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Immunology in Drug Discovery and Development Minisymposium
June 8, 2006, Mauno Koivisto Centre, BioCity Turku, Finland

MORNING SESSION

8.30  Registration
9.00  Riitta Lahesmaa, Director, Turku Centre for Biotechnology: Welcome
9.10  Jan De Vries, Global Head of the Autoimmunity & Transplantation Disease Area at the Novartis Institutes for BioMedical Research: “Novel ways to intervene in autoimmune diseases”
10.00 Jim Johnston, Head, Infection and Immunity, Queens University Belfast, Northern Ireland: “Regulation of cytokine responses by SOCS and DUBs”
10.50  Coffee + Posters

FRONTIERS OF SCIENCE SEMINAR GUEST SPEAKER

12.00 Tomas Mustelin, Professor, The Burnham Institute for Medical Research, La Jolla, USA: “Protein Tyrosine Phosphatases in Immunity and Autoimmune Disease”
13.00  Lunch break

AFTERNOON SESSION

14.00  Juha Kere, Professor, Karolinska Institutet, Department of Biosciences and Nutrition and University of Helsinki, Center of Excellence for Disease Genetics: “GPRA and other positionally cloned asthma susceptibility genes”
14.50  Open papers
15.50  Coffee

16.10  Kerry A. Mowen, Assistant Professor, The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla, USA: “Cytokine Gene Regulation by Arginine Methylation.”
17.00  Nalân Utku, President and Chief Executive Officer, GenPat77 Pharmacogenetics AG, Berlin, Germany: “TIRC7, a novel immunomodulatory protein”
17.50  Mika Scheinin, Professor, University of Turku: Concluding remarks
18.00-21.00  Symposium Banquet at BioCity lobby