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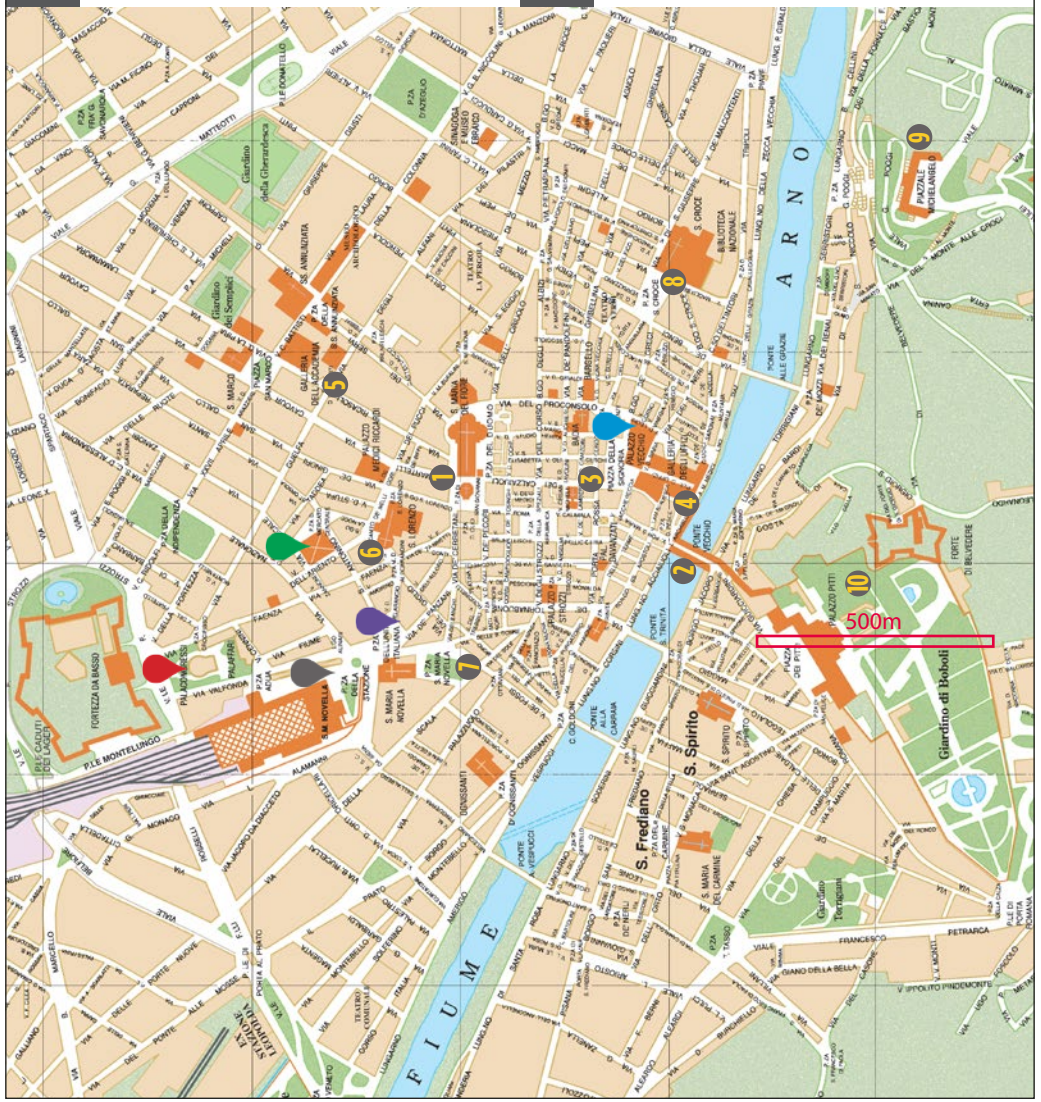

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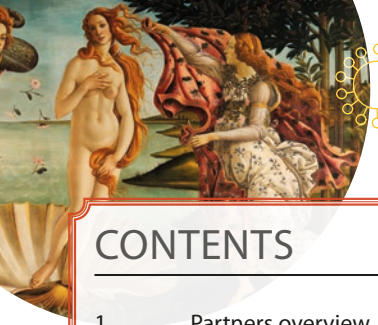

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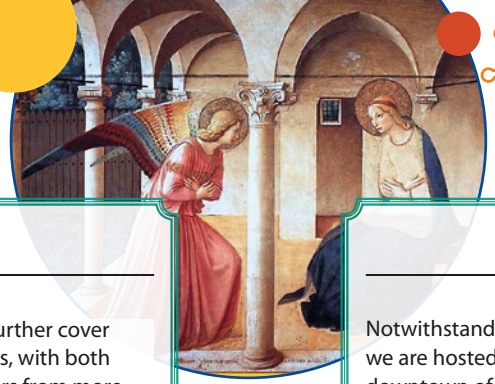

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Dear friends and colleagues,

Welcome to Florence and to the first joint meeting of the European Society for Gene and Cell Therapy (ESGCT) and the International Society for Stem Cell Research (ISSCR), organised in collaboration with the Italian Association of Biologists working on Cells and Differentiation (ABCD).

We are here to celebrate exciting advances in our understanding of stem cell regulation, tissue development, regeneration, disease, and immune controls that, together with emerging powerful technologies of genetic engineering, are driving the design of novel cell and gene therapy approaches. Furthermore, progress on the clinical front continues to prove the potential of these strategies to deliver remarkable benefits to patients: more clinical trials are opening, the number and follow-up of participants is increasing, and the first cell and gene therapy products have now reached the market.

We will discuss these and many other findings in a first-rate scientific programme featuring:

- Keynote lectures by Hans Clevers and George Q Daley.
- 7 plenary sessions covering: neural disease modelling and neural stem cell transplantation; the biology and clinical applications of hematopoietic stem cells and skeletal and cardiac muscle stem cells; organoids; cancer immuno–gene therapy; new technologies for genome and epigenome editing; gene therapy in the market; and *in vivo* gene therapy.
- 21 parallel sessions which further cover these and many other topics, with both invited and selected speakers from more than 500 abstracts submitted to the meeting.
- 2 poster sessions, each offered for a full day.
- Education sessions leveraging the expertise of top scientists from our societies.
- 3 workshops discussing the challenges of translating the investigational new cell and gene therapies into clinical trials and eventually delivering them as commercially available drugs.
- A debate at the close of the meeting, addressing the scientific merit, technical challenges, and ethical aspects of editing the human germline.
- The presentation of the ESGCT 2016 Outstanding Achievement Award to Amit Nathwani and of the ESGCT 2016 Young Investigator Award to Pietro Genovese, in the ESGCT Presidential Session.
- A special joint issue of the journals Human Gene Therapy and Stem Cells and Development, available to all participants, offering short reviews and perspectives from many of our distinguished speakers on emerging scientific topics and opportunities for our field, new challenges ahead, and their thoughts on how to address them.
- A public forum before the start of the meeting allowing our scientists to speak to the local community and explain these advances and their meaning to patients and the community, organised together with the Telethon Foundation.

Notwithstanding the promise of great science, we are hosted in the beautiful historical downtown of Florence, where you will find a high concentration of art masterpieces along the narrow streets and stunning squares dating from the Middle Ages, or in each of the many churches and museums. More than anywhere else, this city celebrates the vision of Renaissance humanists, artists, engineers, and scientists who put human genius and its achievements, free thinking, and open-minded investigation at the center of our intellectual and spiritual universe. I cannot resist citing the words that our most famous poet, the Florentine Dante Alighieri, put in Ulysses' mouth: "Fatti non foste a viver come bruti ma per seguir virtute e canoscenza", when he convinces his fellows to sail towards the unchartered seas, past the boundary of the known world, for the pursuit of virtue and knowledge, dismissing the calls and lures of material life. We are sure that this context, besides pleasing our senses, will be an inspiration to our work, as we aim to lead transformative new scientific understanding and powerful technologies towards advancing our knowledge and benefiting mankind by providing new treatment for diseases.

And if the science, arts, and humanism were not sufficient, don't forget to enjoy the unique Molecular Mingle social evening at the Mercato Centrale, a typical Italian market set in an original Art Nouveau building in one of the oldest squares of Florence. The market will be reserved for us and we will be able to sample fresh produce and high-quality food offered by local food artisans, followed by live music and dancing.

None of this would have been possible without the efforts and contribution of:

- the staff of our societies, who have worked unremittingly for the past year to organise the meeting and are here to help run it smoothly;
- the sponsors listed in the accompanying pages that have provided generous financial support;
- the members of the organising scientific committee, who have put together this remarkable programme;
- the invited speakers, many of whom have travelled from far away to be here and report their results;
- all of you, for your active participation and contributions.

We look forward to meeting you here and working together to make this a truly memorable event.

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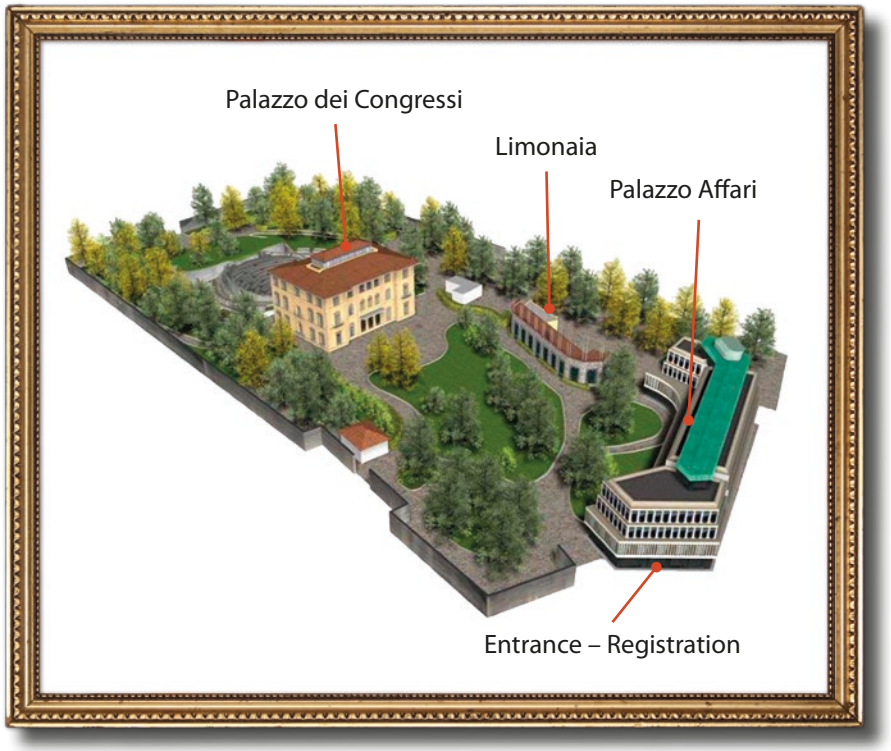

