

16TH

International Symposium on
Infections in the
Immunocompromised Host

Second Announcement and call for Abstracts

16th International Symposium
on Infections in the
Immunocompromised Host
June 27-30 2010
Budapest, Hungary

Abstract deadline:
March 31 2010



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Presidents Invitation

from Per Ljungman, Sweden

The outstanding scientific program includes key sessions on infections from all aspects of the immunocompromised led by an internationally renowned faculty giving plenary talks, roundtable sessions and meet the expert sessions. The poster session will encourage one-to-one discussions between the faculty, presenters and delegates.

The meeting is designed for infectious disease specialists, hematologists, oncologists, transplant physicians, microbiologists, virologists, immunologists and others with an interest in infections in the immunocompromised host.

Our 2008 Symposium drew participants from over 40 countries. The 2010 meeting will once again foster the interchange of science and medicine in the context of the latest approaches to the care of the immunocompromised patient.

The Congress venue will be announced shortly; please check the ICBS web site (www.ichs.org) for the latest information.

Budapest has much to offer and is suitable for all ages. Transportation throughout the city is good and it is easy to navigate around.

The 16th Symposium in Budapest will once again offer excellent science and medicine in a superb venue and ICBS will be celebrating our 30th anniversary, so do join us in Hungary in June 2009.

Per Ljungman, MD

President International Immunocompromised
Host Society

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Important Dates

Abstract submission: 1 November 2009 – 15 March 2010

Abstract notification: 15 April 2010

**Early registration
deadline for accepted
abstract presenters:** 23 April 2010

Early registration: 1 November 2009 – 31 March 2010

Late registration: 1 April 2010 – 11 June 2010

On-site registration: 27 June 2010 – 30 June 2010

Conference Venue

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Program Overview

Note: the program is subject to change; please visit our web site for the most up-to-date information www.ichs.org

Sunday 27 June 2010

12:00

Registration Open at Congress Center

16:00 – 18:00

Satellite Symposium TBC

18:30 – 19:00

OPENING LECTURE *Topic to be confirmed*

19:00 – 20:00

Welcome Reception & exhibits open

Monday 28 June 2010

07:00

Registration Open

07:30 – 08:30

MEET-THE-EXPERT SESSIONS 1-3

09:00 – 10:00

PLENARY LECTURE 1: *Novel Organisms in Human Disease*

10:00 – 10:30

Coffee Break

10:30 – 12:00

ROUND TABLE 1:

Geographical Challenges in the Immunocompromised Host

ROUNDTABLE 2:

Primary Immunodeficiencies

12:00 – 13:00

Lunch Break

13:00 – 14:00

PLENARY LECTURE 2: *Neutrophils*

14:00 – 14:30

Break

14:30 – 16:30

Satellite Symposium TBC

Free Evening

David Relman, USA

Moderators:

Clarrisse Machado, Brazil &
Dimitrios Kontoyiannis, USA

Moderator:

Steven Holland, USA

Marshall Horwitz, USA

Tuesday 29 June 2010

07:00

Registration Open

07:30 – 08:30

MEET-THE-EXPERT SESSIONS 4-6

09:00 – 10:00

PLENARY LECTURE 3: *Toll Like Receptor Signaling*

10:00 – 10:30

Coffee Break

10:30 – 12:00

ROUND TABLE 3:

New Challenges in Cancer and Stem Cell Transplant Patients

ROUNDTABLE 4:

Infections in Solid Organ Transplant Recipients

12:00 – 13:00

Lunch Break

13:00 – 14:00

PLENARY LECTURE 4: *Influenza Pathogenesis*

14:00 – 15:00

Best Abstracts- Oral Presentations

15:00 – 15:30

Break

16:00 – 18:00

POSTER SESSION

Douglas Golenbock, USA

Moderators:

Georg Maschmeyer,
DE & Claudio Viscoli, Italy

Moderators:

Jay Fishman, USA &
& Michael Boeckh, USA

Malik Peiris, Hong Kong

Wednesday 30 June 2010

07:00

Registration Open

07:30 – 08:30

MEET-THE-EXPERT SESSIONS 6-9

09:00 – 10:00

PLENARY LECTURE 5: *Danger Models: Self versus Non-self*

10:00 – 10:30

Coffee Break

10:30 – 11:30

PLENARY LECTURE 6: *Hepatitis B: New Mechanisms; New Insights*

11:30 – 12:30

Infections in Cancer Sessions

Immunopathogenesis of Fungal Disease and the Potential Role in Realigning effective Antifungal Therapy

