

# 6th International EMT Meeting

## 2013 Alicante Meeting

**Wednesday November 13 - Saturday November 16, 2013**  
**Hotel Melia, Alicante, Spain**

### Convenors:

**Angela Nieto** *Instituto de Neurociencias (CSIC-UMH), Alicante*  
**Amparo Cano** *Universidad Autónoma Madrid*

### Local Committee:

**Antonio Garcia de Herreros** *Institute for Medical Research and Hospital del Mar, Barcelona*  
**Jose Luis de la Pompa** *National Center for Cardiovascular Diseases, Madrid*

### International Organizing Committee:

**M. Angela NIETO** | Instituto de Neurociencias (CSIC-UMH), Spain  
**Thomas BRABLETZ** | Freiburg Medical School, Germany  
**Raghu KALLURI** | Harvard Medical School, USA  
**Yeesim KHEW-GOODALL** | Centre for Cancer Biology, SA Pathology, Australia  
**Don NEWGREEN** | MCRI, Melbourne, Australia  
**Raymond RUNYAN** | University of Arizona, USA

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**Guojun SHENG** | RIKEN Center for Development Biology, Japan  
**Jean Paul THIERY** | A\*STAR - Institute of Molecular and Cell Biology, Singapore  
**Erik THOMPSON** | University of Melbourne and St. Vincent's Institute, Australia

## AWARDS

- **Betty Hay Award (deadline submission: August 15)**
- **TEMTIA Travel Bursaries (deadline submission: June 30)**
- **Travel Bursaries from the American Association of Anatomists (deadline submission: June 30)**
- **TEMTIA Poster awards (deadline submission: August 15)**

## **Wednesday 13th November**

12.00- Registration

14.00:

**14.15- Inauguration/ Welcome address**

**14.30 M Angela Nieto and local committee**

**14.30- The EMBO lecture and Betty Hay Oration**

**15.30 Chair Angela Nieto**

**The Multi-Faceted EMT Progam - Robert Weinberg** (Whitehead Inst  
Cancer Res., Cambridge, USA). EMBO member

**15.30- Symposium I. Cell/Molecular Biology of EMT**

**17.40 Chair Ray Runyan**

**Beyond EMT: Insights from Snail1 Conditional Knockout Mic**

Stephen Weiss (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA)

**Intravital imaging of metastasis** - Eric Sahai (CRUK London Research  
Institute, UK)

**New molecular mechanism involved in epithelialization during lumen  
morphogenesis in kidney cells** - Fernando Martin-Belmonte (CBMSO,  
Madrid, Spain)

2 short  
talks

**O.35:TGF $\beta$  and MYC: the crossroads of cytostasis and invasion**

Authors: D Radisky, M Cichon, M Moruzzi (Mayo Clinic)

**O.128: The Twist box domain is required for TWIST1-induced  
metastasis of prostate cancer cells**

Authors: P Tran, R Gajula, S Chettiar, R Williams, S Thiagarajan, K Aziz,  
N Gandhi, A Wild, Y Kato, E Fertig, C Rudin, V Raman, S An  
Johns Hopkins Medicine, Johns Hopkins Medicine, Johns Hopkins  
University

**17.45- Poster session** (drinks and snacks)

19.45

## Thursday 14th November

8.30- **Symposium II. Developmental EMT**

10.40 Chair Goujun Sheng

**Mesodermal EMT and germ layer formation in Drosophila can occur without an E- to-N-cadherin switch** - Maria Leptin (EMBO, Germany)  
**EMT and collective cellmigration**

Jordi Casanova (IBMB(CSIC)/IRBB, Barcelona, Spain)

**Self-generated directionality and tissue organisation during collective migration**

Darren Gilmour (EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany)

2 short talks **O.85: Zeb1 regulates E cadherin and Epcam expression to control cell behaviour in early development and cancer**

Authors: C Vannier, K Mock, T Brabletz, W Driever

Dept. of Visceral Surgery-University Medical Center Freiburg,

Developmental Biology-Institute Biology I

**O.121: EMT in neural crest: new partners for an old process**

Authors: E Martí, MA Rabadán

Instituto de Biología Molecular de Barcelona-CSIC

10.40- *Coffee break*

11.00

11.00- **Symposium III. Non-transcriptional regulation of EMT I.**

13.00 Chair: Yeesim Kew-Goodall

**Epigenetic Basis of Cellular Reprogramming** - Andrew P Feinberg (John Hopkins University, School Medicine, Baltimore, USA)

