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FINAL PROGRAMME



we are pleased to welcome you to **ALPIC 2013** (Advanced Learning on Platelets & Thrombosis International Course), the 3<sup>rd</sup> Hellenic scientific event on Platelets and Thrombosis, held in Metsovo, Greece, January 18-20, 2013, at Diasselos Conference Center. ALPIC 2013 is organized by the Atherothrombosis Research Centre of the University of Ioannina, under the auspices of the Hellenic Cardiological Society, the Mediterranean League Against Thromboembolic Diseases (MLTD) and the Institute for the Study and Education on Thrombosis and Antithrombotic Therapy. ALPIC 2013 is endorsed by the International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis (ISTH).

This three-day scientific event has an educational character and the programme is structured aiming to serve as a knowledge transfer forum for scientists in the various aspects of the research on Platelets and Thrombosis ranging from the basic science to the clinical practice.

ALPIC 2013 highlights the rapid development and ongoing evolution in various topics of Platelet research including Platelet biology, pharmacology and pharmacogenetics. The important role of Platelets in the thrombotic complications of plaque rupture as well as in stent thrombosis will be also discussed. ALPIC 2013 also highlights current knowledge in anticoagulant therapy in patients with cardiovascular disease, atrial fibrillation and venous thromboembolism and presents recent advances in the development of new anti-platelet drugs as well as new Anticoagulants.

An internationally recognized panel of invited speakers will present state-of-the-art lectures on the above scientific fields and will create an excellent opportunity to stimulate an extended and very constructive discussion both inside and outside the course room.

At this point we would like to extend our sincere thanks to all those who worked with dedication, putting together this attractive and comprehensive scientific programme, namely the International Invited Faculty for its warm acceptance to participating in ALPIC 2013, the Local Scientific Committee, the International Scientific Advisory Board and our sponsors for their generous support. Last but not least, we extend our warm welcome and gratitude to all colleagues for joining us at this course and sharing our enthusiasm.

We welcome you and we wish you all enjoy ALPIC 2013 in the picturesque landscape offered by Metsovo.

With our best regards,

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**Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013****16.00-18.00 Registrations****18.00-18.15 Welcome address**

Rector of the University of Ioannina  
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**18.15-19.50 Round Table: Thrombosis: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology**

Chairmen: **Marco Cattaneo (Italy)**  
**Alexandros Tselepis (Greece)**

**18.15-18.30** Pathophysiology and clinical significance of Platelet miRNAs  
**Dimitrios Stakos (Greece)****18.30-18.50** New aspects on the effects of oral anticoagulants beyond thrombosis. Focus in atherosclerosis  
**Katrin Schaefer (Germany)****18.50-19.10** New oral anticoagulant treatments: the role of laboratory  
**Grigoris Gerotziafas (France)****19.10-19.30** Newer reversible P2Y12 inhibitors elinogrel and cangrelor. Lessons from recent clinical trials  
**Marco Cattaneo (Italy)****19.30-19.50** Efficacy and Safety of PAR-1 Antagonists  
**Alexandros Tselepis (Greece)****19.50-20.30 Round table: Antithrombotic therapy in subgroup populations**

Chairman: **Filippos Triposkiadis (Greece)**

**19.50-20.10** Antithrombotic therapy in women and in the elderly: general issues and clinical conundrums  
**Christoforos Olympios (Greece)****20.10-20.30** Platelet biology and response to antiplatelet therapy in patients with diabetes and chronic kidney disease  
**Periklis Davlouros (Greece)****21.00 Dinner**

**Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013****08.30-10.00 Clinical Workshop on Thrombosis: Meet the Experts**

Chairmen: **John Goudevenos (Greece)**  
**Georgios Bompotis (Greece)**

Comments: **Dimitrios Godevenos (Greece)**  
**Miltiadis Matsagkas (Greece)**

The patient with PCI who needs Noncardiac surgery, Duration of DAPT, The patient with atrial fibrillation who needs PCI  
**(John Kanakakis (Greece), Paul Karanikis (Greece), Christos Katsouras (Greece), Dimitrios Nikas (Greece), Eugenia Pappa (Greece))**

