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*Second congress
on the Eph/ephrin system*

Parma, Italy

May 3-4, 2018

State of the art, challenges and opportunities



Thursday 3 May 2018

8.30-13.00	<i>Registration</i>
8.50-9.00	<i>M. Tognolini - Welcome and introductory remarks</i>
9.00-9.25	<i>E. Pasquale</i> <i>Sanford-Burnham Prebys Medical Discovery Institute, La Jolla, USA</i> Opening lecture: Eph Receptors and Ephrins in 2018

Structural biology and trafficking

Chair: M. Tognolini (Italy) - M. Henkemeyer (USA)

9.25-9.50	<i>B. Wang</i> <i>Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, USA</i> Spatiotemporal Regulation of EphA2 Receptor Oligomerization: Insights from PIE-FCCS Single Molecule Live Cell Analyses
9.50-10.10	<i>S. Lahaie</i> <i>McGill University, Montréal, QC, Canada</i> HD-PTP, an ESCRT protein, is required for EphB2 forward signalling in cell cytoskeletal dynamics and axon guidance
10.10-10.35	<i>J. P. Himanen</i> <i>Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, USA</i> Functional Relevance of the Head-to-Head vs Head-to-Tail Eph-Eph Interactions for Receptor Activation
10.35-10.55	<i>S. Ojosnegros</i> <i>California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA, USA</i> A new dynamic model for the activation of the Eph receptor based on live-cell brightness analysis
10.55-11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>

Biology and Physiology

Chair: Y. Maru (Japan) – B. Wang (USA)

11.30-11.55	<i>M. Henkemeyer</i> <i>UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, USA</i> EphB-EphrinB Bidirectional Signaling in the Nervous System and Beyond
11.55-12.20	<i>R. Lamprecht</i> <i>University of Haifa, Israel</i> The role of EphB2 in memory formation
12.20-12.45	<i>J. Wu</i> <i>University of Montreal, Montreal, Canada</i> Unraveling the functions of EPH-B/EFN-B in the immune system and in the control of blood pressure and heart rhythm

12.45-13.10	A. Davy CNRS, Université de Toulouse, Toulouse, France Eph signaling in progenitors of the neocortex : sticky with added vitamins
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13.10-14.30	<i>Lunch</i>
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Eph and cancer
Chairs: E. Pasquale (USA) – B. Day (Australia)

14.30-14.55	Y. Maru Tokyo Women's Medical University, Tokyo, Japan Analysis of soluble forms of ephrin-A1
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14.55-15.20	J. Chen Vanderbilt University, Nashville, USA EphA2 RTK in cancer and metabolism
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15.20-15.40	P. W. Janes Monash University, Clayton, Australia Inducible knock-down of endogenous EphA3 in mice reveals novel roles for EphA3 in the inflammatory tumour microenvironment
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15.40-16.00	S. Karam University of Colorado, Aurora, CO, USA Inhibition of EphB4-ephrin-B2 interaction remodels the tumor immune microenvironment in head and neck cancers.
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16.00-16.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
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Eph and other pathologies
Chairs: J. Chen (USA) - E. Pasquale (USA)

16.30-16.50	C.Cheng The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla, CA, USA EphA2 and ephrin-A5 maintain distinct eye lens epithelial cell populations
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16.50-17.10	L. Poppe KU Leuven-University of Leuven, Leuven, Belgium Impact of EphA4 ablation on cognitive function and disease pathology in a mouse model of Alzheimer's disease
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17.10-17.30	D. Poitz TU Dresden, Germany Stop-and-go: ephrinA1 in endothelial migration and proliferation
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Evening	SOCIAL EVENT
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Friday 4 May 2018

9.00-11.00

Breakfast at the poster session

Targeting the Eph/ephrin system

Chairs: M. Mor (Italy) – J.P. Himanen (USA)

11.00-11.25

A. Lodola

University of Parma, Parma, Italy

Overview on the pharmacological tools to target Eph/ephrins

11.25-11.50

B. Day

Queensland Institute of Medical Research, Brisbane, Australia

EphA3 a functional targetable receptor for adult and pediatric brain cancer

11.50-12.10

M. Leone

Institute of Biostructures and Bioimaging (CNR), Napoli, Italy

Peptides targeting the Sam domain of EphA2 and its interactome

12.10-12.35

M. Pellecchia

University of California Riverside, Riverside, CA, USA

Chemical biology strategies for targeting the EphA2 and EphA4 ligand binding domains: applications in neurodegeneration and oncology

12.35-12.55

A. Bedini

University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy

Mu opioid receptor (MOR) activation by morphine in neuronal cell models is dampened by ephrinB1-induced signaling and may be rescued by novel EphB1 receptor peptide antagonists

12.55-13.00

Farewell

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