



## XII EWDD Programme

**Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Sala Affresco – Certosa di Pontignano**

17.00-19.30: Registration and posters' billsticking

20.00: Dinner

**Sala Bracci – Certosa di Pontignano**

21.15: **Welcome: Maurizio Botta - University of Siena, Siena, Italy**

21.30–22.30: **Yvan Guindon – IRCM, Canada: Free Radicals from Bad to Good: Novel Lead Molecules Targeting Pancreatic Cancer**

22:30: Cantucci & Vinsanto, Grappa

**Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Sala Bracci – Certosa di Pontignano**

**Chairman: Vittorio Limongelli**

09.00-09.40: **Nigel Richards - Cardiff University, Cardiff, United Kingdom: Asparagine Biosynthesis and Anti-Cancer Drug Discovery**

09.40-10.20: **Wolfgang Sippl - Martin Luther Universität Halle Wittenberg, Halle Wittenberg, Germany: Structure based design of histone deacetylase inhibitors: lessons learned from computational studies and X-ray crystallography**

10.20-10.40: **Piero Procacci - University of Florence, Florence, Italy: SAMPL6 challenge: LogP blind predictions using a non equilibrium (alchemical) work (NEW) approach**

10.40-11.00: **Marcel Bermudez - Freie Universität Berlin, Berlin, Germany: Interference with binding pocket closure as a blueprint for biased GPCR ligands**

11.00-11.20: Coffee Break

**Chairman: Tiziano Tuccinardi**

11.20-12.00: **William Jorgensen - Yale University, New Haven, USA: Computer-Guided Efficient Discovery of Potent Enzyme Inhibitors**

12.00-12.40: **Andrea Cavalli - University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy: Dynamic docking to investigate thermodynamics and kinetics of drug-target**

12.40-13.00: **Dan Cannon - Schrödinger GmbH, Mannheim, Germany: Performing Hit Identification and Lead Optimization at Very Large Scale**

13.00-14.30: Lunch

14.30-15.10: **Gerhard Ecker – University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria: In silico Toxicology - from prediction of transporter interaction profiles to toxicological read across and beyond**

**Sala Caratelli, Focolare, Palio, Veranda – Certosa di Pontignano**

15.10-16.30: Start Case Studies Session 1: **BiKi, Funnel Metadynamics, OpenEye and Schrödinger**

16.30-17.00: Coffee Break

17.00-18.40: End Case Studies session

20.00: Dinner in Certosa di Pontignano

21.30/after dinner: Social event



**Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Sala Bracci – Certosa di Pontignano**

**Chairman: Mattia Mori**

09.00-09.40: **Kenneth Merz - Michigan State University, East Lansing, USA:** Exploration of Molecular Recognition Processes Using Machine Learning

09.40-10.20: **Alessio Ciulli - University of Dundee, Dundee, United Kingdom:** Targeted Protein Degradation with Small Molecules: How PROTACs work

10.20-10.40: **Barbara Füzi - University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria:** Predicting drug pathways through drug interactome reconstruction

10.40-11.00: Coffee Break

**Chairman: Dieter Schinzer**

11.00-11.40: **ChemMedChem Lecture: Antti Poso - University of Eastern Finland, Finland:** Virtual screening: from docking to molecular dynamics and quantum mechanics. Role of solvation effects and pKa in ligand-receptor interactions.

11.40-12.20: **Thierry Langer - University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria:** Towards Next Generation Pharmacophore models: Concepts and Applications

12.20-12.40: **Gunther Stahl – OpenEye Scientific Software Ltd., Cologne, Germany:** REAL-ly large-scale Virtual Screening - Traversing Enormous Regions of Chemical Space with the GPU and CPU

12.40-14.10: Lunch

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14.10-15.30: Strat Case Studies Session 1: **BiKi, Funnel Metadynamics, OpenEye and Schrödinger**

15.30-16.00: Coffee Break

16.00-17.40: End Case Studies session

20.00: Social Dinner

**Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Sala Bracci – Certosa di Pontignano**

**Chairman: Maria Letizia Barreca**

09.00-09.40: **Christian Ottmann – Eindhoven University, Eindhoven, Netherlands:** Stabilization of 14-3-3 Protein-Protein Interactions