**10.00-10.40 Round table: Intravenous antithrombotics**

Chairmen: **John Kanonidis (Greece)**  
**Sotirios Patsilinakos (Greece)**

**10.00-10.20** Efficacy and safety of early versus late glycoprotein IIb/IIIa inhibitors in ACS patients undergoing PCI.  
**Konstantinos Aznaouridis (Greece)**

**10.20-10.40** The clinical utility of intravenous direct thrombin inhibitors in ACS / PCI  
**Georgios Hahalis (Greece)**

**10.40-11.00 Break****11.00-11.30 Lecture**

Chairman: **John Lekakis (Greece)**

Low-dose aspirin, atherothrombosis and cancer  
**Carlo Patrono (Italy)**

**11.30-12.45 Round table: Overcoming clopidogrel resistance**

Chairmen: **Franck Paganelli (France)**  
**Alexandros Tselepis (Greece)**

**11.30-11.55** Response variability to clopidogrel: is tailored treatment, based on laboratory testing, the right solution?  
**Marco Cattaneo (Italy)**

**Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

- 11.55-12.20** Clopidogrel dose adjustment in patients with high on-treatment platelet reactivity. Does it improve clinical outcome?  
**Franck Paganelli (France)**
- 12.20-12.45** Switching antiplatelet regimens: alternatives to clopidogrel in STEMI patients  
**Dimitrios Alexopoulos (Greece)**
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- 12.45-14.00** **Round table: Perioperative management with antithrombotic drugs**  
Chairmen: **Efstratios Apostolakis (Greece)**  
**Chrysoula Papageorgiou (France)**
- 12.45-13.00** Perioperative management with antiplatelet drugs  
**Chrysoula Papageorgiou (France)**
- 13.00-13.15** Perioperative point-of-care coagulation monitoring. Is it useful in the daily clinical practice?  
**Susan Mallett (UK)**
- 13.15-13.30** Is there a need for antithrombotic therapy after the surgical implantation of biological heart valves?  
**Georgios Krasopoulos (Greece)**
- 13.30-13.45** Current trends in antithrombotic treatment after percutaneous or surgical closure of the left atrial appendage  
**Apostolos Tzikas (Greece)**
- 13.45-14.00** Antithrombotic therapy for patients with congenital heart disease  
**Georgios Giannakoulas (Greece)**

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**14.00 -16.00** **Lunch Break**

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**Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013****16.00-18.00 Round table: Antithrombotic therapy beyond ACS**

Chairmen: **Athanasios Kyritsis (Greece)**  
**Stavros Konstantinides (Greece)**

**16.00-16.20** Antithrombotic therapy in patients with transient ischemic attack / stroke

**Konstantinos Vemmos (Greece)**

**16.20-16.40** Antiplatelets in the secondary prevention of stroke

**Charalampos Milionis (Greece)**

**16.40-17.00** Antiplatelet and anticoagulant drugs for prevention of restenosis / reocclusion following peripheral endovascular treatment

**Miltiadis Matsagkas (Greece)**

**17.00-17.20** Antiplatelet and anticoagulant drugs in patients with heart failure

**Gerasimos Filippatos (Greece)**

**17.20-17.50** The role of new anticoagulants in the prevention and treatment of thromboembolism

**Stavros Konstantinides (Greece)**

**17.50-18.00** Panel discussion and implication for patient care

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**18.00-18.30 Lecture**

Chairman: **Efstratios Apostolakis (Greece)**

The greek experience with antiplatelet guidelines

**John Goudevenos (Greece)**

**18.30-19.00 Break**

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**19.00-19.30 Lecture**

Chairman: **Stefanos Foussas (Greece)**

The cost-effectiveness of cardiovascular medicine in Greece.

Focus on antithrombotic drugs

**Panagiotis Vardas (Greece)**

*President of the European Society of Cardiology*

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**Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

- 19.30-21.00 Round Table: The new era of oral anticoagulation in atrial fibrillation. Achievements and challenges**  
Chairmen: **Fragiskos Parthenakis (Greece)**  
**Grigoris Gerotziapas (France)**
- 19.30-19.50** Dabigatran: Uncertainties in clinical practice  
**Athanassios Pipilis (Greece)**
- 19.50-20.10** Anticoagulation for cardioversion and ablation in AF:  
Current practices and evolving knowledge  
**Georgios Andrikopoulos (Greece)**
- 20.10-20.30** New oral factor Xa inhibitors: Lessons from the ROCKET-AF,  
ARISTOTLE and ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48 trials  
**Dimitrios Richter (Greece)**
- 20.30-20.50** Dealing with bleeding from old and new anticoagulants  
**Georgios Gkoumas (Greece)**
- 20.50-21.00** Panel discussion and implication for patient care
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- 21.00** **Dinner**
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Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013**09.00-11.50 Round Table: Short Oral Presentations of Ongoing Research on Platelets and Thrombosis**