Dendritic Cell Vaccine for Infectious Diseases: Emphasis on Influenza Virus Infections in the Immunocompromised Host

Toxoplasmosis in Cancer Patients and Stem Cell Transplant Recipients: Role of DNA Amplification in Diagnosis and Assessing Response to Therapy

Local Session

12:30 – 14:00

CLOSE OF MEETING

Polly Matzinger, USA

Mario Rizzetto, Italy

Speakers to be confirmed



Abstract Submission, Publication, Presentation format and Travel Awards

All participants are invited to submit an abstract on one or more topics listed below for poster presentation at the 16th Symposium on Infections in the Immunocompromised Host. ICHS will select four abstracts for the best abstract awards. The best abstract main author will be given the opportunity of presenting an oral presentation to the meeting delegates (10 minutes). An award of 300Euros will be provided to the presenting author.

All submitted abstracts will undergo blind peer review by the program committee. Accepted abstracts will be published. By submitting an abstract submission to the 16th Symposium submitters agree to publication of their abstracts.

The deadline for abstract submission is 15 March 2010

All abstracts MUST be submitted via the ICHS web site. Late abstracts will not be considered for publication. You should review the instructions below carefully and ensure you follow the guidelines.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Abstracts must be submitted via the ICHS web site. Abstracts submitted via fax or email will not be accepted; if you encounter a problem with submission please call the ISF office at +1 813 235 6466

All abstracts must be in English.

Make sure that you include full names for all authors, affiliations, and the correct email address for the main contact as all correspondence will be made through email.

STRUCTURE YOUR ABSTRACT USING THE FOLLOWING HEADINGS:

- Background
- Objectives
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusions

Avoid the use of Greek letters and symbols and complex mathematical formula e.g. IL-1 β should be written IL-1b or IL-beta, etc.

THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT!

Abstracts must be informative and not just be a discussion or promise of future investigation.

The text must not be longer than 400 words. Tables and charts are encouraged (tables formatted using table function in word and figure images at 300dpi).

Following submission of your abstract you will receive confirmation by email, should you wish to make corrections you may do so up to the abstract submission deadline. Please ensure that you contact the office to make sure the corrections have been incorporated (Elaine@ichs.org).

Abstracts are subjected to a blind peer review by the members of the Program Committee.

Authors will be notified of acceptance or rejection by 15 April.

The Presenting Author must be registered for the 16th Symposium by 23 April 2010. If the Registration Fee has not been received by this date the abstract will not be published.

If you need further information, please contact the ICHS office, Telephone: +1 813 235 6466 (Monday to Friday, 09:00 to 16:00 (Eastern Standard Time) or by email to Elaine@ichs.org.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION TOPICS

- Immunodeficiency syndromes
- Elderly patients
- Solid organ transplantation
- Stem cell transplants
- Cancer patients & hematological malignancies
- Viral Infections, including HIV, H1N1, herpes viruses etc
- Surgery and intensive care (including patients with burns)
- Neonates
- Other immunocompromised hosts
- Innate immunity and sepsis
- Auto-immune diseases
- Other/miscellaneous

PRESENTATION FORMAT

Accepted abstract will be presented as posters during the poster session. Full instructions including size and presentation times will be provided in the acceptance email.

ICHS TRAVEL AWARDS

ICHS is in the process of raising funds for travel awards. Please review the information on the ICHS web site regarding applications for travel awards.





Registration, Fees and General Information

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT:

Participants are invited to register for the 16th Symposium online at WWW.ICHS.ORG. Early registration opens November 1st 2009.

Payment is encouraged through our web site using MasterCard, Visa or American Express. Note that a 4% charge will be added to your registration fee to cover credit card processing.

If you wish to pay by check you should use the enclosed registration form and send this together with your payment to the ICHS office. All mailed registration requests **MUST** be received before **11 June 2010** after this date they will be considered to be an on-site registration and the difference in fees will be requested at the registration desk.

Important Registration Dates

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Registration Fees

	Early Registration	Late Registration	On-site
ICHS member	\$550	\$600	\$650
Early non member	\$650	\$750	£850
Emeritus	\$400	\$400	\$400
Training member	\$400	\$450	\$500
Accompanying persons	\$100	\$100	\$100

What's included in the Fee?

The registration fee for delegates includes a name badge for admission to all parts of the 16th Symposium, a conference bag, the final program book, the abstracts book, admission to the Welcome Reception, Exhibition and Poster Session.

The accompanying persons fee includes a 'Guest' Badge and admission to the Welcome Reception and Poster Session. Children over the age of 16 years

will require registration as accompanying persons and are welcome to attend the Welcome Reception and Poster session. Children under 16 are welcome to attend the Welcome Reception and do not require badges.