09.40-10.20: **Stefano Forli - Scripps Research, La Jolla, USA:** AutoDock Reactive Docking: HTVS of covalent binders for in silico proteomics

10.20-10.40: **Andrea Rizzi - Sloan Kettering Institute, New York, USA:** The SAMPL6 SAMPLing challenge: Assessing reliability and efficiency of binding free energy calculations

10.40-11.00: **Anna Tomberg - AstraZeneca Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden:** Teaching Chemical Intuition to Computers for Regioselectivity Prediction

11.00-11.20: Coffee Break

**Chairman: Gabriele Cruciani**

11.20-12.00: **Gianni De Fabritiis - Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain:** PlayMolecule: A computational environment for structural biology and drug design

12.00-12.30: **Graziano Seghezzi - Sofinnova, France:** Who are the venture capitalists?



12.30-13.00: **Garegin A. Papoian - University of Maryland, USA:** Physical Principles behind Epigenetic Regulation of Nucleosomes and Chromatin

13.00-14.30: Lunch

14.30-15.10: **Hanoch Senderowitz - Bar-Ilan University, Israel:** The structure and dynamics of the wild-type and mutant ABC transported CFTR as gleaned from MD simulations

**Sala Caratelli, Palio, Veranda – Certosa di Pontignano**

15.10-16.30: Strat Case Studies Session 2: **BioSolveIT, Inte:Ligand and MolDiscovery**

16.30-17.00: Coffee Break

17.00-18.40: End Case Studies session

20.00: Dinner

21.30/after dinner: Social event

**Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Sala Bracci – Certosa di Pontignano**

**Chairman: Hugo Kubinyi**

09.00-09.40: **Gabriele Cruciani - University of Perugia, Perugia, Italy:**

09.40-10.20: **Zoe Cournia - Academy of Athens, Athens, Greece:** Exploiting allostery for computer-aided drug design of oncogenes

10.20-10.40: **Orazio Nicolotti - University of Bari, Bari, Italy:** A multi-fingerprint similarity search algorithm for protein drug target identification

10.40-11.00: Coffee Break

**Chairman: Francesca Spyraakis**

11.00-11.40: **Modesto Orozco - IRB Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain:** The importance of dynamics to understand pathology and drug binding

11.40-12.20: **Gerhard Wolber - Freie Universität Berlin, Berlin, Germany:** New insights from dynamic 3D macromolecule-ligand interaction patterns

12.20-12.40: **Marcus Gastreich - BioSolveIT, Germany:** Picking “Accessibles” from Vast Chemical Space: Lessons Learned

12.40-14.10: Lunch

14.10-14.50: **Hugo Kubinyi - BASF SE and University of Heidelberg, Germany:** ADME/ToxProblems? Rescue Your Drug

**Sala Caratelli, Palio, Veranda – Certosa di Pontignano**

14.50-16.00: Start Case Studies Session 2: **BioSolveIT, Inte:Ligand and MolDiscovery**

16.00-16.30: Coffee Break

16.30-18.20: End Case Studies session

20.00: Gala Dinner in Certosa

**Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Sala Bracci – Certosa di Pontignano**

**Chairman: Alessio Lodola**

09.00-09.40: **Alexander Tropsha - University of North Carolina, USA:** Application of Text Mining



and Artificial Intelligence Approaches to Drug Discovery and Repurposing

09.40-10.20: **Jan Wenzel - Sanofi-Aventis Deutschland, Germany:** Predictive Deep Neural Network Models for ADME-Tox Properties: Learning from Large and Small Data Sets

10.20-10.40: **Jissy Kuriappan - Istituto Italiano di Tecnologia, Genova, Italy:** Targeting Alpha Isoform Specificity in Human Topoisomerase II

10.40-11.00: **Fernando Durães - University of Porto, Porto, Portugal:** Design and synthesis of thioxanthenes as potential bacterial efflux pump inhibitors

11.00-11.20: Coffee Break

11.20-12.00: **Chris De Graaf - Sosei Heptares, United Kingdom:** Allegory, Impossible Object, Chiaroscuro: Structure-Based Drug Design Across the GPCRome

12.00-12.40: Shotgun poster presentation presentations and prizegiving

12.40-13.00: Farewell

13.00: Lunch