

Úterý 19. března 2019 / Tuesday March 19, 2019

Velká zasedací místnost děkanátu 1. LF UK, Na Bojišti 3, Praha 2
Large meeting room of Dean's Office Building, 1. LF UK, Na Bojišti 3, Praha 2



I. LÉKAŘSKÁ
FAKULTA
Univerzita Karlova

8,45 Registration for students

9,00 – 10,00 Glycopeptides as immunological probes for the characterization of autoantibodies, biomarker of multiple sclerosis

Sophisticated approaches have recently led to identify novel autoantigens associated with Multiple Sclerosis (MS). We succeeded to identify putative antigens recognized by autoantibodies isolated from MS patients' serum, we have shown that a family of glucoasparagine (N-Glc) glycopeptides specifically identifies serum autoantibodies in a subset of MS patients. Antibodies specific to the prototype glucosylated peptide probe termed CSF114(Glc) were detected, isolated, and characterized as potential biomarkers of an MS subpopulation.



Paolo Rovero

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10,15 – 11,15 In search of the autoantigen: from synthetic peptides to bacterial glycoproteins

We applied immunological and biophysical approaches to reveal that a hyperglucosylated adhesion protein derived from the opportunistic pathogen Haemophilus influenzae shares a common glucosylated epitope with CSF114(Glc) and we hypothesized that the H. influenzae hyperglucosylated adhesin can be considered a relevant candidate for triggering pathogenic (auto)-antibodies in MS. These results laid the foundation for determining the nature of a possible molecular mimicry mechanism breaking immunological tolerance and leading to autoimmunity, and for elucidating the human protein target(s) recognized by anti-hyperglycosylated adhesin antibodies in MS.

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Přednáškové odpoledne je součástí kurzu „Novinky v biomedicínském výzkumu“, který je jeden z doporučených povinně volitelných kurzů pro Ph.D. studenty oboru Biochemie a patobiochemie (Oborová rada 04) a Fyziologie a patofyziologie člověka (Oborová rada 05). Účastníci na konci kurzu získají zápočet. Kurz je sestaven z přednášek zahraničních a domácích světově uznávaných odborníků zabývajících se molekulovými mechanismy e iologie, patogenese a terapie chorob. Vítání jsou i studen i jiných oborů a zájemci z řad vědeckých pracovníků a lékařů.

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