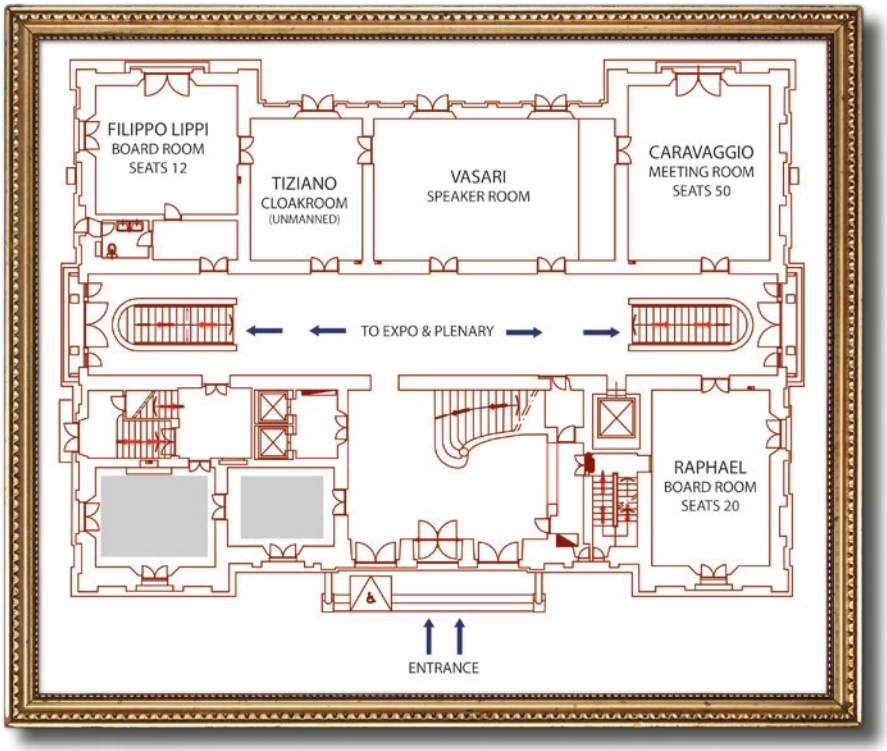

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Look out for our Congress Mascots! They'll be around and about, and will be busy posting photos and messages throughout the Congress. Find them and take a picture with them... you might win a prize!

Try the virus quiz! Have you ever wondered… If you were a virus, which virus you would be? Take the definitive quiz to find out at **https://uquiz.com/OLnLtv**

Are you ready to get social? We have a few challenges waiting for you!

We will award prizes to:

- The best Congress photo
- The best Florence photo
- The best Mascot photo
- The most retweeted Congress tweet
- The most liked Instagram photo

Only posts with the official hashtags **#ESGCT16** and **#isscr** will be considered! Bear in mind your privacy settings – if we can't see your posts, we can't include them in the contest.

Any questions? Come and speak to us at the ESGCT or ISSCR booths or tweet us **@ESGCT** and **@ISSCR** and we will be happy to help!

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17.00-19.00	**1: Neural diseases: modelling, reprogramming and transplantation in brain and retina** *Auditorium* *Sponsor: RegenXbio*
19.00-20.00	Welcome reception *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*
19.00-21.00	Molecular therapy 'meet the editor' reception *Sponsor: Molecular Therapy*

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10.30-11.00	Coffee break – *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*				
11.00-12.30	**2a: Imaging stem cells dynamics** *Botticelli*	**2b: Eye stem cell and gene therapy** *Masaccio* *Sponsor: MeiraGTX*	**2c: Central nervous system gene therapy** *Auditorium* *Sponsor: JSGT, Lysogene*		P. 76–77
12.30-14.00	Lunch – *Limonaia, Passi Perduti* *Odd numbered posters available for viewing in Leonardo & Fra Angelico rooms*				
12.45-13.45	**Lunch Symposium: Regulatory workshop for ATMPs** *Michelangelo* *Sponsor: BoReliance*				
14.00-15.30	**3: Skeletal and cardiac muscle stem cells: from biology and reprogramming to clinical applications** *Auditorium* *Sponsor: FinVector*				P. 77
16.00-16.30	Coffee break – *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*				
16.30-18.30	**3a: Organoids and high throughput platforms** *Botticellil*	**3b: Stem cell based neural disease modelling** *Masaccio*	**3c: Cardiovascular gene and cell therapy** *Michelangelo* *Sponsor: CellforCure*	**3d: Immunology/ cancer immuno-gene therapy I** *Auditorium*	P. 78–80
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10.30-12.30	**4a: Haematopoietic stem cells and homeostasis** *Auditorium*	**4b: MSC gene and cell therapy** *Botticelli*	**4c: *In vivo* gene therapy** *Masaccio* *Sponsors: Spark Therapeutics*	P. 82–83
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14.00-16.00	**5a: Cancer stem cells** *Masaccio*	**5b: *Ex vivo* HSC based gene and cell therapy** *Auditorium* *Sponsor: Molmed*	**5c: DNA based gene transfer and *in vivo* II** *Botticelli* *Sponsor: Adverum*	P. 84–85
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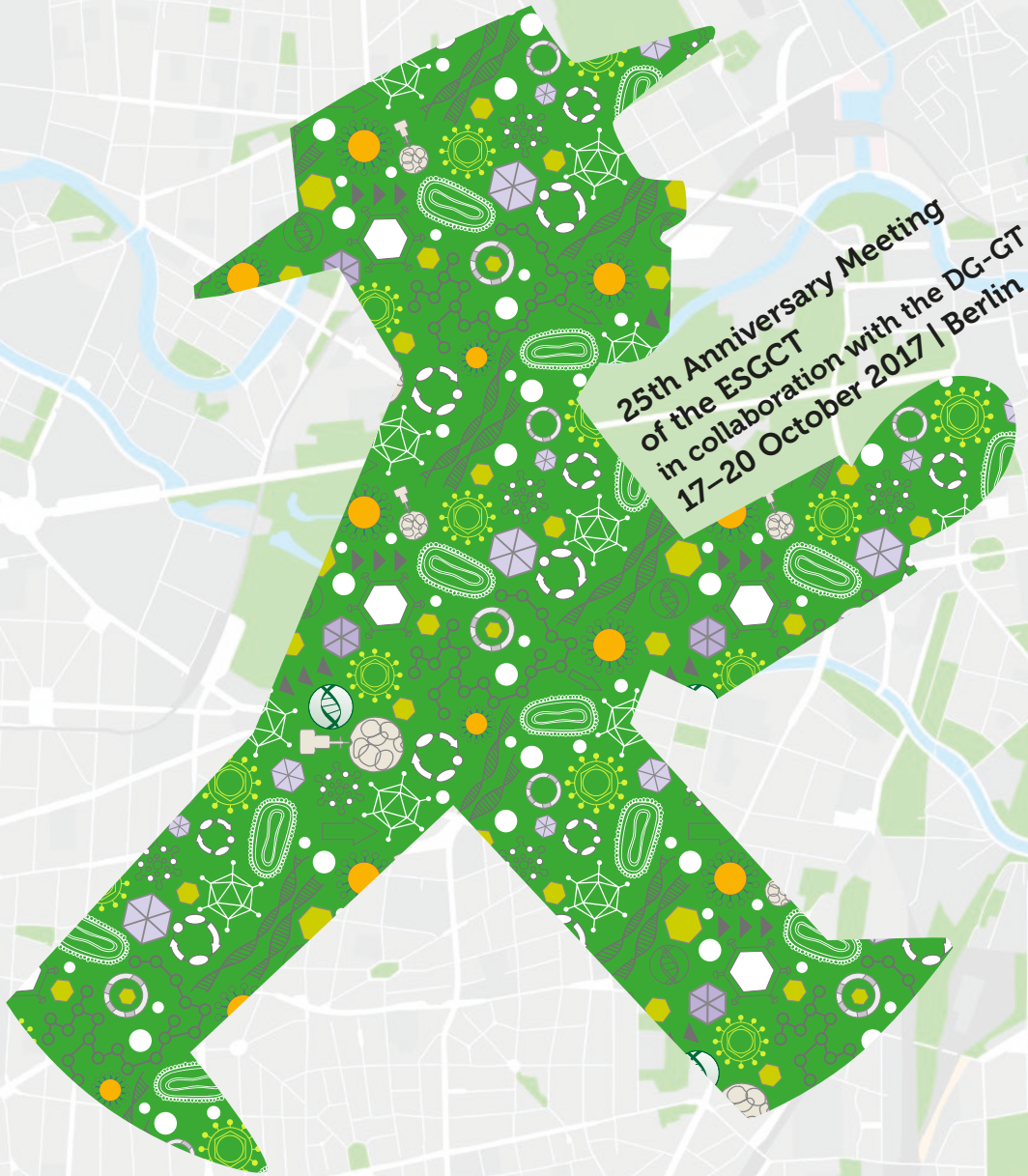

Keynote speakers:

Chris Baum, Jef Boeke, Nathalie Cartier-Lacave

Plenary speakers include:

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Parallel speakers include:

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Plenary sessions on:

Highlight of clinical progress
Stem cells: biology, manipulation and reprogramming
Cancer immuno-gene therapy
New tools and technology: gene and genome editing and engineering
Gene and cell therapy in the market

Parallel sessions on:

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Cardiovascular, muscle and pulmonary gene and cell therapy
Vector development
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Gene and Cell therapy support in the European Union: the Horizon 2020 research programme (2014–2020)

The 8th European Union (EU) programme for Research and Innovation, Horizon 2020 (2014–2020), supports the gene and cell therapy field by publishing calls for proposals for (clinical) collaborative research on chronic or rare diseases, in regenerative medicine, or for new technological developments, amongst other.

Small- and medium-size entreprises (SMEs) in the field can apply, even as single partner, via a dedicated SME instrument. US partners are welcome throughout the Health research programme and can be funded as well.

Other funding opportunities for researchers, such as the Marie Sklodowska-Curie actions (training), the European Research Council grants (individual frontier research), the Innovative Medicines Initiative projects (public-private partnership with the European Federation of the Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations), are also available on regular basis.

The first Horizon 2020 projects dealing with gene and/or cell therapy supported in 2014–2016 will be presented as well as the trends for the future Health programme.

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www.avexis.com

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www.editasmedicine.com

GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) has an established history of successfully researching and developing orphan drugs to treat rare diseases. Recognising the size of the challenge, but also the opportunity to deliver new medicines to patients, we announced the creation of a dedicated rare diseases unit in February 2010. Initially focusing on 200 rare diseases, we are collaborating with organisations and institutions to develop medicines, including gene and cell therapies, quicker and more effectively than ever before.

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Oxford BioMedica (LSE:OXB) is a leading gene and cell therapy company focused on developing life-changing treatments for serious diseases. The Company has built a sector leading lentiviral vector delivery platform (LentiVector®) through which it continues to develop *in vivo* and *ex vivo* gene & gene-modified therapies products both in-house and with partners. Oxford BioMedica has entered into a number of key partnerships, including with Novartis, Sanofi, GSK, Green Cross Lab Cell and Immune Design. Oxford BioMedica has world-class facilities and capabilities, encompassing the full range of GMP manufacturing and analytical activities to support pre-clinical, research and bioprocessing development through to GMP production and supply of clinical trial materials. The production activities are focussed on the manufacture of lentiviral vectors from human cell lines, both in adherent and large scale serum free suspension culture. Oxford BioMedica is based across several locations in Oxfordshire, UK and employs more than 230 people.

