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FINAL PROGRAM 20th OCTOBER

8:30 Registration of participants

9:00 Opening of the Symposium
Chair: Umberto Mazzanti, Vice President AMAB
Welcome speeches
Carlo Maria Giovanardi, President, AMAB
Vitaly Napadow, Co-President of SAR
Giancarlo Pizza, President of the Provincial Board of Medical Doctors and Dentists of Bologna
Konstantina Theodoratou, President of I.C.M.A.R.T. Chinese Medicine and CHETCH Consortium Partner
Gerd Ohmstede, President of ETCMA

Panel Session 1 – First Part
MECHANISMS OF ACTION AND CURRENT TRENDS IN ACUPUNCTURE RESEARCH
Chairs: Matthew Bauer - Thomas Ots
Discussants: Umberto Mazzanti, Alessandra Poini

9:25 Presentation of topics and panelists
9:30 Self-acupressure for chronic pain and fatigue: efficacy and mechanism
T. LUNDEBERG
10:00 Discussion
11:00 Coffee break

Panel Session 1 – Second Part
MECHANISMS OF ACTION AND CURRENT TRENDS IN ACUPUNCTURE RESEARCH
Discussants: Giuseppina Mariagrazia Farella, Lucio Sotte

9:15 Presentation of topics and panelists
9:20 Role of neuroimaging to assess acupuncture-induced neuroplasticity in pain relief
V. NAPADOW
11:50 Current evidences and methodological issues of acupuncture research
M. S. LEE
12:20 Discussion
13:00 Lunch

Panel Session 2
INTEGRATION OF ACUPUNCTURE INTO HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS: REGULATORY AND COST-EFFECTIVENESS ASPECTS
Chairs: Eleonora Marchi - Rosa Schnyer
Discussants: Sonia Baccetti, Gerd Ohmstede

14:25 Presentation of topics and panelists
14:30 Cost-effectiveness of acupuncture and integration into healthcare - Examples from Europe
C. WITT
15:00 Integrating acupuncture services into conventional academic and military medical centers in the United States
R. HARRIS
15:30 Beyond efficacy: conducting and translating research for policy-makers considering acupuncture reimbursement in a small, rural US state
R. DAVIS
16:00 Discussion
16:30 Coffee break

POSTER SESSION
Chairs: Johannes Fleckenstein - Annunzio Matrà

16:50 Presentation of the three best posters and award ceremony
17:30 Discussion
18:10 Closing remarks

Gala Dinner, Garganelli Restaurant, Savoia Hotel Regency

PROGRAM 21th OCTOBER

Panel Session 3
RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND EBM IN ACUPUNCTURE. THE PLACEBO ISSUE
Chairs: Robert Davis - Carlo Maria Giovanardi
Discussants: Alice Fauci, Konstantina Theodoratou

8:55 Presentation of topics and panelists
9:00 Towards a better understanding of why so many acupuncture trials are “negative” in contrast to results often seen in clinical practice
H. MACPHERSON
9:30 Recommendations for the use of acupuncture in clinical practice and treatment guidelines
S. BIRCH
10:00 Managed care meets acupuncture research: how the concept of “maximum therapeutic benefit” and “medically necessary” applies to sham controlled clinical trials
M. BAUER
10:30 Discussion
11:00 Coffee break

Panel Session 4
FROM ACUPUNCTURE RESEARCH TO CLINICAL PRACTICE
Chairs: Remy Coeytaux - Federico Marmori
Discussants: Stefano Costescu, Alessio Lilli

11:15 Presentation of topics and panelists
11:20 Evidence-informed integration of acupuncture into cancer care
J. J. MAO
11:50 Acupuncture in the treatment of Gulf War illness among veterans
R. SCHNYER
12:20 Acupuncture in migraine: from research to clinical management
G.B. ALLAIS
12:50 Discussion
13:20 CME and survey of participants’ satisfaction
13:30 Symposium Conclusions