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ESGCT EXCELLENCE AWARDS

We are delighted to present an exceptional field of award winners in 2016

Outstanding Achievement



Amit Nathwani, University College London IN093 Progress for gene therapy in haemophilia

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Pietro Genovese, SR-Tiget, Milan

OR063 Towards clinical translation of gene editing technologies for empowering adoptive immunotherapy or correcting inherited mutations

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WELCOME ADDRESS

Dear friends and colleagues,

Welcome to Florence and to the first joint meeting of the European Society for Gene and Cell Therapy (ESGCT) and the International Society for Stem Cell Research (ISSCR), organised in collaboration with the Italian Association of Biologists working on Cells and Differentiation (ABCD).

We are here to celebrate exciting advances in our understanding of stem cell regulation, tissue development, regeneration, disease, and immune controls that, together with emerging powerful technologies of genetic engineering, are driving the design of novel cell and gene therapy approaches. Furthermore, progress on the clinical front continues to prove the potential of these strategies to deliver remarkable benefits to patients: more clinical trials are opening, the number and follow-up of participants is increasing, and the first cell and gene therapy products have now reached the market.

We will discuss these and many other findings in a first-rate scientific programme featuring:

- Keynote lectures by Hans Clevers and George Q Daley.
- 7 plenary sessions covering: neural disease modelling and neural stem cell transplantation; the biology and clinical applications of hematopoietic stem cells and skeletal and cardiac muscle stem cells; organoids; cancer immuno–gene therapy; new technologies for genome and epigenome editing; gene therapy in the market; and *in vivo* gene therapy.

- 21 parallel sessions which further cover these and many other topics, with both invited and selected speakers from more than 500 abstracts submitted to the meeting.
- 2 poster sessions, each offered for a full day.
- Education sessions leveraging the expertise of top scientists from our societies.
- 3 workshops discussing the challenges of translating the investigational new cell and gene therapies into clinical trials and eventually delivering them as commercially available drugs.
- A debate at the close of the meeting, addressing the scientific merit, technical challenges, and ethical aspects of editing the human germline.
- The presentation of the ESGCT 2016 Outstanding Achievement Award to Amit Nathwani and of the ESGCT 2016 Young Investigator Award to Pietro Genovese, in the ESGCT Presidential Session.
- A special joint issue of the journals Human Gene Therapy and Stem Cells and Development, available to all participants, offering short reviews and perspectives from many of our distinguished speakers on emerging scientific topics and opportunities for our field, new challenges ahead, and their thoughts on how to address them.
- A public forum before the start of the meeting allowing our scientists to speak to the local community and explain these advances and their meaning to patients and the community, organised together with the Telethon Foundation.

Notwithstanding the promise of great science, we are hosted in beautiful, historic Florence, where you will find an abundance of art masterpieces along the narrow streets and stunning squares (dating from the Middle Ages), or in each of the many churches and museums. More than anywhere else, this city celebrates the vision of Renaissance humanists, artists, engineers, and scientists who put human genius and its achievements, free thinking, and open-minded investigation at the centre of our intellectual and spiritual universe. I cannot resist citing the words that our most famous poet, the Florentine Dante Alighieri, put in Ulysses' mouth: "Fatti non foste a viver come bruti ma per seguir virtute e canoscenza", when he convinces his fellows to sail towards the unchartered seas, past the boundary of the known world, for the pursuit of virtue and knowledge, dismissing the calls and lures of material life. We are sure that this setting, besides pleasing our senses, will be an inspiration to our work, as we aim to lead transformative new scientific understanding and powerful technologies towards advancing our knowledge, and benefiting mankind by providing new treatment for diseases.

And if the science, arts, and humanism were not sufficient, you can also enjoy the unique Molecular Mingle social evening at the Mercato Centrale, a typical Italian market set in an original Art Nouveau building in one of the oldest squares of Florence. The market will be reserved for us and we will be able to sample fresh produce and high-quality food offered by local food artisans, followed by live music and dancing. None of this would have been possible without the efforts and contribution of:

- the staff of our societies, who have worked unremittingly for the past year to organise the Congress and are here to help it run smoothly;
- the sponsors listed in the accompanying pages that have provided generous financial support;
- the members of the organising scientific committee, who have put together this remarkable programme;
- the invited speakers, many of whom have travelled from far away to be here and report their results;
- all of you, for your active participation and contributions.

We look forward to meeting you here and working together to make this a truly memorable event.

Luigi Naldini, Chair of the Organising Committee, with Nathalie Cartier, President of ESGCT, Sally Temple, President of ISSCR Giuseppe Testa, ABCD



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Lower ground floor Michelangelo (parallel sessions)

Ground floor Botticelli (parallel sessions)

First floor

Piero Della Francesca (additional meeting room) Masaccio (parallel sessions)

Second floor

Fra' Angelico (posters) Leonardo (posters) Donatello (additional meeting room)

Fourth floor

Paolo Uccello, Giotto (additional meeting rooms and posters)

LIMONAIA

Exhibition and catering



PALAZZO DEI CONGRESSI

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Brunelleschi Auditorium (plenary room) Passi Perduti (exhibition hall and catering) Ballatoi (posters)

Lower Ground

Hugo Club and Salone (exhibition hall and catering)

Ground floor

Vasari (speaker room) Tiziano (cloakroom and left luggage) Filippo Lippi (press room) Caravaggio, Raffaello (additional meeting rooms)

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STANDS AND AMONATION STANDS INFORMATION

1. Strimvelis Summary of Product Characteristics. RD/SVE/0049/16 Date of preparation: September 2016



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Common (≥1/100 to <1/10): Autoimmune haemolytic anaemia, autoimmune aplastic anaemia, autoimmune thrombocytopenia, autoimmune thyroiditis, Guillain-Barré syndrome, autoimmune hepatitis, anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic antibody positive, smooth muscle antibody positive. Serious: Autoimmunity (e.g. autoimmune haemolytic anaemia, autoimmune aplastic anaemia, autoimmune hepatitis, autoimmune thrombocytopenia and Guillain-Barré syndrome). All side effects are considered to be related to immune reconstitution (due to their nature and timing) or potentially related to busulfan. Prescribers should consult the summary of product characteristics for complete information regarding the adverse reaction profile. Legal category: POM. Marketing authorisation (MA) number: EU/1/16/1097/001. MA holder: GlaxoSmithKline Trading Services Limited, Currabinny, Carrgaline, County Cork, Ireland. Date of preparation: August 2016. RD/SVE/0070/16

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Try the virus quiz! Have you ever wondered... if you were a virus, which virus you would be? Take the definitive quiz to find out at www.uquiz.com/OLnLtv Look out for our Congress Mascots! They'll be around and about, and will be busy posting photos and messages throughout the Congress. Find them and take a picture with them... you might win a prize!

Are you ready to get social? We have a few challenges waiting for you!

We will award prizes to:

- The best Congress photo
- The best Florence photo
- The best Mascot photo
- The most retweeted Congress tweet
 - The most liked Instagram photo

Only posts with the official hashtags **#ESGCT16** and **#isscr** will be considered! Bear in mind your privacy settings – if we can't see your posts, we can't include them in the contest.