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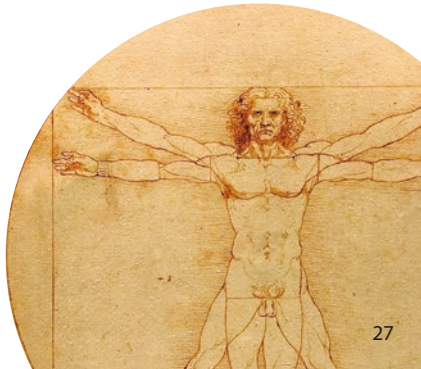

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Spark Therapeutics, a fully integrated gene therapy company, is seeking to transform the lives of patients with debilitating genetic diseases by developing one-time, life-altering treatments. Spark Therapeutics' validated gene therapy platform is being applied to a range of clinical and preclinical programmes addressing serious genetic diseases, including inherited retinal diseases, liver-associated diseases such as haemophilia, and neurodegenerative diseases. Spark Therapeutics' validated platform has successfully delivered gene therapies with proof-of-concept data in the eye and liver. Spark Therapeutics' most advanced product candidate, voretigene neparvovec (formerly referred to as SPK-RPE65), which has received both breakthrough therapy and orphan product designations, reported positive top-line results from a pivotal Phase 3 clinical trial for the treatment of a rare blinding condition. Spark Therapeutics' haemophilia franchise has two lead assets: SPK-9001 in a Phase 1/2 trial for haemophilia B and SPK-8011, a preclinical candidate for haemophilia A. To learn more, please visit

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www.bluebirdbio.com

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TiGenix – an advanced biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercialising novel therapeutics from its proprietary platforms of allogeneic, or donor-derived, expanded stem cells. Two products from the adipose-derived stem cell technology platform are currently in clinical development. Cx601 is in Phase III for the treatment of complex perianal fistulas in Crohn's disease patients. In July 2016, TiGenix entered into a licensing agreement with Takeda, for the rights to Cx601 outside the United States. Cx611 has completed a Phase I sepsis challenge trial and a Phase I/II trial in rheumatoid arthritis. In 2015, TiGenix acquired Coretherapix, whose lead product, AlloCSC-01, is currently in a Phase II clinical trial in acute myocardial infarction (AMI). The second product candidate from the cardiac stem cell-based platform is AlloCSC-02, is being developed in a chronic indication. TiGenix is based in Leuven, Belgium, and has operations in Madrid, Spain.

www.tigenix.com

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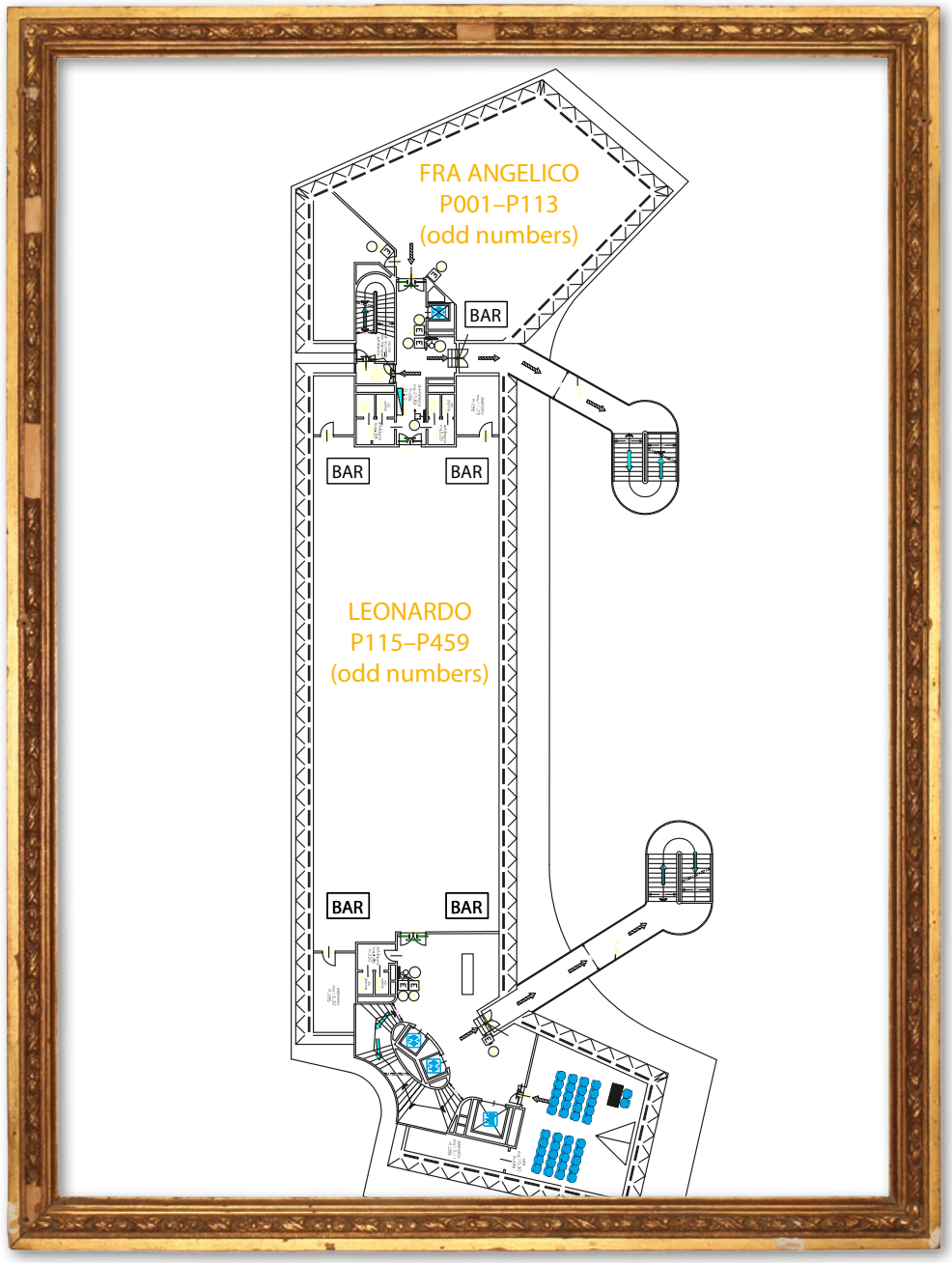

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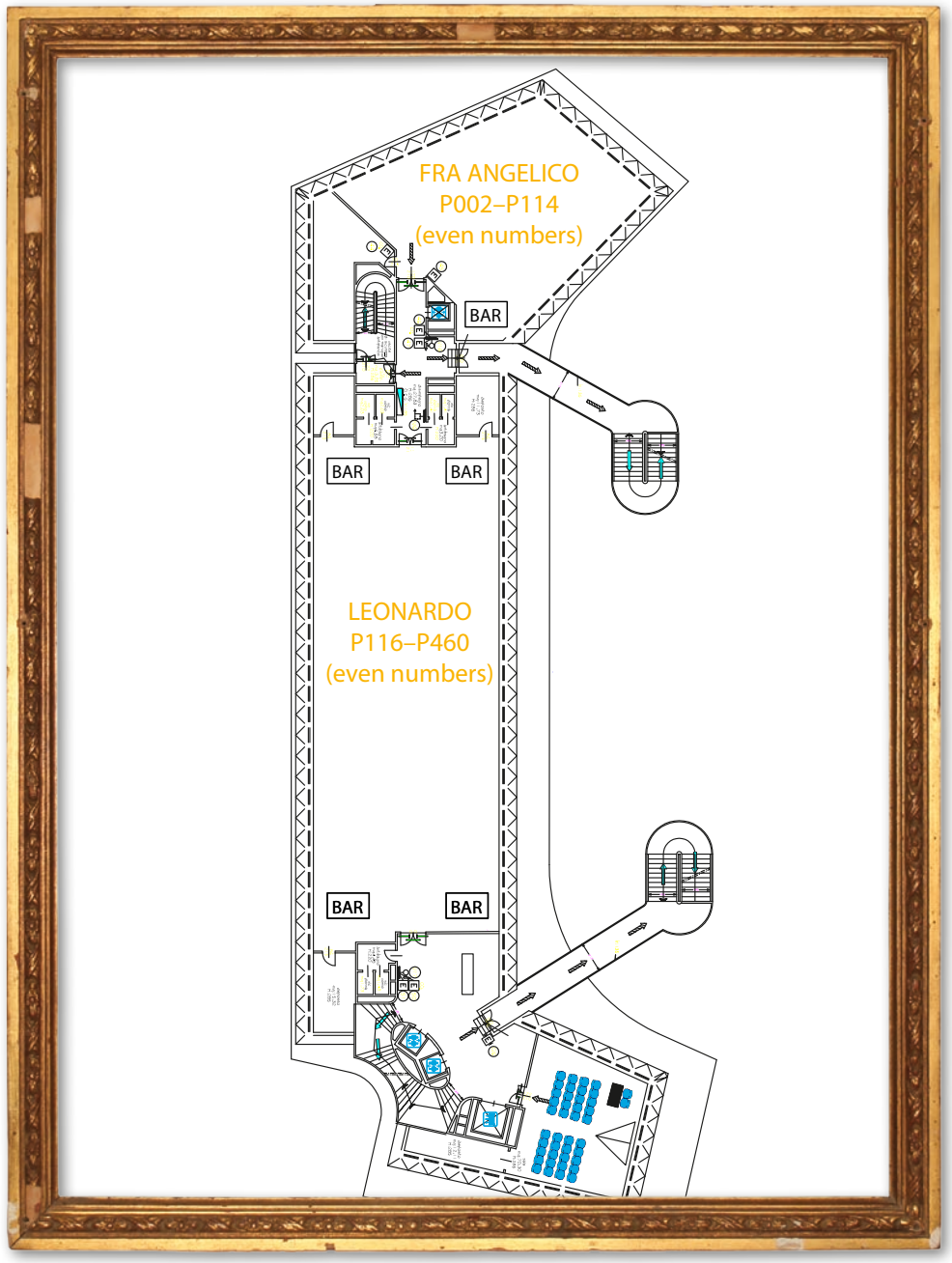

