

Conference Programme

15th International
Conference on Thalassaemia
& Other Haemoglobinopathies

virtual

17th **&**
TIF Conference
for Patients & Parents

19-21 November 2021

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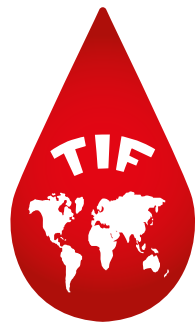
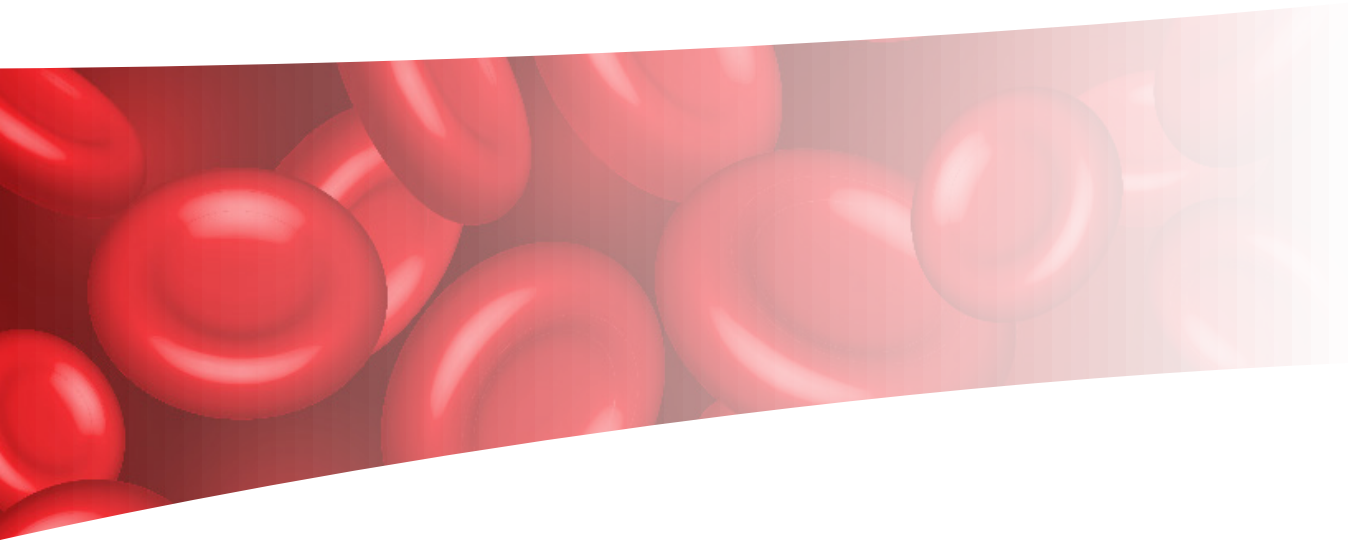
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Welcome Message

Dear Friends,

We are privileged to cordially invite you to attend and participate in the upcoming 15th International Conference on Thalassaemia & Other Haemoglobinopathies & the 17th TIF Conference for Patients & Parents, to be held virtually on 19-21 November 2021.

Organised by the Thalassaemia International Federation (TIF), this conference promises to provide an outstanding opportunity for all involved stakeholders to bridge perspectives from various disciplines and to meet the challenges of improving the health and quality of life of those affected by haemoglobinopathies. This conference constitutes a unique forum for sharing knowledge and experiences and for building up new friendships, collaborations, partnerships and networks.

Following the global pandemic of COVID-19, this year's conference requires a different approach, to allow international engagement and ensure participant safety. For the first time our International Conference will be web-based. To make sure that the conference will maintain its top-quality educational level despite its virtual nature, we aim to organize an exciting, ground-breaking and highly educational scientific program, covering a broad range of thematic topics.

Due to the virtual nature of the conference, for the first time the Scientific Sessions are joint with the Patients Programme and promise very interesting lectures and discussions that appeal to all scientists, patients and parents who deal with Thalassaemia and other Haemoglobin Disorders. We are very excited to take this initiative.

We very much look forward to welcoming and seeing you all at this event, aiming to build a brighter future together for patients with haemoglobinopathies all over the world!