Any questions? Come and speak to us at the ESGCT or ISSCR booths or tweet us @**ESGCT** and @**isscr** and we will be happy to help!

TUESDAY 18 OCTOBER 2016

CLINICAL TRIAL AND COMMERCIALISATION WORKSHOP First floor: Piero della Francesca room		
08.00-09.00	Registration	
09.00-09.20	Planning a clinical trial	
09.20-10.00	Manufacturing of gene and cell products	
	Coffee available in the room	
10.00-10.20	Gene and cell therapy technologies	
10.20-11.20	Pricing and reimbursement	
11.20-11.40	Academic vs commercial clinical development strategy	
11.40-12.00	Regulatory strategy in gene and cell therapy development	
12.00-12.40	Finding the value	
12.40-13.00	Elevator pitches	

EDUCATION Morning sessio Afternoon sess Sponsors: Supe	I DAY n: -1 floor Michelangelo ion: Brunelleschi Auditorium ersist; Dimension Therapeutics	P. 68
08.00-09.00	Registration	
09.00-09.30	E1: Opening words	
09.30-10.30	E2a: Tailoring gene transfer vectors	
10.30-11.00	E2b: Disease modelling	
11.00-11.30	Coffee Break	
11.30-12.30	E3: Stem cells and iPS – current state	
12.30-13.30	Lunch – Limonaia, Passi Perduti	
13.30-14.30	E4a: Immunotherapy and transdifferentiation	
14.30-15.30	E4b: Gene editing	
15.30-16.00	Coffee break	

TUESDAY 18 OCTOBER 2016

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT DAY FOR PATIENT ASSOCIATIONS AND SCIENCE DIALOGUES WITH CITIZENS: Leading edge therapies for rare diseases First floor, Masaccio room Sponsors: Telethon Foundation, Dimension Therapeutics, Supersist, AFM Telethon		
09.00-09.45	Registration	
09.45-10.15	Gene therapy	
10.15-10.45	How to foster access to therapies	
10.45-11.15	Safety studies	
11.15-11.45	Science and bio-ethics	
11.45-13.00	Discussion	
13.00-14.00	Lunch and networking (in the room)	
14.00-14.30	New frontiers in science	
14.30-16.30	Role playing: science dialogues	
16.30-17.00	Closing remarks	

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TUESDAY 18 OCTOBER 2016

MOLMED SYMPOSIUM

An entrepreneurial approach to translate academic knowledge into therapeutic solutions for all patients Ground floor, Botticelli room Sponsor: Molmed		
13.00-14.00	Registration	
14.00-14.15	When pioneers in cell and gene therapy come up with a 'business' idea	
14.15-14.30	Academia ready to be a productive partner for biotech companies	
14.30-14.45	How the financial market operated and operates in sustaining the biotech sector development	
14.45-15.00	A picture of the European biotech sector: strengths and weaknesses	
15.00-15.30	Round table	

MAIN CONGRESS		
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17.00-19.00	1: Neural diseases: modelling, reprogramming and transplantation in brain and retina Auditorium Sponsor: RegenXbio	a.
19.00-20.00	Welcome reception Limonaia, Passi Perduti	
19.00-21.00	Molecular therapy 'meet the editor' reception Ucello room Sponsor: Molecular Therapy	P. 73

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MAIN CONGRESS							
08.30-10.30	2: Hematopoietic stem cells: from biology to clinical applications Auditorium Sponsor: Genethon					P. 74	
10.30-11.00	Coffee break – Lime	onaia,	Passi Perduti				
11.00-12.30	2a: Imaging stem cells dynamics Botticelli		2b: Eye stem cell and gene therapy <i>Masaccio</i> <i>Sponsor: MeiraGTX</i>		2c: Ce syste Audite Spons	entral nervous m gene therapy orium sor: JSGT, Lysogene	P. 74–75
12.30-14.00	Lunch – Limonaia, Passi Perduti Posters available for viewing						
12.45-13.45	Lunch Symposium: Regulatory workshop for ATMPs Michelangelo Sponsor: BioReliance				P. 75		
14.00-16.00	3: Skeletal and cardiac muscle stem cells: from biology and reprogramming to clinical applications Auditorium Sponsor: FinVector				P. 76		
16.00-16.30	Coffee break – Lime	onaia,	Passi Perduti				
16.30-18.30	3a: Organoids and high throughput platforms Botticelli	3b: St cell-b neura mode Masa	tem based al disease elling ccio	3c: Cardiovascu gene and ce therapy Michelangel Sponsor: CellforCure	ular ≥II o	3d: Immunology/ cancer immuno- gene therapy I Auditorium	P. 76–78
18.30-20.30	Poster session 1 (Odd poster numbers). See page 42 for details						
20.00-23.00	Speaker dinner (by invitation only) Palazzo Vecchio						

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THURSDAY 20 OCTOBER 2016

MAIN CONGRESS				
08.00-10.00	4: Cancer immuno-gene therapy Auditorium Sponsors: Oxford BioMedica			
10.00-10.30	Coffee break – <i>Limonaia</i> ,	Passi Perduti		
10.30-12.30	4a: Haematopoietic stem cells and homeostasis Auditorium	4b: MSC gene and cell therapy <i>Botticelli</i>	4c: In vivo gene therapy l Masaccio Sponsors: Spark Therapeutics	P. 80–81
12.30-14.00	Lunch – Limonaia, Passi Perduti Posters available for viewing			
14.00-16.00	5a: Cancer stem cells <i>Masaccio</i>	5b: Ex vivo HSC-based gene and cell therapy Auditorium Sponsor: Molmed	5c: DNA-based gene transfer and <i>in vivo</i> gene therapy II Botticelli Sponsor: Adverum	P. 82–83
16.00-16.30	Coffee break – Limonaia,	Passi Perduti		
16.30-18.30	5: New technologies: targeted genome and epigenome editing, new vector design, organoids Auditorium Sponsor: Editas Medicine			P. 84
18.30-20.00	Poster session 2 (Even po	ster numbers) See page 42	? for details	
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FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER 2016

MAIN CONGRESS						
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11.00-12.00	6: Gene therapy in the market Auditorium Sponsor: GlaxoSmithKline					
12.00-13.00	7: In vivo gene therapy Auditorium Sponsor: Biogen					
13.00-14.00	Lunch <i>– Limonaia,</i>	Passi Perduti				
14.00-15.30	7a: Immunology/ cancer immuno- gene therapy II Auditorium	7b: Gene silencing: from small non- coding RNAs to epigenetic editing and gene disruption Botticelli Sponsor: Sangamo BioSciences	7c: Manufacturing of cell and gene therapy products Michelangelo Sponsor: Molmed	7d: CNS gene therapy <i>Masaccio</i> <i>Sponsor: Avexis</i>	P. 88–89	
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17.45-19.00	Germline editing debate Auditorium				P. 90	
19.00-20.00	Closing drinks					

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Gene and Cell therapy support in the European Union: the Horizon 2020 research programme (2014–2020)

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Other funding opportunities for researchers, such as the Marie Sklodowska-Curie actions (training), the European Research Council grants (individual frontier research), the Innovative Medicines Initiative projects (public-private partnership with the European Federation of the Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations), are also available on regular basis.