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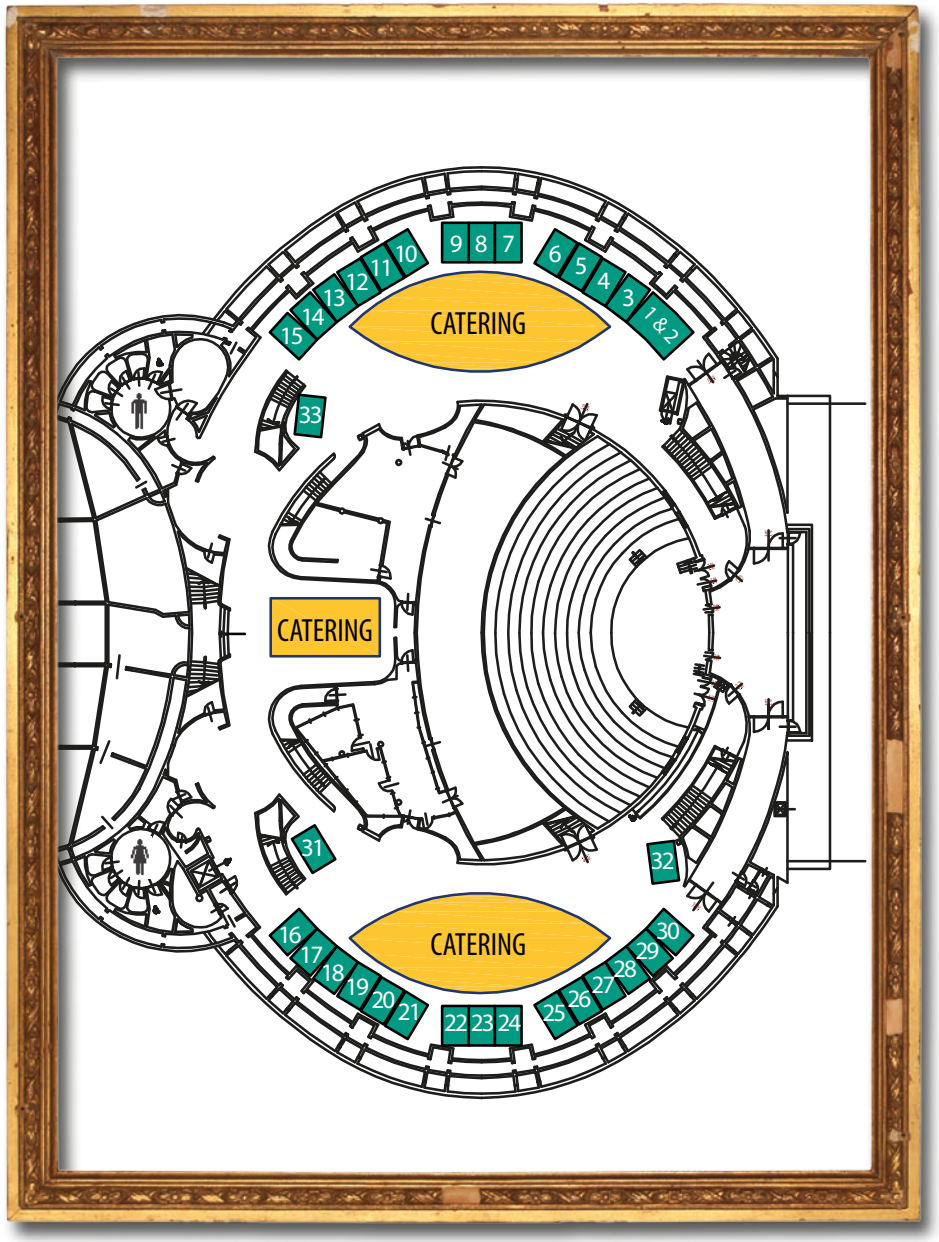

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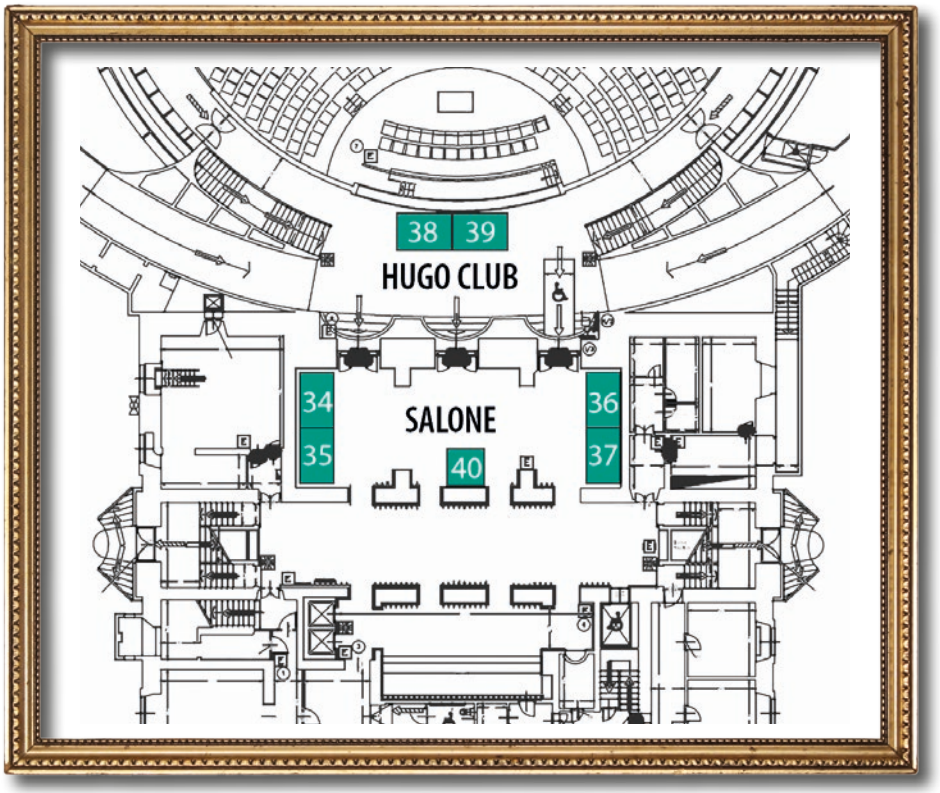

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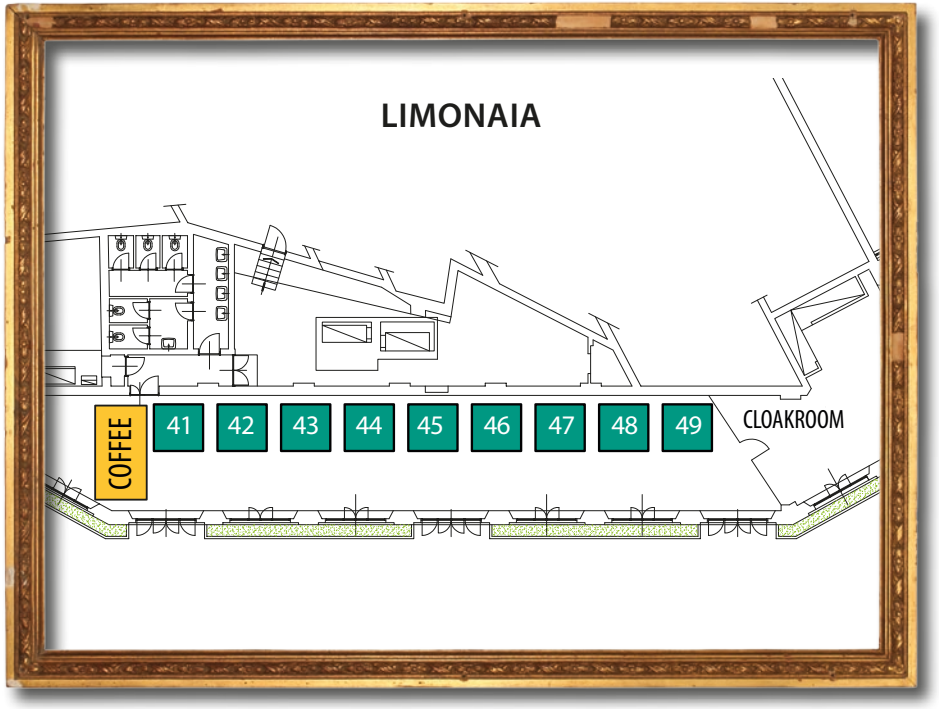

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www.euroclonegroup.it

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Booth 10: *Human Gene Therapy*: see page 33
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Booth 11: Meet with representatives of the European Bank for induced pluripotent Stem Cells (EBiSC)! Discover the EBiSC iPSC Catalogue (https://cells.ebisc.org) and discuss how to best engage with EBiSC if you are interested in:
- Ordering lines from the EBiSC catalogue
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- standardised work flows from tissue procurement to generation, characterisation, preservation and supply
- standardised quality control expansion and
- the set-up of the ethical and legal governance structure for stem cell banking and distribution (informed consents, patient engagement, EBiSC MDA/AUA).

Find out more about this large European public-private partnership at
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Booth 12: Novasep is a contract manufacturing organisation specialised in the production of viruses & viral vectors for gene therapy. Novasep offers specific know-how for culture and purification using the latest single-use and reusable technologies. From process development to the fill & finish step, Novasep is committed to the success of its customers.

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Booth 15: PeproTech was established in 1988 by a group of scientists who decided to focus their efforts on the development and production of recombinant cytokines for life-science research. Today, PeproTech is a world leader in supplying high-quality cytokine products including *E. coli*, insect and mammalian cell-derived recombinant proteins, their monoclonal/polyclonal antibodies, ELISA development kits, and other cytokine-related reagents.

www.peprotechec.com

Booth 16: Cook Regentec is focused on developing research and clinical tools to advance regenerative medicine therapies from the lab to the patient. Our team originated at Cook Medical, a medical device company that has worked with researchers and physicians for more than 50 years to develop more effective therapeutic tools. Cook Regentec's starting range of products includes cellular growth media, solutions for cryopreservation, and medical devices for the delivery of therapeutic agents.

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www.aseptictech.com

Booth 19: Miltenyi Biotec 'From bench to bedside'

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www.miltenyibiotec.com

Booth 20: Merck Millipore and Sigma-Aldrich come together, as Merck, to solve the toughest problems in life science by collaborating with the global scientific community. The life science business of Merck has a global network spanning more than 60 countries, approximately 70 manufacturing sites, 19,000 employees and over 1 million customers. The Company's portfolio of over 300,000 products can be viewed online - for more information, visit merckmillipore.com and sigma-aldrich.com.

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Booth 21: Lonza offers world-class technology platforms in the areas of GMP cell culture and viral-based therapeutic manufacturing, custom bio-therapeutic culture media, a large selection of primary and stem cells and a full line of custom bioassays. Our extensive experience in cell therapy process optimisation and scale-up innovation helps clients to safely and effectively advance their products through all phases of the commercial pipeline and maximise their return on investment. Our new viral-based therapeutics group provides viral vaccine manufacturing as well as viral vector mediated gene therapies. Our staff can design, develop and implement a manufacturing process that meets your autologous or allogeneic therapeutic applications.

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Booth 22: Sony Biotechnology Inc., part of the Sony Corporation, is a leading innovator of cell-based research systems. Sony Biotechnology is a total flow cytometry solutions provider supplying advanced and easy-to-use flow cytometry analysis and sorting technology for use in life science research. Sony Biotechnology's main goal is to develop and produce innovative products and techniques that dramatically improve the way researchers and scientists work. Recent products are the award-winning Sony SH800 Cell Sorter and Sony SP6800 Spectral Analyzer, as well as a complete line-up of over 8,000 reagents. Behind every Sony Biotechnology product is a team of experienced professionals who are dedicated to designing, manufacturing and supporting the highest-quality products and most productive solutions for our customers.

www.sonybiotechnology.com

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www.cellgenix.com

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Booth 24: CAP®GT is a regulatory endorsed expression platform for scalable viral vector production. CAP®GT suspension cells grow to high cell densities and show a broad viral propagation spectrum. Gene therapy vectors such as lentivirus (LV), adenovirus (AV) and adeno-associated virus (AAV) can be produced at industrial scale. CAP®GT enables better scale-up and competitive production costs when compared to adherent cell culture systems.

