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Oral Presentations

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Poster Session Venue

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Lunch and Coffee

Cafetería

Welcome cocktail

Hotel Abba. Address: Av de la Constitución, 21, 18014 Granada

Farewell Dinner

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Wednesday, September 10

- 15:00** Registration and poster setup at Poster Session Venue
- 15:30 - 17:00** IPLASS Board Meeting
- 17:00 - 17:30** Opening and welcome remarks by IPLASS President Dr. Ornella Parolini, and note from Local Organizer Dr. Enrique G. Olivares
- 17:30 - 18:30** Opening Keynote Lecture: **Hanna K.A. Mikkola.** Uncovering the stem/progenitor cells in the placenta
University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California (USA)
- 19:30** **Welcome cocktail.** Hotel Abba. Address: Av de la Constitución, 21, 18014 Granada

Thursday, September 11

SESSION I - Stem cells in the human endometrium

Chairs: Enrique G. Olivares, Euan M. Wallace

- 9:00 - 9:30** **Francisco J. Esteban.** Endometrial stem cell omics. University of Jaén, Jaén (Spain).
- 9:30 - 10:00** **Massimo Dominici.** Human endometrial tissue as source of bio-active mesenchymal progenitors. University Hospital of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Modena (Italy).
- 10:00 - 10:30** Coffee break

SESSION II - Maternal side of the placenta: Human decidual stromal cells and their stem cells characteristics

Chairs: Francisco Jose Nicolás, Ignacio J. Molina

- 10:30 - 11:00** **Enrique G. Olivares.** Decidual stromal cells: mesenchymal stem cells, follicular dendritic cells or pericytes? Universidad de Granada, Granada (Spain).
- 11:00 - 11:30** **Ana Isabel Flores.** Multipotent stromal stem cells from human decidua: differentiation, homing, and therapeutic potential.
Instituto de Investigación Hospital 12 de Octubre Madrid (Spain).

SESSION III - Fetal side of the placenta: placenta-derived stem cells, their characteristics and potential

Chairs: Massimo Dominici, Francisco Martin

- 11:30 - 12:00** **Ornella Parolini.** Immunomodulatory properties of placenta derived cells.
Fondazione Poliambulanza-Istituto Ospedaliero, Brescia (Italy).
- 12:00 - 12:30** **Giampiero La Rocca.** Wharton's jelly cells: where we are on the long way to define their in vivo role and uncover their therapeutic potential.
Università degli Studi di Palermo; Istituto Euro-Mediterraneo di Scienza e Tecnologia (IEMEST), Palermo, Italy .
- 12:30 - 14:00** Lunch
- 14:00 - 15:30** Selected Oral Presentations
- 15:30 - 16:30** Coffee break with Poster session
- 22:30** **Visit to the Alhambra by night**

Friday, September 12

SESSION IV – Cell therapy approaches using placenta cells or derivatives

Chairs: Ornella Parolini, Mario Delgado

9:00 - 9:30 **Cesar Borlongan.** Antiinflammatory effects of amnion-derived stem cell grafts in stroke and traumatic brain injury. University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida (USA).

9:30 - 10:00 **Euan M. Wallace.** Taming the winds of Aiolos. Amnion epithelial cells and preterm lung disease. Monash University, Clayton, Victoria, (Australia)

10:00 - 10:30 Coffee Break with Poster session

10:30 - 11:00 **Mohamed Abumaree.** Therapeutic potential of human chorionic villi mesenchymal stem cells in multiple sclerosis. King Abdulla International Medical Research Center, Riyadh (Saudi Arabia).

11:00 - 12:30 Selected Oral Presentations

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch

Chairs: Cesar Borlongan, Ana Isabel Flores

14:00 - 14:30 **Francisco José Nicolás.** Amniotic membrane effect on wound healing. Molecular lessons. Hospital Universitario Virgen de la Arrixaca, El Palmar, Murcia (Spain).

14:30 - 15:00 **Mario Delgado.** Therapeutic potential of human amniotic membrane-derived cells in autoimmunity. Instituto de Parasitología y Biomedicina, CSIC, Granada (Spain)

15:00 - 15:30 **Stephen Strom.** Stem cell correction of liver disease. Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm (Sweden).

