





**GIBRALTAR 1ST INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE
OF
BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE**

30TH MAY- 1ST JUNE 2007.

**EUROPA RETREAT CENTRE
Windmill Hill
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WELCOME

The Institute of Biomedical Science (IBMS) Gibraltar Branch welcomes you to Gibraltar's first ever International Conference.

Gibraltar Pathology Services is a progressive department in St. Bernards Hospital the only civilian hospital in Gibraltar.

In 2005 I was appointed local CPD Officer for the Gibraltar IBMS Branch. Because of the distance between Gibraltar and UK it becomes difficult for us to participate in IBMS CPD accredited activities.

One way of participating in the CPD program and get involved in CPD activities are at a local level.

However, the bond between Gibraltar IBMS Branch and the IBMS Headquarters felt a bit disconnected and so in order to reinforce this bond, we had to put Gibraltar on the Biomedical map. Hence the conference came to fruition.

This conference aims to create an awareness of our essential services to the local community and also our integration with other organisations within the community.

It also aims to establish a stronger link with the IBMS and start a new one with the Sociedad Andaluza de Analisis Clinicos (SANAC). These relationships will interlink with each other in the learning process for the advancement of Biomedical Science in all the disciplines.

Gibraltar Pathology Services is multidisciplinary and so is this conference. Evolving as a professional within your discipline is good but learning from the other laboratories can be both interesting and of value within your specialist field. All the different disciplines interlink with each other as we, the Gibraltar IBMS Branch know so well, particularly when on call.

As conference organiser I wanted to incorporate some of the culture and history of my hometown to you. Mixing work with pleasure is a healthy balance and balance is what this conference is all about.

I hope you will take back the acquired knowledge and many good Gibraltar memories so that you will return for more, hopefully in two years time.

Thank you for coming and enjoy!

**Audrey Smith
CPD Officer IBMS Gibraltar Branch**

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The Institute of Biomedical Science recognizes this conference for a maximum of 30 continuing education credits.

**The Poster section has been held in association with
SANAC**



WEDNESDAY 30TH MAY 2007.

DAY 1

Chairperson: Mr.Chris Wilson – *Director of Pathology Services*

8.30h for 9.25h

Registration and coffee

9.25h- 9.30h

Welcome and Introduction

Chris Wilson Director of Pathology Services

9.30h-10.00h

Opening Speeches:

Ernest Britto

Minister of Health

David McCutcheon

GHA Chief Executive

10.00h -10.30h

**‘Gibraltar Pathology Services and the community
past, present and future’**

George Fromow-

Chairman IBMS Gibraltar Branch.

10.30h-10.50h

Coffee Break

10.50h-11.10h

‘The Role of Pathology Services in Gibraltar’

Dr.Biedrzycki.

Consultant Pathologist.

St.Bernards Hospital. Gibraltar

11.10h- 1140h

‘The Relationship between RGP and GHA’

Emilio Acris.

Detective Chief Inspector.RGP.

11.40h- 12.00h

‘The link between EH and Pathology Services’

Francis Martin.

Environmental Health

12.00h-13.00h

Lunch

13.00h-14.00h

‘Cross Discipline working in a small island community’

John Nippres MSc AIBMS

Nobles IOM Hospital

14.00h-15.00h

‘ The Role of the Biomedical Scientist in the Armed Forces’

Cpont (L) Andy Murphy Biomedical Scientist

Royal Naval Hospital. Gibraltar

15.00h-15.15h

Coffee Break

15.15h-16.15h

‘ The Way Forward’

Pathology Services Manager

St.Bernards Hospital Gibraltar

16.15h-17.15h

‘ Registration of Cancers’

Dr.Vijay Kumar.

Director of Public Health

St.Bernards Hospital. Gibraltar

17.15h-18.15h

Laboratory Visit

Lab visits exclusive for invited speakers and international guests

THURSDAY 31ST MAY 2007.