The first Horizon 2020 projects dealing with gene and/or cell therapy supported in 2014–2016 will be presented as well as the trends for the future Health programme.

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Booth 9: FinVector: see page 32 www.finvector.com



Booth 10: Human Gene Therapy: see page 33

www.liebertpub.com/hum



Booth 11: Meet with representatives of the European Bank for induced pluripotent Stem Cells (EBiSC)! Discover the EBiSC iPSC Catalogue (https:// cells.ebisc.org) and discuss how to best engage with EBiSC if you are interested in:

- ordering lines from the EBiSC catalogue;
- · bio-sample procurement or depositing cell lines; and
- collaborating with EBiSC on future iPSC research projects.

At the EBiSC booth, we share our experience with you on:

- the establishment of an iPS cell bank with core and mirror facilities;
- the set-up of a robust and reliable supply chain for iPS lines including the generation of disease specific, control, gene edited and isogenic cell lines;
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- standardised quality control expansion; and
- the set-up of the ethical and legal governance structure for stem cell banking and distribution (informed consents, patient engagement, EBISC MDA/AUA).

Find out more about this large European public-private partnership at:

www.ebisc.eu



Booth 12: Novasep is a contract manufacturing organisation specialised in the production of viruses and viral vectors for gene therapy. Novasep offers specific know-how for culture and purification using the latest single-use and reusable technologies. From process development to the fill and finish step, Novasep is committed to the success of its customers.

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Booth 14: EUFETS: see page 37 www.eufets.com



Booth 15: PeproTech was established in 1988 by a group of scientists who decided to focus their efforts on the development and production of recombinant cytokines for life science research. Today, PeproTech is a world leader in supplying high-quality cytokine products including *E. coli*, insect and mammalian cell-derived recombinant proteins, their monoclonal/ polyclonal antibodies, ELISA development kits, and other cytokine-related reagents.

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Booth 19: Miltenyi Biotec 'From bench to bedside'

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Lonza

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www.lgcstandards.com

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www.als-jena.com



Booth 35: Aldevron. See page 36 www.aldevron.com



Booth 36: GeneWerk GmbH is a German startup company. The team has long-lasting experience in the area of hematology, oncology and virology with focus on integration site analysis, sequencing and bioinformatics. GeneWerk provides custom-tailored service based on 20 years of experience in the field of gene therapy, gene editing, immunotherapy and related areas.

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www.intellicyt.com



Booth 44: Brammer Bio. See page 36. www.brammerbio.com



Booth 45: CELLIforCURE. See page 32.

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Booth 47: The DIM* Biotherapie is a scientific network sponsored by the Paris IIe de France Region to support, develop and structure research in the field of Regenerative Medicine: Gene Therapy, Cell therapy, Stem Cell Research, Developmental Biology and Transplantation. Through annual call-for-proposals, the Dim Biotherapy finances doctoral contract salaries (opento European students), laboratory small and large equipment and scientific workshops in The Paris IIe de France region. *DIM are 'Domaines d'Intérêt Majeur', (Major Interest Domains) that were identified (2012–2017) by the French Region 'Ile de France' including Paris and its surroundings, to foster and to develop scientific research programmes in strategic fields.

www.dim-biotherapies.com/en/



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- information about the ESGCT Spring School in Granada
- ESGCT membership information.

