease modification

S.G.O. Johansson (Sweden)

Omalizumab: off label use in atopic and nonatopic disease

K. Kontou-Fili (Hellas)

**14.30–15.30 LUNCH BREAK**

**15.30–16.45 LECTURE III** Main Hall “Theodora”

*Chairpersons:*

P. Konstantinopoulos (Hellas), G. Baka (Hellas)

Allergens involved in allergic respiratory diseases in Romania

D. Dumitrascu (Romania)

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

***Atopic sensitization and its clinical expression***

**15.30–16.45 WORKSHOP II A** Hall “Alexandros”

***Hands on Workshop: Management and prevention of systemic anaphylaxis***

*Coordinators:*

A. Manikas (Hellas), D. Vourdas (Hellas)

***Theoretical Presentation:***

Aetiopathogenesis of systemic anaphylaxis

L. Matijevic (Croatia)

Prevention of anaphylaxis

Ch. Christodoulou (Cyprus)

***Practical Session:***

Hands on treatment of anaphylaxis

**16.45–17.15 COFFEE BREAK**

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**17.15–18.45 PLENARY III Main Hall "Theodora"*****Asthma: the new faces of an old disease****Chairpersons:***M. Kosnik** (Slovenia), **V. Gemou Engesaeth** (Norway, Hellas)

Asthma, risk factors and current trends in severity assessment

**R. Borici Mazi** (Canada, Albania)

Rational therapeutic interventions in asthma

**A. Stipic Markovic** (Croatia)

Novel therapeutic targets for severe asthma

**D. Tsitoura** (UK, Hellas)**18.45–20.15 STALLERGENES SPONSORED SYMPOSIUM Main Hall "Theodora"*****The Sublingual Immunotherapy: the SIT milestones of a new treatment era****Chairpersons:***K. Kontou-Fili** (Hellas), **V. Vourga** (Hellas)

SLIT: the confirmed breakthrough in the treatment of allergy

**D. Vourdas** (Hellas)

The latest clinical evidence confirms the new era of treatment

**T. Popov** (Bulgaria)

SLIT: pros and cons

**P. Creticos** (USA, Hellas)

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 19th, 2008**

**08.00–09.00 POSTER Placement**

*Aeroallergenes, food-drug and dermatological allergy*

**09.00–15.00 CONGRESS EVENT: GUIDED VISIT TO VERGINA – LUNCH**

**16.00–17.00 WORKSHOP II B Hall "Alexandros"**

*Hands on Workshop: Advanced treatment of Anaphylactic shock*

*Coordinators:*

N. Gerogianni-Gritsi (Hellas), I. Sidiropoulos (Hellas)

***Theoretical Presentation:***

The pathogenesis of shock in general and of anaphylactic shock in specific

A. Manikas (Hellas)

***Practical Session:***

Hands on treatment of anaphylactic shock

(emphasis on patients who present in full collapse)

Ch. Papageorgiou (Hellas), M. Davlis (Hellas)

**16.00–17.00 POSTER DISCUSSION Hall "Sithonia"**

*Chairpersons:*

L. Matijevic (Croatia), D. Chatzis (Hellas)

**17.00–17.30 LECTURE IV Main Hall "Theodora"**

*Chairpersons:*

Th. Papastavrou D. (Hellas), V. Vovolis (Hellas)

Asthma in Children: from Hippocratic to Molecular Medicine

V. Gemou Engesaeth (Norway, Hellas)

**17.30–17.45 COFFEE BREAK**

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**17.45–19.30 PLENARY IV Main Hall “Theodora”**  
***The Atopic Child in a Changing World***

*Chairpersons:*

V. Djuric (Serbia), A. Syrigou (Hellas)

Infections and allergy

N. Papadopoulos (Hellas)

Food allergy in the 21st century

M. Fernandez Rivas (Spain)

Anaphylaxis in children: current status

A. Muraro (Italy)

Prevention of allergy

A. Von Berg (Germany)

**19.30–21.00 MAIN SYMPOSIUM II Main Hall “Theodora”**  
***Neural mechanisms in allergy and beyond***

*Chairpersons:*

O. Kalayci (Turkey), Th. Theoharides (USA, Hellas)

Neural mechanism in Rhinitis

R. Gawlik (Poland)

Allergen – Mast cell – CNS interactions in Autism

Th. Theoharides (USA, Hellas)

