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In this edition of EMEUNES we would like to draw your attention to what we believe are the most interesting presentations at this year's EULAR congress in London.

**BASIC RESEARCH (Ladislav Senolt)**

Thursday, 26.05.2011 10h20

Abstract Session: Pathogenesis of RA (Room S21)
L. Bevaart et al. (Netherlands, Switzerland)
OP0099 - ADENO-ASSOCIATED VIRUS TYPE 5 MEDIANED INTRA-ARTICULAR ADMINISTRATION OF PRE-B CELL COLONY-ENHANCING FACTOR (PBEC) SMALL HAIRPIN RNA ATTENUATES COLLAGEN-INDUCED ARTHRITIS

Thursday, 26.05.2011 10h45

Abstract Session: Cartilage, synovium and osteoimmunology
(Room S15)
E. Woods et al. (Switzerland)
OP0093 - HIGH LEVELS OF THE HYPOXIA REGULATED MICRONRDA-210 IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11h35

Abstract Session: Cartilage, synovium and osteoimmunology
(Room S15)
G. Valverde-Franco et al. (Canada)
OP0098 - IN VIVO PROTECTIVE EFFECT OF EPHB4 RECEPTOR OVEREXPRESSION ON THE PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF OSTEOARTHRITIS

Friday, 27.05.2011 10h50

Abstract Session: New pathways and targets in inflammatory arthritis
(Capital Suite 02)
L. Ramos et al (Netherlands)
OP0216 - FMS-LIKE TYROSINE KINASE 3 LIGAND/CD135 IN ARTHRITIS: A NEW INFLAMMATORY SYSTEM IN RA?

**BASIC RESEARCH II (Caroline Ospeck)**

Friday, 27.05.2011 16:50 - 17:00

Abstract Session: Late Breaking Abstracts (Capital Suite 14)
A. G. Pratt et al. (United Kingdom)
LB0008 - A TRANSCRIPTIONAL PROFILE PRESENT IN CD4+ T-CELLS IDENTIFIES UNDIFFERENTIATED ARTHRITIS EVOLVING INTO SERONEGATIVE RA

Thursday, 26.05.2011 10:40 - 10:50

Abstract Session: Innate and adaptive immunity (Room S03)
M. Connolly et al. (Ireland)
OP0117 - ACUTE SERUM AMYLOID A IS AN ENDogenous LIGAND FOR TOLL LIKE RECEPTOR 2 AND INDUCES INFLAMMATION AND ANGIogenesis

Thursday, 26.05.2011 10:50 - 11:00

Abstract Session: Innate and adaptive immunity (Room S03)
L. Svensson et al. (United Kingdom)
OP0118 - LYP/PTPN22 IS A NEGATIVE REGULATOR OF INTEGRIN MEDIATED T CELL ADHESION AND MIGRATION; THE DISEASE ASSOCIATED PTPN22 ALLELEIC VARIANT IS A LOSS OF FUNCTION MUTANT THAT PERMITS T CELL MIGRATION

Thursday, 26.05.2011 16:50 - 17:00

Abstract Session: The earliest phase of rheumatoid arthritis (Room S11)
M. E. Doorenspleet et al. (The Netherlands)
OP0148 - HIGHLY EXPANDED SYNOVIAL B-CELL CLONES IN EARLY RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

**POSTERS**

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:45 (Poster Session I)
J. E. Grisar et al. (US)
THU0277 - CHRONIC ACTIVATION OF THE STAT3 SIGNALING PATHWAY IN HEMATOPOIETIC STEM AND PROGENITOR CELLS (HSPC) OF PATIENTS WITH RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:45 (Poster Session I)
R. A. Moura et al. (Portugal)
THU0120 - BAFF AND TACI GENE EXPRESSION ARE INCREASED IN UNTREATED VERY EARLY RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS PATIENTS.
RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS I (Cécile Gaujoux-Viala)

Thursday, 26.05.2011 10:20
Abstract session: RA - prognosis, predictors and outcome (Hall B)
M. Lahiri et al. (United Kingdom)


Thursday, 26.05.2011 10:40
Abstract session: RA - a life without biologics (Hall A)
M. Y. Tayel et al. (Egypt)

OP0058 - DAILY VS WEEKLY SUPPLEMENTATION OF FOLATE IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS PATIENTS RECEIVING WEEKLY LOW DOSE METHOTREXATE (MTX)

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:00
Abstract session: RA - a life without biologics (Hall A)
M. L. Hetland et al. (Denmark)