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09.00-09.20	INV001 Considerations for clinical trials with cellular therapies Kim Champion, University College London	
09.20-10.00	Manufacturing of gene and cell products	
09.20-09.40	INV002 What should be anticipated and implemented to ensure a successful process transfer. A CMO perspective with risk analysis from analytical to process transfer <i>Francis Dupont, Novasep, Gosselies</i>	
09.40-10.00	INV003 Development and manufacture of iPSC-derived cells to a specification: the CDI experience as a contractor Derek Hei, Cellular Dynamics International, Madison, WI	
	Coffee available in the room	
10.00-10.20	Gene and cell therapy technologies	
10.10-10.20	INV004 Gene and cell therapy technologies Bobby Gaspar, University College London	
10.20-11.20	Pricing and reimbursement	
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10.40-11.00	INV006 Hurdles in developing new Advanced Therapies: the experience with Holoclar Andrea Chiesi, Chiesi, Parma	
11.00-11.20	INV007 The Strimvelis experience Claude Schmitt, GSK, Brentford	
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12.00-12.20	INV010 Developing innovative treatments for rare diseases: the Telethon Foundation model Lucia Faccio, Telethon Foundation, Milan		
12.20-12.40	INV011 Molecular therapies targeting Huntington: progress and challenges Ignacio Munoz-Sanjuan, CHDI Foundation Inc, Los Angeles, CA		
12.40-13.00	Elevator pitches		
12.40-12.45	EL001 Gene transfer technologies Juan Carlos Ramírez, Vivebiotech, San Sebastian		
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12.50-12.55	EL003 Orchard Therapeutics Andrea Spezzi, Orchard Therapeutics, London		
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09.00-09.05	Introduction Sam Wadsworth, Dimension Therapeutics, Cambridge, MA		
09.05-09.30	INV012 Brief introduction and update on recent developments in cell and gene therapy Hildegard Büning, University of Cologne, DZIF, University Hospital Cologne, Hannover Medical School		
09.30-10.30	E2a: Tailoring gene transfer vectors		
09.30-10.00	INV013 Improving the efficacy of gene therapy vectors by <i>de novo</i> design of transcriptional cis-regulatory modules: implications for gene therapy and CRISPR/Cas9-mediated gene editing Thierry VandenDriessche, Free University of Brussels; University of Leuven		
10.00-10.30	INV014 Receptor-targeted viral vectors Christian Buccholz, Paul-Ehrlich-Institut Langen		
10.30-11.00	E2b: Disease modelling		
10.30-11.00	INV015 p63 as a master regulator of epithelial stemness, identity, and integrity Caterina Missero, University of Naples Federico II; Center for Genetic Engineering		
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11.30-12.30	E3: Stem cells and iPS – current state		
11.30-12.00	INV016 Reprogramming of somatic cells for studies of liver diseases Tobias Cantz, Hannover Medical School		
12.00-12.30	INV017 In vitro modelling of human neocortical development process using pluripotent stem cells: from neural lineage induction to neuronal subtype specification Luciano Conti, Centre for integrative Biology, University of Trento		
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13.30-14.30	E4a: Immunotherapy and transdifferentiation		
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14.30-15.30	E4b: Gene editing		
14.30-15.00 15.00-15.30	 INV020 Gene edited stem cells: from cloning to clinic Jakub Tolar, University of Minnesota INV021 Genome editing using CRISPR-Cas nucleases 		
	Keith Joung, Massachusetts General Hospital; Harvard Medical School		
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09.45-10.15	Opening lecture Alberto Auricchio, Tigem, Naples		
10.15-10.45	How to foster access to therapies		
10.15-10.45	Newborn screenings for metabolic diseases Giancarlo La Marca, University of Florence		
10.45-11.15	Safety studies		
10.45-11.15	Use of animal models in research: why it is still a need Giuliano Grignaschi, Istituto Di Ricerche Farmacologiche Mario Negri, Milan		
11.15-11.45	Science and bio-ethics		
11.15-11.45	Stem cells and new generation sequencing: new frontiers in medicine Giuseppe Testa, European Institute of Oncology, University of Milan		
11.45-13.00	Discussion <i>Panelists:</i> Nicola Spinelli Casacchia, President, Uniamo FIMR Andrea Buzzi, President, Fondazione Paracelso Michele Lipucci, Eurordis <i>Chairs:</i> Ilaria Bartoli Ciancaleoni, Osservatorio Malattie Rare Alessia Daturi, Telethon Foundation		
13.00-14.00	Lunch and networking (in the room)		
14.00-14.30	New frontiers in science		
14.00-14.30	Gene editing, a new era in molecular biology Luigi Naldini, SR-Tiget, Milan		
14.30-16.30	Role playing: science dialogues Chair: Anna Maria Zaccheddu, Telethon Foundation		
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MOLMED SYMPOSIUM An entrepreneurial approach to translate academic knowledge into therapeutic solutions for all patients Ground floor, Botticelli room		
13.00-14.00	Registration	
14.00-14.15	When pioneers in cell and gene therapy come up with a 'business' idea Claudio Bordignon, Molmed, Milan	
14.15-14.30	Academia ready to be a productive partner for biotech companies Fabio Ciceri, San Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan	
14.30-14.45	How the financial market operated and operates in sustaining the biotech sector development Gil Bar-Nahum, Jefferies Global Healthcare Group, Bresso	
14.45-15.00	A picture of the European biotech sector: strengths and weaknesses Carlo Incerti, EuropaBio, Bresso	
15.00-15.30	Round Table	
	Moderator: Frediano Finucci (La7)	
	Martin Andrews, GSK, Brentford	
	Gil Bar-Nahum, Global Healthcare Group at Jefferies International Limited	
	Claudio Bordignon, MolMed, Milan	
	Fabio Ciceri, San Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan	
	Carlo Incerti, EuropaBio, Bresso	
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MAIN CONGRESS		
16.00-17.00 Auditorium	ESGCT / ISSCR 2016 Opening: welcome and introduction and Opening Keynote Chairs: Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, Luigi Naldini	
16.00-16.15	Welcome Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, ESGCT; Luigi Naldini, Local Organising C Witty, ISSCR	Committee; Nancy
16.15-17.00	INV023 Lgr5 stem cell-grown organoids and their applications Hans Clevers, University Medical Centre Utrecht and Princess Maxima Center for pediatric oncology, Utrecht	
17.00-19.00 Auditorium	1: Neural diseases: modelling, reprogramming and transplantation in brain and retina	
Auditorium	Chairs: Giuseppe Testa, Vania Broccoli	
17.00-17.30	INV024 Modelling human psychiatric disease Fred Gage, The Salk Institute, La Jolla, California	
17.30-18.00	INV025 Retinal cell using iPS cells Masayo Takahashi, RIKEN, CDB, Kobe	
18.00-18.30	INV026 Towards a stem cell-based therapy for Parkinson's Malin Parmar, Lund University	disease
18.30-19.00	INV027 Chemical approaches to oligodendrocyte remyelir Paul Tesar, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, C	nation DH
19.00-20.00 Limonaia, Passi Perduti	Welcome reception	
19.00-21.00 Ucello room	Molecular therapy 'meet the editor' reception	Molecular Therapy

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08.30-10.30 Auditorium	2: Hematopoietic stem cells: from biology to clinical applications Chairs: George Q Daley, Alessandro Aiuti	
08.30-09.00	INV028 How is human blood made? John Dick, Princess Margaret Cancer Centre, University Health Network, University of Toronto	
09.00-09.30	INV029 Using zebrafish to find new therapies for blood diseases Leonard Zon, Boston Children's Hospital, Harvard Medical School	
09.30-10.00	INV030 Advanced genetic engineering of hematopoiesis to treat human diseases Luigi Naldini, SR-Tiget, Milan	
10.00-10.30	INV031 Gene therapy of inherited disease: advances and challenges Marina Cavazzana, Hôpital Universitaire Necker, Enfants Malades, Paris	
10.30-11.00 Limonaia, Passi Perduti	Coffee break	
	Parallel sessions 2a, 2b, 2c	
11.00-12.30 <i>Botticelli</i>	2a: Imaging stem cells dynamics Chairs: Fred Gage, Dominique Bonnet	
11.00-11.30	INV032 Tissue-scale coordination of cellular homeostatic and repair behaviors in live mice Valentina Greco, Yale University	
11.30-12.00	INV033 Long-term single cell quantification: new tools for old questions Timm Schröder, ETH Zürich	
12.00-12.15	Proffered papers OR001 Altered functional activity in vmDA neurons derived from Parkinson's disease-induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSC) Giulia Carola, Institute of Biomedicine of the University of Barcelona (IBUB)	
12.15-12.30	OR002 3D-imaging and tissue reconstruction of deep-brain gene silencing with nanoscale, non-viral siRNA complexes Yein Nam, University of Manchester	
11.00-12.30 Masaccio	2b: Eye stem cell and gene therapy Chairs: Robin Ali, Alberto Auricchio Image: Chairs: Robin Ali, Alberto Auricchio	
11.00-11.30	INV034 What does influence regeneration? Graziella Pellegrini, Center for Regenerative Medicine, University of Modena	

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11.30-12.00	INV035 AAV mediated gene therapy and beyond - maintaining and restoring vision Deniz Dalkara, Inserm, UPMC Paris 6	
12.00-12.15	Proffered papers OR003 Generation and transplantation of human pluripotent stem cell derived cone photoreceptors into models of retinal degeneration Anai Gonzalez Cordero, University College London	
12.15-12.30	OR004 One-year follow-up study results after Intravitreal rAAV2/2-ND4 (GS010) injection in patients with vision loss due to G11778A ND4 Leber Hereditary Optic Neuropathy Jean-Philippe Combal, Gensight, Paris	
11.00-12.30 Auditorium	2c: Central nervous system gene therapy Chairs: Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, Jerry Mendell	
11.00-11.30	INV036 HSC-based cell and gene therapy approaches for treating LSDs Alessandra Biffi, Gene Therapy Programme, Dana-Farber/Boston Children's Cancer and Blood Disorders Center	
11.30-12.00	INV037 Gene therapy for neurodegenerative diseases Shin-ichi Muramatsu, Division of Neurology, Department of Medicine Jichi Medical University	
12.00-12.15	Proffered papers OR005 Survival of embryonic tissue grafts in Parkinson's disease: neuroimaging and clinical evidence at 17-18 years post-transplant Claire Henchcliffe, Weill Cornell Medical College, NY	
12.15-12.30	OR006 PGC-1α overexpression by lentiviral vector attenuates amyloid-β load and neuronal loss in an Alzheimer's disease model Nick Mazarakis, Imperial College London	
12.30-14.00 Limonaia, Passi Perduti	Lunch Posters available for viewing in Leonardo, Fra' Angelico, Paolo Uccello, Giotto and Ballatoi rooms	
12.45-13.45 Michelangelo	Lunch Symposium: Regulatory workshop for ATMPs (Lunch is available in the room)	
12.45-13.15	Regulatory guidance and advice on the quality control of Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products Martin Wisher, BioReliance	
13:15 - 13:45	A cell and gene therapy registry: a proposal from EBMT Chiara Bonini, Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele and Ospedale San Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan	