**Epigenetic regulation of hypoxia-induced epithelial-mesenchymal transition**

Kuo-Juey Wu (National Yang-Ming University, Taiwan)

3 short talks **O.144: Identification of a double-negative feedback loop which**

**regulates epithelial-mesenchymal transition and metastasis** (New title)

Authors: L Shi, R Jackstadt, H Siemens, H Li, T Kirchner, H Hermeking  
Ludwig-Maximilians-University München

**O.5: Regulation of Heterochromatin Transcription by Snail1/ LOXL2 during Epithelial to Mesenchymal Transition**

Authors: S Peiró, Fundación IMIM

**O.138: Novel Snail-regulated miRNAs coordinate vasculogenic mimicry and EMT in breast cancer**

Authors: E Langer, M Capecchi, R Sears

Oregon Health and Science University, University of Utah

13.00- *Lunch time (many local restaurants and snack bars close-by)*

14.00

14.00- **Symposium IV. Non-transcriptional regulation of EMT II.**

16.10 Chair Aristidis Moustakas

**Deconstructing tumour metastasis in Drosophila**

Maria Dominguez (Inst. Neurociencias CSIC-UMH, Alicante, Spain)

**Post transcriptional Regulation of Snail1 in Tumor Metastasis**

Gregory D Longmore (The BRIGHT Institute, St. Louis, USA)

**Epithelial-mesenchymal transition in Basal-like Breast Cancer**

Binhua P. Zhou (University of Kentucky Markey Cancer Center, USA)

2 short

talks

**O.29: eEF1A mediates the nuclear export of SNAG-containing proteins**

## **via the Exportin5- aatRNA complex**

Authors: JM Mingot, S Vega, A Cano, F Portillo, MA Nieto  
Instituto de Neurociencias de Alicante, CSIC-UMH/ Instituto de Neurociencias de Alicante, CSIC-UAM/

## **O.41: Nuclear ubiquitination by FBXL5 modulates Snail1 DNA binding and stability upon gamma-irradiation**

Authors: VM Díaz Cortés, R Viñas-Castells, E Robles-Lanuza, A Frías, K Zhang, G Longmore, AG de Herreros  
Institut Hospital del Mar d'Investigacions Mèdiques - Universitat Pompeu Fabra-Parc de Recerca; Biomèdica de Barcelona, BRIGHT Institute and Departments of Cell Biology and Physiology-Washington University

16.10- Coffee break

16.30

## **16.30- Symposium V. Organ Fibrosis and wound repair**

18.40 Chair Raghu Kalluri

**Endothelial- Mesenchymal Transition as a Novel Mechanism for Tissue Regeneration** - Damian Medici (Brown University, Providence, USA)

**Lung epithelial stem cells activate a mesenchymal program to regenerate lung tissue after major injury** -Harold Chapman (UCSF, USA)  
**The EMBO Young Investigator Lecture Cedric Blanpain** (Universite Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium)

**Epithelial mesenchymal transition controls tumor heterogeneity and stemness in skin squamous cell carcinoma** - Cedric Blanpain (Universite Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium)

2 short talks

## **O.50: Caveolin-1 controls epithelial-mesenchymal transition and fibrosis in peritoneum through modulation of MEK-ERK1/2-Snail pathway**

Authors: R Strippoli, J Loureiro, I Benedicto, ML Pérez-Lozano, V Moreno, O Barreiro, T Pellinen, S Minguet, M Foronda, MT Osteso, M López Cabrera, MA del Pozo

Fundación CNIC Carlos III - Centro Nacional de Investigaciones Cardiovasculares, Centro de Biología Molecular-Severo Ochoa-CSIC-UAM, Department of Molecular Immunology, Max-Planck-Institute of Immunobiology and Faculty of Biology-University of Freiburg, Centro Nacional de Investigaciones Oncológicas de Madrid

## **O.141: The Fragile X Protein binds mRNAs involved in cancer progression and modulates metastasis formation**

C Bagni1, R Luca2, M Averna2, F Zalfa3, M Vecchi4, F Bianchi4, G La Fata5, G Neri6, P Neven7, GD Evans8, P Carmeliet9, M Mazzone9, C Bagni

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Leuven, Leuven, Belgium Genesis Prevention Centre, University Hospital of South Manchester, Manchester, UK Laboratory of Angiogenesis and Neurovascular Link,Vesalius Research Center, VIB - K.U. Leuven, Leuven Belgium

