

Announcement and Programme

**EBMT Autoimmune Diseases Working Party
Educational Meeting**

**Including a joint symposium with
the UK Scleroderma Group**

29-30 November 2013, Sheffield, UK
Organizers: D. Farge-Bancel, J. Snowden



Dear Colleagues,

This two day educational meeting will cover different topics related to HSCT and other cellular therapies for severe autoimmune diseases. The first day will be devoted to systemic sclerosis and organised jointly with the UK Scleroderma Group. The second day is devoted to neurological and gastroenterological diseases. Both days will also have elements of basic science relating to cellular therapy in autoimmune diseases.

Attendance from many different specialists and scientific colleagues is expected, and we hope this unique collaborative meeting will generate ongoing 'cross-fertilization' of ideas for the future development of our specialities.

Best Regards,

Dominique Farge-Bancel and John Snowden

Course Faculty

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Jerry Coghlan	Roland Martin
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Chris Denton	Pam Shaw
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Aims of the Course

The participants of the educational event will gain knowledge of:

1. Standard and cellular therapeutic approaches to severe systemic sclerosis
2. Assessment of the severe systemic sclerosis patient
3. Systemic sclerosis and graft-versus-host disease: similarities and differences
4. Cellular therapy for neurological diseases
5. Cellular therapy for inflammatory bowel disease
6. Mechanisms of action of HSCT and cellular therapy in autoimmune diseases
7. Future directions in cell therapy for autoimmune diseases

Day 1 - Friday 29th November

10.00-11.00	UK Scleroderma Society business meeting	
10.00-11.00	Arrivals and coffee for other participants.	
11.00-11.10	Welcome and introduction	C. Denton, D. Farge, J. Snowden
Session I: Severe systemic sclerosis: revised pathophysiology, refined evaluation and current standard immunosuppressive approaches		Chairs: K. Leblanc, M. Akil
11.10-11.30	New perspectives for the pathophysiology of systemic sclerosis: lessons from graft-versus-host disease (GvHD)	C. Denton
11.30-11.50	The importance of cardiopulmonary evaluation in systemic sclerosis	G. Coghlan, D. Kiely
11.50-12.10	The ESOS study	A. Herrick
Session II: Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation for systemic sclerosis		Chairs: R. Saccardi, M. Buch
12.10-12.30	Northwestern University experience	R. Burt
12.30-12.45	ASTIS trial	J. van Laar, D. Farge, A. Tyndall
12.45-13.00	Ribeirão de Preto - University of São Paulo experience	M.C. Olivera
13.15-14.15	Lunch	
Session III: Systemic sclerosis and graft versus host disease: similarities and differences		Chairs: C. Denton
14.20-14.35	Experimental models of systemic sclerosis: relevance to graft-versus-host disease (GvHD)	D. Abraham
14.35-14.55	The HSCT expert's perspective	J. Finke
14.55-15.10	Skin histology after HSCT in systemic sclerosis	T. Daikeler
15.10-15.25	Biomarkers in graft-versus-host disease (GvHD)	A. Bondanza
15.30-16.00	Coffee Break	
Session IV: Future directions for severe systemic sclerosis		Chairs: R. Burt, C. Denton
16.00-16.20	Cellular therapy and mesenchymal stem cells: from graft-versus-host disease (GvHD) to systemic sclerosis	K. Le Blanc
16.20-16.35	Immune reconstitution after HSCT for autoimmune diseases: from current experience to standardization	T. Alexander
16.35-16.50	HSCT and/or mesenchymal stem cells for the systemic sclerosis specialist	D. Farge
16.50-17.00	Will HSCT be good value for money in systemic sclerosis?	P. Tappenden
17.30	Close and thanks	D. Farge, C. Denton, J. Snowden

Day 2 - Saturday 30th November

8.30-10.00	ADWP Business meeting	D. Farge, J. Snowden, M. Badoglio
10.00 - 10.30	Coffee Break	

