International Conference on Advances in the Area of Bioequivalence

Hotel Danubius Health Spa Resort Margitsziget
Margaret Island, Budapest, Hungary
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Welcome

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Co-Chairs of the Conference

The International Conference on Advances in the Area of Bioequivalence (ICAB 2015) will be held on Margaret Island, Budapest, Hungary, on November 14, 2015. This one-day conference is unique in nature. It will be focusing on bioequivalence – regulatory aspects of bioequivalence, biosimilars, bioanalytics, in vitro dissolution and drug release perspectives, advances in pharmaceutical technology, drug development and beyond. The conference topic will also update on new BCS draft guidance and biowaivers.

The conference will provide ample opportunities for the participants to interact with international speakers on different topics. Researchers are invited to make presentations on new approaches for targeted drug delivery. Interactive panel discussion moderated by well-known professors of the field will provide a platform to answer questions on everyday drug development and registration. Participants could view the exhibition of leading international analytical/bioanalytical and dissolution tester manufacturers, CROs and biological sample transportation companies assuring GLP and GCP-conform conditions. The exhibition will be well-suited to the professional program of the Conference.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all the speakers who have decided to come to Budapest to debate the newest results in this important discipline. Finally, our thanks go to all event partners for helping to make ICAB 2015 a success.

The venue of the conference is the Hotel Danubius Health Spa Resort Margitsziget****Superior located on the beautiful Margaret Island in Budapest, Hungary. We look forward to welcoming you all and your colleagues at this one-day International Conference on Advances in the Area of Bioequivalence.

We wish all participants an enriching stay in the beautiful milieu of Margaret Island with a special atmosphere of the UNESCO protected Music Fountain and Water Tower, and the exciting science that will be presented.
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Main Topics of the Conference

Bioequivalence Regulatory and Methodology

Philosophical and Social Interpretations for the Impact of Bioequivalence Studies on Public Health
Bioequivalence Studies in Patient Populations: New Challenges and Future Trends
Determination of Bioequivalence of Modified-release Formulations
Avoid Excessive Numbers of Subjects in Clinical Trials

Regulatory Update of BCS and Biowaivers

Update on New BCS Draft Guidance Biowaivers and Beyond…
BCS of Drugs: An Ever-evolving Field
Biowaivers and Common Sense, EU Regulatory Examples

Biosimilars and Nanosimilars: Challenges and Regulatory Pathways

Nanomedicines and Nanosimilars: Regulatory and Market Landscape
Analytical Challenges of Biosimilars

Advances in Bioanalytical Testing

Analytical Challenges for Bioequivalence and Biosimilar Development
Challenges in Characterizing Nanoparticle Drugs
Advances in Bioanalytical Techniques
Bioanalytical LC/MS Methods in Generic and Biological Drug Development

In Vitro Dissolution Perspectives

Advances in In Vitro Dissolution
In Vitro Release Methodology for Topical Semisolid Drug Products

Advances in Pharmaceutical Technology, Drug Development and Beyond

Small is Beautiful: Surprising Nanoparticles
Nanomedicine for Topical Drug Delivery
Micro- and Nanofibrous Delivery Systems
Alcohol Resistant Formulations
Brain Drug Delivery
New Treatment Perspectives for Spinal Cord Injury
Scientific Program

The Conference starts on Saturday at 9:00 am.

Opening Ceremony

Session 1

Philosophical and Social Interpretations for the Impact of Bioequivalence Studies on Public Health: Long-Term Life Experiences
A. Atilla Hincal
Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey
IDE Pharmaceutical Registration Biopharmaceutics Consultation Education Ltd. Co., Ankara, Turkey

Biopharmaceutic Classification of Drugs: An Ever-Evolving Field
Panos Macheras
National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens, Greece

Regulatory Update – What is New in BCS and Biowaivers and Beyond…
Vinod P. Shah
International Pharmaceutical Federation / SIG,
Chair of Regulatory Sciences, North Potomac, MD, USA

Some Issues on the Determination of Bioequivalence of Modified-Release Formulations
László Endrényi, László Tóthfalusi
1 University of Toronto, ON, Canada; 2 Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary

Coffee Break, Exhibition

Session 2

Small is Beautiful: Surprising Nanoparticles
Dominique Duchêne
Université Paris-Sud, Paris, France

Nanomedicines and Nanosimilars: Regulatory and Market Landscape
Erem Bilensoy
Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey

Applications of In Vitro Release Methodologies for Topical Semisolid Drug Products
Flavian Stefan Rădulescu
University of Medicine and Pharmacy Carol Davila Bucharest, Bucharest, Romania

Analytical Challenges for Bioequivalence and Biosimilar Development
Surendra K. Bansal
F. Hoffmann-La Roche Inc., New York, NY, USA

Panel Discussion I. – Q and A

Lunch, Exhibition
**Session 3**

**Bioequivalence Studies in Patient Populations: New Challenges and Future Trends**  
*Henning H. Blume*  
*SocraTec R&D Ltd., Oberursel, Germany*

**The New Treatment Perspectives for Spinal Cord Injury**  
*Hakan Eroğlu*  
*Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey*

**Brain Drug Delivery**  
*Yılmaz Capan*  
*Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey*

**Micro- and Nanofibrous Delivery Systems – A Potential Tool for Tunable Drug Release**  
*István Sebe, Romána Zelkó*  
*Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary*

**Nanomedicine for Topical Drug Delivery**  
*Carla M. Caramella*  
*University of Pavia, Pavia, Italy*

**Coffee Break, Exhibition**

**Session 4**

**Between the Beaker and Bottle**  
*Clive G. Wilson*  
*University of Stathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland, UK*

**Avoid Excessive Numbers of Subjects in Clinical Trials**  
*Constantin Mircioiu, Valentina Anuta*  
*University of Medicine and Pharmacy Carol Davila Bucharest, Bucharest, Romania*

**Biowaivers and Common Sense EU Regulatory Examples**  
*Tamás L. Paál*  
*University of Szeged, Szeged, Hungary*  
*National Institute of Pharmacy and Nutrition, Budapest, Hungary*

**Panel Discussion II. – Q and A**

**75th Birthday Celebration in the honour of Prof. A. Atilla Hincal**

**Closing Ceremony**
Registration

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(*incl. VAT*)

**Our fees include:**
- Access to all scientific sessions
- Admission to the exhibition
- Printed material of the workshop
- Conference folder
- Coffee breaks
- Lunch
- Conference banquet dinner

### For accompanying persons:

**100 EUR**  
(*incl. VAT*)

**For accompanies:**
- Coffee breaks
- Lunch
- Conference banquet dinner

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Venue

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Margitsziget (Margaret Island) H-1007 Budapest, Hungary

Accommodation

Danubius Health Spa Resort Margitsziget****Superior is the official conference hotel. You can book a room at the special conference rates by using the special hotel reservation link from the website: http://www.icab2015.hu/VAT, city tax and the breakfast are included in the prices.

Danubius Health Spa Resort Margitsziget****Superior

Address: H-1007 Budapest, Margitsziget (Margaret Island)
Location from the Symposium venue: on site

Prices:

- Single occupancy guest room: 75 EUR/room/night
- Double occupancy guest room: 85 EUR/room/night

267 rooms (227 twin, 12 double, 4 single, 16 Junior suite, 8 suite); Rooms for disabled people, Connecting rooms. Executive floor with Executive breakfast lounge. Air-conditioning, balcony, bathrobe, hairdryer, minibar, safe, TV, free WiFi, telephone, coffee- and tea-making facilities. Business centre, room service, laundry, souvenir shop, concierge service, transfer, car-rental service, car park and garage.

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Post Conference Excursion

After a day of full of science we cordially invite you to a facultative excursion to the magnificent Danube Bend, which is one of the most beautiful parts of Hungary very close to the capital city, Budapest. During the trip we will see the most important towns along the way: Szentendre, Visegrád and Esztergom. Join the trip and come with us to discover this wonderful region.

Price: 90 EUR
full day trip, including bus transportation, all meals and programs