

# 1<sup>st</sup> Vitiligo World Congress

## Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>

08.45-09.15 Welcome addresses

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## Session I

### Vitiligo: history and clinical actuality

Chairpersons:

**Torello Lotti, Firenze - Italy**

**Richard A. Spritz, Denver CO - USA**

**J.P. Wietze Van der Veen, Amsterdam - The Netherlands**

**Gino A. Vena, Bari - Italy**

09.15-09.30 **Classifications and clinical variants of vitiligo**

*Jana Hercogova, Prague - Czech Republic*

09.30-09.45 **Classification of segmental vitiligo involving the face and the neck**

*Seung-Kyung Hann, Seoul - Korea*

09.45-10.00 **Vitiligo in pediatric age**

*Giuseppe Fabrizi and Concetto Paolo Agnusdei, Campobasso - Italy*

10.00-10.15 **Differential Diagnosis of Non segmental Vitiligo (NSV)**

*Alain Taïeb, Bordeaux - France*

10.15-10.30 **Discussion**

10.30-11.00 **Coffee break**



## Session II

### Research on vitiligo: state of play Part I

Chairpersons:

*Ugo Bottoni, Catanzaro - Italy*

*Luigi Naldi, Bergamo - Italy*

*Andrea Peserico, Padova - Italy*

*Mauro Picardo, Roma - Italy*

*Alain Taïeb, Bordeaux - France*

- 11.00-11.15 **The Genetic basis of generalized vitiligo**  
*Richard A. Spritz, Denver CO - USA*
- 11.15-11.30 **The POMC system in vitiligo**  
*Markus Böhm, Münster - Germany*
- 11.30-11.45 **PAR-2 involvement in vitiligo pathogenesis**  
*Silvia Moretti, Firenze - Italy*
- 11.45-12.00 **Inherent cellular and molecular defects  
in vitiligo melanocytes**  
*Raymond E. Boissy, Cincinnati OH - USA*
- 12.00-12.30 **Keynote lecture**  
**T lymphocyte-mediated  
melanocyte destruction and vitiligo  
in melanoma patients**  
*Giorgio Parmiani, Milano - Italy*
- 12.30-12.45 **Discussion**

- 12.45-13.15 **Keynote lecture**  
**Image analysis in vitiligo assessment**  
*Luigi Naldi and Simone Cazzaniga, Bergamo - Italy*

13.15-14.30 **Lunch**

## Session III

### Research on vitiligo: state of play Part II

Chairpersons:

*Markus Böhm, Münster - Germany*

*Raymond E. Boissy, Cincinnati OH - USA*

*Antonino Di Pietro, Milano - Italy*

*Silvia Moretti, Firenze - Italy*

*Franco Rongioletti, Genova - Italy*

- 14.30-14.45 **Basis and effects of the oxidative stress  
in Vitiligo pathogenesis**  
*Mauro Picardo, Roma - Italy*
- 14.45-15.00 **The role of nitric oxide in the pathogenesis of vitiligo:  
facts and hypothesis**  
*Mario Vaccaro, Messina - Italy*
- 15.00-15.15 **The burden of vitiligo**  
*J.P. Wietze Van der Veen, Amsterdam - The Netherlands*
- 15.15-15.30 **Discussion**

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## Session IV

### Vitiligo through the eyes of patients

Chairpersons:

*Santo Dattola, Melito di Porto Salvo (RC) - Italy*

*Santo Raffaele Mercuri, Milano - Italy*

*Steven Nisticò, Roma - Italy*

*Davinder Parsad, Chandigarh - India*

15.30-15.45 **The body on show: between health and well-being. Clinical psychology contribution to the vitiligo treatment**  
*Lucio Sarno, Milano - Italy*

15.45-16.00 **Quality of life in vitiligo**  
*Prasad Kumarasinghe, Perth - Australia*

16.00-16.40 **Alida De Pase introduces: My life with vitiligo: the journey from patient to researcher**  
*Maxine Whitton, Nottingham - United Kingdom*  
**Live your best life**  
*Lee Thomas, Bloomsfield Hills MI - USA*