Chairmen: **Dimitrios Alexopoulos (Greece)**  
**Fragiskos Parthenakis (Greece)**

**A PALMITOYLATED PEPTIDE DERIVED FROM THE CARBOXYL-TERMINAL SEQUENCE OF THE INTEGRIN  $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$  CYTOPLASMIC DOMAIN, INHIBITS TALIN BINDING TO  $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$** 

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**EFFECT OF PEPTIDES CONTAINING THE CYCLIC (S,S) -CDC- SCAFFOLD INHIBITORS ON PLATELET ACTIVATION IN VITRO**

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**A PHARMACODYNAMIC STUDY OF HIGH (100 MG) LOADING DOSE OF PRASUGREL IN PATIENTS WITH ST ELEVATION MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION UNDERGOING PRIMARY PERCUTANEOUS CORONARY INTERVENTION**

V. Gizas, D. Alexopoulos, I. Xanthopoulou, S. Patsilnakos, G. Makris, S. Karanikas, N. Koutsogiannis, G. Hahalís, P. Davlourous

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**PHARMACODYNAMIC ASSESSMENT OF TICAGRELOR VS HIGH DOSE CLOPIDOGREL IN PATIENTS WITH ST ELEVATION MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION POST THROMBOLYSIS**

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Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013**MULTIPLE ELECTRODE PLATELET AGGREGOMETRY AS A POINT-OF-CARE ASSAY FOR ANTITHROMBOTIC THERAPY**

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**INHIBITORY EFFECTS OF TICAGRELOR COMPARED TO CLOPIDOGREL ON PLATELET-MEDIATED THROMBOSIS AND INFLAMMATORY RESPONSE IN PATIENTS WITH ACUTE CORONARY SYNDROMES**

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**THE USE OF TICAGRELOR IN A PATIENT WITH HIGH ON-TREATMENT PLATELET REACTIVITY TO CLOPIDOGREL: A CASE REPORT STUDY**

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**FACTORS AFFECTING RESIDUAL PLATELET FUNCTION IN PRASUGREL TREATED PATIENTS**

I. Xanthopoulou, D. Alexopoulos, A. Perperis, A. Siapika, K. Stavrou, E. Tsoni, P. Davlourous, G. Hahalas

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**ASSOCIATION OF PLATELET RESPONSE TO CLOPIDOGREL WITH LONG-TERM CLINICAL OUTCOMES AFTER PRIMARY ANGIOPLASTY FOR STEMI**

K. Kalogeras, E. Vavuranakis, N. Dages, D. Vrahatis, M. Kariori, K. Aznaouridis, K. Moldovan, Th. Papaioannou, A. Filipeos, O. Katsarou, C. Stefanadis

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**PLATELET INTERACTION WITH CD34<sup>+</sup> PROGENITOR CELLS IN THE PERIPHERAL BLOOD OF HEALTHY INDIVIDUALS**

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Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013**RANDOMIZED ASSESSMENT OF TICAGRELOR VERSUS PRASUGREL ANTIPLATELET EFFECTS IN PATIENTS WITH DIABETES MELLITUS**

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**DIFFERENTIAL EFFECT OF TICAGRELOR VS PRASUGREL ON THE CORONARY BLOOD FLOW VELOCITY IN PATIENTS WITH ACUTE CORONARY SYNDROME UNDERGOING PERCUTANEOUS CORONARY INTERVENTION**

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**EFFECT OF CIRCULATING ENDOTHELIAL PROGENITOR CELLS AND MATURE ENDOTHELIAL CELLS ON PLATELET ACTIVATION IN VITRO**

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**PLATELET REACTIVITY AND COAGULATION MONITORING IN PATIENTS TREATED WITH NEW ORAL ANTICOAGULANTS**

