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and
SAR (Society for Acupuncture Research)

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM (Last updated July, 01)

20th October

- 8:30 Registration of participants
- 9:00 Opening of the Symposium
*Chair: **Umberto Mazzanti**, Vice President of A.M.A.B.*
- Welcome speech
Carlo Maria Giovanardi, *President of A.M.A.B.*
Vitaly Napadow, *Co-President of SAR*
Gerd Ohmstedt, *President of ETCMA*
Konstantina Theodoratou, *President of I.C.M.A.R.T.*

Panel Session 1 – First Part

MECHANISMS OF ACTION AND CURRENT TRENDS IN ACUPUNCTURE RESEARCH

*Chairs: **Helene Langevin** - **Thomas Ots***

Discussant:

- 9:25 Presentation of topics and panellists
- 9:30 Reward circuitry plasticity in the perception of pain following acupuncture
T. LUNDEBERG
- 10:00 Self-acupressure for chronic pain and fatigue: efficacy and mechanism
R. HARRIS
- 10:30 Current evidences and methodological issues of acupuncture researches
M.S.LEE

11:00 Discussion

11:30 Coffee break

Panel Session 1 – Second Part

MECHANISMS OF ACTION AND CURRENT TRENDS IN ACUPUNCTURE RESEARCH

Chairs: Richard Harris- Alberto Garoli

Discussant: Lucio Sotte

11:45 Presentation of topics and panellists

11:50 Distant effects of acupuncture on connective tissue

H. LANGEVIN

12:20 Role of neuroimaging to assess acupuncture-induced neuroplasticity in pain relief

V. NAPADOW

12:50 Discussion

13:15 Lunch

Panel Session 2

INTEGRATION OF ACUPUNCTURE INTO HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS: REGULATORY AND COST-EFFECTIVENESS ASPECTS

Chairs: Rosa Schnyer - Eleonora Marchi

Discussant: Alice Fauci, Sonia Baccetti

14:25 Presentation of topics and panellists

14:30 Cost-effectiveness of acupuncture and integration into healthcare – Examples from Europe

C. WITT

15:00 Integrating acupuncture services into conventional academic and military medical centers in the United States

R. COEYTAUX

15:30 Beyond efficacy: conducting and translating research for policy-makers considering acupuncture reimbursement in a small, rural US state

R. DAVIS

16:00 Discussion

16:30 Coffee break

POSTER SESSION

Chairs: Johannes Fleckenstein, Annunzio Matrà

16:50

17:50 Discussion

18:10 Closing remarks

21st October

Panel Session 3

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND EBM IN ACUPUNCTURE. THE PLACEBO ISSUE

Chairs: Robert Davis - Federico Marmori

Discussant: Konstantina Theodoratou

8:25	Presentation of topics and panellists
8:30	Towards a better understanding of why so many acupuncture trials are "negative" in contrast to results often seen in clinical practice H. MACPHERSON
9:00	Recommendations for the use of acupuncture in clinical practice and treatment guidelines S. BIRCH
9:30	Round Table Discussion
10:30	Coffee break

Panel Session 4

FROM ACUPUNCTURE RESEARCH TO CLINICAL PRACTICE

Chairs: Remy Coeytaux - Carlo Maria Giovanardi

Discussant: Stefan Costescu, Alessio Lilli

10:45	Presentation of topics and panellists
10:50	Evidence-informed integration of acupuncture into cancer care J. MAO
11:20	Acupuncture in the treatment of Gulf War illness among veterans R. SCHNYER
11:50	Acupuncture in migraine: from research to clinical management G.B. ALLAIS
12:20	Discussion
12:50	CME and survey of participants' satisfaction
13:10	Symposium Conclusions

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