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14.00-16.00 Auditorium	3: Skeletal and cardiac muscle stem cells: from biology and reprogramming to clinical applications
	Chairs: Wim Fibbe, Fulvio Mavilio In memoriam Paolo Bianco
14.00-14.30	INV038 Challenges of immaturity and proliferation in using hPSC-derived cardiomyocytes as disease models Christine Mummery, Leiden University Medical Center, University of Twente
14.30-15.00	INV039 Small RNA therapy for cardiac regeneration Mauro Giacca, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), Trieste
15.00-15.30	INV040 Remuscularisation of injured hearts with human embryonic stem cell-derived cardiomyocytes Michael Laflamme, University Health Network, Toronto
15.30-16.00	INV041 Tricyclo-DNA: a new generation of antisense oligonucleotides for splice switching Luis Garcia, Inserm UMR 1179, Paris
16.00-16.30 Limonaia, Passi Perduti	Coffee break
	Parallel sessions 3a, 3b, 3c, 3d
16.30-18.30 <i>Botticelli</i>	3a: Organoids and high throughput platforms <i>Chairs: Valentina Greco, Melissa Little</i>
16.30-17.00	INV042 Generating 3D models of the human cerebral cortex to study development and disease Sergiu Pasca, Stanford University, CA
17.00-17.30	INV043 Detecting and killing pancreatic cancer David Tuveson, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, NY
17.30-17.45	Proffered papers OR007 Generation of implantable 3D skeletal muscle tissue from human embryonic stem cells and muscular dystrophy iPS cells Francesco Saverio Tedesco, University College London
17.45-18.00	OR008 The development and characterisation of rAAV vectors in patient- derived intestinal organoids and CF mice as a treatment for cystic fibrosis Marianne Carlon, Laboratory for Molecular Virology and Drug Discovery, Division of Molecular Medicine. KU Leuven
18.00-18.15	OR009 Isolating and characterising human cone photoreceptors for cell therapy Emily Welby, University College London

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18.15-18.30	OR010 Assay development and high throughput screening in iPSCs-derived cortical glutamatergic neurons from two neurodevelopmental disorders caused by symmetrical dosage imbalance <i>Francesca Cavallo, University of Milan</i>
16.30-18.30 Masaccio	3b: Stem cell-based neural disease modelling <i>Chairs: Angela Gritti, Paul Tesar</i>
16.30-17.00	INV044 Dissecting the genetic and environmental causes of chromatin dysfunction in autism and intellectual disability: an integrated platform of 2D and 3D stem cell-based models of neural development <i>Giuseppe Testa, European Institute of Oncology, University of Milan</i>
17.00-17.30	INV045 iPSC-based modelling of Parkinson's disease Angel Raya, Center for Regenerative Medicine, Barcelona
17.30-17.45	Proffered papers OR011 Two factor fibroblast reprogramming generates induced Schwann cells with myelinogenic and nerve regenerating potential Pietro Mazzara, SR-Tiget, Milan
17.45-18.00	OR012 Neural stem cell transplantation in Parkinsonian mice triggers an astrocyte-dependent dopaminergic neurorestoration Bianca Marchetti, University of Catania
18.00-18.15	OR013 Leveraging pluripotent stem cells as a scalable platform to discover chemical therapeutics for genetic disorders of myelin Matthew Ellit, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH
18.15-18.30	OR014 Mitochondrial disease phenotype in Friedreich's ataxia patient iPSC- derived sensory neurons Roxana Natt, Medical University Innsbruck
16.30-18.30 Michelangelo	3c: Cardiovascular gene and cell therapy Chairs: Seppo Ylä-Herttuala, Mauro GiaccaImage: Constant of the consta
16.30-17.00	INV046 Therapeutic vascular growth for cardiovascular diseases Seppo Ylä-Herttuala, Al Virtanen Institute, Kuopio
17.00-17.30	INV047 Non-coding RNA in vascular repair and regeneration Andrew Baker, The University of Edinburgh
17.30-17.45	Proffered papers OR015 Fixing the so-called unfixable: regenerating untreatable fixed myocardial scar in heart failure patients Ajan Reginald, Celixir Limited, Cardiff
17.45-18.00	OR016 Using omics tools to improve differentiation and maturation of cardiomyocytes derived from human pluripotent stem cells <i>Paula Alves, iBET/ITQB, Oeiras</i>

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18.00-18.15	OR017 Correcting the bleeding phenotype in haemophilia A using lentivirally FVIII-corrected endothelial cells differentiated from hemophilic induced Pluripotent Stem Cells (iPSCs) <i>Cristina Olgasi, University of Piemonte, Novara</i>
18.15-18.30	OR018 Progenitor cells seeded collagen patches migrate and differentiate through the failing RV myocardium: which benefit on the RV function? Virginie Lambert, INSERM U910 Aix Marseille Université, IMM Institut Mutualiste Montsouris, Paris
16.30-18.30 Auditorium	3d: Immunology/cancer immuno-gene therapy I Chairs: Chiara Bonini, Dirk Busch
16.30-17.00	INV048 The tolerant immune environment of tumors governs tumor fate and efficacy of immunotherapies David Klatzman, Sorbonne Université, UPMC Univ Paris 06, INSERM umrs959; P-HP, Hôpital Pitié-Salpêtrière
17.00-17.30	INV049 First application of gene-edited 'universal'T cells for leukaemia Waseem Qasim, University College London
17.30-17.45	Proffered papers OR019 Modelling the cytokine release syndrome and its treatment in a long-term xenotolerant mouse model of CAR-T cell immunotherapy Margherita Norelli, San Raffaele University, Milan
17.45-18.00	OR020 Targeting the TCR β-constant region for specific immunotherapy of T-cell malignancies Paul Maciocia, University College London
18.00-18.15	OR021 Immunovirotherapy in combination with immune checkpoint inhibitors for treating glioblastoma stem cell-derived tumors Samuel Rabkin, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School
18.15-18.30	OR022 Multiple inhibitory receptors are expressed on central memory and memory stem T cells infiltrating the bone marrow of AML patients relapsing after allo-HSCT Maddalena Noviello, San Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan
18:30-20:30	Poster session 1 (Odd poster numbers). See page 42 for details Leonardo, Fra' Angelico, Paolo Uccello, Giotto and Ballatoi rooms
20.00-23.00 Palazzo Vecchio	Speaker dinner (by invitation only) Walking party departs at 20.00 from congress registration area (main entrance)