16.40-16.45 **Discussion**

16.45-17.00 **Coffee break**

## Session V

### Complementary therapies

Chairpersons:

*Dario Fai, Parabita (LE) - Italy*

*Seung-Kyung Hann, Seoul - Korea*

*Nanja Van Geel, Ghent - Belgium*

17.00-17.15 *Giovanni Fabio Zagni, Catania - Italy*  
**Vitiligo: my experience of 24 years and 18 thousand patients. My protocol and my lotions**  
*Antonio Salafia, Mumbai - India*

17.15-17.30 **When the skin changes the color: "the camouflage"**  
*Corinna Rigoni and Alessandra Cantù, Milano - Italy*

17.30-17.45 **Micropigmentation: another solution in vitiligo camouflage**  
*Milena Lardi, Golden Eye - Italy*

17.45-18.00 **Discussion and closing remarks**

## Selected abstract

18.00-18.45 **Polymorphisms of glutathione S-Transferase M1 and T1: genetic risk factor for Vitiligo?**  
*Serafinella Cannavò, Messina - Italy*

**Five Cases of vitiligo vulgaris complicated by adult atopic dermatitis**  
*Ichiro Katayama, Osaka - Japan*

**Vitiligo - 8 Years of Experience**  
*Ahmed Al-Issa, Riyadh - Saudi Arabia*

**Integrating Indian systems of medicine and modern dermatology in the treatment of Vitiligo**  
*Naveen Krishna Tarur*

**Nital-Crystal Clear**  
*Maya Tulpule, Pune - India*



Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>

## Session VI

### Management of vitiligo

Chairpersons:

*Serafinella P. Cannavò, Messina - Italy*

*Silvano Menni, Milano - Italy*

*Davinder Parsad, Chandigarh - India*

*Adrian Tanew, Wien - Austria*

- 09.15-09.30 **Management of vitiligo in Czech Republic**  
*Jana Hercogova, Prague - Czech Republic*
- 09.30-09.45 **Systematic review of treatment for vitiligo. What randomised trials tell us about vitiligo treatment**  
*Urbà González, Barcelona - Spain*
- 09.45-10.00 **Evidence-based treatments for vitiligo**  
*David J. Gawkrödger, Sheffield - United Kingdom*
- 10.00-10.15 **Evidence-based management of vitiligo. How to define priorities for clinical research**  
*Viktoria Eleftheriadou, Nottingham - United Kingdom*
- 10.15-10.30 **Discussion**
- 10.30-11.00 **Coffee break**

## Session VII

### Ultraviolets and phototherapy - part I

Chairpersons:

*Piergiacomo Calzavara Pinton, Brescia - Italy*

*Viktoria Eleftheriadou, Nottingham - United Kingdom*

*Jana Hercogova, Prague - Czech Republic*

*Luciano Mavilia, Milano - Italy*

*Karin U. Schallreuter, Bradford - United Kingdom*

- 11.00-11.15 **Phototherapy of vitiligo**  
*Adrian Tanew, Wien - Austria*
- 11.15-11.30 **Novel approaches in phototherapy of vitiligo**  
*Alessia Pacifico, Roma - Italy*
- 11.30-11.45 **Microphototherapy**  
*Torello Lotti, Firenze - Italy*
- 11.45-12.00 **Combined narrow-band UVB therapy and tacrolimus ointment in the treatment of vitiligo in 40 patients**  
*Antonia G. Galluccio, Benevento - Italy*
- 12.00-12.15 **Follow-up long-term evaluation of a cohort of vitiligo patients treated with narrow-band UVB phototherapy and tacrolimus ointment**  
*Dario Fai, Parabita (LE) - Italy*
- 12.15-12.30 **Discussion**
- 12.30-13.00 **Keynote lecture**  
**Vitiligo associated organ-specific autoimmune diseases**  
*Emanuele Bosi, Milano - Italy*
- 13.00-14.30 **Lunch**

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## Session VIII

### Ultravioletes and Phototherapy - part II

Chairpersons:

