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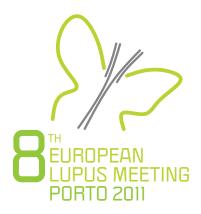Phone: +351 228 348 940
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Preliminary Program – Alfândega Congress Center

	APRIL 6			APRIL 7		APRIL 8		APRIL 9	
			7.30 - 8.30	Meet the Professor		Meet the Professor			
			8.30 - 10.30	Plenary Session		Plenary Session			
			10.30 - 11.00	Coffee Break and Poster View (Tour)		Coffee Break and Poster View (Tour)		Abstracts of the meeting for residents	Abstracts of the meeting for patients
			11.00 - 12.30	Multi Sessions		Multi Sessions		Basic, Seniors Physicians	
				Clinical		Clinical		Clinical, Seniors Physicians	
				Basic & Clinical		Basic & Clinical		Basic & Clinical Seniors Physicians	
				Basic		Basic			
			12.30 - 14.30	Lunch and Poster View (Tour)		Lunch and Poster View (Tour)		Lunch	
PM	Pre-meeting Courses		14.30 - 16.00	Multi Sessions		Multi Sessions			
				Clinical		Clinical			
				Basic & Clinical		Basic & Clinical			
				Basic		Basic			
18.00	Opening Session		16.00 - 16.30	Coffee Break and Poster View (Tour)		Coffee Break and Poster View (Tour)			
20.30	Welcome Cocktail		16.30 - 18.30	Multi Sessions		Multi Sessions			
				Clinical		Clinical			
				Basic & Clinical		Basic & Clinical			
				Basic		Basic			

Welcoming Lupus 2011
"So this is Lupus"

The next European Lupus meeting will take place in Porto, the capital of northern Portugal.

Portugal "gave new worlds to the world" as Camões wrote. Opened new doors, new bridges to the world in the 15 and 16 century, when Europe was in risk to be locked in itself. Portugal showed that it is possible to win over fear, win over doubts and discover the unknown.

Now is the time for Lupus, the time for discovering the pieces of the puzzle, but also what is the meaning behind the puzzle of Lupus.

Quoting one of the most famous Portuguese poets, Fernando Pessoa, "God wills, man dreams, the work is born". So let's do it!

Let's discuss what we know about its pathogenesis, let's highlight all its thousand faces, let's remember all the investigations done and discuss the new roads of research. Let's share the certainties, the doubts and strategies.

So this is Lupus…

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L. Kater (deceased)   1st European Conference on Systemic Lupus Erythematosus 1990, Amsterdam
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Josef Smolen   4th European Conference on Systemic Lupus Erythematosus 1999, Wien
Harry Moutsopoulos   5th European Conference on Systemic Lupus Erythematosus 2002, Athens
David Isenberg   6th European Lupus Meeting 2005, London
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Topics for Lupus 2011 program

Immunogenetic
· Genetics of Lupus
· Translational research: how to optimize
· T and B cells
· TLR and Lupus
· Signal transduction abnormalities
· Are antibodies bystanders or really part of pathology
· Animal models

Epidemiology
· Environment and geoepidemiology of SLE
· Drugs and Lupus
· SLE differences and similarities among countries

Clinical disease
· Biomarkers
· Focus on different organs involvements
· Difficult organ disease
· Pediatric / adolescent Lupus
· Lupus in males
· Classification criteria
· Can we go further in subsetting lupus patients
· Staging Lupus disease: the vital importance of the variable T (time)
· Refractory disease: definitions
· The real weight of comorbidities
· How to aggressively change the principal cause of death (atherosclerosis and infections)
· Lupus in pregnancy / Assessment of babies from mothers with lupus

Therapeutic
· How to design optimal trials
· New developments in biologic therapies
· Belimumab
· What effects does B cell depletion have on others cells, eg T cells
· Stem cell research
· Non-pharmacological therapies

Registration fees

	Until 1 February 2011	As of 1 February 2011	As of 15 March 2011
Participant	€ 400,00	€ 450,00	€ 500,00
Trainee (*) Resident (*) Fellow (*)	€ 250,00	€ 300,00	€ 350,00

* Proof of trainee / resident / fellow status and age (copy of passport) is to be sent to the Congress Secretariat. Without this proof the participant fee will be charged.

The registration fee includes access to the scientific sessions and the exhibition, the congress bag, a badge and an abstract book. Coffee breaks and luncheon indicated in the program are also included.