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08.00-10.00 Auditorium	4: Cancer immuno-gene therapy Chairs: Katherine High, Attilio Bondanza	
08.00-08.30	INV050 CAR T-cell therapy: from CD19 to other targets Gianpietro Dotti, Department of Microbiology and Immunolo Chapel Hill	gy, UNC
08.30-09.00	INV051 Chimeric antigen receptor T-cells - killing cancer by design Stanley Riddell, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Univ Washington, Seattle	gn ersity of
09.00-09.30	INV052 Engineering T-cells for cancer therapy Carl June, Center for Cellular Immunotherapies and Abramsor Center, University of Pennsylvania, Children's Hospital of Philac Novartis Institute for Biomedical Research, Cambridge, MA	n Cancer Ielphia,
09.30-10.00	INV053 TCR gene edited memory stem T cells for cancer immune Chiara Bonini, Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele and Ospeda Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan	otherapy le San
10.00-10.30 Limonaia, Passi Perduti	Coffee break	
	Parallel sessions 4a, 4b, 4c	
10.30-12.30 Auditorium	4a: Haematopoietic stem cells and homeostasis <i>Chair: Leonard Zon, Cynthia Dunbar</i>	
10.30-11.00	INV055 Hematopoietic stem cell attrition and regeneration in re inflammatory stress Michael Milsom, HI-STEM; NCT DKFZ, Heidelberg	sponse to
11.00-11.30	INV054 HSC, metabolism and fate decisions Emmanuelle Passegué, University of California, San Francisco	
11.30-11.45	Proffered papers OR023 Clonal tracking of hematopoietic stem and progenitor ce humans Serena Scala, SR-Tiget, Milan	lls <i>in vivo</i> in
11.45-12.00	OR024 Measles virus glycoprotein pseudotyped lentivectors allo level transduction of pre-stimulated and resting HSCs an HSCs in total bone marrow from Fanconi Anemia patient Els Verhoeyen, CIRI; Inserm U1111, Lyon	ow high- d correct s

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12.00-12.15	OR025 Single-cell assay of human Hematopoietic Stem and Progenitor Cells (HSPC) following gene transfer reveals dramatic heterogeneity in HSC proliferative potential and points to a role of sphingolipids metabolic genes in HSC function Olga Gan, University Health Network, Toronto
12.15-12.30	OR026 Multiple allogeneic progenitors in combination function as a unit to support early transient hematopoiesis following transplantation Makoto Otsu, Institute of Medical Science, University of Tokyo
10.30-12.30 <i>Botticelli</i>	4b: MSC gene and cell therapy Chairs: Michael Laflamme, Luis Garcia
10.30-11.00	INV056 Use of expanded adipose stem cells in the treatment of inflammatory diseases Wilfried Dalemans, Tigenix NV, Hasselt
11.00-11.30	INV057 Therapeutic immune regulation by mesenchymal stromal cells Willem Fibbe, Leiden University Medical Center
11.30-11.45	Proffered papers OR027 Comprehensive characterisation of bone marrow-derived mesenchymal stromal cells from patients affected by primary immunodeficiency Nadia Starc, Bambino Gesù Children's Hospital, Rome
11.45-12.00	OR028 Amelioration of lung function and pulmonary tissue regeneration after treatment with Alpha-1 antitrypsin (AAT)-expressing mesenchymal stem cells (MSCs) in a murine model of elastase- induced emphysema Sabine Geiger, Apceth GmbH & Co. KG, Munich
12.00-12.15	OR029 Mesenchymal stromal cells prevent graft failure in a mouse model of hematopoietic stem cell gene therapy Maria Fernandez Garcia, CIEMAT/CIBERER, IIS-FJD, UAM, Madrid
12.15-12.30	OR030 Pulmonary artery reconstruction using cord blood-derived multipotent stem cells <i>in vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i> study Hiudong Jia, University of Bristol
10.30-12.30 Masaccio	4c: In vivo gene therapy I Chairs: Xavier Anguela, Hildegard Büening
10.30-11.00	INV058 Assessing and modulating immunogenicity in AAV vector mediated gene transfer Federico Mingozzi, Genethon, Evry
11.00-11.30	INV059 Gene therapy for haemophilia Katherine High, Spark Therapeutics, Philadelphia, PA

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11.30-11.45	OR031 Sustained expression with partial correction of neutrophil defects 5 years after intramuscular raav1 gene therapy for alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency Terry Flotte, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester	
11.45-12.00	OR032 Liver-directed gene therapy with lentiviral vectors in animal models of haemophilia B Michela Milani, SR-Tiget, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan	
12.00-12.15	OR033 Towards clinical gene and cell therapies for OPMD Capucine Trollet, UPMC Univ Paris 06, UM76, INSERM U974, Institut de Myologie, CNRS FRE3617	
12.15-12.30	OR034 Red blood cells as therapeutic carrier in monogenic disorders Giuseppa Piras, University College London	
12.30-14.00 Limonaia, Passi Perduti	Lunch Posters available for viewing in Leonardo, Fra' Angelico, Paolo Uccello, Giotto and Ballatoi rooms	
	Parallel sessions 5a, 5b, 5c	
14.00-16.00 Masaccio	5a: Cancer stem cells Chairs: John Dick, Emmanuelle Passegue	
14.00-14.30	INV060 Stem cells in cancer and regenerative medicine Michael Clarke, Stanford University, CA	
14.30-15.00	INV061 Leukemic stem cell interactions with the microenvironment: friend or foe? Dominique Bonnet, The Francis Crick Institute, London	
15.00-15.30	INV062 Plasticity of cancer cells: lessons from gliobastomas Inder Verma, The Salk Institute, La Jolla, CA	
15.30-15.45	Proffered papers OR035 microRNA-126 orchestrates a stem cell-like programme in Acute B Lymphoblastic Leukemia (B-ALL) Carolina Caserta: SR-Tiget, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan	
15.45-16.00	OR036 A stem cell oriented phylogeny of cancers derived novel cancer gene expression signature in all undifferentiated cancers as a therapeutic target Robert Downey, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York City	
14.00-16.00 Auditorium	5b: Ex vivo HSC-based gene and cell therapy Chairs: Juan Bueren, Guiliana Ferrari	
14.00-14.30	INV063 Gene therapy for primary immune deficiencies: ADA-SCID and XCGD	