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www.discover.bio-rad.com

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www.lgcstandards.com

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Booth 31: ChemoMetec develops, manufactures and sells high quality automated Image Cytometer's within cell counters, which as the only ones on the market can count and analyse aggregated cells, adipose derived stem cells, cells growing on microcarriers with the highest precision. We also offer advanced cell analysers to help streamline processes for maximum efficiency. Our instruments are widely used in fields such as cancer research, stem cell research, production and quality control of a number of products such as pharmaceuticals, beer, animal semen and milk. We have specialised assays for aggregated cells, cells growing on microcarriers and adipose derived stem cells. 21 CFR Part 11 is also valued highly to have the highest standards. Our products are held in high regard because of their high quality and precision as well as the "ease of use" advanced cell analysis. We value our customers; Therefore our policy is "no hidden costs" - no service agreements, high level of support and free software updates.

www.chemometec.com

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www.cellulardynamics.com

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Booth 34: ALS CellCelector™ is the only system which enables automated isolation of single cells, clusters, adherent cell colonies or colonies grown in 3D semi-solid media. It's an ideal system for (i) automated clonal picking of newly derived iPSC colonies, (ii) single cell or colony isolation for genome editing, and (iii) automated picking of hematopoietic stem cell colonies. Isolated colonies or single cells can be deposited into a variety of destination plates for downstream culturing or molecular characterization (qPCR, sequencing…). CellCelector combines bright field, phase contract or fluorescence imaging, sensitive cell/colony detection technology and patented robotics picking tools. The system can be also used for stem cell culture monitoring and be integrated into a fully automated stem cell production facility.

www.als-jena.com

Booth 35: Aldevron. See page 36

www.aldevron.com

Booth 36: GeneWerk GmbH is a German startup company. The team has long-lasting experience in the area of hematology, oncology and virology with focus on integration site analysis, sequencing and bioinformatics. GeneWerk provides custom-tailored service based on 20 years of experience in the field of gene therapy, gene editing, immunotherapy and related areas.

www.genewerk.de

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www.ustemcells.info

Booth 42: Covance Inc., the drug development business of Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings (LabCorp) headquartered in Princeton, New Jersey, USA, is the world's most comprehensive drug development company, dedicated to advancing healthcare and delivering Solutions Made Real®. Our unique perspectives, built from decades of scientific expertise and precision delivery of the largest volume of drug development data in the world, helps our clients identify new approaches and anticipate tomorrow's challenges as they evolve. Together with our clients, Covance transforms today's health care challenges into tomorrow's solutions. Information on Covance's solutions can be obtained through its website at

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www.intellicyt.com

Booth 44: Brammer Bio. See page 36.

www.brammerbio.com

Booth 45: CELLforCURE. See page 32.

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Booth 46: BioInVision, based in the USA, offers imaging instrumentation and methodologies critical to preclinical studies. The unique CryoViz instrument, utilising the patented cryo-imaging technology, allows microscopical anatomical and molecular fluorescence imaging of laboratory small animals such as a mouse or organs excised from them with single-cell sensitivity. With its sub-10-micron-scale imaging, cryo-imaging allows one to detect even single stem or cancer cells anywhere in a mouse. The technology is also offered as a service and is targeted to a variety of biomedical applications including stem cell homing and biodistribution, cancer metastatis, imaging agents, drug discovery, tissue engineering, mouse phenotyping etc.

www.bioinvision.com

Booth 47: The DIM* Biotherapie is a scientific network sponsored by the Paris Ile de France Region to support, develop and structure research in the field of Regenerative Medicine : Gene Therapy , Cell therapy , Stem Cell Research , Developmental Biology and Transplantation. Through annual call-for-proposals, the Dim Biotherapy finances doctoral contract salaries (opento European students), laboratory small and large equipment and scientific workshops inThe Paris Ile de France region.

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www.dim-biotherapies.com/en/

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- Information about the 2017 congress in Berlin
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- Information about the ESGCT Spring School in Granada
- ESGCT membership information

www.esgct.eu

Booth 49: Visit the International Society for Stem Cell Research (ISSCR) stand. Learn more about upcoming ISSCR meetings, membership benefits and our online webinars. All attendees to this meeting will be invited to join the ISSCR. Be a part of the leading association for the global stem cell research community.

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08.00-09.00	Registration
09.00-09.20	**Planning a clinical trial**
09.00-09.20	INV001 Considerations for clinical trials with cellular therapies *Kim Champion, University College London*
09.20-10.00	**Manufacturing of gene and cell products**
09.20-09.40	INV002 What should be anticipated and implemented to ensure a successful process transfer. A CMO perspective with risk analysis from analytical to process transfer *Francis Dupont, Novasep, Gosselies*
09.40-10.00	INV003 Development and manufacture of iPSC-derived cells to a specification: The CDI experience as a contractor *Derek Hei, Cellular Dynamics International, Madison, WI*
	Coffee available in the room
10.00-10.20	**Gene and cell therapy technologies**
10.10-10.20	INV004 Gene and cell therapy technologies *Bobby Gaspar, University College London*
10.20-11.20	**Pricing and reimbursement**
10.20-10.40	INV005 Early insights from NICE: ATMPs – evidence generation, evaluation, managed access *Leeza Osipenko, NICE, London*
10.40-11.00	INV006 Hurdles in developing new Advanced Therapies: the experience with Holoclar *Andrea Chiesi, Chiesi, Parma*
11.00-11.20	INV007 The Strimvelis experience *Claude Schmitt, GSK, Brentford*
11.20-11.40	**Academic vs commercial clinical development strategy**
11.20-11.40	INV008 Running clinical trials through a venture capital financed biotech company *Kerry Fisher, University of Oxford*
11.40-12.00	**Regulatory strategy in gene and cell therapy development** *Chair: Guido Pantè, AIFA*

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CLINICAL TRIAL AND COMMERCIALISATION WORKSHOP Fourth Floor (Uccello Room)	
11.40-12.00	INV009 Scientific and regulatory challenges for developing advanced therapy medicinal products in EU *Maria Cristina Galli, ISS, Rome*
12.00-12.40	**Finding the value**
12.00-12.20	INV010 Developing innovative treatments for rare diseases: the Telethon Foundation model *Lucia Faccio, Fondazione Telethon, Tigem, Naples*
12.20-12.40	INV011 Molecular therapies targeting Huntington: progress and challenges *Ignacio Munoz-Sanjuan, CHDI Foundation Inc, Los Angeles, CA*
12.40-13.00	**Elevator pitches**
12.40-12.45	EL001 Gene transfer technologies *Juan Carlos Ramírez, Vivebiotech, San Sebastian*
12.45-12.50	EL002 Development of advanced therapy medicinal products: need of specialised regulatory services support *Ana Belen del Campo, PSNResearch, Madrid*
12.50-12.55	EL003 Orchard Therapeutics *Andrea Spezzi, Orchard Therapeutics, London*
12.55-13.00	EL004 A leap forward in AAV research and development *Sven Kuhlendahl, Progen, Heidelberg*
13.00-14.00	Lunch (Fourth floor Giotto room)

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EDUCATION DAY -1 Floor Michelangelo	
08.00-09.00	Registration
09.00-09.30	**E1: Opening words** ***Chairs: Sam Wadsworth, Hildegard Büning***
09.00-09.05	Introduction *Sam Wadsworth, Dimension Therapeutics*
09.05-09.30	INV012 Brief introduction and update on recent developments in cell and gene therapy *Hildegard Büning, University of Cologne, DZIF, University Hospital Cologne, Hannover Medical School*
09.30-10.30	**E2a: Tailoring gene transfer vectors**
09.30-10.00	INV013 Improving the efficacy of gene therapy vectors by *de novo* design of transcriptional cis-regulatory modules: implications for gene therapy and CRISPR/Cas9-mediated gene editing *Thierry VandenDriessche, Free University of Brussels; University of Leuven*
10.00-10.30	INV014 Receptor-targeted viral vectors *Christian Buccholz, Paul-Ehrlich-Institut Langen*
10.30-11.00	**E2b: Disease modelling**
10.30-10.00	INV015 p63 as a master regulator of epithelial stemness, identity, and integrity *Caterina Missero, University of Naples Federico II; Center for Genetic Engineering*
11.00-11.30	Coffee Break
11.30-12.30	**E3: Stem cells and iPS – current state**
11.30-12.00	INV016 Reprogramming of somatic cells for studies of liver diseases *Tobias Cantz, Hannover Medical School*
12.00-12.30	INV017 *In vitro* modelling of human neocortical development process using pluripotent stem cells: from neural lineage induction to neuronal subtype specification *Luciano Conti, Centre for integrative Biology, University of Trento*
12.30-13.30	Lunch – Passi Perduti

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EDUCATION DAY Brunelleschi Auditorium	
13.30-14.30	**E4a: Immunotherapy & transdifferentiation**
13.30-14.00	INV018 Clinical pharmacology of CAR-T cells *Attilio Bondanza,San Raffael Scientific Institute Milan*
14.00-14.30	INV019 Streamline cell reprogramming by direct conversion of fibroblasts into neurons and glia: hurdles and opportunities *Vania Broccoli, San Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan*
14.30-15.30	**E4b: Gene editing**
14.30-15.00	INV020 Gene edited stem cells: from cloning to clinic *Jakub Tolar, University of Minnesota*
15.00-15.30	INV021 Genome editing using CRISPR-Cas nucleases *Keith Joung, Massachusetts General Hospital; Harvard Medical School*
15.30-16.00	Coffee break

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PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT DAY FOR PATIENT ASSOCIATIONS AND SCIENCE DIALOGUES WITH CITIZENS: **Leading edge therapies for rare diseases** First floor (Piero Della Francesca Room)	
09.00-09.45	Registration
09.45-10.15	**Gene therapy**
09.45-10.15	Opening lecture *Alberto Auricchio, Tigem, Naples*
10.15-10.45	**How to foster access to therapies**
10.15-10.45	Newborn screenings for metabolic diseases *Giancarlo La Marca, University of Florence*
10.45-11.15	**Safety studies**
10.45-11.15	Use of animal models in research: why it is still a need *Giuliano Grignaschi, Istituto Di Ricerche Farmacologiche Mario Negri, Milan*
11.15-11.45	**Science and bio-ethics**
11.15-11.45	Stem cells and new generation sequencing: new frontiers in medicine *Giuseppe Testa, IFOM-IEO Campus, Milan*
11.45-13.00	**Discussion** ***Panelists:*** *Nicola Spinelli Casacchia, President, Uniamo FIMR* *Andrea Buzzi, President, Fondazione Paracelso* *Michele Lipucci, Eurordis* ***Chairs:*** *Ilaria Bartoli Ciancaleoni, Osservatorio Malattie Rare* *Alessia Daturi, Fondazione Telethon*
13.00-14.00	Lunch & networking (in the room)
14.00-14.30	**New frontiers in science**
14.00-14.30	Gene editing, a new era in molecular biology *Luigi Naldini, SR-Tiget, Milan*
14.30-16.30	**Role playing: science dialogues** ***Chair: Anna Maria Zaccheddu, Fondazione Telethon***
16.30-17.00	**Closing remarks**

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MOLMED SYMPOSIUM **An entrepreneurial approach to translate academic knowledge into therapeutic solutions for all patients** Ground Floor (Botticelli Room)	
12.30-14.00	Lunch and registration (in the room)
14.00-14.15	When pioneers in cell & gene therapy come up with a 'business' idea *Claudio Bordignon, Molmed, Milan*
14.15-14.30	Academia ready to be a productive partner for biotech companies *Fabio Ciceri, San Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan*
14.30-14.45	How the financial market operated and operates in sustaining the biotech sector development *Gil Bar-Nahum, Jefferies Global Healthcare Group, Bresso*
14.45-15.00	A picture of the European biotech sector: strengths and weaknesses *Carlo Incerti, EuropaBio, Bresso*
15.00-15.30	Round Table ***Moderator: Andrea Cabrini – Class CNBC*** *Martin Andrews, GSK, Brentford* *Gil Bar-Nahum, Global Healthcare Group at Jefferies International Limited* *Claudio Bordignon, MolMed* *Fabio Ciceri, San Raffaele Scientific Institute* *Carlo Incerti, EuropaBio* *Francesca Pasinelli, Telethon Foundation*