15:30 - 16:00 Coffee break with Poster session

16:00 - 17:00 Selected Oral Presentations

17:00 - 17:30 Awards for the best Oral and Poster presentations

17:30 - 18:15 General Assembly and election of the new President, Secretary and Treasurer.

20:00 **Farewell dinner.** Carmen de la Victoria (Albayzín). Address: Cuesta del Chapiz, 9, 18010 Granada.



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01 The human amniotic membrane as a feeder layer for human adipose derived stem cells

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02 The Regenerative Potential of the Amniotic Fluid Stem Cells' Secretome

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03 Gestational stage affects amniotic epithelial cells phenotype, methylation status

Immunomodulatory and stemness properties

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04 Immunomodulatory properties of human Amniotic Epithelial Cells are not altered in serum-free three-dimensional (3D) culture conditions

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05 Characteristics of hematopoietic stem/progenitor cells from placental tissue, umbilical cord blood and fetal liver

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06 Endothelial colony-forming cells (ECFC): abundant sourcing from human placenta, and evidence for neo-angiogenic stem cell hierarchy

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07 Multipotent trophoblast cells derived from native and cryopreserved human placental tissue

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08 Trophoblast stem cells: characteristics and anticancer properties

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09 Cryopreserved human amniotic membrane as a multi-purpose biomaterial for various applications

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O10 Hepatocellular carcinoma treatment with human amniotic membrane extract: assembling a cellular puzzle

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O11 Transplantation of Wharton's jelly-derived mesenchymal stromal cells as a therapy of encephalopathy of prematurity in a rat model

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O12 Mesenchymal stem cells for contusive spinal cord injury repair: Challenges to overcome

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O13 Decidual stromal cells as treatment for acute graft versus host disease

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O14 Successful reversal of acute lung injury using placenta-derived decidual stromal cells

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O15 Toll-Like Receptor Agonist-Induced Preeclampsia Symptoms in Mice are Treatable with Placental Expanded (PLX)-PAD Cells

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O16 Treatment of severe chronic graft-versus-host disease with decidual stromal cells and tracing with ¹¹¹Indium radiolabeling

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POSTER PRESENTATIONS

P1 Close relationship between endometriotic cells and mesenchymal stem cells

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P2 Determination of HLA-G in endometriosis and other allergic diseases

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P3 Novel isolation strategy to deliver pure fetal-origin and maternal-origin mesenchymal stem cell (MSC) populations from human term placenta

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P4 Induction of apoptosis in decidual stromal cells in response to decidualization

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P5 ¹⁴C-TdR labeling for *in vivo* tracking of human placenta derived mesenchymal stem cells in nude mice

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**P6 Rat-derived amniotic epithelial cells differentiate into mature hepatocytes *in vivo* with no evidence of cell fusion**

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P7 Isolation and characterization of mouse fetal membrane cells: A new source for mouse mesenchymal stromal cells

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P8 Human amniotic membrane mapping: a new morphological point of view with functional implications

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P9 Human perinatal tissues as a source of genetically stable mesenchymal stromal cells: future implications in cell therapy-based studies

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P10 Osteodifferentiation of human amniotic membrane: outcome for clinical uses

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P11 Changes in cellular properties during hepatic differentiation of hAECs

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P12 Shifting back the fetomaternal interface: Wharton's jelly mesenchymal stem cells immunomodulatory molecules and their journey from umbilical cord to differentiated cells

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P13 Hepatocyte-like cells differentiated from Wharton's jelly mesenchymal stem cells: functional characterization and expression of immunomodulatory molecules

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P14 Wharton's jelly immunomodulatory properties and unique markers expression: new actors at play

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P15 Younger is better? Isolation and phenotypical characterization of mesenchymal stem cells from the Wharton's jelly of pre-term human umbilical cords

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P16 Xeno-free isolation and expansion of human amniotic mesenchymal stromal cells

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P17 Sterility testing in amniotic graft processing

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P18 Human amniotic membrane secreted factors: association with conventional chemotherapy for hepatocellular carcinoma therapy

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P19 Decidual stromal cell therapy may induce anti-HLA antibodies in epidermolysis bullosa patients, but not in allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplant patients

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P20 Anti-fibrotic effects of fresh human amniotic membrane in cholestatic liver fibrosis induced in rat

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