11th International Symposium on Minimal Residual Cancer

May 3-5, 2018

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Preliminary Program
Dear Colleagues and Friends,

We warmly welcome you to the 11th International Symposium on Minimal Residual Cancer in Montpellier in the south of France.

These international ISMRC meetings started in 1996 and have established themselves, every other year, as a premier event focusing on Minimal Residual Cancer in patients with solid tumors.

The MONTPELLIER ISMRC meeting is a great opportunity to gather during three days, researchers from academia and industry to share information about the most recent technical developments, clinical trials and late breaking news.

The 2018 meeting in Montpellier is organized together with the established EU-IMI consortium CANCER-ID and brings together basic and clinical researchers from academia and companies.

The MONTPELLIER-ISMRC 2018 program will focus on LIQUID BIOPSY in a broader sense and will include presentations on Circulating Tumor Cells (CTCs) as well as circulating nucleic acids (DNA, miRNA) and exosomes, with emphasis on clinical studies as well as the biology of metastasis, including cancer stemness, dormancy, epithelial-mesenchymal transition and immunomodulation of tumor cells.

Besides invited plenary talks by leading international experts, the MONTPELLIER-ISMRC 2018 includes oral communications and poster presentations selected from the submitted abstracts to support young investigators as well as a session for companies developing new technologies for liquid biopsy. We invite you to submit your abstract for consideration by our Advisory Committee for presentation at the MONTPELLIER-ISMRC 2018 meeting.

After great cities like Munich, Berlin, Oslo, San Francisco, Hamburg, Athens, Osaka & Paris, the next ISMRC will take place May 3-5, 2018 at the Corum in Montpellier, France. We hope that you will enjoy your time attending this 11th ISMRC meeting in MONTPELLIER and enjoy the opportunity to exchange information and establish long lasting collaborations with your colleagues.

We will be very happy to welcome you in May 2018 in Montpellier!

Catherine Alix-Panabières
Klaus Pantel
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8h30 Welcome Remarks  
*Catherine Alix-Panabières – Klaus Pantel*

9h00 Next Generation Liquid Biopsies Keynote lecture  
*Klaus Pantel* (Hamburg, Germany)

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**SESSION 1**  
Cancer Cell Stemness and Epithelial-Mesenchymal Plasticity

09h30 *Bob Weinberg* (Boston, USA) - Keynote lecture
10h00 *Jean-Paul Thiery* (Paris, France)
10h25 *Rik Thompson* (Brisbane, Australia)

10h50 - Coffee Break

11h20 *Michael Clarke* (Stanford, USA)
11h45 *Christine Gilles* (Liege, Belgium)
12h10 *Alain Puisieux* (Lyon, France)

12h35 - Lunch Break and e-Poster Session

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**SESSION 2**  
Immune System and Cancer

13h45 *Lisa Coussens* (Portland, USA)
14h10 *Jérôme Galon* (Paris, France)
14h35 *Paola Gazzaniga* (Roma, Italy)

15h25 - Coffee Break

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**SESSION 3**  
Selected Oral Presentations

17h30 Refreshments in the Exhibition Area and e-POSTER SESSION

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**SESSION 4**  
Biology of Tumor Cell Dissemination and Metastasis

09h00 *Joan Massagué* - Keynote lecture
09h30 *Yibin Kang* (Princeton, USA)
09h55 *Bruce Zetter* (Harvard, USA)
10h20 *Ann Chambers* (London, Canada)

10h45 - Coffee Break

11h15 *Lewis Chodoch* (Philadelphia, USA)
11h40 *Jonathan Sleeman* (Heidelberg, Germany)

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**SESSION 5**  
Circulating Tumor cells

12h05 *Catherine Alix-Panabières* (Montpellier, France)
12h30 *Evi Lianidou* (Athens, Greece)
12h55 *Stefanie Jeffrey* (Stanford, USA)

12h55 - Lunch Break and e-Poster Session

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**SESSION 6**  
Circulating Cell-Free Tumor DNA

16h00 - Coffee Break

16h30 *Dennis Lo* (Hong-Kong, China) - Keynote lecture
17h00 *Luis Diaz* (Baltimore, USA)
17h25 *Michael Speicher* (Graz, Austria)
18h50 *Carlos Caldas* (Cambridge, UK)
18h15 *Dave Hoon* (Santa Monica, USA)

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SESSION 7
CTCs as liquid biopsy in Clinical Studies

08h30 Howard Scher (New-York, USA) - Prostate Cancer
08h55 Emmanuel Antonarakis (Baltimore, USA) - Prostate Cancer
09h20 Jean-Yves Pierga (Paris, France) - Breast Cancer
09h45 Wolfgang Janni (Ulm, Germany) - Breast Cancer
10h10 Dan Hayes (Michigan, USA) - Breast Cancer Keynote lecture

10h40 - Coffee Break

11h00 Françoise Farace (Paris, France) - Lung Cancer
11h25 Paul Hofman (Nice, France) - Lung Cancer
11h50 Caroline Dive (Manchester, UK) - Lung Cancer
12h15 Renaud Garrel (Montpellier, France) - Head & Neck Cancer
12h40 Thibault Mazard (Montpellier, France) - Colon Cancer

13h05 - Lunch Break

SESSION 8
Circulating Cell-Free miRNA, Exosomes, Platelets

14h15 Georges Calin (Houston, USA)
14h40 David Lyden (New-York, USA)
15h05 Raghu Kalluri (Houston, USA)
15h30 Tom Wurdinger (Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

15h55 - Coffee Break

SESSION 9
Emerging Commercial Assays

17h45 Closing Remarks with Poster Awards
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