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16.00-17.00 *Auditorium*	**ESGCT / ISSCR 2016 Opening: welcome and introduction** *Chairs: Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, Luigi Naldini, Nancy Witty*
16.00-16.15	Welcome *Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, ESGCT; Luigi Naldini, Local Organising Committee; Nancy Witty, ISSCR*
16.15-17.00	INV023 Lgr5 stem cell-grown organoids and their applications *Hans Clevers, University Medical Centre Utrecht and Princess Maxima Center for pediatric oncology, Utrecht*
17.00-19.00 *Auditorium*	**1: Neural diseases: modelling, reprogramming and transplantation in brain and retina** *Chairs: Giuseppe Testa, Vania Broccoli*
17.00-17.30	INV024 Modelling human psychiatric disease *Fred Gage, The Salk Institute, La Jolla, California*
17.30-18.00	INV025 Retinal cell using iPS cells *Masayo Takahashi, RIKEN, CDB, Kobe*
18.00-18.30	INV026 Towards a stem cell based therapy for Parkinson's disease *Malin Parmar, Lund University*
18.30-19.00	INV027 Chemical approaches to oligodendrocyte remyelination *Paul Tesar, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH*
19.00-20.00 *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*	Welcome reception
19.00-21.00 *Ucello Room*	Molecular therapy 'meet the editor' reception

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MAIN CONGRESS	
08.30-10.30 *Auditorium*	**2: Hematopoietic stem cells: from biology to clinical applications** *Chairs: George Q Daley, Alessandro Aiuti*
08.30-09.00	INV028 How is human blood made? *John Dick, Princess Margaret Cancer Centre, University Health Network, University of Toronto*
09.00-09.30	INV029 Using zebrafish to find new therapies for blood diseases *Leonard Zon, Boston Children's Hospital, Harvard Medical School*
09.30-10.00	INV030 Advanced genetic engineering of hematopoiesis to treat human diseases *Luigi Naldini, SR-Tiget, Milan*
10.00-10.30	INV031 Gene therapy of inherited disease: advances and challenges *Marina Cavazzana, Hôpital Universitaire Necker, Enfants Malades, Paris*
10.30-11.00 *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*	Coffee break
	Parallel sessions 2a, 2b, 2c
11.00-12.30 *Botticelli*	**2a: Imaging stem cells dynamics** *Chairs: Fred Gage, Dominique Bonnet*
11.00-11.30	INV032 Tissue-scale coordination of cellular homeostatic and repair behaviors in live mice *Valentina Greco, Yale University*
11.30-12.00	INV033 Long-term single cell quantification: new tools for old questions *Timm Schröder, ETH Zürich*
	Proffered papers
12.00-12.15	OR001 Altered functional activity in vmDA neurons derived from Parkinson's disease-induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSC) *Giulia Carola, Institute of Biomedicine of the University of Barcelona (IBUB)*
12.15-12.30	OR002 3D-imaging and tissue reconstruction of deep-brain gene silencing with nanoscale, non-viral siRNA complexes *Yein Nam, University of Manchester*
11.00-12.30 *Masaccio*	**2b: Eye stem cell and gene therapy** *Chairs: Robin Ali, Alberto Auricchio*
11.00-11.30	INV034 What does influence regeneration? *Graziella Pellegrini, Center for Regenerative Medicine, University of Modena*

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11.30-12.00	INV035 AAV mediated gene therapy and beyond - maintaining and restoring vision *Deniz Dalkara, Inserm, UPMC Paris 6*
	Proffered papers
12.00-12.15	OR003 Generation and transplantation of human pluripotent stem cell derived cone photoreceptors into models of retinal degeneration *Anai Gonzalez Cordero, University College London*
12.15-12.30	OR004 One-year follow-up study results after Intravitreal rAAV2/2-ND4 (GS010) injection in patients with vision loss due to G11778A ND4 Leber Hereditary Optic Neuropathy *Jean-Philippe Combal, Gensight, Paris*
11.00-12.30 *Auditorium*	**2c: Central nervous system gene therapy** *Chairs: Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, Jerry Mendell*
11.00-11.30	INV036 HSC-based cell and gene therapy approaches for treating LSDs *Alessandra Biffi, Gene Therapy Programme, Dana-Farber/Boston Children's Cancer and Blood Disorders Center*
11.30-12.00	INV037 Gene therapy for neurodegenerative diseases *Shin-ichi Muramatsu, Division of Neurology, Department of Medicine Jichi Medical University*
	Proffered papers
12.00-12.15	OR005 Survival of embryonic tissue grafts in Parkinson's disease: neuroimaging and clinical evidence at 17-18 years post-transplant *Claire Henchcliffe, Weill Cornell Medical College*
12.15-12.30	OR006 PGC-1α overexpression by lentiviral vector attenuates amyloid-β load and neuronal loss in an Alzheimer's disease model *Nick Mazarakis, Imperial College London-*
12.30-14.00 *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*	Lunch *Odd numbered posters available for viewing in Leonardo & Fra Angelico rooms*
12.45-13.45 *Michelangelo*	Lunch Symposium: Regulatory workshop for ATMPs (Lunch is available in the room)
	Regulatory guidance and advice on the quality control of Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products *Martin Wisher, BioReliance*
14.00-16.00 *Auditorium*	**3: Skeletal and cardiac muscle stem cells: from biology and reprogramming to clinical applications** *Chairs: Wim Fibbe, Fulvio Mavilio* *In memoriam Paolo Bianco*

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14.00-14.30	INV038 Challenges of immaturity and proliferation in using hPSC-derived cardiomyocytes as disease models *Christine Mummery, Leiden University Medical Center, University of Twente*
14.30-15.00	INV039 Small RNA therapy for cardiac regeneration *Mauro Giacca, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), Trieste*
15.00-15.30	INV040 Remuscularisation of injured hearts with human embryonic stem cell-derived cardiomyocytes *Michael Laflamme, University Health Network, Toronto*
15.30-16.00	INV041 Tricyclo-DNA: a new generation of antisense oligonucleotides for splice switching *Luis Garcia, Inserm UMR 1179, Paris*
16.00-16.30 *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*	Coffee break
	Parallel sessions 3a, 3b, 3c, 3d
16.30-18.30 *Botticelli*	**3a: Organoids and high throughput platforms** *Chairs: Valentina Greco, Melissa Little*
16.30-17.00	INV042 Generating 3D models of the human cerebral cortex to study development and disease *Sergiu Pasca, Stanford University, CA*
17.00-17.30	INV043 Detecting and killing pancreatic cancer *David Tuveson, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory*
	Proffered papers
17.30-17.45	OR007 Generation of implantable 3D skeletal muscle tissue from human embryonic stem cells and muscular dystrophy iPS cells *Francesco Saverio Tedesco, University College London*
17.45-18.00	OR008 The development and characterization of rAAV vectors in patient-derived intestinal organoids and CF mice as a treatment for cystic fibrosis *Marianne Carlon, Laboratory for Molecular Virology and Drug Discovery, Division of Molecular Medicine, KU Leuven*
18.00-18.15	OR009 Isolating and characterising human cone photoreceptors for cell therapy *Emily Welby, University College London*
18.15-18.30	OR010 Assay development and high throughput screening in iPSCs-derived cortical glutamatergic neurons from two neurodevelopmental disorders caused by symmetrical dosage imbalance *Francesca Cavallo, University of Milan*

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16.30-18.30 *Masaccio*	**3b: Stem cell based neural disease modelling** *Chairs: Angela Gritti, Paul Tesar*
16.30-17.00	INV044 Dissecting the genetic and environmental causes of chromatin dysfunction in autism and intellectual disability: an integrated platform of 2D and 3D stem cell-based models of neural development *Giuseppe Testa, University of Milan*
17.00-17.30	INV045 iPSC-based modelling of Parkinson's disease *Angel Raya, Center for Regenerative Medicine, Barcelona*
	Proffered papers
17.30-17.45	OR011 Two factor fibroblast reprogramming generates induced Schwann cells with myelinogenic and nerve regenerating potential *Pietro Mazzara, SR-Tiget, Milan*
17.45-18.00	OR012 Neural stem cell transplantation in Parkinsonian mice triggers an astrocyte-dependent dopaminergic neurorestoration *Bianca Marchetti, University of Catania*
18.00-18.15	OR013 Leveraging pluripotent stem cells as a scalable platform to discover chemical therapeutics for genetic disorders of myelin *Matthew Ellit, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH*
18.15-18.30	OR014 Mitochondrial disease phenotype in Friedreich's ataxia patient iPSC-derived sensory neurons *Roxana Natt, Medical University Innsbruck*
16.30-18.30 *Michelangelo*	**3c: Cardiovascular gene and cell therapy** *Chairs: Seppo Ylä-Herttuala, Mauro Giacca*
16.30-17.00	INV046 Therapeutic vascular growth for cardiovascular diseases *Seppo Ylä-Herttuala, AI Virtanen Institute, Kuopio*
17.00-17.30	INV047 Non-coding RNA in vascular repair and regeneration *Andrew Baker, The University of Edinburgh*
	Proffered papers
17.30-17.45	OR015 Fixing the so-called unfixable: regenerating untreatable fixed myocardial scar in heart failure patients *Ajan Reginald, Celixir Limited, Cardiff*
17.45-18.00	OR016 Using omics tools to improve differentiation and maturation of cardiomyocytes derived from human pluripotent stem cells *Paula Alves, iBET/ITQB, Oeiras*
18.00-18.15	OR017 Correcting the bleeding phenotype in haemophilia A using lentivirally FVIII-corrected endothelial cells differentiated from hemophilic induced Pluripotent Stem Cells (iPSCs) *Cristina Olgasi, University of Piemonte, Novara*

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18.15-18.30	OR018 Progenitor cells seeded collagen patches migrate and differentiate through the failing RV myocardium: which benefit on the RV function? *Virginie Lambert, INSERM U910 Aix Marseille Université , IMM| Institut Mutualiste Montsouris Paris*
16.30-18.30 *Auditorium*	**3d: Immunology/cancer immuno-gene therapy I** *Chairs: Chiara Bonini, Dirk Busch*
16.30-17.00	INV048 The tolerant immune environment of tumors governs tumor fate and efficacy of immunotherapies *David Klatzman, Sorbonne Université, UPMC Univ Paris 06, INSERM umrs959; P-HP, Hôpital Pitié-Salpêtrière*
17.00-17.30	INV049 First application of gene-edited 'universal' T cells for leukaemia *Waseem Qasim, University College London*
	Proffered papers
18.00-18.15	OR019 Modelling the cytokine release syndrome and its treatment in a long-term xenotolerant mouse model of CAR-T cell immunotherapy *Margherita Norelli, San Raffaele University Milan*
18.15-18.30	OR020 Targeting the TCR β-constant region for specific immunotherapy of T-cell malignancies *Paul Maciocia, University College London*
18.15-18.30	OR021 Immunovirotherapy in combination with immune checkpoint inhibitors for treating glioblastoma stem cell-derived tumors *Samuel Rabkin, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School*
18.15-18.30	OR022 Multiple inhibitory receptors are expressed on central memory and memory stem T cells infiltrating the bone marrow of AML patients relapsing after allo-HSCT *Maddalena Noviello, San Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan*
18:30-20:30 *Leonardo & Fra Angelico*	Poster session 1 (Odd poster numbers). See page 42 for details
20.00-23.00 *Palazzo Vecchio*	Speaker dinner (by invitation only) *Walking party departs at 20.00 from congress registration area (main entrance)*

