## **TOPICS**

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- Oxidative Responses in Melanocytes and Melanoma Cells
- Solar Radiation and the Pigmentary System

#### **SPEAKERS**

- Sergei Grando, MD, PhD (University of California Irvine)
- F. Holick, MD, PhD (Boston University)
- Lawrence Pfeffer, PhD (University of Tennessee)
- Michael Kastan, MD, PhD (St. Jude Children's Research Hospital)
- Ralf Paus, MD (University of Lubeck)
- Jack Arbiser, MD, PhD (Emory University)
- Russel J. Reiter, Ph.D., Dr.h.c.mult. (University of Texas, San Antonio)
- ↓ Edwin Blalock, PhD (University of Alabama)
- 4 Gregory Barsh, MD, PhD (Stanford University)
- Andrzej Slominski, MD, PhD (University of Tennessee)
- ↓ Dianna Johnson, PhD (University of Tennessee)

# **ORGANIZERS**

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Andrzej Slominski, MD, PhD (Chair), Frank Meyskens, MD, Gertrude-Emilia Costin, PhD, Prashiela Manga, PhD, John Pawelek, PhD

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Andrzej Slominski, MD, PhD (Chair), Barrett Haik, MD, FACS, Charles Handorf, MD, PhD, Peter Netland, MD, PhD, Blazej Zbytek, MD, PhD, Barbara Frederick, MPA, Debra Trapp, Leslie Ingram, MS

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#### Meeting description:

The conference will focus on recent advances in pigment cell biology interfacing with other areas of research including neurobiology, endocrinology, immunology, photobiology and cancer research. The program will represent a unique blend of basic, translational and clinical science. It is expected that new avenues in pigment cells research will be discussed and future directions proposed to place this field on the forefront of basic and life sciences.

#### Target Audience:

Dermatologists, pathologists, basic science researchers from both academic and industrial backgrounds, residents, students interested in current problems of pigment cell research.

#### Accreditation:

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education through the joint sponsorship of

Methodist Healthcare and the PanAmerican Society for Pigment Cell Research Society. Methodist Healthcare is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Methodist Healthcare designates this educational activity for a maximum of 26 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits<sup>TM</sup>.



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## **Objectives:**

The 2009 meeting of the PanAmerican Society for Pigment Cell Research and suggestively entitled "The Pigmentary System: Securing a Place Under the Sun" will be held in Memphis, TN, to update investigators on the most novel findings

in the field of pigment cell research and the clinical advances in skin disease treatment. The main objective of this meeting is to provide a forum for basic researchers and clinicians to meet and share data on the complex field of skin pigmentation with its wider implications in human health, environmental effects of solar radiation and racial diversity. We expect to achieve a better understanding of the process of melanin pigmentation at molecular, cellular and entire organism levels that might lead to more effective treatments for pigmentary disorders ranging from rare genetic pigmentary abnormalities to autoimmune disorders of pigmentation and skin malignancies. The 15th Annual Meeting carries the theme 'The Pigmentary System: Securing a Place Under the Sun' to address topics related to the mechanism by which pigmentation offers protection from





the damaging effects of the sun and how pigmentation is affected in a wide array of

pigmentary disorders. Recent advances in pigment cell biology interfacing with other areas of research such as dermatology, basic biology, neurobiology, endocrinology, immunology, photobiology, ophthalmology, pathology, biochemistry, chemistry, physics and cancer research will be presented. Importantly, realizing that pigmentation is also the basis for racial discrimination with an impact for the individual well being and for the society as a whole, the PanAmerican Society for Pigment Cell Research opens the necessary space for discussion on health and social issues. The program will encompass unique blend of basic, translational and clinical sciences. It is expected that new avenues in pigment cells research will be discussed and future directions proposed to place this field on the forefront of basic and life sciences.