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14.30-15.00	INV064 Clonal expansion and long-term persistence of rhesus macaque NK cells with an adaptive phenotype as revealed by genetic barcoding Cynthia Dunbar, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, Washington DC
	Proffered papers
15.00-15.15	OR037 Lentiviral gene therapy with busulfan conditioning for older patients with SCID-X1 Harry Malech, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Bathacda MD
15.15-15.30	OR038 Lentiviral-mediated gene therapy in Fanconi anemia A: preclinical and first clinical studies Susana Navarro Ordonez, CIEMAT/CIBERER, IIS-FJD, UAM, Madrid
15.30-15.45	OR039 A clinically applicable lentiviral vector corrects NSG mice engrafting cells from patients with infantile malignant osteopetrosis Ilana Moscatelli, Lund University
15.45-16.00	OR040 Thalassemic bone marrow microenvironment accelerates hematopoietic stem cell ageing and exhaustion Annamaria Aprile, SR-Tiget, Milan; University of Rome 'Tor Vergata'
14.00-16.00 <i>Botticelli</i>	5c: DNA-based gene transfer and <i>in vivo</i> gene therapy II <i>Chairs: Zoltan lvics, Amber Salzman</i>
14.00-14.30	INV065 AAV for liver directed genome editing James Wilson, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia
14.30-14.45	Proffered papers OR041 Diversion towards non-toxic metabolites by gene transfer for therapy of primary hyperoxaluria type Nicola Brunetti Pierri, Tigem, Federico II University of Naples
14.45-15.00	OR042 Development and production scale-up of an AAV8-UGT1A1 vector for the treatment of Crigler-Najjar syndrome Fanny Collaud, Genethon, Evry,
15.00-15.15	OR043 Improvement of gene therapy for Wilson's disease Oihana Murillo-Sauca, Centro de Investigacion Medica Aplicada (CIMA) Pamplona
15.15-15.30	OR044 Monitoring of anti-drug antibody responses, from development to assay validation prior to clinical trial initiation. Focus on anti-AAV responses Sabrina Triffault, Genosafe, Evry
15.30-15.45	OR045 Deciphering AAV vector persistence in hematopoietic progenitors Irene Gil Farina, NCT DKFZ, Heidelberg
15.45-16.00	OR046 Impact of vector design and administration technique in gene therapy for the treatment of age- related macular degeneration Mehdi Gasmi, Adverum Biotechnologies Inc, Menlo Park, CA

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16.00-16.30 Limonaia, Passi Perduti	Coffee break
16.30-18.30 Auditorium	5: New technologies: targeted genome and epigenome editing, new vector design, organoids Chairs: Christine Mummery, George Q Daley
16.30-17.00	INV066 Inheritable silencing of endogenous genes by hit-and-run targeted epigenetic editing Angelo Lombardo, SR-Tiget, Milan
17.00-17.30	INV067 Genome engineering: prospects and challenges Feng Zhang, MIT, Cambridge, MA
17.30-18.00	INV068 Generating a kidney from human pluripotent stem cells: where to from here? Melissa Little, Murdoch Children's Research Institute, University of Melbourne
18.00-18.30	INV069 From pluripotent stem cells to cortical circuits Pierre Vanderhaeghen, Université Libre de Bruxelles
18.30-20.00	Poster session 2 (Even poster numbers). See page 42 for details Leonardo, Fra' Angelico, Paolo Uccello, Giotto and Ballatoi rooms
20.30-01.00	Molecular Mingle evening – Mercato Centrale. See page 64

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	Parallel sessions 6a, 6b, 6c, 6d
09.00-10.30 Michelangelo	6a: RNA-based gene transfer and integration studies Chairs: Eugenio Montini, Terry Flotte
09.00-09.30	INV070 Wherever you go – there you are: tracking DNA modifications Christof von Kalle, NCT DKFZ, Heidelberg
09.30-10.00	INV071 Clonal tracking of engineered human hematopoiesis through integration sites analysis Luca Biasco, SR-Tiget, Milan, Gene Therapy Programme Dana-Farber/ Boston Children's Cancer and Blood Disorders Center, University College London
	Proffered papers
10.00-10.15	OR047 New molecular surrogate assay for genotoxicity assessment (SAGA) Michael Rothe, Hannover Medical School
10.15-10.30	OR048 Identification and ranking of different chromatin insulators to block vector-driven enhancer-mediated insertional mutagenesis <i>in vivo</i> Monica Volpin, SR-Tiget, Milan
09.00-10.30	6b: Genome editing and gene correction
Auditorium	Chairs: Thomas Barnes, Jakub Tolar
09.00-09.30	INV072 Highly efficient gene editing in hematopoietic stem cells Toni Cathomen, University Medical Centre, Freiburg
09.30-10.00	INV073 Genome editing for Duchenne muscular dystrophy Charles Gersbach, Duke University, USA
	Proffered papers
10.00-10.15	OR049 Targeted gene therapy in the treatment of X-Linked Hyper-IgM Syndrome Caroline Kuo, University of California Los Angeles (UCLA)
10.15-10.30	OR050 Identification of high-fidelity Cas9 variants using a yeast-based screening Antonio Casini, University of Trento
09.00-10.30	6c: Cancer gene therapy
Masaccio	Chairs: Len Seymour, Inder Verma
09.00-09.30	INV074 Cancer virotherapy with oncolytic adenoviruses Ramon Alemany, Catalan Institute of Oncology, Barcelona
09.30-10.00	INV075 Development of prostate cancer gene therapy in Japan Yasutomo Nasu, Okayama University

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10.00-10.15	Proffered papers OR051 Clinical update, molecular analyses, and proposed mechanism of action of Toca 511 a retroviral replicating vector in three ascending dose trials in patients with recurrent high-grade glioma Doug Jolly, Tocagen Inc, San Diego, CA
10.15-10.30	OR052 Anti-tumor potency of cancer vaccine ONCOS-102 in the treatment of malignant mesothelioma in preclinical and clinical studies Lukasz Kuryk, Targovax Oy, Helsinki
09.00-10.30 Botticelli	6d: Immunology and allergy Chairs: Federico Mingozzi, Ron Crystal
09.00-09.30	INV076 Gene therapy for hereditary and acquired life-threatening, immune- mediated disorders Ron Crystal, Weill Cornell Medical College, New York City
09.30-10.00	INV077 Gene therapy-based approach for immune tolerance induction Maria Grazia Roncarolo, Stanford School of Medicine, CA
10.00-10.15	OR053 Intrinsic defect in Was-/- platelets: studies in conditional mouse model and WAS gene therapy treated patients Lucia Sereni, SR-Tiget, Milan
10.15-10.30	OR054 Gene therapy for Ebola virus infections based on AAV vectors and Zmapp antibody cocktail Bruno Gaillet, Université Laval, Quebec
10.30-11.00 Limonaia, Passi Perduti	Coffee break
11.00-12.00 Auditorium	6: Gene therapy in the market Chairs: Luigi Naldini, Sven Kili
11.00-11.15	INV078 Primary immune deficiencies: a natural target for <i>ex vivo</i> gene therapy Jonathan Appleby, GSK, Brentford
11.15-11.30	INV079 Ex vivo gene therapy in ADA-SCID: clinical data and experiences to date Alessandro Aiuti, SR-Tiget, Milan
11.30-11.45	INV080 Translating experimental gene therapy into clinical reality Sol Ruiz, AEMPS, Madrid
11.45-12.00	INV081 Patient management through the gene therapy process Julie Venners-Christensen, GSK, Brentford