Ir. Pashaleri (Hellas)

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**08.00–09.00 POSTER Placement**

***Immunologic–Inflammatory and infectious disorders***

**09.00–10.15 MAIN SYMPOSIUM IIIA Main Hall “Theodora”**

***The Cutting edge research in Balkan allergology***

*Chairpersons:*

T. Popov (Bulgaria), N. Papadopoulos (Hellas)

*Panel members:*

A. Detoraki (Italy, Hellas)

T. Mustacov (Bulgaria)

N. Sinaniotis (Hellas)

I. Sfika (Italy, Hellas)

**10.15–11.15 MAIN SYMPOSIUM IIIB Main Hall “Theodora”**

***ASA Intolerant Rhinosinusitis***

*Chairpersons:*

G. Karakaya (Turkey), T. Kapsali (Hellas)

Recent advances in the pathogenesis of ASA-intolerant Rhinosinusitis

G. Celik (Turkey)

ASA intolerance, how close are we to a reliable in vitro test?

P. Korosec (Slovenia)

**11.15–11.45 COFFEE BREAK**

**11.45–13.15 PLENARY V Main Hall “Theodora”**

***Allergen Specific Immunotherapy: the old treatment “renovated”***

*Chairpersons:*

D. Dokic (FYROM), R. Borici Mazi (Canada, Albania)

Engineering of Recombinant Proteins for Allergy. Diagnosis and Treatment

M. Gavrovic Jankulovic (Serbia)

r-Therapeutic allergens: improved efficacy and safety in treating anaphylaxis?

I. Swoboda (Austria)

Toll-R driven immunotherapy: will it pass the test of time?

P. Creticos (USA, Hellas)

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**13.15–14.45 MAIN SYMPOSIUM IV** Main Hall "Theodora"***Gastrointestinal Food Allergy****Chairpersons:***M. Raptopoulou** (Hellas), **P. Margari** (Hellas)

Gastrointestinal mucosal immunity

**I. Moissidis** (Hellas)

Cow's milk related Enteropathy

**M. Zapanti** (Hellas)

Eosinophilic esophagitis and gastroenteritis

**I. Goulis** (Hellas)**14.45–15.45 LUNCH BREAK****15.45–17.00 LECTURE V** Main Hall "Theodora"*Chairpersons:***G. Mavroleon** (Hellas), **M. Volonakis** (Hellas)

The allergic athlete and the new anti-doping code

**A. Liveris** (Cyprus)**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS*****Immune disorders and pathogenetic mechanisms*****15.45–17.00 SPECIAL WORKSHOP** Hall "Alexandros"***E-learning (for HSACI members)****Coordinators:***E. Manousakis** (Hellas), **K. Pitsios** (Hellas)

Evidence-based medicine: theoretical principles and Clinical applications

**P. Skapinakis** (Hellas)

The role of digital symposium in Medical Education

**K. Markopoulos** (Hellas)

The Hellenic and European experience on e-learning

**A. Gaga** (Hellas)

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**17.00–17.30 COFFEE BREAK**

**17.30–19.00 PLENARY VI Main Hall “Theodora”**

***The Unified Respiratory Tract in Health and Disease  
(Presentation in Greek, Slides in English)***

*Chairpersons:*

L. Sichletidis (Hellas), I. Sidiropoulos (Hellas)

Physiological interactions between the upper and lower respiratory tract  
S. Trifon (Hellas)

Epidemiological and aetiological data linking rhinitis and asthma  
D. Papadopoulos (Hellas)

Nasal and bronchial inflammation–BHR in isolated asthma and rhinitis  
A. Gaga (Hellas)

Therapeutic implications  
I. Paraskevopoulos (Hellas)

**19.00**

**CLOSING CEREMONY Main Hall “Theodora”**