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08.00-10.00 *Auditorium*	**4: Cancer immuno–gene therapy** *Chairs: Katherine High, Attilio Bondanza* OxfordBioMedica
08.00-08.30	INV050 CAR T-cell therapy: from CD19 to other targets *Gianpietro Dotti, Department of Microbiology and Immunology, UNC Chapel Hill*
08.30-09.00	INV051 Chimeric antigen receptor T-cells - killing cancer by design *Stanley Riddell, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, University of Washington, Seattle*
09.00-09.30	INV052 Engineering T-cells for cancer therapy *Carl June, Center for Cellular Immunotherapies and Abramson Cancer Center, University of Pennsylvania, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Novartis Institute for Biomedical Research, Cambridge, MA*
09.30-10.00	INV053 TCR gene edited memory stem T cells for cancer immunotherapy *Chiara Bonini, Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele and Ospedale San Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan*
10.00-10.30 *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*	Coffee break
	Parallel sessions 4a, 4b, 4c
10.30-12.30 *Auditorium*	**4a: Haematopoietic stem cells and homeostasis** *Chair: Leonard Zon, Cynthia Dunbar*
10.30-11.00	INV055 Hematopoietic stem cell attrition and regeneration in response to inflammatory stress *Michael Milsom, HI-STEM; NCT DKFZ, Heidelberg*
11.00-11.30	INV054 HSC, metabolism and fate decisions *Emmanuelle Passegué, University of California San Francisco*
	Proffered papers
11.30-11.45	OR023 Clonal tracking of hematopoietic stem and progenitor cells *in vivo* in humans *Serena Scala, SR-Tiget Milan*
11.45-12.00	OR024 Measles virus glycoprotein pseudotyped lentivectors allow high-level transduction of pre-stimulated and resting HSCs and correct HSCs in total bone marrow from Fanconi Anemia patients *Els Verhoeyen, CIRI; Inserm U1111, Lyon*

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12.00-12.15	OR025 Single-cell assay of human Hematopoietic Stem and Progenitor Cells (HSPC) following gene transfer reveals dramatic heterogeneity in HSC proliferative potential and points to a role of sphingolipids metabolic genes in HSC function *Olga Gan, University Health Network, Toronto, Ontario*
12.15-12.30	OR026 Multiple allogeneic progenitors in combination function as a unit to support early transient hematopoiesis following transplantation *Makoto Otsu, Institute of Medical Science, University of Tokyo*
10.30-12.30 *Botticelli*	**4b: MSC gene and cell therapy** *Chairs: Michael Laflamme, Luis Garcia*
10.30-11.00	INV056 Use of expanded adipose stem cells in the treatment of inflammatory diseases *Wilfried Dalemans, Tigenix NV, Hasselt*
11.00-11.30	INV057 Therapeutic immune regulation by mesenchymal stromal cells *Willem Fibbe, Leiden University Medical Center*
	Proffered papers
11.30-11.45	OR027 Comprehensive characterisation of bone marrow-derived mesenchymal stromal cells from patients affected by primary immunodeficiency *Nadia Starc, Bambino Gesù Children's Hospital, Rome*
11.45-12.00	OR028 Amelioration of lung function and pulmonary tissue regeneration after treatment with Alpha-1 antitrypsin (AAT)-expressing mesenchymal stem cells (MSCs) in a murine model of elastase-induced emphysema *Sabine Geiger, Apceth GmbH & Co. KG, Munich*
12.00-12.15	OR029 Mesenchymal stromal cells prevent graft failure in a mouse model of hematopoietic stem cell gene therapy *Maria Fernandez Garcia, CIEMAT/CIBERER, IIS-FJD, UAM, Madrid*
12.15-12.30	OR030 Pulmonary artery reconstruction using cord blood-derived multipotent stem cells *in vitro* and *in vivo* study *Hiudong Jia, University of Bristol*
10.30-12.30 *Masaccio*	**4c: *In vivo* gene therapy** *Chairs: Xavier Anguela, Hildegard Büening* Spark THERAPEUTICS
10.30-11.00	INV058 Assessing and modulating immunogenicity in AAV vector mediated gene transfer *Federico Mingozzi, Genethon, Evry*
11.00-11.30	INV059 Gene therapy for haemophilia *Katherine High, Spark Therapeutics, Philadelphia, PA*

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11.30-11.45	OR031 Sustained expression with partial correction of neutrophil defects 5 years after intramuscular raav1 gene therapy for alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency *Terry Flotte, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester*
11.45-12.00	OR032 Liver-directed gene therapy with lentiviral vectors in animal models of haemophilia B *Michela Milani, SR-Tiget, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University Milan*
12.00-12.15	OR033 Towards clinical gene and cell therapies for OPMD *Capucine Trollet, UPMC Univ Paris 06, UM76, INSERM U974, Institut de Myologie, CNRS FRE3617*
12.15-12.30	OR034 Red blood cells as therapeutic carrier in monogenic disorders *Giuseppa Piras, University College London*
12.30-14.00 *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*	Lunch *Even numbered posters available for viewing in Leonardo & Fra Angelico rooms*
	Parallel sessions 5a, 5b, 5c
14.00-16.00 *Masaccio*	**5a: Cancer stem cells** *Chairs: John Dick, Emmanuelle Passegue*
14.00-14.30	INV060 Stem cells in cancer and regenerative medicine *Michael Clarke, Stanford University, CA*
14.30-15.00	INV061 Leukemic stem cell interactions with the microenvironment: friend or foe? *Dominique Bonnet, The Francis Crick Institute, London*
14.30-15.00	INV062 Plasticity of cancer cells: lessons from gliobastomas *Inder Verma, The Salk Institute, La Jolla, CA*
	Proffered papers
15.00-15.15	OR035 microRNA-126 orchestrates a stem cell-like programme in Acute B Lymphoblastic Leukemia (B-ALL) *Carolina Caserta: SR-Tiget, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Milan*
15.15-15.30	OR036 A stem cell oriented phylogeny of cancers derived novel cancer gene expression signature in all undifferentiated cancers as a therapeutic target *Robert Downey, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York City*
14.00-16.00 *Auditorium*	**5b: *Ex vivo* HSC based gene and cell therapy** *Chairs: Juan Bueren, Guiliana Ferrari*
14.00-14.30	INV063 Gene therapy for primary immune deficiencies: ADA-SCID and XCGD *Don Kohn, University of California, Los Angeles, CA*

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14.30-15.00	INV064 Clonal expansion and long-term persistence of rhesus macaque NK cells with an adaptive phenotype as revealed by genetic barcoding *Cynthia Dunbar, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, Washington DC*
	Proffered papers
15.00-15.15	OR037 Lentiviral gene therapy with busulfan conditioning for older patients with SCID-X1 *Harry Malech, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Bethesda, MD*
15.15-15.30	OR038 Lentiviral-mediated gene therapy in Fanconi anemia A: preclinical and first clinical studies *Susana Navarro Ordonez, CIEMAT/CIBERER, IIS-FJD, UAM, Madrid*
15.30-15.45	OR039 A clinically applicable lentiviral vector corrects NSG mice engrafting cells from patients with infantile malignant osteopetrosis *Ilana Moscatelli, Lund University*
15.45-16.00	OR040 Thalassemic bone marrow microenvironment accelerates hematopoietic stem cell ageing and exhaustion *Annamaria Aprile, SR-Tiget, Milan; University of Rome "Tor Vergata"*
14.00-16.00 *Botticelli*	**5c: DNA based gene transfer and *in vivo* II** *Chairs: Zoltan Ivics, Amber Salzman*
14.00-14.30	INV065 AAV for liver directed genome editing *James Wilson, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia*
	Proffered papers
14.30-14.45	OR041 Diversion towards non-toxic metabolites by gene transfer for therapy of primary hyperoxaluria type *Nicola Brunetti Pierri, Tigem, Federico II University of Naples*
14.45-15.00	OR042 Development and production scale-up of an AAV8-UGT1A1 vector for the treatment of Crigler-Najjar syndrome *Fanny Collaud, Genethon, Evry,*
15.00-15.15	OR043 Improvement of gene therapy for Wilson's disease *Oihana Murillo-Sauca, Centro de Investigacion Medica Aplicada (CIMA) Pamplona,*
15.15-15.30	OR044 Monitoring of anti-drug antibody responses, from development to assay validation prior to clinical trial initiation. Focus on anti-AAV responses *Sabrina Triffault, Genosafe, Evry*
15.30-15.45	OR045 Deciphering AAV vector persistence in hematopoietic progenitors *Irene Gil Farina, NCT DKFZ, Heidelberg*
15.450-16.00	OR046 Impact of vector design and administration technique in gene therapy for the treatment of age- related macular degeneration *Mehdi Gasmi, Adverum Biotechnologies Inc, Menlo Park, CA*

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16.00-16.30 *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*	Coffee break
16.30-18.30 *Auditorium*	**5: New technologies: targeted genome and epigenome editing, new vector design, organoids** *Chairs: Christine Mummery, George Q Daley*
16.30-17.00	INV066 Inheritable silencing of endogenous genes by hit-and-run targeted epigenetic editing *Angelo Lombardo, SR-Tiget, Milan*
17.00-17.30	INV067 Genome engineering: prospects and challenges *Feng Zhang, MIT, Cambridge, MA*
17.30-18.00	INV068 Generating a kidney from human pluripotent stem cells: where to from here? *Melissa Little, Murdoch Children's Research Institute, University of Melbourne*
18.00-18.30	INV069 From pluripotent stem cells to cortical circuits *Pierre Vanderhaeghen, Université Libre de Bruxelles*
18.30-20.00 *Leonardo & Fra Angelico*	Poster session 2 (Even poster numbers). See page 44 for details
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09.00-10.30 *Michelangelo*	**6a: RNA based gene transfer and integration studies** *Chairs: Eugenio Montini, Terry Flotte*
09.00-09.30	INV071 Clonal tracking of engineered human hematopoiesis through integration sites analysis *Luca Biasco, SR-Tiget, Milan, Gene Therapy Programme Dana-Farber/ Boston Children's Cancer and Blood Disorders Center, University College London*
09.30-10.00	INV070 Wherever you go – there you are: tracking DNA modifications *Christof von Kalle, NCT DKFZ, Heidelberg*
	Proffered papers
10.00-10.15	OR047 New molecular surrogate assay for genotoxicity assessment (SAGA) *Michael Rothe, Hannover Medical School*
10.15-10.30	OR048 Identification and ranking of different chromatin insulators to block vector-driven enhancer-mediated insertional mutagenesis *in vivo* *Monica Volpin, SR-Tiget Milan*
09.00-10.30 *Auditorium*	**6b: Genome editing and gene correction** *Chairs: Thomas Barnes, Jakub Tolar*
09.00-09.30	INV072 Highly efficient gene editing in hematopoietic stem cells *Toni Cathomen, University Medical Centre, Freiburg*
09.30-10.00	INV073 Genome editing for Duchenne muscular dystrophy *Charles Gersbach, Duke University, USA*
	Proffered papers
10.00-10.15	OR049 Targeted gene therapy in the treatment of X-Linked Hyper-IgM Syndrome *Caroline Kuo, University of California Los Angeles (UCLA)*
10.15-10.30	OR050 Identification of high-fidelity Cas9 variants using a yeast-based screening *Antonio Casini, University of Trento*
09.00-10.30 *Masaccio*	**6c: Cancer gene therapy** *Chairs: Len Seymour, Inder Verma*
09.00-09.30	INV074 Cancer virotherapy with oncolytic adenoviruses *Ramon Alemany, Catalan Institute of Oncology, Barcelona*
09.30-10.00	INV075 Development of prostate cancer gene therapy in Japan *Yasutomo Nasu, Okayama University*