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12.00-13.00 Auditorium	7: In vivo gene therapy Chairs: Olivier Danos, Amit Nathwani
12.00-12.30	INV082 Gene therapy of mucopolysaccharidosis VI Alberto Auricchio, Tigem, Naples
12.30-13.00	INV083 Making a good vector even better: novel rAAVs for classical gene therapy and genome editing Mark Kay, Stanford University, CA
13.00-14.00 Limonaia, Passi Perduti	Lunch
	Parallel sessions 7a, 7b, 7c, 7d
14.00-15.30 Auditorium	7a: Immunology/cancer immuno-gene therapy II Chairs: Pierre Cordelier, Ramon Alemany
14.00-14.30	INV084 T-Cell and cancer immunotherapy Dirk Busch, Technische Universität München
14.30-15.00	INV085 Macrophage-based delivery of immunostimulatory and antiangiogenic molecules into the tumor microenvironment Bernhard Gentner, SR-Tiget, Milan
15.00-15.15	Proffered papers OR055 Reduced CAR tonic signaling and methods to enhance memory T cells result in improved <i>in vivo</i> efficacy in human multiple myeloma xenograft models Richard Morgan, bluebirdbio
15.15-15.30	OR056 Balance of Anti-CD123 Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) binding affinity and density in an <i>in vitro</i> model of acute myeloid leukemia Sarah Tettamanti, Universita' Milano Bicocca, Osp. San Gerardo/Fondazione MBBM, Monza
14.00-15.30 <i>Botticelli</i>	7b: Gene silencing: from small non-coding RNAs to epigenetic editing and gene disruption Sangamo BioSciences Chairs: Tony Cathomen, Angelo Lombardo Sangamo BioSciences
14.00-14.30	INV086 ZFN-mediated genome editing in the liver – towards the correction of lysosomal storage diseases Michael Holmes, Sangamo BioSciences Inc, Richmond, CA
14.30-15.00	INV087 MicroRNA-based therapeutics in cancer Frank Slack, Harvard Medical School, Cambridge, MA

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	lacking canonical repressor domains as a potent tool to generate
	Salvatore Botta, Tigem, Naples
15.15-15.30	OR058 ASO-mediated Dnm2 knockdown prevents and reverts Myotubular
	myopathy in vivo in mice Belinda Cowling, IGBMC, Strasbourg
14.00-15.30	7c: Manufacturing of cell and gene therapy products
Michelangelo	Chairs: Gabor Veres, Otto Merten MOLMED
14.00-14.30	INV088 Challenges in vector and cell manufacturing in gene therapy Paolo Rizzardi , MolMed S.p.A, Milan
14.30-15.00	INV089 Mastering the challenges of manufacturing: the critical roles of closed systems and automation Ian Johnston, Miltenyi Biotec, Bergisch Gladbach
	Proffered papers
15.00-15.15	OR059 Improving the purity of Adeno-associated viral vector preparations
	using DNA minicircle technology Hildegard Büning, University of Cologne, DZIF, University Hospital Cologne,
	Hannover Medical School
15.15-15.30	OR060 Staurosporine Increases Lentiviral Transduction of Human CD34+
	Melissa Bonner, bluebirdbio, Cambridge, MA
14.00-15.30	7d: CNS gene therapy
Masaccio	Chairs: Alessandra Biffi, Nicole Deglon
14.00-14.30	INV090 AAV-CYP46A1 brain administration restores cholesterol metabolism and is neuroprotective in Huntington's disease Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, INSERM UMR1169, Université Paris-Sud; CEA, DSV, FBM, MIRCen, Fontenay-aux-Roses
14.30-15.00	INV091 AVXS-101 phase 1 gene therapy clinical trial in SMA type 1 Jerry Mendell, Nationwide Children's Hospital, Ohio State University
15.00-15.15	Proffered papers
	OR061 From bench to bedside: A novel approach in the treatment of SMA Type 1 with gene therapy Brian Kaspar, Nationwide Children's Hospital, The Ohio State University Medical Center, AveXis, Inc
15.15-15.30	OR062 Improvements in motor function and PET findings following gene transfer to the patients with AADC deficiency Taka Yamagata, Jichi Medical University

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15.30-15.50 Limonaia, Passi Perduti	Coffee break
15.50-17.45 Auditorium	ESGCT AGM and presidential symposium and awards ceremony Chairs: Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, Luigi Naldini
15:50-16:15	ESGCT AGM
16.15-17.00	INV092 Milestones and barriers in hematopoietic stem cell derivation from pluripotent stem cells George Q Daley, Boston Children's Hospital, MA
17.00-17.30	Outstanding Achievement Award INV093 Progress for gene therapy in haemophilia Amit Nathwani, University College London
17.30-17.45	Young Investigator Awards OR063 Towards clinical translation of gene editing technologies for empowering adoptive immunotherapy or correcting inherited mutations Pietro Genovese, SR-Tiget, Milan
17.45-19.00 Auditorium	Germline editing debate Chairs: Roberto Buccione Annelien Bredenoord, University Medical Center Utrecht Giuseppe Testa, European Institute of Oncology, University of Milan George Q Daley, Boston Children's Hospital, MA Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, INSERM UMR1169, Université Paris-Sud; CEA, DSV, FBM, MIRCen, Fontenay-aux-Roses Luigi Naldini, SR-Tiget, Milan Fena Zhana. The Broad Institute, MIT Cambridae, MA
19.00-20.00	Closing drinks



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VISITING FLORENCE

It is estimated that 40% of the world's most important artworks are found in Italy, and 30% of these are located in Florence. Situated in the heart of Italy, surrounded by the winegrowing hills of Chianti, the city enchants visitors with its timeless charm.

The names Strozzi, Rucellai and Pitti can be found all over Florence, but it was the Medici family, who led the city for over 300 years, that nurtured the greatest flowering of Renaissance art. The paintings of Botticelli, the sculptures of Michelangelo, and the rusticated palaces of Michelozzo all flourished under their rule.

The mix of ancient and modern culture makes Florence an enchanting and inspiring city. Florence is also a busy cosmpolitan centre, offering arts festivals, historic cafes, excellent restaurants and picturesque 'trattorie' serving the best regional Italian cuisine.

Don't miss the Cathedral with its splendid dome designed by Brunelleschi; Giotto's Campanile; and the Uffizi Gallery. But it is the hidden and lesser known Florence that will remain in your heart: the small churches, street markets and traditional 'trattorias'. and the tiny artisan workshops which hand down ancient techniques from generation to generation.



Florence offers a vast array of shops, from famous designers' boutiques to vintage and hand crafted artisan stalls. Look for luxury items in Via Tornabuoni and Via della Vigna; leather goods in Limonaia, Passi Perduti Santa Croce and Limonaia, Passi Perduti San Lorenzo; antiques in Via Maggio and Via de' Fossi, and jewellery on Ponte Vecchio.

Shops open from 10am–1pm and 3.30– 7.30pm daily. In the main shopping area you will find shops open all day.

There is no tipping in Italy. Customers pay the exact amount that appears on the bill.

VAT

Italy's VAT for business transactions and purchases is 22 percent, and the tax for basic products 4 to 10 percent. The VAT is only paid by European Union consumers. All published prices (including restaurant menus, taxi fares and supermarket prices) include consumer tax.





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Highlights of Florence

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