



IS IT THE COMMON FRONTIER FOR BIOENGINEERING, NEUROSCIENCE, ROBOTICS AND NEUROREHABILITATION?

PROGRAM

COSMOCAIXA. C/ ISAAC NEWTON, 26. BARCELONA

Wednesday, October, 23rd, 2013

| 9:00 | Registration |
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| 9.00 | REGISTIATION |

- 9:30 Welcome
- 9:50 SESSION 1: NEUROREGENERATION, IS THERE ALREADY A TRANSLATIONAL EXPERIENCE IN CLINICAL PRACTICE?

Chair: Joan Vidal, Institut Guttmann, Barcelona, Spain

- 10:00 Learning from Nerve Repair. Schwann Cell Transplantation into the Injured Spinal Cord James D. Guest, University of Miami, Miami, USA
- 10:45 Coffee break
- 11:15 **Daniel P. Lammertse**, University of Colorado, USA
- 12:00 **John Steeves**, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada
- 12:45 Clinical Translation of Human Neural Stem Cells for Neurodegenerative Disorders
 Ann Tsukamoto, StemCells INC, Newark, Canada
- 13:30 Lunch

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15:00 SESSION 2: WHICH ARE THE KEYSTONES IN NEUROREGENERATION TO BUILD UP A PATHWAY TO THE CLINICS?

Chair: **Anna Veiga**, Centre de Medicina Regenerativa de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain

- 15:10 Reprogramming and Regeneration Strategies for Healing and Improving Human Health Juan Carlos Izpisúa, Salk Institute for Biological Studies, San Diego, USA and Center for Regenerative Medicine, Barcelona, Spain
- 15:50 Preclinical Studies of Rho Inhibition to Enhance Axonal Regeneration After SCI Marina Mata, University of Michigan, USA
- 16:30 Coffee break
- 16:40 Preclinical Studies of Rho Inhibition to Enhance Axonal Regeneration After SCI **David Fink**, University of Michigan, USA
- 17:20 Challenges for Clinical Translation of Stem Cells in Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Letizia Mazzini, Eastern Piedmont University, Novara, Italy
- 18:00 Visit to CosmoCaixa
- 19:00 Cocktail at CosmoCaixa

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Thursday, October, 24th, 2013

| 9:30 | SESSION 3: IS NEUROREGENERATION THE "NEXT STOP" IN |
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| | SPINAL CORD INJURY MEDICAL CARE? |

Chair: Xavier Navarro, Institut de Neurociències, UAB Barcelona, Spain

9:40 Future Regenerative Therapies

James Fawcett, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

- 10:25 Coffee break
- 10:45 Towards the Combination of Cell Therapy and Neurosteroid Treatment to Repair the Injured Spinal Cord

François Féron, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Marseille, France

- 11:30 **Armin Blesch,** Universitätsklinikum Heidelberg, Germany
- **Alessandro Vercelli**, Neuroscience Institute of the Cavalieri Ottolenghi Foundation, Faculty of Medicine and Surgery, and Neuroscience Institute of Turin (Torino, Italy)
- 13:00 Lunch

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| 14:30 | SESSION 4: IS NEUROREGENERATION FEASIBLE WITHOUT A |
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| | MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH? |

Chair: Joan Comella, Vall d'Hebron Institut de Recerca, Barcelona, Spain

- 14:40 V. Reggie Edgerton, UCLA University, Los Angeles, USA
- 15:20 Neuroregeneration and Neuroengineering Competition or Convergence? Rüdiger Rupp, Universitätsklinikum Heidelberg, Germany
- 16:00 Coffee break
- 16:10 Neural Interfaces for Restoring Communication and Mobility Leigh R. Hochberg, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, USA
- 16:50 Putting the Word "Cure" in Neurological Rehabilitation: a Field Comes of Age Rajiv Ratan, Weill Cornell Medical College, New York, USA
- 17:30 Characterization and Modulation of Brain Plasticity: Challenges and Opportunities Alvaro Pascual-Leone, Harvard University, Boston, USA
- 18:10 Conclusions and closing remarks

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