*Giuseppe E. Cannata, Imperia - Italy*

*Antonia G. Galluccio, Benevento - Italy*

*Urbà González, Barcelona - Italy*

*Franco Rongioletti, Genova - Italy*

- 14.30-14.45 **NB-UVB and topical tacrolimus: our five-years experience in vitiligo treatment**  
*Antonello Baldo, Napoli - Italy*
- 14.45-15.00 **Topical steroid combined to excimer laser in the treatment of vitiligo. Vitiligo and psoriasis in the era of biological drugs**  
*Luciano Mavilia, Milano - Italy*
- 15.00-15.15 **Polipodium**  
*Dario Fai, Parabita (LE) - Italy*
- 15.15-15.30 **Dead Sea and pseudocatalase combined treatment for vitiligo**  
*Karin U. Schallreuter, Bradford - United Kingdom*
- 15.30-15.45 **Vitiligo: effectiveness of UVB "narrow band" plus tacrolimus 0,1% ointment association**  
*Domenico D'Amico and Giancarlo Valenti, Catanzaro - Italy*
- 15.45-16.00 **Discussion**

## Session IX

### Surgery and long term stability

Chairpersons:

*Pier Luca Bencini, Milano - Italy*

*David Gawkrödger, Sheffield - United Kingdom*

*Santo Raffaele Mercuri, Milano - Italy*

*Luigi Naldi, Bergamo - Italy*

*Antonio Salafia, Mumbai - India*

- 16.00-16.15 **Autologous ORS cell transplantation: adult stem therapy for vitiligo**  
*Thomas Hunziker, Bern - Switzerland*
- 16.15-16.30 **Long term results of non cultured epidermal cellular grafting in vitiligo, halo nevi, piebaldism and nevus depigmentosus**  
*Nanja Van Geel, Ghent - Belgium*
- 16.30-16.45 **Total stability and complete repigmentation in vitiligo: how close are we?**  
*Davinder Parsad, Chandigarh - India*
- 16.45-17.00 **Discussion**



## Selected abstract

17.00-18.30

### **Genetic Variants of the BchE Gene are Associated with Vitiligo in a Brazilian Population Sample**

*Caio Castro, Curitiba - Brasil*

### **Treatment of Vitiligo by means of focused and selective microphoto-therapy using the RATOK®DERM equipment**

*Marina Fantato, Milano - Italy*

### **The clinical safety and efficacy of 308nm excimer light phototherapy for vitiligo patients**

*Saori Itoi, Suita - Japan*

### **A pilot study of punch grafting followed by excimer laser therapy in stable vitiligo**

*Kholoud Qasem, Shuwaik - Kuwait*

### **Is the success of autologous non cultured epidermal suspension transplantation depends on the special medium like melanocyte medium?**

*Ananth Prasad Holla, Mangalore - India*

### **Proinflammatory Cytokines Regulate MITF-related Molecules Expression and Melanin Production in vitro. -Possible Pathogenesis of Vitiligo-**

*Yorihisa Kotobuki, Osaka - Japan*

### **Possible Link between Keratinocyte Expression of pSTAT3 and Th17 Cell Infiltration to the Lesional Skin in Vitiligo Vulgaris**

*Atsushi Tanemura, Osaka - Japan*

### **A Randomised Controlled Trial of Minigrafting Vs ReCell in Stable Vitiligo**

*Benjamin Daniel, NSW - Australia*

### **The incidence of leucotrichia in segmental vitiligo: implication of poor response to medical treatment**

*Dong-Youn Lee, Seoul – South Korea*

### **Using research to inform the development of a range of therapeutic interventions for people with vitiligo and other disfiguring conditions.**

*Nichola Rumsey, Bristol - UK*

### **Pathogenesis and treatment of vitiligo**

*Rached Smida, Tunis - Tunisia*

### **Classification SMIDA - MOKHTAR of four stages of Vitiligo**

*Rached Smida, Tunis - Tunisia*

18.30

### **Closing remarks and presentation of the patient day**