GENERAL INFORMATION

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Registration
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Language
The meeting language will be English.

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Accreditation is pending

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INTRODUCTION

Immunoglobulin light chain amyloidosis (AL) is a clonal plasma cell dyscrasia, historically associated with a very poor prognosis. Prompt and accurate diagnosis is critical to preserve organ function and to improve survival in AL patients. The severity of cardiac involvement and cardiac response to treatment are the most important prognostic factors in AL. Treatment with autologous stem cell transplantation appears to offer a survival benefit, but is an option for only a quarter of the patients. The development of new therapies for multiple myeloma in the past years, offers perspectives for the future treatment of AL amyloidosis. Supportive care should be an integral part of the treatment plan and requires a multidisciplinary approach.

With this symposium, we aim to improve insight in the pathogenesis, diagnostic challenges, prognostic markers and available treatments for light chain amyloidosis in 2014.

We wish you an inspiring symposium!

Chantal Doyen, committee chair

PROGRAMME

14.30 Welcome address
Rik Schots & Chantal Doyen

14.35 Overview on amyloidosis
Marie-Christiane Vekemans & Karolien Beel

15.00 Diagnosis of amyloidosis
Bouke Hazenberg, Groningen, Netherlands

15.45 Questions and answers

16.00 How to deal with cardiac complications of amyloidosis
Johan Van Cleemput, Leuven

16.30 Coffee Break

16.45 Clinical cases
moderators: Michel Delforge & Nathalie Meuleman

17.30 Treatment of AL amyloidosis
Arnaud Jaccard, Limoges

18.15 Questions and answers

19.00 General discussion

19.30 Reception