

Applied Workshop on

Immunoglobulin Gene Analysis in Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia



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Uppsala - Sweden

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Target audience:

Workshop for scientists interested to learn more about immunoglobulin gene analysis in CLL.

Structure:

This two-day applied workshop will comprise a mixture of lectures and applied sessions held by experts in the field on immunoglobulin gene interpretation in CLL.

Topics covered during the workshop:

- Latest recommendations on IGHV mutational status
- IG gene interpretation and trouble shooting
- New bioinformatic tools
- Trouble cases in clinical routine
- Stereotyped B-cell receptors in CLL

Scientific committee:

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Program at a glance

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Session I – CLL and immunoglobulin (Ig) genes

Ig genes - VDJ recombination/somatic hypermutation
Somatic hypermutation status as a prognostic marker in CLL
Relationship to other prognostic markers
ERIC recommendations on Ig gene analysis in CLL
New prognostic markers in a clinical perspective

Session II – Interpretation of clonality (applied)

Selection of primers and PCR conditions.
How to interpret clonality using different detection methods?

Session III – Interpretation of Ig sequences (applied)

How to get reliable sequence results?
What to do with trouble cases?

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Session IV – Ig gene database searches (applied)

Which are the available databases?
Which data can you retrieve from the databases?
How to calculate somatic hypermutation frequency?

Session V – Ig analysis in clinical routine (applied)

How to report Ig gene data in clinical routine?
Cases difficult to categorize - how to handle them?

Session VI – Stereotyped B-cell receptors in CLL

Restricted IGHV gene usage and homologous CDR3s in CLL
Clinical impact of stereotyped B-cell receptors in CLL
New tools for identifying stereotyped subsets in CLL

All applied sessions include a theoretical background followed by computer-based exercises and solving of trouble cases.



Workshop fee:

2250 SEK (~250 Euro). Includes meals and coffee breaks during the workshop.

Computer:

Welcome to bring your own laptop for the applied sessions. Wireless network is available.

Application deadline:

30 April 2007. Application forms will be available Jan 2007.

Number of participants:

The number of participants will be limited to 40.

Location:

Rudbeck Laboratory, Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden.



Website/application forms: www.igccl.com

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