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10.00-10.15	OR051 Clinical update, molecular analyses, and proposed mechanism of action of Toca 511 a retroviral replicating vector in three ascending dose trials in patients with recurrent high-grade glioma *Doug Jolly – Tocagen Inc, San Diego, CA*
10.15-10.30	OR052 Anti-tumor potency of cancer vaccine ONCOS-102 in the treatment of malignant mesothelioma in pre-clinical and clinical studies *Lukasz Kuryk, Targovax Oy, Helsinki*
09.00-10.30 *Botticelli*	**6d: Immunology and allergy** *Chairs: Federico Mingozzi, Ron Crystal*
09.00-09.30	INV076 Gene therapy for hereditary and acquired life-threatening, immune-mediated disorders *Ron Crystal, Weill Cornell Medical College, New York City*
09.30-10.00	INV077 Gene therapy-based approach for immune tolerance induction *Maria Grazia Roncarolo, Stanford School of Medicine*
	Proffered papers
10.00-10.15	OR053 Intrinsic defect in Was-/- platelets: studies in conditional mouse model and WAS gene therapy treated patients *Lucia Sereni, SR-Tiget, Milan*
10.15-10.30	OR054 Gene therapy for Ebola virus infections based on AAV vectors and Zmapp antibody cocktail *Bruno Gaillet, Université Laval, Quebec*
10.30-11.00 *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*	Coffee break
11.00-12.00 *Auditorium*	**6: Gene therapy in the market** *Chairs: Luigi Naldini, Sven Kili*
11.00-11.15	INV078 Primary immune deficiencies: a natural target for *ex vivo* gene therapy *Jonathan Appleby, GSK, Brentford*
11.15-11.30	INV079 *Ex vivo* gene therapy in ADA-SCID: clinical data and experiences to date *Alessandro Aiuti, SR-Tiget, Milan*
11.30-11.45	INV080 Translating experimental gene therapy into clinical reality *Sol Ruiz, AEMPS, Madrid*
11.45-12.00	INV081 Patient management through the gene therapy process *Julie Venners-Christensen, GSK, Brentford*

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12.00-13.00 *Auditorium*	**7: *In vivo* gene therapy** *Chairs: Olivier Danos, Amit Nathwani*
12.00-12.30	INV082 Gene therapy of mucopolysaccharidosis VI *Alberto Auricchio, Tigem, Naples*
12.30-13.00	INV083 Making a good vector even better: novel rAAVs for classical gene therapy and genome editing *Mark Kay, Stanford University, CA*
13.00-14.00 *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*	Lunch
	Parallel sessions 7a, 7b, 7c
14.00-15.30 *Auditorium*	**7a: Immunology/cancer immuno-gene therapy II** *Chairs: Pierre Cordelier, Ramon Alemany*
14.00-14.30	INV084 T-Cell and cancer immunotherapy *Dirk Busch, Technische Universität München*
14.30-15.00	INV085 Macrophage-based delivery of immunostimulatory and antiangiogenic molecules into the tumor microenvironment *Bernhard Gentner, SR-Tiget, Milan*
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15.00-15.15	OR055 Reduced CAR tonic signaling and methods to enhance memory T cells result in improved *in vivo* efficacy in human multiple myeloma xenograft models *Richard Morgan, bluebirdbio*
15.15-15.30	OR056 Balance of Anti-CD123 Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) binding affinity and density in an *in vitro* model of acute myeloid leukemia *Sarah Tettamanti, Universita' Milano Bicocca, Osp. San Gerardo/Fondazione MBBM, Monza*
14.00-15.30 *Botticelli*	**7b: Gene silencing for small non-coding RNA's to epigenetic editing and gene disruption** *Chairs: Tony Cathomen, Angelo Lombardo*
14.00-14.30	INV086 ZFN-mediated genome editing in the liver – towards the correction of lysosomal storage diseases *Michael Holmes, Sangamo BioSciences Inc, Richmond, CA*
14.30-15.00	INV087 MicroRNA-based therapeutics in cancer *Frank Slack, Harvard Medical School, Cambridge, MA*

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15.00-15.15	OR057 Transcriptional silencing via synthetic DNA binding protein lacking canonical repressor domains as a potent tool to generate therapeutics *Salvatore Botta, Tigem, Naples*
15.15-15.30	OR058 ASO-mediated Dnm2 knockdown prevents and reverts Myotubular myopathy *in vivo* in mice *Belinda Cowling, IGBMC, Strasbourg*
14.00-15.30 *Michelangelo*	**7c: Manufacturing of cell and gene therapy products** *Chairs: Gabor Veres, Otto Merten*
14.00-14.30	INV088 Challenges in vector and cell manufacturing in gene therapy *Paolo Rizzardi , MolMed S.p.A, Milan*
14.30-15.00	INV089 Mastering the challenges of manufacturing: the critical roles of closed systems and automation *Ian Johnston, Miltenyi Biotec, Bergisch Gladbach*
	Proffered papers
15.00-15.15	OR059 Improving the purity of Adeno-associated viral vector preparations using DNA minicircle technology *Hildegard Büning, University of Cologne, DZIF, University Hospital Cologne, Hannover Medical School*
15.15-15.30	OR060 Staurosporine Increases Lentiviral Transduction of Human CD34+ Cells *Melissa Bonner, bluebirdbio, Cambridge, MA*
14.00-15.30 *Masaccio*	**7d: CNS gene therapy** *Chairs: Alessandra Biffi, Nicole Deglon*
15.15-15.30	INV090 AAV-CYP46A1 brain administration restores cholesterol metabolism and is neuroprotective in Huntington's disease *Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, INSERM UMR1169, Université Paris-Sud; CEA, DSV, FBM, MIRCen, Fontenay-aux-Roses*
15.15-15.30	INV091 AVXS-101 phase 1 gene therapy clinical trial in SMA type 1 *Jerry Mendell, Nationwide Children's Hospital, Ohio State University*
15.15-15.30	*Proffered papers* OR061 From bench to bedside: A novel approach in the treatment of SMA Type 1 with gene therapy *Brian Kaspar, Nationwide Children's Hospital, The Ohio State University Medical Center, AveXis, Inc*
15.15-15.30	OR062 Improvements in motor function and PET findings following gene transfer to the patients with AADC deficiency *Taka Yamagata, Jichi Medical University*

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15.30-15.50 *Limonaia, Passi Perduti*	Coffee break
15.50-17.45 *Auditorium*	**Presidential symposium and awards ceremony** *Chairs: Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, Luigi Naldini*
15.50-16.15	**ESGCT AGM**
16.15-17.00	INV092 Milestones and barriers in hematopoietic stem cell derivation from pluripotent stem cells *George Q Daley, Boston Children's Hospital, MA*
17.00-17.30	**Outstanding Achievement Award** INV093 Progress for gene therapy in haemophilia *Amit Nathwani, University College London*
17.30-17.45	**Young Investigator Awards** OR063 Towards clinical translation of gene editing technologies for empowering adoptive immunotherapy or correcting inherited mutations *Pietro Genovese, SR-Tiget, Milan*
17.45-19.00 *Auditorium*	**Germline editing debate** *Chairs: Roberto Buccione* *Annelien Bredenoord, University Medical Center Utrecht* *Giuseppe Testa, University of Milan* *George Q Daley, Boston Children's Hospital, MA* *Nathalie Cartier-Lacave, INSERM UMR1169, Université Paris-Sud; CEA, DSV, FBM, MIRCen, Fontenay-aux-Roses* *Luigi Naldini, SR-Tiget, Milan* *Feng Zhang, The Broad Institute, MIT, Cambridge, Mass*
19.00-20.00	Closing drinks

VISITING FLORENCE

It is estimated that 40% of the world's most important artworks are found in Italy, and 30% of these are located in Florence. Situated in the heart of Italy, surrounded by the wine-growing hills of Chianti, the city enchants visitors with its timeless charm.

The names Strozzi, Rucellai and Pitti can be found all over Florence, but it was the Medici family, who led the city for over 300 years, that nurtured the greatest flowering of Renaissance art. The paintings of Botticelli, the sculptures of Michelangelo and the rusticated palaces of Michelozzo all flourished under their rule.

The mix of ancient and modern culture makes Florence an enchanting and inspiring city. Florence is also a busy cosmpolitan centre, offering arts festivals, historic cafes, excellent restaurants and picturesque 'trattorie' serving the best regional Italian cuisine.

Don't miss the Cathedral with its splendid dome designed by Brunelleschi; Giotto's Campanile; and the Uffizi Gallery. But it is the hidden and lesser known Florence that will remain in your heart: the small churches, street markets and traditional "trattorias", and the tiny artisan workshops which hand down ancient techniques from generation to generation.

Shopping

Florence offers a vast variety of shops, from famous designers' boutiques to vintage and hand crafted artisan stalls. Look for luxury items in Via Tornabuoni and Via della Vigna; leather goods in Limonaia, Passi Perduti Santa Croce and Limonaia, Passi Perduti San Lorenzo; antiques in Via Maggio and Via de' Fossi, and jewellery on Ponte Vecchio.

Shops open from 10am–1pm and 3.30–7.30pm daily. In the main shopping area you will find shops open all day.

Tipping

There is no tipping in Italy. Customers pay the exact amount that appears on the bill.

VAT

Italy's VAT for business transactions and purchases is 22 percent, and the tax for basic products 4 to 10 percent. The VAT is only paid by European Union consumers. All published prices (including restaurant menus, taxi fares and supermarket prices) include consumer tax.

TOURS

Tours are organised by MCO. All information is available from their booth next to the main registration desk. Spouses and family members are welcome on all tours. 'Highlights of Florence' will take place every day at various times; all other tours will take place once. Tours in Florence require minimum 10 participants; tours around Florence require minimum 15 participants.

Highlights of Florence

This tour takes in the Ponte Vecchio, the bridge lined with jewellery shops since 1552 when Duke Cosimo I issued an edict for jewelers to replace all of the butcher shops previously lining the landmark. We then pass the Uffizi Gallery to see the fake David where Michelangelo's real statue once stood. Next we will visit Limonaia, Passi Perduti della Signoria and the seat of the Florentine city government. We'll do a quick stop at the church of Orsanmichele, followed by Florence's formidable landmark, the Duomo, famous for Brunelleschi's dome, Giotto's colorful bell tower and the beautiful Baptistry.

18 Oct at 10am; 19 Oct at 3pm; 20 Oct at 3pm

21 Oct at 10am; Duration: 3 hours

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Italian cities

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As such we would like to support the activities of national societies that share this goal – please see some information and contact details for national societies below to help you, should you wish to get in touch with any of them.

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