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## Call for abstracts:

Abstracts can be submitted in the following categories:

- Biochemistry, Chemistry and Biophysics of Melanin Pigmentation
- Cell Biology of Melanin Synthesis
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- Cell Surface and Nuclear Receptors and Their Ligands: Regulation of Melanocyte/Melanoma Behavior
- Melanocyte Maturation/Differentiation: Developmental and Cellular Biology
- Oxidative Responses in Melanocytes and Melanoma Cells
- Melanocyte Response to Solar Radiation Pigmentary Disorders: Genetics, Etiology, Pathology and Therapy
- Pigmentary System of the Eye
- Other

Abstracts can be submitted only **online** at: http://www.paspcr2009.org.

Abstracts can be submitted from **February 10 to May 1, 2009**. Abstract submitted after May 1 will not be published in the Pigment Cell and Melanoma Research, but will be considered and included as an appendix to the meeting Program and Abstracts booklet.

Abstracts length should not exceed 250 words.

Accepted abstracts will be presented either orally or in poster format. Authors will be informed about acceptance of abstracts and their format (poster, oral, or poster and oral).

#### **Registration:**

A registration form is included on the last page or you may register online at http://www.paspcr2009.org.

## **Accommodations:**

Please make your accommodation arrangements directly with the hotels.

These hotels listed are offering discounted room rates for our meeting attendees.

#### **Memphis Peabody Hotel**

149 Union Avenue, Memphis, TN 38103

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#### Shuttle services

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# **PROGRAM**

Friday, September 4				
12:00 - 7:00 PM	Registration			
1:00 - 1:10 PM	Official opening of the Meeting	Andrzej Slominski, MD, PhD, and short introduction by Dr. Barrett Haik on behalf of the local Organizing Committee		
1:10 - 1:30 PM	Presidential Address	Frank Meyskens, MD, President of the PASPCR		
Session 1: Biochemistry, Chemistry and Biophysics of Melanin Pigmentation				
1:30 - 3:00 PM	Selected abstract presentations	Chaired by John Pawelek, PhD (Yale University), Gertrude- Emilia Costin, PhD (Institute for In Vitro Sciences), Vincent Hearing, PhD (National Institutes of Health)		
3:00 - 3:45 PM	Keynote lecture 1	Dr. Sergei Grando, MD, PhD (University of California Irvine) Cutaneous cholinergic system: Lessons for skin pigmentary system		
3:45 - 4:00 PM	Coffee/tea break			
Session 2: Cell Biology of Melanin Synthesis				
4:00 - 5:45 PM	Selected abstract presentations	Chaired by Zalfa Abdel Malek, PhD (University of Cincinnati), Ana Luisa Kadekaro, PhD (University of Cincinnati), Marjan Huizing, PhD (National Institutes of Health)		
5:45 - 6:00 PM		Coffee/tea break		
6:00 - 6:45 PM	Keynote lecture 2	Michael F. Holick, MD, PhD (Boston University) Shining Light on Skin Pigment, Vitamin D and Health		
7:00 - 10:00 PM	Cocktail party at Dr. Charles	Handorf's residence		

Saturday, September 5				
8:00 - 5:00 PM	Registration			
8:00 - 8:45 AM	Keynote lecture 3	Lawrence Pfeffer, PhD (University of Tennessee) Title: NF-kB signaling: implications for skin cancer		
8:45 - 9:00 PM	Coffee/tea break			
Session 3: Malignant Transformation of the Melanocyte and Melanoma Progression				
9:00 - 11:00 AM	Selected abstract presentations	Chaired by James Grichnik, MD (Duke University), Sancy Leachman, MD (University of Utah), John Pawelek, PhD (Yale University)		
11:00 - 11:45 AM	Keynote lecture 4	Michael Kastan, MD, PhD (St. Jude Hospital)  DNA Damage Responses: From Molecular Mechanisms to Clinical Interventions		
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	Lunch/ Poster viewing			
Session 4: Cell Surfa	ace and Nuclear Receptors and T	heir Ligands: Regulation of Melanocyte/Melanoma Behavior		
1:00 - 2:30 PM	Selected abstract presentations	Chaired by Prashiela Manga, PhD (New York University), Andrzej Slominski, MD, PhD (University of Tennessee Health Science Center), Zalfa Abdel-Malek, PhD (University of Cincinnati)		
2:30 - 2:45 PM	Coffee/tea break			
2:45 - 3:30 PM	Keynote lecture 5:	Ralf Paus, MD (University of Lubeck) Neuroendocrinology of the Hair Follicle		
Session 5: Melanocyte Maturation/Differentiation: Developmental and Cellular Biology				
3:30 - 5:00 PM	Selected abstract presentations	Chaired by Tom Hornyak, MD, PhD (National Institutes of Health), Youwen Zhou, PhD (Skin Care Center, Canada), Lidia Kos, PhD (Florida International University)		
5:00 - 5:15 PM	Coffee/tea break			
5:15 - 6:00 PM	Aaron B Lerner lecture	author and title to be announced		
7:00 PM	Free time	Suggested visit to Beale Street in walking distance from the hotel		