OP0060 - SHORT- AND LONG-TERM EFFECT OF UNGUIDED, INTRA-ARTICULAR INJECTIONS WITH BETAMETHASONE IN EARLY RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS. IMPACT OF JOINT AREA, REPEATED INJECTIONS, MRI FINDINGS, ANTI-CCP, IGM-RF AND CRP

Thursday, 26.05.2011 14:25
Abstract session: RA: tight control; theory and practice (Hall E)
M. F. Bakker et al. (The Netherlands)

OP0138 - LOW-DOSE PREDNISONE INCLUSION INTO A MTX-BASED TIGHT CONTROL STRATEGY FOR EARLY RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS: BETTER CONTROL OF DISEASE AND EROSIVE JOINT DAMAGE. RESULTS FROM THE DOUBLE-BLIND RANDOMIZED CAMERA-II TRIAL.

POSTERS:
Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:45 (Poster Session I)
J. Pope (Canada)

THU0366 - A RANDOMIZED CONTROLLED TRIAL OF RHEUMATOLOGIST EDUCATION IMPACTING ON SYSTEMATIC MEASUREMENTS AND TREATMENT DECISIONS IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS (RA): RESULTS OF THE METRIX STUDY

Friday, 27.05.2011 11:45 (Poster Session II)
R. Landewé et al. (The Netherlands)

FRIO290 - EXISTING JOINT EROSIONS INCREASE THE RISK OF JOINT SPACE NARROWING INDEPENDENTLY OF THE PRESENCE OF CLINICAL SYNOVITIS IN PATIENTS WITH EARLY RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS II (Laure Gossec)

Friday, 27.05.2011 10:50
Abstract Session: RA - anti-TNF (ICC Auditorium)
Y. Tanaka et al. (Japan)

OP0154 - DISCONTINUATION OF ADAIMUMAB AFTER ATTAINING REMISSION IN PATIENTS WITH RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

Friday, 27.05.2011 11:10
Abstract Session: RA - anti-TNF (ICC Auditorium)
M. Benecchi et al. (Italy)

OP0156 - LACK OF CORRELATION BETWEEN THE DEVELOPMENT OF IGA AND IGM SPECIFIC ANTIBODIES TO ANTI TNF BLOCKING AGENTS, DISEASE ACTIVITY AND ADVERSE SIDE REACTIONS IN A LONGITUDINAL STUDY OF RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS PATIENTS

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:20
Abstract Session: RA - non-TNF biologics (Hall E)
M. C. Genovese et al. (USA)

OP0023 - THE ACQUIRE (ABATACEPT COMPARISON OF SUB(JQU)CUTANEOUS VERSUS INTRAVENOUS IN INADEQUATE RESPONDERS TO METHOTREXATE) TRIAL: A LARGE PHASE IIIIB NON-INFERIORITY STUDY

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:30
Abstract Session: RA - non-TNF biologics (Hall E)
J. E. Gottenberg et al. (France)

OP0024 - POSITIVITY FOR RF/ANTI-CCP IS ASSOCIATED WITH A BETTER RESPONSE TO ABATACEPT: DATA FROM THE “ORENcia AND RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS” (ORA) REGISTRY

POSTERS:
Friday, 27.05.2011 11:45 (Poster Session II)
L. Dreyer et al. (Denmark)

FRIO293 - NO INCREASED CANCER RISK IN PATIENTS WITH RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS, PSORIATIC ARTHRITIS OR OTHER ARTHRITIDES TREATED WITH ANTI-TUMOR NECROSIS FACTOR AGENTS - A LONG-TERM FOLLOW-UP STUDY FROM THE NATIONWIDE DANISH DANBIO REGISTRY.

Saturday, 28.05.2011 11:45 (Poster Session III)
S. Martin-du-Pan Pruim et al. (Switzerland)

SAT0298 - COMPARISON OF DRUG RETENTION BETWEEN NEW BIOLOGICAL AGENTS AND CLASSIC ANTI-TNF AGENTS IN TNF INADEQUATE RESPONDER RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS PATIENTS

RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS III (Isabel Castrejón)

Thursday, 26.05.2011 10:20
Abstract Session: RA non-TNF biologics (Hall E)
M. Genovese (USA)

OP0017 - A PHASE 2 STUDY OF MONTHLY SUBCUTANEOUS LY2127399 (AN ANTI-BAFF MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY) IN PATIENTS WITH ACTIVE RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

Thursday, 26.05.2011 10:40
Abstract Session: RA non-TNF biologics (Hall E)
P. C. Taylor (United Kingdom)

OP0019 - OFATUMUMAB, A FULLY HUMAN ANTI-CD20 MAB, IN THE TREATMENT OF BIOLOGIC-NAÏVE RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS PATIENTS: A RANDOMISED, DOUBLE-BLIND, PLACEBO-CONTROLLED CLINICAL TRIAL.

