

RATIONALE

Nanoscience offers a chance to make significant progress in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer. The interaction in real time with normal and cancer cells at molecular and cellular level is being applied to two broad areas: the development of nanovectors for drug (or imaging agents) delivery to cancer cells and the design of nanosensor devices for early detection of cancer biological signatures.

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

MORNING SESSION

8.30 Welcome by the authorities

8.45 Opening

Enrico Garaci and Ulrik Ringborg

9.00 Innovation of cancer care in the 21st century – the role of European collaboration

Umberto Veronesi

9.30 Opportunities in the 7th FP and the Nanomedicine Platform

Renzo Tomellini

10.00 Nanotechnologies: an overview

Mauro Ferrari

SECTION 1: APPLICATION TO CANCER PREVENTION AND DIAGNOSIS

(Chair: U. Ringborg and D. de Valeriola)

10.30 Optical biopsy of cancer: nanotechnological aspects

Ricardas Rotomskis

10.50 Nanopore devices and nanoscale microscopies for genomics

Ugo Valbusa

11.10 Point-of-care systems for rapid DNA quantification in oncology

Marco Bianchessi

11.30 MR and iron magnetic nanoparticles: imaging opportunities in preclinical and translational research

Carlo Emanuele Neumaier

11.50 COFFEE BREAK

SECTION 2: APPLICATION TO CANCER TREATMENT - 1ST PART

(Chair: T. Tursz and G. Storme)

12.00 Drug Design: an overview on modern structure-based drug design

Tom Blundell

12.20 ABCD nanoparticles for the delivery of therapeutic nucleic acids and imaging agents to tumour

Andrew Miller

12.40 Apoptosis chip for testing of drugs on breast cancer cells

Albert van den Berg

13.00 LUNCH

AFTERNOON SESSION

SECTION 2: APPLICATION TO CANCER TREATMENT – 2ND PART

(Chair: A. Llombart-Bosch and K. Nilsson)

14.10 Drug delivery: application of liposomal drugs to neuroectodermal cancer treatment

Mirco Ponzoni

14.30 siRNA nanoformulation is efficient in mouse xenografted tumors expressing human junction oncogenes

Claude Paul Malvy

14.50 Transformation of novel nanomaterials to clinically viable nanomedicine tools: the case of carbon nanotubes

Kostas Kostarelos

15.10 Nanoparticles for tumour imaging and tumour gene Delivery

Daniel Scherman

15.30 Use of Nanoparticles for Cerebral Cancer

Jorg Kreuter

15.50 Therapeutic reactive oxygen generation using Fullerenes

Peter Scharff

16.10 COFFEE BREAK

SECTION 3: TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT.

(Chair: W. van Harten)

16.20 Assessment of new early phase nanotechnologies

W. van Harten

16.40 Nanoparticles: potential cancer risks and research needs

Richard Moore

17.00 CONCLUSIONS

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