Sunday, September 6				
8:00 - 5:00 PM	Registration			
8:00 - 8:45 AM	Keynote lecture 6	Jack Arbiser, MD, PhD (Emory University) Oxidative Stress, Melanocytes and Melanoma		
8:45 - 9:00 PM	Coffee/tea break			
	Session 6: Oxidative Responses in Melanocytes and Melanoma Cells			
9:00 - 11:00 AM	Selected abstract presentations	Chaired by Frank Meyskens, MD (University of California Irvine)		
11:00 - 11:15 AM	Coffee/tea break			
11:15 AM - 12.00 PM	Keynote lecture 7:	Russel J. Reiter, Ph.D., Dr.h.c.mult. (University of Texas, San Antonio)  Melatonin and Its Metabolites As Anti-Oxidants: Implications for Pigment Cell Biology		
12.00 - 12:30 PM	Business Meeting	<u> </u>		
12:30 - 1:30 PM	Lunch/ Poster viewing			
Session 7: Solar Ra	adiation and the Pigmentary Syster	n: Securing the Place Under the Sun.		
1:30 - 3:30 PM	Selected abstract presentations	Chaired by Andrzej Slominski, MD, PhD (University of Tennessee Health Science Center), Miri Seibeg, PhD (Johnson & Johnson)		
3:30 - 4.15 PM	Keynote lecture 8	Edwin Blalock, PhD (University of Alabama) The Immune System as a Sensory Organ		
4:15 - 5:45 PM	Posters Discussion with Coffee and Tea	Moderators: Youwen Zhou, PhD (Skin Care Center, Canada), Gertrude-Emilia Costin, PhD (Institute for In Vitro Sciences), Vijayasaradhi Setaluri, PhD (University of Wisconsin)		
7:00 PM	Gala Dinner			

Monday, September 7					
8:00AM - 1:00 PM	Registration				
8:00 - 8:45 AM	Keynote lecture 9:	Gregory Barsh, MD, PhD (Stanford University) Novel Regulators of Melanin Pigmentation			
8:45 - 9:00 PM	Coffee/tea break				
Session 8: Pigmentary Disorders: Genetics, Etiology, Pathology and Therapy					
9:00 - 11:30 AM	Selected abstract presentations  Chaired by Caroline LePoole, PhD (Loyola University), Richard Spritz, MD (University of Colorado), Raymond Boissy PhD (University of Cincinnati)				
11:30 AM-12:15 PM	Keynote lecture 10	Andrzej Slominski, MD, PhD (University of Tennessee Health Science Center) Title: Neuroendocrinology of the Melanin Pigmentary System			
12:15 - 1:30 PM	Lunch				
Session 9: Pigmentary System of the Eye					
1:30 - 2:00 PM	Keynote lecture 11	Dianna Johnson, PhD (University of Tennessee Health Science Center) Title: Retinal pigment epithelium reaction to oxidative stress and solar radiation.			
2:00 - 3:30 PM	Selected abstract presentations	Chaired by Peter Netland, MD, PhD (University of Tennessee Health Science Center), Barrett Haik (University of Tennessee Health Science Center), MD, Charles Handorf, MD, PhD (University of Tennessee Health Science Center)			
3:30 PM	Official Closing of the Meeting	Andrzej Slominski, MD, PhD (University of Tennessee Health Science Center)			
4:00 PM	Farewell Party				

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On-site registration: September 4 until September 7, 2009
Late registrants please add \$50 for entire conference or \$15 per day.

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