Thursday, 26.05.2011 10:50
Abstract Session: RA non-TNF biologics (Hall E)
M. Dugados (France)

OP0020 - TOCILIZUMAB (TCZ) PLUS METHOTREXATE (MTX) DOES NOT HAVE SUPERIOR CLINICAL EFFICACY TO TCZ ALONE IN RA PATIENTS WITH INADEQUATE RESPONSE TO MTX: 24-WEEK RESULTS OF THE ACT-RAY STUDY

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:30
Abstract Session: RA a life without biologics (Hall A)
V. Strand (USA)

OP0063 - ORAL SOLO (A3921045): EFFECTS OF THE ORAL JAK INHIBIT-
SPONDYLOARTHITIS (Sofia Ramiro)

Thursday 26.05.2011 11:30
Abstract Session: Clinical aspects of spondyloarthritis - what is new?
(Capital Suite 07)
M. Vossen et al. (Netherlands)
OP0048 - IMPROVEMENT IN DEPLOYMENT OF MR-SI IN PATIENTS SUSPECTED FOR SPONDYLOARTHRITIS IN A LARGE CLINICAL PRACTICE USING A TARGETED INTERVENTION: A CASE STUDY
Friday, 27.05.2011 10h20
Abstract Session: Treatment of spondyloarthritis (Hall C)
D. Baeten et al. (Netherlands)
OP0174 - THE ANTI-IL17A MONOClonAL ANTIBody SECUKINUMAB (AIN457) SHOWED GOOD SAFETY AND EFFICACY IN THE TREATMENT OF ACTIVE ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS
Friday, 27.05.2011 10h40
Abstract Session: Treatment of spondyloarthritis (Hall C)
L. Coates et al. (United Kingdom)
OP0176 - THE EFFECT OF ALENDRONATE ON ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS: THE RESULTS OF THE BIPSIPHONATES IN ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS TRIAL (BIAS)
Friday, 27.05.2011 11h20
Abstract Session: Treatment of spondyloarthritis (Hall C)
Z. Ash et al. (United Kingdom)
OP0180 - LONG-TERM RESULTS OF A REMISSION INDUCTION APPROACH TO EARLY AXIAL SPONDYLOARTHRITIS

POSTERS:
Friday, 27.05.2011 11.45 (Poster Session II)
R. van den Berg et al. (Netherlands)
FR10501 - PROPOSAL FOR AN ADAPTATION OF THE BERLIN ALGORITHM FOR DIAGNOSING SPA: RESULTS OF THE SPONDYLOARTHRITIS CAUGHT EARLY (SPACE)-COHORT
Friday, 27.05.2011 11.45 (Poster Session II)
M. van Ommen et al. (Netherlands)
FR10502 - MRI ACTIVITY IN THE SACROILIAC JOINTS LEADS TO STRUCTURAL DAMAGE ON MRI IN PATIENTS WITH EARLY INFLAMMATORY LOW BACK PAIN: A LONGITUDINAL ANALYSIS IN THE ESPAC STUDY

VASCUlITIS (Jan Szajd)

Thursday 26.05.2011 10:20
Abstract Session: Vasculitis (Hall D)
S. Dass (United Kingdom)
OP0049 - RITUXIMAB PROVIDES STABLE LONG TERM RESPONSE IN ANCA ASSOCIATED VASCULITIS
Thursday 26.05.2011 10:40
Abstract Session: Vasculitis (Hall D)
C. Pagnoux (France)
OP0051 - CHURG-Strauss SYNDROME: DESCRIPTION AND LONG-TERM FOLLOW-UP OF THE 383 PATIENTS ENROLLED IN THE FVSG COHORT
Thursday 26.05.2011 11:10
Abstract Session: Vasculitis (Hall D)
J. Stone (United States)
OP0054 - LONG-TERM EFFICACY OF RITUXIMAB IN ANCA-ASSOCIATED VASCULITIS
Thursday 26.05.2011 11:20
Abstract Session: Vasculitis (Hall D)
J. Holle (Germany)
OP0055 - RETROSPECTIVE STUDY OF RITUXIMAB (RTX) IN REFRACTORY WEGENER’S GRANULOMATOSIS (WG): COMPARISON OF TREATMENT RESPONSE IN VASCULITIC VERSUS GRANULOMATOUS MANIFESTATIONS