18.40- **Poster session** (drinks and snacks)

20.30

19.30- **TEMTIA Assembly**

20.30

## **Friday 15th November**

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8.30-10.40

### **Symposium VI. Cancer and EMT I**

Chair Antonio García de Herreros

#### **Using a lineage-traced mouse model to study EMT in vivo**

Ben Z Stanger (University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA)

#### **Vitamin D represses EMT in human colon cancer cells**

Alberto Muñoz (IIB CSIC-UAM, Madrid, Spain)

#### **YAP and TAZ as effectors of mechanotransduction and EMT-induced stemness**

Stefano Piccolo (University of Padua, Italy)

2 short talks

#### **O-51 A switch in the expression of embryonic EMT-inducers drives the development of malignant melanoma.**

E Tulchinsky (1), J Caramel (2), E Papadogeorgakis (3), L Hill (3), G Browne (3), G Richard (4), A Wierinckx (4), G Saldanha (5), J Lachuer (5), P Hutchinson (5), A Puisieux (6), H Pringle (6), S Ansieau (6)

(1) University of Leicester, (2) Centre de Recherche en Cancérologie de Lyon, Lyon, France,(3) Department of Cancer Studies and Molecular Medicine, University of Leicester, Leicester, UK,(4) Centre de Recherche en Cancérologie de Lyon, Lyon, France, (5) Department of Cancer Studies and Molecular Medicine, University of Leicester, Leicester,(6) Centre de Recherche en Cancérologie de Lyon, Lyon, France

#### **O.149: Identification of a ZEB2-ZEB1-MITF transcriptional network that controls melanogenesis and melanoma progression**

Authors: G Berx, N Vandamme, Ö Akay, B De Craene, L Brochez, J van den Oord, W Gallagher, G Ghanem, L Larue, J Haigh, I Davidson, JC Marine, G Denecker

Department of Pathology-KU Leuven, UCD School of Biomolecular and Biomedical Science- University College Dublin, Institut Jules Bordet-UCL, Curie Institute-INSERM, Institut de Génétique et de Biologie Moléculaire et Cellulaire-INSERM, Center for Human Genetics-VIB & KU Leuven

10.40-11.00

### **Coffee break**

11.00-13.00

### **Symposium VII. Cancer and EMT II**

Chair Rik Thompson

#### **Spatiotemporal Regulation of Epithelial-**

#### **Mesenchymal Plasticity in Carcinoma Metastasis - Jin Yang**

(UCSD, San Diego, USA)

#### **Tumor-derived exosomes promote pre-metastatic niche formation and organotropism - David Lyden (Cornell University, New York, USA)**

4 short talks

#### **O.9: Integrin-Liked Kinase (ILK) is a critical regulator of the Hippo/YAP signaling pathway and EMT**

S Dedhar, S Dedhar, I Serrano

BC Cancer Research Centre

	<b>O.132: Tgf-<math>\beta</math>-induced epithelial-mesenchymal transition activates mammary tumor cells for lymphatic dissemination</b> Authors: MF Pang, AM Georgoudaki, V Tabor, K Hagikura, Y Jin, M Jansson, L Jakobsson, C Betsholtz, M Sund, MCI Karlsson, J Fuxe Karolinska Institutet, University School of Medicine-Tokyo, Umea University
	<b>O.115: Understanding the contribution of different EMT-TFs to epithelial plasticity</b> Authors: G Moreno-Bueno, A Díaz-López, J Díaz, J Palacios, F Portillo, A Cano Biochemistry department-Medicine faculty-IIB-UAM-CISC, Virgen del Rocío Hospital, Ramon y Cajal Hospital
	<b>O.124: Epithelial Mesenchymal Plasticity is Associated with Intercellular Heterogeneity, Tumourigenicity and Tumour growth in the PMC42 H</b> Authors: C Pinto, T Blick, Y Handoko, K Gould, K Simpson, I Haviv, M Waltham, E Thompson St. Vincents Institute of Medical Research-Australia, Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute- Australia, Bar Ilan University Israel
13.00-14.00	<i>Lunch time (many local restaurants and snack bars close-by)</i>
14.00-16.10	<b>Symposium VIII. Cancer stem cells, reprogramming and EMT</b> Chair Thomas Brabletz <b>Mechanisms of Metastasis by colorectal cancer stem cells</b> Eduard Batlle (IRB, Barcelona, Spain) <b>MET first and then EMT before that en route to pluripotency</b> Duanqing Pei (Chinese Academy of Sciences, Guangzhou, China) <b>Coordination of Polarity Signalling in Cancer</b> Jeffrey L Wrana (Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto, Canada)
2 short talks	<b>O.110: Phenotypic plasticity in mammary epithelial stem cells and breast cancer is regulated by Axl signalling</b> Authors: C Tiron, F Pelissier, K Wnuk-Lipinska, I Stefansson, R Virtakoivu, M Miyano, T Sandal, D Micklem, V Fey, J Ivaska, L Akslen, M LaBarge, J Lorens University of Bergen, University of Turku, Lawrence Berkeley Natl Laboratory, BerGenBio
	<b>O.44: Slug/P-cadherin pathway controls mammary stem/progenitor cell growth dynamics and motility</b> Authors: Y Idoux-Gillet, M Nassour, P Savagner Institut de Recherche en Cancérologie de Montpellier, CEA Paris
16.10-16.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.30-18.30	<b>Symposium IX. Systems and Mathematical modelling of EMT</b> Chair Muhammad Zaman <b>Keratins significantly contribute to cell stiffness ad impact invasive behaviour</b> Josef Käs (University of Leipzig, Germany) <b>A Multiscale Computational Model of Cell Population Dynamics in Two-Dimensional In Silico Cultures</b> - Mark Chaplain (University of Dundee, UK)
3 short talks	<b>O.75: EMT in epidermal cell migration: A multi-system analysis of epidermis, cells, proteins, RNA, miRNA and the maths behind</b>

