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Changing the vaccine paradigm: Stressing the importance of adult immunization



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“One of the brightest chapters in the history of science
is the impact of vaccines on human longevity and health”

S. Plotkin

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In the 2015 WHO World Report on Ageing and Health, healthy ageing” is defined as “the process of developing and maintaining the functional ability that enables wellbeing in older age”. In this context, life course-integrated care includes firstly health promotion and targeted preventive measures.

Too often only diet, physical exercises and smoking abstinence are considered the pillars of health promotion and disease prevention, while the importance of life course vaccinations is forgotten by stakeholders, healthcare professionals, media and indeed the public.

The understanding that vaccinations represent one of the most powerful public health measure, by preventing disease, disability and mortality has to be stressed and emphasized. Irrefutable scientific arguments need to be disclosed to the widest possible political, professional and lay public audiences. Concerted effort should be made to increase awareness and education around the role of prevention, including immunization, to favor a “Healthy Ageing”. How to better implement existing European vaccine recommendations? How to remove the vaccine fears? How to increase the vaccine coverage at any stage of life and specifically at the old age? We would like answering all these questions and mobilizing all the partners, getting the strong support and cooperation of the stakeholders and key opinion leaders to convince all audiences of the outstanding benefits of a vaccination life course approach.

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Prof. Stefania Maggi, EUGMS

Prof. Jean-Pierre Michel, EICA

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2017

15.00 Registrations

15.15 **OPENING CEREMONY**

Umberto Vattani, Gaetano Crepaldi, Agar Brugiavini

15.30 **Objectives of the conference**

Stefania Maggi

15.40 **The updated WHO definition of “Healthy Ageing”**

Jean-Pierre Michel

16.10 **Integrating life course vaccination into the new WHO concept of “Healthy Ageing”**

Jane Barratt

Coffee break

ADULT IMMUNIZATION CHALLENGES

Chair: Stefania Maggi

17.10 **Adult vaccination in Europe**

Francesca Cerreta

17.40 **Public health impact of adult vaccine-preventable diseases on performances, disability, mortality and health care costs in Europe**

Giovanni Rezza

18.10 **Profiling vaccines for an immunosenescent and multimorbid population**

Rino Rappuoli

18.40 General discussion

19.30 Social dinner on San Servolo

THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2017

**IMPACT OF ADULT VACCINES
ON RESPIRATORY DISEASES - 1**

Chair: Stefan Gravenstein

08.30 **Etiology of respiratory tract infections in adults in Europe:
current knowledge and knowledge gaps**
Ingo Beyer

09.00 **European flu vaccine regulations and their impacts
in community-dwelling adults**
Jacques Gaillat

09.30 **Vaccination of health care professionals and protection
of hospitalized adults and nursing home residents**
Gaetan Gavazzi

Coffee break

**IMPACT OF ADULT VACCINES
ON RESPIRATORY DISEASES - 2**

Chair: Jean-Pierre Michel

10.30 **Evolving epidemiology of Pneumococcal disease in Europe**
Johan Flamaing

11.00 **Updated vaccination strategy against
pneumococcal disease in Germany**
Gerhard Falkenhorst

11.30 **Broad potential benefits of a comprehensive approach
of adult immunization against flu and pneumococcal disease**
Litjen Tan

12.00 General discussion

Lunch

THE PERMANENT VALUE OF VACCINES IN ADULTS

Chair: Timo Strandberg

13.30 **Impact of nutrition on adult vaccination efficacy**
Claudio Franceschi

14.00 **Continuous threats for older Europeans:
Diphtheria, Pertussis and Tetanus**
Giovanni Gabutti

14.30 **Herpes Zoster vaccination: a vaccine to prevent pain**
Robert W. Johnson

15.00 **The gastroenteritis burden in adult community:
prospects for vaccines**
Filippo Ansaldo

Coffee break

VACCINES IN PATIENTS WITH CHRONIC CLINICAL CONDITIONS

Chair: Georg Ruppe

16.00 **Direct and indirect benefits of Pneumococcal vaccines in patients
with chronic conditions: diabetes, cardiac & pulmonary diseases**
Christian Theilacker

16.30 **Vaccines, antibiotic resistance and nosocomial infections**
Susanna Esposito

17.00 **Comprehensive geriatric assessment in infectious diseases**
Alberto Pilotto

ONE HEALTH

Chair: André Parodi

17.30 **"One health" vaccine prospects**
Manuel Moro

18.00 General discussion

20.30 Dinner in Venice

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2017

TOWARDS A GLOBAL ADULT VACCINE POLICY

Chair: *Cornel Sieber*

09.00 **Wrap up of the first part of this stakeholders conference**

Jane Barratt

09.30 **Multidisciplinary group discussions:
Analysis of the adult vaccine hindrances and propositions
to establish a successful global vaccine policy**

- Public Health & Economy - *Agar Brugiavini, Chiara Ziprani*
- Geriatric Medicine – Preventive aspects and acute medicine - *Stefan Gravenstein, Tomasz Grodzicki*
- Long term care (LTC) - *Mario Barbagallo, Robert W. Jonhson*
- Pharmacists - *Rajesh Patel, Mirko Petrovic*
- Nurses and health visitors - *Clara Frasson, Gaetan Gavazzi*
- Non-Governmental Organizations - *Gary Grohmann, Guglielmo Weber*
- Pharmaceutical industry - *Richard Aspinall, Antonio Cherubini*
- One Health & adults vaccines - *Michael Davies, André Parodi*
- Medias and science in adult vaccination - *Roberto Bernabei, David Eaton*

Coffee break

HOW PROMOTING ADULT IMMUNIZATION IN EUROPE

Chairs: *Jane Barratt, Jean-Pierre Michel*

11.00 **Reports of the groups' discussion
"Establishing a successful global vaccine policy"**

General Discussion

12.30 **Conclusion: Proposed priority actions**

Stefania Maggi

13.00 Farewell lunch

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