Cordially,

Mr Panos Englezos

President, Thalassaemia International Federation (TIF)

Dr Androulla Eleftheriou

Executive Director, Thalassaemia International Federation (TIF)



Friday, 19 November 2021

EET time	Main Hall
11.15 - 12.45	Session 1: Challenges & Unmet Needs: the Patient Perspective Chairs: E. Mylona & TBC
	Are we near achieving optimal care in:
11.15 - 11.25	Europe TBC
11.25 - 11.35	Middle East TBC
11.35 - 11.45	South East Asia V. Piplani
11.45 - 11.55	West Pacific TBC
11.55 - 12.05	North America R. Elbard
12.05 - 12.15	South America TBC
12.15 - 12.45	Q&A
12.45 - 13.00	Comfort Break
13.00 - 14.15	PRESIDENTIAL SYMPOSIUM <i>Organised by Thalassaemia International Federation</i> The Global Unmet Needs of Patients with Haemoglobin Disorders Chairs: P. Englezos, C. Papageorgiou, R. Ficarra
13.00 - 13.15	Chronic Diseases and SDG2030 Goals P. Barango
13.15 - 13.30	Haemoglobin Disorders & Migration M. Angastiniotis
13.30 - 13.45	Combating Unmet Needs: TIF's contribution A. Eleftheriou
13.45 - 14.15	Panel Discussion
14.15 - 14.30	Comfort Break
14.30 - 16.00	Opening Ceremony
14.30 - 15.30	Opening Remarks Panos Englezos, <i>President of Thalassaemia International Federation</i>
15.30 - 16.00	TIF Award Ceremony
16.00 - 16.15	Comfort Break
16.15 - 18.15	MODERATED KEYNOTE SESSION: Haemoglobin Disorders in 2030



	Chair: A. Piga
	Panelists: D. Loukopoulos, J. Porter, A. Taher, MD. Cappellini, V. Viprakasit, M. Angastiniotis, P. Englezos, A. Eleftheriou, L. Pericleous, A. Taneja, A. Mehmood, & M. Zaatat
18.15 - 18.30	Comfort Break
18.30 - 20.00	Session 2: Living with Thalassaemia & Sickle Cell Disease
	Chairs: G. Constantinou & H. Dahmani
18.30 - 18.45	Balancing education, employment, work, social life and health M. Miltiadous
18.45 - 19.00	Building truthful relationships – How and when do I tell my partner that I have a haemoglobin disorder? A. Taneja
19.00 - 19.15	How do I tell my child I have thalassaemia and what it means M. Hadjidemetriou
19.15 - 19.30	My thoughts, challenges and fears during COVID-19 pandemic L. Brunetta
19.30 - 20.00	Q&A



Saturday, 20 November 2021

EET time	Main Hall
09.30 - 11.00	Session 3: Clinical Management of Thalassaemia - TIF Guidelines Recommendations for TDT & NTD Chairs: G. Dusheiko & D. Farmakis
09.30 - 09.45	Blood Transfusion F. Shah
09.45 - 10.00	Iron Monitoring and Chelation J. Porter
10.00 - 10.15	Cardiac Complications M. Walker
10.15 - 10.30	Liver Disease J. Koskinas
10.30 - 10.45	Bone Disease TBC
10.45 - 11.00	Q&A
11.00 - 11.15	Comfort Break
11.15 - 12.45	Session 3 continued: Clinical Management of Thalassaemia – TIF Guidelines Recommendations for TDT & NTD Chairs: TBC & J. Porter
11.15 - 11.30	Renal Disease A. Taher
11.30 - 11.45	Thrombosis MD Cappellini
11.45 - 12.00	Pain P. Eleftheriou
12.00 - 12.15	Fertility & Pregnancy N. Skordis
12.30 - 12.30	Addressing Emergency Management J. Porter
12.30 - 12.45	Q&A
12.45 - 13.00	Comfort Break
13.00 - 14.30	Detailed Programme TBA
14.30 - 14.45	Comfort Break
14.45 - 16.15	Session 4: Prevention of Haemoglobin Disorders Chairs: D. Loukopoulos & J. Old
14.45 - 15.00	Where are we today in the prevention of haemoglobin disorders M. Angastiniotis
15.00 - 15.15	Challenges in implementing National Prevention Programmes in the control of Haemoglobin Disorders: the global perspective M. Petrou



15.15 - 15.30	Potential sources of error in population screening for haemoglobin disorders TBC
15.30 - 15.45	New Laboratory approaches for Haemoglobin Disorders J. Traeger - Synodinos
15.45 - 16.15	Q&A
16.15 - 16.30	Comfort Break
16.30 - 18.25	Session 5: Innovation in Haemoglobin Disorders Chairs: A. Taher & A. Kattamis
16.30 - 16.50	Authorised and ongoing clinical trials of medical products & devices for the treatment of Thalassaemia S. Rivella
16.50 - 17.10	Authorised and ongoing clinical trials of medical products & devices for the treatment of Sickle Cell Disease P. Telfer
17.30 - 17.30	siRNA for thalassaemia TBA
17.30 - 17.50	Hypoxic Blood TBA
17.50 - 18.10	IMR-687 in Thalassaemia K. Attie
18.10 - 18.25	Q&A
18.25 - 18.30	Comfort Break
18.30 - 20.00	Agios Pharmaceuticals Satelite Symposium - Detailed Programme TBA