DAY 2

Chairperson: *Pathology Services Manager. St Bernards Hospital. Gibraltar*

8.30h- 8.50h **Registration and coffee**

8.55h- 9.00h **Introduction**
Pathology Services Manager. Gibraltar

9.00h- 10.00h **Pathology, politics and the profession**
Gordon Sutehall MSc DMS CSci FIBMS CIBiol MIBiol
President of the IBMS

10.00h-11.00h

‘Olympus Medical Solutions- from telepathology to immunochemistry
Antonio Torres
Director of Olympus Diagnostics Division
Javier Navarro
Olympus Diagnostic Division. Immunochemistry
Monica Martinez
Olympus Microscopy Division

11.00h-11.20h **Coffee Break**

11.20h- 12.50h **‘Blood Safety and Quality Regulations 2005
and UK Hospital Blood Banks’**
Joan Jones CSci FIBMS
Manager Hospital
Transfusion Practitioner Scheme in Wales

12.50h- 13.20h

**‘Mitochondrial Disorders: Common un-recognised
multi-system diseases’**
Dr. John.M. Land. BSc BM BCh MBA PhD CSci FRCPath
UCLH NHS Foundation Trust London

13.20pm- 14.00h **lunch**

14.00h-14.45h

‘ Liquid Based Cytology- The UK Experience’
Ian Phillips MSc CSci FIBMS CMIAC FISct MinsLM DIC
Deputy BMS Manager
NWLH London

14.45h- 14.45h

Poster Session
in association with SANAC

15.45h-16.00h

Coffee Break

16.00h-17.00h

WORKSHOPS.

1. BIOCHEMISTRY

‘Laboratory Diagnosis of Thyroid Dysfunction’

Dra.Ana Saez-Benito Godino.MD PhD.
Faculty Specialist.
Hospital Puerta de la Mar.Cadiz.
Member of SANAC

2. MICROBIOLOGY

‘The Impact of Avian Flu in the Iberian Peninsula’

Dr.Jose Lopez Barba
Faculty Microbiology Specialist.
Hospital INGLESA de Ceuta.
Member of SANAC

3.HAEMATOLOGY

‘Haematology Laboratory: from internal quality control to total quality management’

Dr.Josep Maria Jou Turallas.Haematology
Services Hospital Clinic
Barcelona University.

4.TRANSFUSION SCIENCE

‘The Road to Compliance – a DGH view’

William Chaffe.CSci FIBMS.IBMS
Specialist Advisor and Transfusion
Co-ordinator for East Kent Hospitals NHS Trust

17.00h

Close

FRIDAY 1ST JUNE 2007.

DAY 3

Chairperson: Dr.Tadeusz Biedrzycki- *Consultant Pathologist. Gibraltar.*

8.30h-8.50h Registration and coffee

8.50h- 8.55h Introduction
Dr.T.Biedrzycki.
Consultant Pathologist. Gibraltar

9.00h-10.00h

‘The effects of regular physical exercise, aerobic, or anaerobic on anthropometric, haemodynamic and plasma lipid values, the endocrine system and haematological parameters’

Dr.Miguel A. Iñigo MD PhD
Hospital del Servicio Andaluz de Salud de La Linea.
Member of SANAC

10.00h - 10.20h Coffee Break

10.20h- 11.20h

‘ The use of honey as a substitute for formalin in the histology Laboratory’

Dr.Phil Bryant PhD CSci FIBMS
Histopathology Manager
Princess of Wales Hospital, Wales

11.20h-12.20h Poster exhibition

12.20h-13.25h lunch

13.30h- 14.30h

“Inflammation driven diseases: misconceptions, current treatment and the way forward”

Dr. Derek Gilroy PhD.

Wellcome Trust Career Development Fellow and Honorary Senior lecturer UCL London.

14.30h - 15.30h

‘IHC: is it possible to get some standardisation across Europe?’

Keith Miller.

Manager Advanced Diagnostics UCL London.

15.30h-15.50h

Coffee Break

16.00h-16.45h

Discussion and Closure

Chris Wilson

Alex Menez

Audrey Smith

Reflection and Q&A session

16.45h

Close.



PROGRAM FOR DELEGATES

WEDNESDAY 30TH MAY 2007.