**it all**

Authors: K Manton, L Mohanty, B Hollier, R Dawson, L Wagner, K Treloar, B Binder, P Haridas, S McElwain, R Baker, Z Upton, D Leavesley, M Simpson

Queensland University of Technology, University of Adelaide, University of Oxford

**O.76: Regulatory networks through which miR-200 affects cell invasion and metastasis**

G Goodall, C Bracken, X Li, J Wright, M Anderson, D Lawrence, A Yap, Y Khew-Goodall (Centre for Cancer Biology-SA Pathology, University of Queensland)

**O.21: Epigenetic control and feed-forward signaling loops connect HMGA2, Snail1 and Smad proteins in EMT and tumor cell invasiveness**

Authors: A Moustakas, L Caja, K Kahata, CH Heldin, K Savary , EJ Tan, S Thuault, K Tzavlaki

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18.30-19.30 **Poster session** (drinks and snacks)

20.15-22.00 **Conference dinner**

## Saturday 16th November

- 8.30-10.40 **Symposium X. Therapies and Drug Discovery**  
Chair Jean Paul Thiery  
**Mouse Models of Neural Tumors: Therapeutic Insights** - Luis Parada (University of Texas Southwestern MC, USA)  
**Chemical-Genetics Identifies a Key Vulnerability of EMT cells** - Piyush B. Gupta (Whitehead Institute, Cambridge, USA)  
**Mesenchymal-like cancer cell networks contributing to tumor progression and cell survival** - John Haley (OSI/Astellas, USA)
- 2 short talks
- O. 116: Connective Tissue Growth Factor Regulates Epithelial-Mesenchymal Transition by Interacting with Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor**  
Authors: S Rayego-Mateos, J Morgado-Pascual, M Alique, C Lavoz, R Rodrigues-Diez, J Pato, G Kery, S Mas, J Egido, A Ortiz, M Ruiz-Ortega  
IIS- Fundacion Jimenez Diaz Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Semmelweis University-Vichem Chemie Ltd. Budapest
- O.105: An EMT Spectrum defines an anoikis resistant and spheroidogenic Intermediate Mesenchymal state that is sensitive to E-cadherin res**  
Authors: RY Huang, MK Wong, TZ Tan, KT Kuay, HC Ng, VY Chung, YS Chu, N Masumura, HC Lai, S Mori, J Low, MA Choolani, JP Thiery  
National University of Singapore, NUS, IMCB, Kyoto University, National Defense Medical Center of Taipei, Cancer Institute of Japanese Foundation for Cancer Research
- 10.40-11.10 Coffee break
- 11.15-12.15 **The ISDB-MOD Lecture**  
Chair Amparo Cano  
**At the end you should want to know what a cell can do rather than what it does do** - Mina Bissell (Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, Berkeley, USA)
- 12.15-12.30 **Concluding remarks**  
Chair Amparo Cano  
Remarks: Angela Nieto  
Prizes: Pierre Savagner  
Next meeting: Rik Thompson