Sunday, 21 November 2021

EET time	Main Hall
10.00 - 10.45	Ice-Breaking Session 6: Case Presentations Chairs: F. Shah & P. Eleftheriou
10.00 - 10.45	Detailed Programme TBA
10.45 - 10.55	Comfort Break
10.55 - 12.45	Session 7: Sickle Cell Disease Chairs: A. Inati & I. Odame
10.55 - 11.10	Sickle Cell Disease in Childhood I. Odame
11.10 - 11.25	Sickle Cell Disease in Adulthood L. de Franceschi
11.25 - 11.40	Effective management of Pain Crises A. Inati
11.40 - 11.55	Emergency Care P. Telfer
11.55 - 12.20	Essential elements of Multidisciplinary Care in Sickle Cell Disease M. Abboud
12.20 - 12.45	Comparative Analysis of Guidelines/Standards for the Clinical Management of Sickle Cell Disease K. Musallam
12.45 - 13.00	Comfort Break
13.00 - 14.30	Detailed Programme TBA
14.30 - 14.45	Comfort Break
14.45 - 16.30	Session 8: Curative Approaches in Haemoglobin Disorders Chairs: E. Yannaki & P. Sodani
14.45 - 15.05	Haploidentical Transplantation with Post-Cyclophosphamide in Thalassemia S. Hongeng
15.05 - 15.25	Haematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation: Experience from India V. Matthews
15.25 - 15.45	Haploidentical transplantation in Thalassemia & SCD P. Sodani
15.45 - 16.05	Advances in Gene Therapy by Gene Addition (TDT and SCD) F. Locatelli
16.05 - 16.25	Advances in Gene Therapy by Genome Editing (TDT and SCD) TBA
16.25 - 16.30	Q&A
16.30 - 16.45	Comfort Break



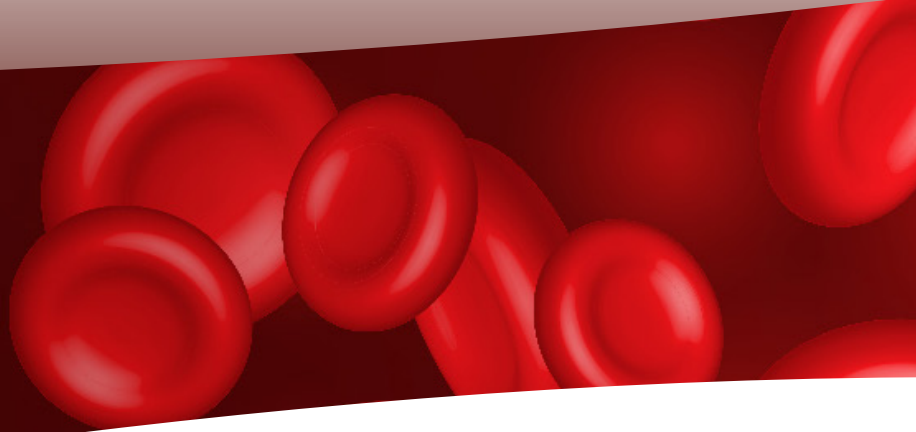
16.45 - 18.00	Session 9: Emerginc Concepts and Challenges in Haemoglobin Disorders Chairs: MD. Cappellini & A. Kattamis
16.45 - 17.00	Ageing in Haemoglobin Disorders I. Motta
17.00 - 17.15	Solid & Haematological Malignancies A. Taher
17.15 - 17.30	Haemoglobin Disorders and COVID-19: A global snapshot MD. Cappellini
17.30 - 17.45	The importance of genotype/phenotype in clinical decisions: Does one size fit all? S. Christou
17.45 - 18.00	Q&A
18.00 - 18.15	Comfort Break
18.15 - 18.30	Closing Remarks Chairs: P. Englezos, A. Taher & J. Porter A new era is dawning for the cure and care of Haemoglobin Disorders. Will 50 years of knowledge and experience find political commitment for the implementation of radical policy changes?

Monday, 22 November 2021

EET time	Main Hall
10.00 - 11.00	TIF Consensus Meeting 1: Accurate Iron Load Monitoring
11.00 - 11.15	Comfort Break
11.15 - 12.15	TIF Consensus Meeting 2: Quality & Availability of Iron Chelators
12.15 - 12.30	Comfort Break
12.30 - 13.30	TIF Consensus Meeting 3: Blood Safety & Adequacy
13.30 - 14.00	Comfort Break
14.00 - 14.45	TIF Board Meeting <i>by invitation only</i>
15.00 - 18.00	TIF Constitutional Assembly <i>by invitation only</i>
18.00 - 20.00	PKD Capacity Building Meeting - Detailed Programme TBA



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