CONNECTIVE TISSUE DISEASES (Anna Molto Revilla)

Thursday 26.05.2011 11:20
Abstract Session: Lupus and Sjögren’s clinical aspects (Hall C)
C. Baldini (Italy)
OP0039 - A CLINICAL PREDICTION RULE FOR LYMPHOMA DEVELOPMENT IN PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SJÖGREEN’S SYNDROME
Thursday 26.05.2011 14:50
Basic and Translational Science Session: Connective tissue and the immune system (Room S15)
S. Shiozawa (Japan)
OP0143 - IFN ALPHA AS A CAUSE OF SYSTEMIC LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS AND ITS IMPLICATION TO SELF-ORGANIZED CRITICALITY THEORY OF AUTOIMMUNITY
Friday 27.05.2011 11:00
Abstract Session: Emerging therapies for SLE and Sjögren’s syndrome (Hall B)
J. M. Riggs (USA)
OP0170 - MECHANISM OF ACTION OF SIFALIMUMAB, A HUMAN NEUTRALIZING IFN-ALPHA SPECIFIC MONOClonAL ANTIBODY
Friday 27.05.2011 17:00
Clinical Science Session: Systemic sclerosis: the early diagnosis and treatment of internal organ involvement (Hall D)
B. E. Schreiber (United Kingdom)
OP0291 - PREDICTORS OF PROGRESSION TO PULMONARY HYPERTENSION IN SYSTEMIC SCLEROSIS

POSTERS:
Friday, 27.05.2011 11.45 (Poster session II)
A. Notarnicola (Italy)
FR0386 - THE ROLE OF MAGNETING RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI) IN THE ASSESSMENT OF IDIOPATHIC INFLAMMATORY MYOPATHIES (IIM)
Saturday, 28.05.2011 10.15 (Poster session III)
A. Bikkler (Netherlands)
SAT0456 - IL-7 RECEPTOR: A NOVEL TARGET FOR THERAPY IN PRIMARY SJÖGREEN’S SYNDROME?

POSTERS:
Saturday 28.05.2011 10:15 (Poster Session III)
N. Effelsberg (Germany)
SAT0310 - TREATMENT WITH RITUXIMAB INDUCES A SEVERE DECREASE IN IMMUNOGLOBULINE LEVELS IN PATIENTS WITH ANCA POSITIVE VASCULITIS
Saturday 28.05.2011 10:15 (Poster Session III)
P. P. Sainaghi (Italy)
SAT0312 - PREDICTORS OF RELAPSE OCCURRENCE IN PATIENTS WITH POLYMYALGIA RHEUMATICA

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IMAGING (Peter Mandl)

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:00
Abstract Session: RA - prognosis, predictors and outcome (Hall B)
B. Raffeiner et al. (Italy)
OP0029 - USEFULNESS OF POWER DOPPLER TO PREDICT RADIOLOGICAL DAMAGE IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS PATIENTS IN CLINICAL REMISSION BY TNF BLOCKERS

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:10
Abstract Session: RA - a life without biologics (Hall A)
B. Saleem et al. (United Kingdom)
OP0061 - PREDICTION OF FLARE AND LONG TERM OUTCOME IN DMARD-TREATED RA PATIENTS IN REMISSION: THE VALUE OF IMAGING AND NEW REMISSION CRITERIA

Thursday, 26.05.2011 13:30
Clinical Science Session: Advances in musculoskeletal imaging (Hall D)
F. McQueen (New Zealand)
SP0054 - IMAGING IN GOUT – WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM MRI, CT AND ULTRASONOGRAPHY

Friday, 27.05.2011 11:20
Abstract Session: What's new in imaging (Room S21)
S. Finzel et al. (Germany)
OP0248 - EVIDENCE FOR LIMITED REPAIR OF EXISTING BONE EROSIONS IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS PATIENTS TREATED WITH THE IL-6R BLOCKER TOCILIZUMAB

POSTERS:

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:45 (Poster session I)
K G Hermann (United States)
THU0481 - THE EFFECT OF GOLIMUMAB ON STRUCTURAL SPINAL CHANGES IN ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS: MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING RESULTS OF THE PLACEBO-CONTROLLED GO-RAISE STUDY

