

# epiXchange2018 Programme

Scientific conference, 23 May 2018



Time	Topic	Speaker
08:00	<b>Welcome and registration</b>	
08:30	<b>Welcome speeches: Overview of epiXchange projects</b>	<i>Coordinators of DESIRE, EpiCare, EpimiRNA, EpiPGX, EPISTOP, EpiTarget, Epixchange ITN</i>
09:05	<b>Thematic session: Biomarkers</b>  Short overview of current status of research, impact and gaps to be filled in the area of biomarkers  Epigenetic biomarkers in FCDs  MicroRNA as biomarkers of epilepsy and status epilepticus  Predictors of adverse reactions to AEDs  EEG changes as biomarker for emerging epilepsy in TSC  HMGB1 as a predictive biomarker for preclinical and clinical studies	<i>Chairs: A. Pitkänen, M. Simonato</i>  A. Pitkänen ( <i>University of Eastern Finland</i> ), M. Simonato ( <i>Università degli Studi di Ferrara</i> )  K. Kobow ( <i>DESIRE – Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg</i> )  F. Rosenow ( <i>EpimiRNA – Goethe-Universität Frankfurt &amp; Philipps-Universität Marburg</i> )  G. Cavalleri ( <i>EpiPGX – Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland</i> )  L. Lagae ( <i>EPISTOP – Katholieke Universiteit Leuven</i> )  A. Vezzani ( <i>EpiTarget – Mario Negri Institute</i> )
10:15	<b>Coffee break and poster session</b>	
10:45	<b>Thematic session: Genetics</b>  Short overview of current status of research, impact and gaps to be filled in the area of genetics  Genetics of epileptogenic disorders: update and consequences on patients' therapeutic management  The emerging role of genetics in the clinical care pathway  Genetic variation in microRNAs and their targets in epilepsy  Predictors of responses to AEDs  Genetics and mosaicism in Tuberous Sclerosis Complex: preliminary analysis of association with seizure phenotype in EPISTOP  Functional epigenomic dissection of epilepsy in human brain biopsy tissue and corresponding mouse models	<i>Chairs: D. J. Kwiatkowski, R. Guerrini</i>  D. J. Kwiatkowski ( <i>Harvard University</i> ), R. Guerrini ( <i>Università degli Studi di Firenze</i> )  J. Chelly ( <i>DESIRE – IGBMC</i> ) and R. Guerrini ( <i>DESIRE – Università degli Studi di Firenze</i> )  R. Nabbout ( <i>EpiCARE - CHU Paris</i> )  I. Lopes-Cendes ( <i>EpimiRNA – Universidade Estadual de Campinas</i> )  H. Lerche ( <i>EpiPGX – Universität Tübingen</i> )  D. Kwiatkowski ( <i>EPISTOP – Harvard University</i> )  A. Becker ( <i>EpiTarget – Universität Bonn</i> )
12:10	<b>Lunch and poster session</b>	
13:40	<b>Thematic session: Therapeutics</b>  Short overview of current status of research, impact and gaps to be filled in the area of therapeutics  Innovative therapeutic strategies for epileptic encephalopathies  Improving clinical trials in epilepsy: addressing the hurdles and filling the gaps  MicroRNAs as targets for seizure control and disease-modification  Preseizure vs postseizure treatment of epilepsy - pros and cons	<i>Chairs: F. Rosenow, M. Kokaić</i>  F. Rosenow ( <i>Goethe-Universität Frankfurt &amp; Philipps-Universität Marburg</i> ), M. Kokaić ( <i>Lunds Universitet</i> )  F. Benfenati ( <i>DESIRE – Istituto Italiano Di Tecnologia</i> )  E. Perucca ( <i>EpiCARE – ILAE/ Università degli Studi di Pavia</i> )  D. Henshall ( <i>EpimiRNA – Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland</i> )  S. Jóźwiak ( <i>EPISTOP – Warszawski Uniwersytet Medyczny</i> )

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	Evaluation of tolerability and antiepileptogenic efficacy of multitargeted drug combinations by a two-stage approach	W. Löscher ( <i>EpiTarget – Stiftung Tierärztliche Hochschule Hannover</i> )
	Differential Effect of Neuropeptides on Excitatory Synaptic Transmission in Human Epileptic Hippocampus	M. Ledri ( <i>Epixchange – Lunds Universitet</i> )
<b>15:00</b>	<b>Thematic session: Co-morbidities</b>	<i>Chairs: H. Cross, S. Józwiak</i>
	Short overview of the current status of research, impact and gaps to be filled in the area of co-morbidities	H. Cross ( <i>University College London</i> ), S. Józwiak ( <i>Warszawski Uniwersytet Medyczny</i> )
	Perspectives for investigating physiopathological mechanisms of comorbidities in epilepsy	A. Represa ( <i>DESIRE – INSERM</i> )
	Predictors of response and resistance and co-morbidities	C. Leu ( <i>EpiPGX – University College London</i> )
	Autism in tuberous sclerosis: early developmental trajectories, potential biomarkers and treatment strategies	P. Curatolo ( <i>EPISTOP – Policlinico Tor Vergata</i> )
	Systems genetic evidence for a convergence of epilepsy and its „co-morbidities“ on shared molecular pathways	M. Johnson ( <i>EpiTarget – Imperial College London</i> )
	Effects on seizures and epilepsy co-morbidities of encapsulated BDNF-producing cells	C. Falcicchia ( <i>Epixchange – Università degli Studi di Ferrara</i> )
<b>16:10</b>	<b>Coffee break and posters</b>	
<b>16:40</b>	<b>Thematic session: Biobanks and databases</b>	<i>Chairs: S. Sisodiya, K. Kobow</i>
	Short overview of the current status of research, impact and gaps to be filled in the area of biobanks and databases	S. Sisodiya ( <i>University College London</i> ), K. Kobow ( <i>Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg</i> )
	The European Epilepsy Brain Bank: 25 years of experience with difficult-to-treat epilepsies in 9523 children and adults	I. Blümcke ( <i>DESIRE &amp; EpiCARE – ILAE/ Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg</i> )
	EpmiRBase and a multi-omic Atlas of functional microRNA for epilepsy	A. Ahonen-Bishopp ( <i>EpmiRNA – BCPlatforms</i> )
	Controlled access resources for genetic and pharmacogenetics research for epilepsy	R. Krause ( <i>EpiPGX – Université du Luxembourg</i> )
	Biobanking in Tuberous Sclerosis Complex: challenges and opportunities for understanding epilepsy and cognitive and behavioral comorbidities	E. Aronica ( <i>EPISTOP – Universiteit van Amsterdam</i> )
	Database for powered preclinical multicenter trial	A. Pitkänen ( <i>EpiTarget – University of Eastern Finland</i> )
<b>17:50</b>	<b>Closing remarks</b>	
<b>18:00</b>	<b>End of conference</b>	