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Fourth Annual Meeting on Brain Aging and Dementia
From successful aging to severe dementia

Perugia - Palazzo Murena - Piazza dell’Università, 1
5 - 7 October 2006
Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the 4th Annual Meeting on Brain Aging and Dementia of the Italian Psychogeriatric Association.

The increasing age of population represents a great challenge worldwide in terms of rising prevalence of chronic diseases and disability, as well as social and health costs. Dementia is paradigmatic in many aspects: the value that society will be able to give to elderly patients with dementia, the costs that will be considered acceptable, and the care that will be offered to maintain patient’s dignity will become good indicators of a civilized society.

It is also becoming extremely urgent to translate basic research into clinical research with the proposal of new drugs and treatments able to cure and possibly prevent dementia, to increase knowledge on risk factors and early diagnosis, and to improve care and management of persons already suffering from the disease.

We hope that this meeting will be a good occasion for knowledge sharing and reflection. We look forward to seeing you in Perugia, and hope that this meeting will be an important experience for you to update your knowledge in different fields related to cognitive impairment and dementia, improve skills in treatment and management, share opinions with experts and colleagues, and strengthen scientific collaborations.

Patrizia Mecocci
President Scientific Committee

Umberto Senin
President of AIP
OCTOBER 5

17.00 Opening Ceremony

17.30 LECTURE
   Chairperson: U. Senin (Perugia)
   Our aging societies: moral and policy challenges
   R. Binstock (Cleveland)

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9.15-10.00 LECTURE
   Chairperson: M. Trabucchi (Roma)
   Brain reserve hypothesis in dementia
   L. Fratiglioni (Stockholm)

10.00-11.15 SESSION
   Mild Cognitive Impairment in medical practice: pitfalls and new concepts
   Chairpersons: C. Caltagirone (Roma) - N. Marchionni (Firenze)

10.00-10.25 Comorbidity, functional aspects and psychobehavioural problems in MCI: results from the ReGAI project
   P. Mecocci (Perugia)

10.25-10.50 Cognitive status, depressive symptoms and health status as predictors of functional disability among elderly persons with low-to-moderate education
   D. De Ronchi (Bologna)

10.50-11.15 Mild cognitive impairment: from preclinical dementia to early detection of neurodegenerative disease: an explanatory hypothesis
   L. Serra (Roma)

11.15-11.40 Coffee Break

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11.40-13.00  **II SESSION**  
**Italian epidemiological studies on aging and dementias**  
*Chairpersons: P. Calabresi (Perugia) - S. Sorbi (Firenze)*

11.40-12.00  Registry of dementias: a study in the real world  
*S. Maggi (Padova)*

12.00-12.20  Italian project on epidemiology of Alzheimer’s disease (I.PRE.A.): a prospective study on the preclinical phase of Alzheimer’s disease in Italy  
*E. Scafato (Roma)*

12.20-12.40  The epidemiological impact of dementia on the Italian population. Results from the Italian longitudinal study on aging (ILSA)  
*M. Baldreschi (Firenze)*

12.40-13.00  How much is an ADAS-Cog point worth in the center of Perugia? Epidemiological evidences on the clinical relevance of modest cognitive improvements in persons with dementia  
*M. Mariotto (Milano)*

13.00-14.30  Poster Session  
*S. Govoni (Pavia)*

13.00-14.30  **Lunch**

14.30-15.45  **III SESSION**  
**European studies on brain aging and dementia: the European Alzheimer's Disease Consortium**  
*Chairpersons: A. Cherubini (Perugia) - G. Masotti (Firenze)*

14.30-14.55  Ictus study: a prospective longitudinal observational study of 1380 ad patients in Europe  
*E. Reynish (Toulouse)*

14.55-15.20  The pre-dementia stage of Alzheimer’s disease. Results from the Descripa study.  
*P. J. Visser (Amsterdam)*

15.20-15.45  Neuropsychiatric syndromes in dementia. Results from the European Alzheimer’s Disease Consortium (EADC)  
*P. Aalten (Maastricht)*

15.45-16.15  **Coffee Break**

16.15-17.30  **IV SESSION**  
**Biological basis of brain aging and dementia**  
*Chairpersons: M. Di Luca (Milano) - G. Goracci (Perugia)*

16.15-16.40  Redox proteomics identification of oxidatively modified brain proteins in Alzheimer’s disease and mild cognitive impairment: insights into the progression of this dementing disorder  
*A. Butterfield (Lexington)*

16.40-17.05  Zinc-binding proteins (Metallothioneins and Alpha-2 Macroglobulin) and immunosenescence: possible role as biological and genetic markers. The ZINCAGE Study  
*E. Mocchegiani (Ancona)*
17.05-17.30 Conformational features of beta-amyloid peptides involved in neurodegeneration and in signalling modulation transition: from a neurotoxic to a functional interpretation of beta-amyloid pathogenetic role in Alzheimer's disease

S. Govoni (Pavia)

17.30-18.15 LECTURE
Chairperson: G. Salvioli (Modena)

The future treatment of Alzheimer's disease has already started

E. Giacobini (Geneve)

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9.15-10.00 LECTURE
Chairperson: E. Pirfo (Torino)

Pharmacological therapy for patients with dementia: balancing clinical effectiveness, ethical issues and social healthcare costs

C. Ballard (London)

10.00-11.15 V SESSION
Neuropsychiatric symptoms in dementia: biological, clinical and therapeutical aspects

Chairpersons: L. Ferrannini (Genova) - R. Quartesan (Perugia)

10.00-10.25 Genetics of Alzheimer's disease: the state of the art

A. Serretti (Bologna)

10.25-10.50 New insight into BPSD

A. Padovani (Brescia)

10.50-11.15 Efficacy and safety of atypical antipsychotics in the elderly patients with dementia

C. Vampini (Verona)

11.15-11.45 Coffee Break

11.45-13.00 VI SESSION
Severe dementia: evaluation, treatment, care

Chairpersons: L. Bartorelli (Roma) - F. Rengo (Napoli)

11.45-12.10 Severe dementia: epidemiology and evaluation

F. Boller (Bethesda)

12.10-12.35 The treatment of severe Alzheimer's disease

A. Bianchetti (Brescia)

12.35-13.00 The prosthetic approach in severe dementia

S. Vitali (Abbiategrasso)
GENERAL INFORMATION

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