


Highlights


A **joint meeting of the four Working Groups** is taken place as part of the 47th Annual Meeting of the European Pancreatic Club on the 23th June, with the aim to foster collaborations within the COST Action and with the European Pancreatic Club. These meetings will provide ideal surroundings for participants to leverage knowledge and build awareness about pancreatic cancer. In our next newsletter we will focus on the key conclusions and issues covered in the meetings. Please also check our website (www.eupancreas.com) and twitter ([EUPancreas](https://twitter.com/EUPancreas)) for regular updates.

Scientific Program EPC 2015: EUPancreas members participating

24th June	25th June	26th June
<p>09:30-12:30 Educational Session - All you wanted to know and never dared to ask</p> <p>11:00-11:30 Pancreatic cancer stem cells - Bruno Sainz 11:30-12:00 Bioinformatics in today's practice - Fátima Al-Sharour 10:00-10:30 Chronic pancreatitis - Julia Mayerle 11:30-12:00 The multimodality management of pancreatic cancer - Alfredo Carrato</p> <p>14:00-15:40 SESSION 1 - Genetics Chairs: Federico Canzian & Jonas Rosendahl 14:00-14:20 From Germline Genetics to Function – Making Sense of Genome-Wide Association Studies for Pancreatic Cancer Risk Laufey Amundadottir 14:30-14:40 Patterns of comorbidity and multimorbidity in pancreatic cancer patients - Paulina Gómez-Rubio 15:20-15:40 Periodontal disease, oral bacteria and pancreatic cancer Dominique Michaud 16:10-17:50 SESSION 2 - Epidemiology and Inflammation Chairs: Laufey Amundadottir & Eithne Costello 16:10-16:30 Pancreatic cancer aetiology: Digging into the unknown - Núria Malats 17:30-17:50 Data Science in Translational Clinical Research Eduardo González Couto 18:00-19:00 Round Table - Increasing pancreas cancer awareness in Europe Moderator: Francisco X. Real Dennis Horgan, Matthias Löhner, Núria Malats, Ali Stunt, Alfredo Carrato, Pascal Hammel, Rachel Joyne</p>	<p>10:35-12:05 SESSION 4 - The pancreatic stroma Chairs: Eva Vaquero & Patrick Michl 11:25-11:35 Pancreatic stellate cells express ZEB1 that is essential for the maintenance of an activated apoptotic-resistant and pro-tumoral phenotype Irene Sangrador 13:15-14:35 SESSION 5 - PDAC Treatment Minisymposium Challenges in the implementation of treatment for advanced pancreatic cancer Abraxane first - Alfredo Carrato 14:35-16:05 SESSION 6 - Pancreatic Tumors Chairs: Dieter Saur & Cristina Fillat 14:35-14:55 NGS of neuroendocrine tumors Aldo Scarpa 16:30-17:50 SESSION 7 - PANCREATITIS Chairs: Xavier Molero & Julia Mayerle 19:10-20:10 Tapas with the professor David Whitcomb, John Neoptolemos, Djuna Cahen, Laufey Amundadottir, Minoti Apte, Fred Lemaigre</p>	<p>08:30-11:30 Society Meeting: 2nd EU Multi-Stakeholder Platform on Pancreatic Cancer Meeting (Room C) 10:25-11:25 SESSION 9 - PDAC-1 Chairs: Juan Iovanna & Paola Martinelli 11:15-11:25 Epigenetic changes mediated by the polycomb repressor complex 1 in acinar-to-ductal metaplasia and pancreatic carcinogenesis Simone Benitz 11:25-12:25 SESSION 10 - PDAC-2 11:55-12:05 Role of HNF6 in the initiation of pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma Patrick Jacquemin 14:00-14:55 SESSION 11 - EPC2015-YOUPPIE-EUPancreas Chairs: Marco del Chiaro & Núria Malats 15:00-18:00 EPC & CPE JOINT MEETING Chairs: Francisco X Real & Andrés del Pozo 15:00-15:25 Tobacco vs. alcohol in pancreatic diseases Carlo La Vecchia</p>
		<p> The hashtag we will use during the EPC meeting in Toledo is: #EUPancreasEPC15.</p>


Early Career Investigators (ECIs):


 **"EPC2015&YOUPPIE&EUPancreas"** awards. During the EPC meeting, Friday 26th June, a special session dedicated to young researchers will be held. Two young researchers have been nominated for this award (Simone Hausmann and Nicolien Schepers).

 A WG2 Workshop on **"Cancer genomics and personalised medicine: focus on pancreatic cancer"** will be held on 1st July in Barcelona, Spain. Please find the preliminary agenda in our website (www.eupancreas.com).

Upcoming Scientific Events:

 EARC Conference Series 2015. 2nd Special Conference on **Cancer Genomics**. Cambridge, UK. 28 June – 1 July 2015


 ESMO. 17th **World Congress on Gastrointestinal Cancer**. Barcelona, Spain. 1 - 4 July 2015


 **The Human Microbiome. Present Status and Future Prospects**. Barcelona, Spain. 2-3 July 2015



Some Pancreatic Cancer-related published studies in May 2015:

Please acknowledge the "COST Action BM1204 EU-Pancreas" in your publications

 Kisiel JB, et al. [New DNA Methylation Markers for Pancreatic Cancer: Discovery, Tissue Validation, and Pilot Testing in Pancreatic Juice](#). Clin Cancer Res. 2015 May 28. [Epub ahead of print]

 Wang P, et al. [Micro-RNA-155 is induced by K-Ras oncogenic signal and promotes ROS stress in pancreatic cancer](#). Oncotarget. 2015 May 12. [Epub ahead of print]

 Harinck F, et al; Dutch research group on pancreatic cancer surveillance in high-risk individuals. [A multicentre comparative prospective blinded analysis of EUS and MRI for screening of pancreatic cancer in high-risk individuals](#). Gut. 2015 May 18. [Epub ahead of print]