Microscopic Colitis – New Insights and Recommendations

May 21, 2020
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Copenhagen, Denmark

Preliminary Program
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Preface

Microscopic colitis is an inflammatory bowel disease characterized by chronic non-bloody diarrhoea and no or only few abnormalities on endoscopy. Symptom burden may include even abdominal pain, nocturnal diarrhoea, urgency, faecal incontinence and fatigue. Active microscopic colitis is associated with an severely impaired health-related quality of life and increased health-care costs. Major risk factors for microscopic colitis include female gender, age, smoking and specific drugs such as PPI and NSAIDs. The diagnosis relies solely on histological examination of multiple biopsy samples from the colonic mucosa. The two major histological subtypes are collagenous colitis and lymphocytic colitis, but incomplete and variant forms may occur. Oral budesonide has been established as first-line treatment for microscopic colitis given its good efficacy and favourable safety profile. However, relapse rates are high and treatment of budesonide-refractory patients remains challenging. During the last decade significant progress has been made to better understand the aetiology and pathophysiology of microscopic colitis. Ongoing clinical research is trying to improve the assessment of disease activity, to better understand the long-term outcome of microscopic colitis and to develop treatment strategies for steroid-dependent patients.

We are delighted to welcome you to the Falk Workshop: “Microscopic Colitis – New Insights and Recommendations” held in Copenhagen on 21th May, 2020. Our goal is to provide a broad overview over the current knowledge and recent developments both in basic science and clinical management of this particular disease. Again, we are very grateful to the Falk Foundation for giving us the opportunity to organize the second workshop in Europe exclusively dedicated to microscopic colitis.

Hopefully, this workshop will help to advance the understanding of this inflammatory bowel disease and provide a solid basis for improving patient care in everyday practice.

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Start of Registration:
Wednesday, May 20, 2020
16.00 – 21.00 h
at the congress office

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Workshop Venue:
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The Workshop is organized by Falk Foundation e.V.
### Session I
**Epidemiology and symptoms**

**Chair:** L.K. Munck, Koge; M.J. Pierik, Maastricht

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### Session II
**Endoscopy and pathology**

**Chair:** C. Langner, Graz; S. Wildt, Koge

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Session III
Pathophysiology and risk factors

Chair: G. Bouma, Amsterdam; G. Latella, L’Aquila

11.40 Overview pathophysiology
   G.E. Tontini, Milan

11.55 Genetics
   M. D’Amato, Clayton

12.05 Microscopic colitis transcriptom
   A.E. Ostvik, Trondheim

12.15 Immunology
   Y.Z. Abdo, Terrassa

12.25 Microbiota / faecal markers
   S. Wildt, Koge

12.35 Aquaporins
   C. Escudero-Hernández, Linköping

12.45 Risk factors
   J. Kupcinskas, Kaunas

13.00 Lunch break

Session IV
Therapy

Chair: O.K. Bonderup, Silkeborg; F. Fernández-Bañares, Terrassa

14.20 Treatment
   S. Miehlke, Hamburg

14.40 Immunomodulators / biologicals
   A. Münk, Linköping

14.55 Our experience with using prospective cohort studies
   H. Khalili, Boston

15.15 Microscopic colitis – the American perspective
   D.S. Pardi, Rochester

15.35 The future of microscopic colitis / last words
   A. Münk, Linköping

15.45 Coffee and end of Workshop
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Congress Fees

Scientific Program of Workshop  EUR 150
Students (copy of student ID required)  EUR 75

The congress fees include:
- Pre-Opening and Welcome on Wednesday, May 20, 2020
- Refreshments during coffee breaks
- Lunch on May 21, 2020
- A copy of the abstract volume
- A copy of the final program
Registration

Congress registrations must reach the Foundation e.V. by **February 15, 2020, at the latest.**

After receipt of the registration form, each participant will be provided with confirmation of his registration/invoice. On presentation of this confirmation at the congress office in Copenhagen participants will receive the congress folder containing name badges, admission tickets and the abstract volume.

In the event of registration cancellations, a handling fee of EUR 20 will be deducted from the refund. All participants will receive a written confirmation of attendance at the end of the meeting.

Admission to Scientific Events

For admission to scientific events your name badge should be clearly visible. Accompanying persons are not permitted during the conference at any time.

Airport

You can take the train directly from Copenhagen Airport Terminal 3 on track 2 to Copenhagen. Get off at Copenhagen Central Station and walk to the hotel, which is located within 8-10 minutes walking distance.

You can also get a train on track 11 and 12 at Central Station that will take you to Dybbølsbro Station. You can also take the no. 30 bus from Central Station to Fisketorvet Shopping Center. Tickets from the airport to Copenhagen Central Station are also valid on the bus, metro and S-train.

Taking a taxi from the airport will cost approx. DKK 280. All taxis are metered and accept all major international credit cards.
International Symposia and Workshops

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Primary Liver Cancer – Emerging Concepts and Novel Treatments
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Symposium 220
XXVI International Bile Acid Meeting: Bile Acids in Health and Disease 2020
Amsterdam, The Netherlands
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Symposium 221
IBD Management in the New Decade: Old Myths and New Realities
Athens, Greece
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Symposium 222
Eosinophilic Esophagitis – Advanced Science for Everyday Challenges in Clinical Practice
Zurich, Switzerland
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