Lunches **are not** included in the registration fee.

Cancellation/Refund Policy

Refunds of registration fees, less 25% administrative charge, may be requested in writing up until May 7 2010. After this date there will be no refunds for cancellation. Hotel cancellation policies vary—please check when making your booking.

Press Registration

Accredited Journalists are welcome to cover the news from the 16th Symposium. Press will be provided free registration but must complete a registration form and provide documentation –ie their Press ID.

Letters of Invitation

ICHS will be pleased to provide a letter of invitation to individuals requesting one. Letters can only be issued once the conference organizers have received registration and all fees related to the individual requesting the letter. Be advised that a letter of invitation is not a commitment on behalf of ICHS to provide financial support

Passport and Visas

Citizens of the European Union, the European Economic Area, the USA, Canada, Australia and New Zealand are free to enter Hungary as tourists without requiring a visa. Almost everyone else will need a visa which must be obtained from a Hungarian Consulate outside Hungary before travel. Visitors should keep their passports with them at all times.

Insurance

The International Immunocompromised Host Society nor the Conference Centre will assume liability for personal accidents, losses or damages to private property of participants either during or indirectly related to the 16th Symposium. All participants should make their own arrangements for health and travel insurance.

Badges

Name badges **MUST** be worn at all times during the 16th Symposium.

Dress Code

The dress code for the 16th Symposium is business casual. Average temperatures for Budapest in June range from lows of 15C (59F) to highs of 26C (79F). ICHS suggests that you check the weather before traveling.

Budapest

Hungary is situated in the heart of Europe, at the center of the continent and has a rich history. Budapest, its capital city is located on both sides of the Danube river- the west side is Buda- the east Pest. The Hill town of Buda grew up around its castle and Mátyás Church from the 13th century onwards and has many beautiful historic buildings. Parliament is based in Pest along with many museums, historic buildings and monuments.

Ferihegy Airport & Transportation

Most visitors will arrive at Budapest's airport-Ferihegy. This airport is served by a large number of international airlines. Ferihegy is located 16Km (10 miles) southeast of Budapest city center. There is a public bus to Köbánya-Kispest metro station, the last stop of Budapest's metro line 3; an airport minibus service which takes passengers to and from the city center and airport or transfer by taxi. Airport information can be located at www.bud.hu

Budapest has direct rail links with more than 25 other European cities and several trains a day arrive from Paris, Vienna, Bratislava, and Munich etc.

Budapest has a metro system which has 3 lines and is easy to use.

Currency and Banks

Hungary is a member of the European Union but has not yet joined the Eurozone. Hungary uses the Forint as currency. Major credit cards are accepted in most hotels, shops etc.

There are plenty of banks in Budapest. All banks are closed at weekends although ATMs are common.

Electricity

The Hungarian electricity supply is 220V and plugs are the standard continental Europe type with two round pins. Sockets are general earthed and most plugs are the flat type.

Hotel Accommodation

ICHS has arranged a variety of hotels for you to choose from. Please follow the links provided on the ICHS web site.

“Force Majeure”

If the 16th Symposium has to be cancelled or changed due to unforeseen circumstances, political and economic events or general “force majeure” the organizer cannot be claimed for any compensation.



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REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Form (one form per active participant). Note: you can also register on-line at: www.ichs.org

Mr Ms Prof Dr

Family name (please underline) First name / Initial:

Institute / Company:

Department: Street No:

PO BOX: Post/Zip Code: City:

Country: State/Country (where applicable):

Tel. Business: Tel. Home: Fax:

Email (please write clearly):

Invited by / Part of Group: Status: (do not complete:

Please return before June 7th 2009 to:

ICHS / 16th Symposium 2010 7024 Palmetto Pines Lane Land O'Lakes FL 34637 or fax to: +1 813 235 9014

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ACCOMPANYING PERSONS (INCLUDES OPENING CEREMONY, WELCOME RECEPTION & POSTER SESSION)

Name:

PAYMENT

The total amount will be paid as follows: Check no: (enclosed)

Visa American Express Mastercard

Card No: Exp. Date: / Code: (last 3 digits in signature field of card)

Due to increasing international wire transfer fees we no longer except payment by this method unless the payment is being made for groups of 10 or more. Please contact ICHS for this payment option information. \$30.00 must be added to all bank transfers to offset charges and registrations will not be confirmed until all payment has been received.

Payment by credit cards for the Conference fees will incur an administrative fee of 4% to be included in the total payment to cover card company costs which the Conference is unable to support.