

**PROGRAMME OF LIVE SESSIONS: CEST timing**

The programme below will take place live. This time schedule corresponds to **CEST timing**. [Click here](#) to adapt the CEST time schedule to your own time zone.

If you want to ask questions during the Panel Discussions and Round Table, please make sure that you join us at the times indicated below.

Please also note that the Meet the Expert sessions and the Mentored Poster Walk will take place 100% live. To interact you must be online at the times indicated in the programme below.

Thank you for joining us. We wish you a good meeting!



**Conference  
8<sup>th</sup> Translational Research E-Conference  
MYELODYSPLASTIC SYNDROMES  
April 7-10, 2022**

**Chairpersons: Pierre Fenaux (Paris), Uwe Platzbecker (Leipzig), Mikkael Sekeres (Miami)**

**Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**13:30–13:40 Welcome: Pierre Fenaux (Paris), Uwe Platzbecker (Leipzig), Mikkael Sekeres (Miami)**

**SESSION I – Disease biology: the genomics and its consequences in myelodysplastic syndromes**

**Chair: Pierre Fenaux (Paris)**

13:40-13:45	Introduction	Pierre Fenaux (Paris)
13:45-14:00	CHIP: Clonal hematopoiesis of not-so-indeterminate potential	Klaus Metzeler (Leipzig)
14:00-14:15	Clonal cytopenia of undetermined significance	Luca Malcovati (Pavia)
14:15-14:30	Epigenetic deregulation in MDS	Maria Figueroa (Miami)
14:30-14:45	sAML vs. de novo AML	Felicitas Thol (Hannover)
14:45-14:52	<u>Brief oral communication</u>	
	Transient Monosomy 7 in SAMD9/9L syndromes: is it safe to watch and wait?	Miriam Erlacher (Freiburg)
14:52-15:25	<i>Panel discussion</i>	

**15:25-15:35 Coffee Break**

**SESSION II – Disease biology:**

**Immune and microenvironment alterations and its implications in myelodysplastic syndromes**

**Chair: Mikkael Sekeres (Miami)**

15:35-15:40	Introduction	Mikkael Sekeres (Miami)
15:40-15:55	The immunome	Shahram Kordasti (London)
15:55-16:10	Impact of the microbiome on hematopoiesis	Katherine King (Houston)
16:10-16:25	The niche	Marc Raaijmakers (Rotterdam)
16:25-16:40	The case of iron	Valeria Santini (Florence)
16:40-16:47	<u>Brief oral communication</u> Interplay between inflammation and epigenetics in tumor reprogramming of mesenchymal stromal cells (MSCs) in myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS)	Cesarina Giallongo (Catania)
16:47-17:20	<i>Panel discussion</i>	

**17:40-18:40 Mentored poster walk**

- **Biology poster walk leaders :** Michaela Fontenay (Paris) & Jaroslaw Maciejewski (Cleveland)
- **Clinical poster walk leaders :** Thomas Cluzeau (Nice) & Anne Sophie Kubasch (Leipzig)

**Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**13:00-14:00 SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM:**

From laboratory to clinic:

Targeting the immune system to obtain durable responses in Higher Risk MDS

**Chair:** Pierre Fenaux (Paris)

**Speakers:** Valeria Santini (Florence) & Marc Raaijmakers (Rotterdam)

*This educational symposium is organized and funded by Novartis*

**SESSION III – The future of myelodysplastic syndromes research**

**Chair: Michaela Fontenay (Paris)**

14:10-14:15	Introduction	Michaela Fontenay (Paris)
14:15-14:30	Single and Stem Cell Heterogeneity in MDS	Ulrich Steidl (New York)
14:30-14:45	Investigating the cross-talk between MDS and the BM niche using a humanised BM niche mode	Dominique Bonnet (London)
14:45-15:00	Artificial intelligence for treatment and prognosis	Anne Sophie Kubasch (Leipzig)

15:00-15:15	PDX vs 3D-HOMES	Daniel Nowak (Mannheim)
15:15-15:22	<u>Brief oral communication</u> Small molecule inhibitor of Lysyl Oxidases synergizes with 5-Azacytidine to restore erythropoiesis in myeloid neoplasms	Daniel Nowak (Mannheim)
<i>15:22-15:55 Panel discussion</i>		
<b>15:55-16:05 Coffee Break</b>		
<b>SESSION IV – When is myelodysplastic syndromes really myelodysplastic syndromes, and when is it really bad myelodysplastic syndromes? Diagnosis and prognosis</b>		
Chair: Valeria Santini (Florence)		
16:05-16:10	Introduction	Valeria Santini (Florence)
16:10-16:25	The basics are enough: morphology, flow cytometry, and cytogenetics to diagnose MDS	Aristoteles Giagounidis (Düsseldorf)
16:25-16:40	The basics are not enough: how molecular genetics make the difference of MDS	Torsten Haferlach (Munich)
16:40-16:55	The best clinical prognostic system for MDS is...	Rami Komrokji (Tampa)
16:55-17:10	The best soup has many ingredients: prognosis in MDS combining clinical and biologic information	Jaroslaw Maciejewski (Cleveland)
17:10-17:17	<u>Brief oral communication</u> Treatment patterns and overall survival in patients with intermediate-risk myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS): a retrospective analysis from the Grupo Español De Síndromes Mielodisplásicos (GESMD) Spanish MDS registry	Maria Diez Campelo (Salamanca)
<i>17:17-17:50 Panel discussion</i>		
<b>18:00-19:00 3 Simultaneous meet the expert sessions</b>		
1.	Practical management of higher risk myelodysplastic syndromes	Mikkael Sekeres (Miami) & Lionel Adès (Paris)
2.	Practical management of anemia of lower risk myelodysplastic syndromes	Pierre Fenaux (Paris) & Valeria Santini (Florence)
3.	Practical management of chronic myelomonocytic leukemia	Raphael Itzykson (Paris) & Eric Solary (Paris)

Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**13:00-14:00 SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM:**

**The Impact of Mutational Profiling on the Lower-risk MDS Treatment Paradigm**

**Chair:** Valeria Santini (Florence)

**Speakers:** Marc Raaijmakers (Rotterdam) & Rami S. Komrokji (Tampa)

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**SESSION V – Special groups in myelodysplastic syndromes**

**Chair:** Pierre Fenaux (Paris)

14:10-14:15 Introduction Pierre Fenaux (Paris)

14:15-14:30 Spliceosome mutations: the voyage out Michaela Fontenay (Paris)

14:30-14:45 Why and how should we target mature cells of the clone in chronic myelomonocytic leukemia? Eric Solary (Paris)

14:45-15:00 Can quality of life be used to guide care for patients with MDS? Gregory A. Abel (Boston)

15:00-15:15 How to best define del (5q) Maria Diez Campelo (Salamanca)

15:15-15:22 Brief oral communication  
Vitamin B5 and Succinyl-CoA improve ineffective erythropoiesis in SF3B1 mutated myelodysplasia Celine Philippe (London)

15:22-15:55 *Panel discussion*

**15:55-16:05 Coffee Break**

**SESSION VI – Treatment of myelodysplastic syndromes**

**Chair:** Eva Hellström-Lindberg (Stockholm)

16:05-16:10 Introduction Eva Hellström-Lindberg (Stockholm)

16:10-16:25 ESA and other growth factors Eva Hellström-Lindberg (Stockholm)

16:25-16:40 HMAs: when and how Mikkael Sekeres (Miami)

16:40-16:55 Allo transplantation: when and how? Marie Robin (Paris)

16:55-17:10 Current treatment guidelines for CMML and rare subtypes Raphael Itzykson (Paris)

17:10-17:25 Overview of novel therapeutics in MDS: lessons from the lab Valeria Santini (Florence)

17:25-17:32 Brief oral communication  
PARP inhibitors promote reversible clonal haematopoiesis: Ellen Nuttall Musson (London)

real world data on clone dynamics and regression

17:32-18:05 *Panel discussion*

**18:15-19:15 2 Simultaneous meet the expert sessions (biological)**

1. How to best use NGS analysis in MDS : diagnosis, prognosis, Mrd
2. The IPSS-M in practice

Jaroslaw Maciejewski (Cleveland) &  
Torsten Haferlach (Munich)  
Elsa Bernard (New York) &  
Rami Komrokji (Tampa)

**Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**SESSION VII – Current progress in the treatment of myelodysplastic syndromes**

**Chair: Lionel Adès (Paris)**

11:00-11:05	Introduction	Lionel Adès (Paris)
11:05-11:20	Strategies to improve HMA based therapy	Pierre Fenaux (Paris)
11:20-11:35	Higher risk MDS: lessons from elderly AML	Lionel Adès (Paris)
11:35-11:50	A renewed role for intensive chemotherapy ?	Thomas Cluzeau (Nice)
11:50-12:05	Novel strategies to treat cytopenia in low risk MDS	Uwe Platzbecker (Leipzig)
12:05-12:12	<u>Brief oral communication</u> CPX 351 as first line treatment in higher risk MDS. a Phase II trial by the GFM	Pierre Peterlin (Nantes)

12:12-12:45 *Panel discussion*

12:45-13:05	<b>Keynote lecture:</b> Routine integration of molecular data in the prognostic stratification: the IPSS molecular	Elsa Bernard (New York)
13:05 -13:10	<i>Discussion</i>	

13:10 -13:40 *Lunch*

**SESSION VIII– Clinical trials in Europe and USA myelodysplastic syndromes consortium**

**Chair: Raphael Itzykson (Paris)**

13:40 -13:45 Introduction

Raphael Itzykson (Paris)

13:45 -14:30 Current **MDS/CMMI clinical trials in Europe:**

Ongoing MDS Studies in Italy  
GESMD clinical trials and projects  
GFM clinical trials in 2022  
Clinical trials - German MDS study group / EMSCO

Valeria Santini (Florence)  
Maria Diez Campelo (Salamanca)  
Pierre Fenaux (Paris)  
Anne Sophie Kubasch (Leipzig) &  
Silke Gloaguen (Leipzig)

14:30 -15:30 *Panel discussion (including US MDS consortium by Mikkael Sekeres [Miami])*

**SESSION IX – Late-breaking top news**

**Chair: Maria Diez Campelo (Salamanca)**

15:30-15:35	Introduction	Maria Diez Campelo (Salamanca)
15:35-15:50	Rethinking clinical trial endpoints in myelodysplastic syndromes	Mikkael Sekeres (Miami)
15:50-16:05	An interim report on new international MDS guidelines	Eva Hellström-Lindberg (Stockholm)
16:05-16:20	APR 246, Magorlimab and other potential drugs active in MDS/AML with TP53 mutation	Thomas Cluzeau (Nice)
16:20-16:35	New EU clinical trials regulation	Joanna Wilińska-Maćkowiak (Bremen)
16:35-17:05	<i>Panel discussion</i>	

**17:05-17:15 Closing remarks**