Session V: Cellular and immune therapies for neurological diseases

Chairs: R. Saccardi, B. Sharrack

10.30-10.50	Cellular therapy: HSCT or mesenchymal stem cells for multiple sclerosis (MS) and neuroinflammatory diseases?	R. Martin
10.50 - 11.15	Motor neurone disease: is there a role for stem cell transplantation?	P. Shaw
11.15 - 11.30	Neuromyelitis optica (NMO)	R. Greco
11.30 - 11.45	Chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy (CIDP)	M. Kazmi
11.45 - 12.15	Northwestern University experience in MS, NMO and CIDP	R. Burt
12.15 - 12.35	Immunoabsorption as an alternative approach for the treatment of autoimmune diseases of the nervous system	B. Hohenstein
12.35 - 12.55	Panel Discussion	R. Saccardi, B. Sharrack
13.00-14.00	Lunch	

Session VI: Inflammatory bowel disease

Chairs: M. Kazmi, A. Lobo

14.00-14.15	Randomised clinical trials of HSCT: what can we learn from the ASTIC study?	C. Hawkey
14.15-14.30	Prognostic value of endoscopic analysis and gene mapping in Crohn's disease	TBC

Session VII: Future Directions

Chairs: C. Hawkey, R. Martin

14.30-14.50	Rebooting dysfunctional immune systems with HSCT: from bench to bedside	T. Alexander, A. Bondanza
14.50-15.05	JACIE and clinical guidelines for cell therapy in non-malignant disease	J. Snowden
15.05-15.25	Future grant applications for cell therapy in autoimmune diseases: the EBMT perspectives	K. Le Blanc, D. Farge
16.30	Close	

Registration

Registration for the course can be carried out at the following link:

www.ebmt.org/ADWP2013

The course has a modular format. Participants can choose to attend either one or both of the educational days, plus an optional informal dinner on the evening of Friday 29th November.

The registration fee for each of these three modules is **£40**.

If you are interested in booking your accommodation, the University has a boutique hotel very close to the venue called the Halifax Hall Hotel. They offer a very competitive price of **£55 + VAT** for bed and breakfast.

To book your stay at the Halifax Hall Hotel, send an email to:

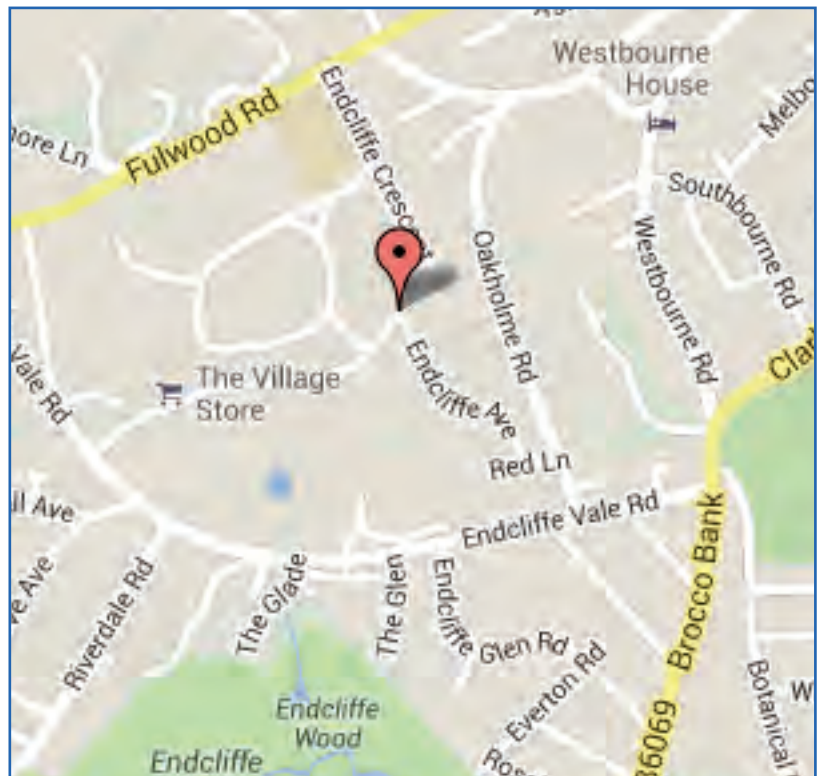
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Venue

The venue for the course is as follows:

The Edge
34 Endcliffe Crescent
Sheffield, S10 3ED
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For more information on the dinner venue, go to:
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