19.30h -20.30h

Gibraltar Museum guided tour

THURSDAY 31ST MAY 2007.

18.30h -00.00h

**‘WW11 Tunnel Experience’
Guided tour of the WW11 Tunnels followed by a banquet
whilst listening to a live jazz band.**

**Prizes for the winning entries of the posters will be awarded to the
winning authors.**

FRIDAY 1ST JUNE 2007.

19.00h -23.00h

Evening meal at the Waterfront restaurant in the Marina

PROGRAM FOR PARTNERS

WEDNESDAY 30TH MAY 2007.

10.00h -13.00h

A guided tour of the Botanical Gardens and Wildlife Park followed by a trip to the Top of the Rock by Cable Car (weather permitting)

Lunch and afternoon at your own leisure

19.30h -20.30h

Gibraltar Museum guided tour

Evening at your own leisure

THURSDAY 31ST MAY 2007.

10.00h – 13.00h

Glass Blowing demonstration and a guided walking tour of the City

Lunch and afternoon at your own leisure

18.30h -00.00h

**‘WW11 Tunnel Experience’
Guided tour of the WW11 Tunnels followed by a banquet
whilst listening to a live jazz band.**

FRIDAY 1ST JUNE 2007

10.00h-12.00h

A guided Rock Tour

Lunch and afternoon at your own leisure

19.00h -23.00h

Evening meal at the Waterfront Restaurant in the Marina

REGISTRATION FEES

	Before 30 th April	After 30 th April
IBMS Member:	£200	£200
Non Member:	£240	£270
One Day Pass:	£50	£70
Partners	£120	£150

Our registration desk at the conference centre will be open from 8.30h-9.00h the three days of conference, for those participants who wish to register on-site.

All documents including registration packets will be handed over to the registered participants.

On-site registration will be accepted but it cannot be guaranteed to receive all conference documents.

Please arrive early, if you wish to register on-site.

ADDITIONALS

One-Day pass registrants and their partners wishing to attend any of the following optional evening events

‘The WW11 Tunnel Experience’ Banquet on Thursday 31st May 2007, will require to pay £45 per person. This includes a tour of the WW11Tunnels. Dress code is smart casual and please wear appropriate footwear.

The Waterfront Restaurant meal on Friday 1st June 2007, will require to pay £ 45 per person.

Participants who register on- site cannot register for any of the optional evening events

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY

Cancellation requests must be received at the GHA Pathology Services Office in writing by 30th April 2007, and a 20% processing fee will be deducted from your refund. No refunds will be given for those received after the 30th April 2007.

RESPONSIBILITY

The participant acknowledges that he/she has no right to lodge damage claims against the organizers should the holding of the conference be hindered or prevented by unexpected political or economic events or generally by force majeure, or should the non-appearance of speakers or other reasons necessitate programme changes. With registration, the participant accepts this proviso.

CONFIRMATION

Upon receipt of the correct registration fee, each participant will receive a confirmation of registration. Please bring this confirmation to the registration desk at the conference centre as proof of your registration.

INSURANCE

The meeting organizers cannot accept liability for personal injuries sustained, or for loss or damage of property belonging to conference participants or their accompanying persons, either during, or as a result of the meeting. Please check the validity of your own insurance.

TRAVEL

Gibraltar has one airport with regular scheduled flights

- **Monarch Airlines - London Luton**
- **British Airways - London Gatwick**
- **Iberia - Madrid**

Alternatively, you may fly to Malaga airport followed by a 1.5 hour journey on the motorway to Gibraltar.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

A small number of rooms have been reserved with the Rock Hotel at preferential rates. There will be available on a first come first served basis. Alternatively, Gibraltar offers a wide range of accommodation, from 4 star hotels to youth hostels.

For further information, go to:

www.rockhotelgibraltar.com

www.gibraltar.gov.uk/hol/WhereToStay/hotels.asp

The Europa Retreat Centre offers a ‘Halls of Residence’ style of accommodation.

For further information, go to:

www.europa-retreat-centre.com

THINGS TO DO

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- Marinas**
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- Pubs**
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and loads more

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