A LIFE THAT IS BORN MAKES LIFE GROW.
CORD BLOOD: CURRENT EXPERIENCES AND FUTURE PROGRAMMES

Milan (Italy), June 5th - 6th, 2015
Auditorium Don Giacomo Alberione
Via Giotto, 36

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PROGRAM
The purpose of this meeting is to present an update of the clinical results of umbilical cord blood haematopoietic transplant and the prospects of therapeutic use of cord blood platelet gel (CBPG), a new blood component recently developed at the Fondazione Ca’ Granda, Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico of Milan.

Research on CBPG started in 2009, in view of the fact that only 10% of the CB units collected for haematopoietic transplant purposes contain a sufficient number of stem cells to justify their high long-term banking costs. It therefore seemed convenient not to waste a neonatal biological material which is so rich in tissue growth factors (known and unknown), has such great therapeutic potential, and is so readily available. As a result, a national project has been promoted by the Centro Nazionale Sangue (National Blood Centre) to standardise the production of this new blood component in public cord blood banks in Italy and Spain. Within the framework of this project, the public cord blood banks belonging to the Italian network have so far produced and characterized about 1200 units of CBPG suitable for clinical use.

In addition to a discussion on technical issues related to the preparation and characterization of CBPG, topics of clinical interest will be addressed including the treatment of skin ulcers with CBPG in different conditions including diabetes and haematological diseases and the potential for a therapeutic use of eye-drops obtained from cord blood plasma (cord blood eye drops - CBED) for the treatment of patients affected by corneal lesions.
Saturday, June 6th, 2015 - Morning

08.30  Session III - The clinical and economical burden of skin ulcers in different countries and conditions: can we spend less and be more clinically effective? What is the role of patients?
Chairs: David Raderman (Tel Aviv, IL), Maria Domenica Cappellini (Milan, I)

The role of patients

08.30  Alejandra C. Vivas (Miami, USA)
Patient’s training and role on prevention and management of diabetic foot ulcers

Round table
Brazil: José Valber Meneses (Salvador-Bahia, BR)
India: Maneesh Singhal (New Dehli, IN)
Iran: Amir Ali Hamidieh (Teheran, IR)
Japan: Sadanori Akita (Nagasaki, J)
Nigeria: Olu Akinyanju (Lagos, NG)
USA: Caterina Minniti (New York, USA)

10.30  Coffee break

11.00  Session IV - Biological eye-drops
Chairs: Giuliano Grazzini (Rome, I), Catherine Stavropoulos Gionka (Athens, GR)

11.00  Elisa Carini (Milan, I)
Current treatment of corneal lesions

11.20  Marina Buzzi (Bologna, I)
Biological eye drops

11.40  Discussion

12.00  Closing remarks and future perspectives
Maria Domenica Cappellini, Susanna Esposito, Eliane Gluckman

13.00  Lunch
GENERAL INFORMATION

Meeting venue
Auditorium Don Giacomo Alberione
Via Giotto, 36, 20145 Milano (Italy)
Tel. 02 48072888.

Secretariat during the Meeting
The Secretariat will be open as follows:
Friday, June 5th, from 12:00 to 18:00
Saturday, June 6th, from 08.15 to 14.00

Official language
Official languages of the Meeting are Italian and English.
Simultaneous translation will be provided.

Registration
Attendance to the Meeting is free of charge.
On-line registration is available on the website www.mzcongressi.com.
If you are interested in CME credits, you must register on-line only.
If you are not interested in CME credits, you can either register on-line,
or confirm your participation to Fondazione Internazionale Menarini sending the registration form by Fax (+39 02 55305739) or by e-mail (milan@fondazione-menarini.it.)

Italian CME Accreditation
The application for CME accreditation has been submitted for Italian Physician and Pharmacist.
CME credits will be recognized only upon full attendance of all sessions and a minimum score of 75% of correct answers of the learning questionnaires.

Lunch and coffee breaks
Lunch and coffee breaks are served in the Meeting area.

Abstracts book
Participants will receive the Abstracts book at the Meeting.

Certificate of attendance
The certificate of attendance will be available on request at the end of the Meeting by the Secretariat desk.

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