Friday, 27.05.2011 11:45 (Poster Session II)
L. Semerano (France)
FR0052 - DAILY VARIATION OF POWER DOPPLER SIGNAL IN METACARPOPHALANGEAL JOINTS OF PATIENTS WITH RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

OSTEOPOROSIS (Monika Schoels)

Friday, 27.05.2011 10:20
Abstract Session: Osteoporosis (Hall A)
J. Brown et al. (United States)
OP0197 - DENOSUMAB DISCONTINUATION AND BONE REMODELING IN POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN WITH OSTEOPOROSIS

Friday, 27.05.2011 10:30
Abstract Session: Osteoporosis (Hall A)
F. van Bockstaele et al. (Belgium)
OP0198 - SAFETY, PHARMACOKINETICS AND EFFICACY OF ANTI-RANKL, NANOBODY ALX-0141 IN HEALTHY POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN

Friday, 27.05.2011 11:20
Abstract Session: Osteoporosis (Hall A)
D. Felsenberg et al. (France)
OP0203 - SUPERIOR EFFECTS OF STRONTIUM RANELATE COMPARED TO ALENDRONATE ON BONE MASS AND STRENGTH PARAMETERS AT THE Tibia IN WOMEN WITH POST MENOPAUSAL OSTEOPOROSIS

Friday, 27.05.2011 15:30
Clinical Science Session (Hall B)
P. Geusens (Netherlands)
SP0150 - MANAGEMENT OF LONG TERM TREATMENT: DOYS AND DON'TS

Osteoarthritis & Crystal Arthritis (Pedro Machado & Francisca Silvera)

Friday, 27.05.2011 11:00
Abstract Session: Targeting Osteoarthritis 1 (Capital Suite 14)
K. Wiegant et al. (Netherlands)
OP0209 - PROLONGED CLINICAL IMPROVEMENT AND STRUCTURAL TISSUE REPAIR BY JOINT DISTRACTION IN TREATMENT OF END-STAGE KNEE OSTEOARTHRITIS

Saturday, 28.05.2011 08:50
Abstract Session: Targeting Osteoarthritis 2 (Capital Suite 14)
C. Wenham et al. (United Kingdom)
OP0294 - A RANDOMISED, DOUBLE BLIND, PLACEBO CONTROLLED TRIAL OF LOW DOSE ORAL PREDNISOLONE FOR TREATING PAINFUL HAND OSTEOARTHRITIS: THE POLO STUDY

Thursday, 26.05.2011 10h15
Abstract Session: Bone and crystal diseases (Room S25)
F. Perez-Ruiz et al. (Spain)
OP0111 - EFFICACY AND SAFETY OF LESINURAD (RDEA594), A NOVEL URICOSURIC AGENT, GIVEN IN COMBINATION WITH ALLOPURINOL IN ALLOPURINOL-REFRACTORY GOUT PATIENTS: RANDOMIZED, DOUBLE-BLIND, PLACEBO-CONTROLLED, PHASE 2B STUDY.

Thursday, 26.05.2011 10h15
Abstract Session: Bone and crystal diseases (Room S25)
Y-A Lee et al. (Korea)
OP0014 - TIGHT SERUM URATE CONTROL MAY IMPROVE RENAL DYSFUNCTION IN PATIENTS WITH GOUT

POSTERS:

Friday, 27.05.2011 11:45 (Poster Session II)
M. Kortekaas et al. (Netherlands)
FR0105 - MORE INFLAMMATION AS ASSESSED BY ULTRASOUND IN INTERPHALANGEAL JOINTS IN EROSIve HAND OSTEOARTHRITIS COMPARED TO NON-EROsive HAND OSTEOARTHRITIS

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11.45 (Poster Session I)
L. Stamp et al. (New Zealand)
THU0001 - ALLOPURINOL STARTING DOSE AS A RISK FACTOR FOR ALLOPURINOL HYPERSENSITIVITY SYNDROME IN PATIENTS WITH GOUT

POSTERS:

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:45 (Poster Session I)
A. Oldroyd (United Kingdom)
THU0128 - A PATIENT'S NUMBER OF OSTEOPOROSIS RISK FACTORS IS MORE ACCURATE THAN FEMORAL NECK T-SCORE IN PREDICTING THEIR PREVIOUS FRAGILITY FRACTURE STATUS

Thursday, 26.05.2011 11:45 (Poster Session I)
T. Okano (Japan)
THU0135 - RESEARCH ON RISK PROFILE OF OSTEOPOROSIS IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS PATIENTS (TOMORROW STUDY)

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