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**DUAL ANTIPLATELET TREATMENT AND SMOKING AFTER CORONARY STENT IMPLANTATION. CEASE OR INCREASE THE RISK?**

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**Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013****DOES TICAGRELOR'S DOUBLE LOADING DOSE PROVIDE A FASTER ONSET OF ACTION IN PATIENTS WITH STEMI UNDERGOING PRIMARY PCI?**

V. Gkizas, D. Alexopoulos, I. Xanthopoulou, P. Anthopoulos, G. Kassimis, K.C. Theodoropoulos, N. Koutsogiannis, A. Damelou, G. Tsigkas, G. Hahalís, P. Davlourós

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**IL-17A RECEPTOR (IL-17RA) EXISTS ON PLATELET SURFACE AND IS OVEREXPRESSED AFTER PLATELET ACTIVATION**

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**11.50-12.15 Break**

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**12.15-13.00 Discussion and approval of the Hellenic guidelines on anticoagulant therapy in ACS/PCI**

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### ■ Educational Objectives

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This educational course aims to promote and co-ordinate a critical and open discussion on several topics of Platelet and thrombosis research, ranging from basic science to the clinical practice, thus providing the attendees with a comprehensive overview on the established knowledge and ongoing evolution on Platelet pathophysiology and pharmacology. Participants will attend an intensive training programme focused on the role of Platelets in atherogenesis and cardiovascular disease as well as on the recent advances in antiplatelet and antithrombotic therapy. At the conclusion of the course participants should be able to discuss on several aspects of Platelets and thrombosis covered by the course and to integrate into their research projects and/or clinical practice the knowledge obtained through discussion with experts and review questions.

### ■ Date & Venue

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ALPIC 2013 course, will be held from **Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>** to **Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> 2013** in Metsovo, at **Diasselo Conference Center**.

### ■ Secretariat Operating Hours

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Friday, January 18 <sup>th</sup> 2013:	16.00 - 20.30
Saturday, January 19 <sup>th</sup> 2013:	08.30 - 14.00 & 16.00 - 21.00
Sunday, January 20 <sup>th</sup> 2013:	09.00 - 13.00

### ■ Languages

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The official languages of the course are **Greek** and **English**.  
The English language may be used widely especially in the presentations of the speakers to encourage the interaction in all scientific sessions of the English-speaking faculty

### ■ Registrations

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Registration for the course is free of charge.

### ■ Certificates of Attendance

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All registered participants are entitled to receive a Certificate of Attendance. The Certificate will be issued only upon display of participant badge, which will be issued by the course secretariat.

### ■ Credits

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The course has been accredited with **12 CME credits** by the Hellenic Medical Society.

### ■ Participant Badge

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Participant badges will be issued by the course secretariat and they should **ALWAYS** be displayed upon entrance to the course and exhibition rooms during the course.

Please note that participants upon confirmation of their registration will be provided with a name badge which bears a unique barcode and which must be used in order to record CME credits for attendance.

Barcode badges must be scanned before entering and after exiting the course venue.

### ■ Social Events

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- **Friday, January 18th 2013 at 21.00, Dinner**
- **Saturday, January 19th 2013 at 14.00, Lunch**
- **Saturday, January 20th 2013 at 21.00, Dinner**

Invitations for each event will be provided to all registered participants by the secretariat.

### ■ Exhibition

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The course will be accompanied by a major exhibition where pharmaceutical and/or equipment/device industries will display relevant products and therapeutic developments. Pharmaceutical companies and medical publishers are invited to participate to the course and exhibition.

### ■ Audiovisual Equipment

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Everyone who has a presentation should deliver their presentation material to the technical secretariat on time (at least 1 hour prior to his/her time specified for his/her presentation).

### ■ Liability and Insurance

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The course Organizers cannot accept liability for personal accidents or loss or damage to private property of participants and accompanying persons. Participants should make their own arrangements with respect to health and travel insurance.

### ■ Organizing - Administrative Bureau/ Secretariat

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# SIGHTS YOU CAN VISIT IN METSOVO

## **CHURCH OF AG. PARASKEVI**

**Location:** METSOVO – CENTRAL SQUARE



The Church of Ag. Paraskevi is located in Metsovo, in the centre of the small town. We have no information about the date of its initial erection, whilst renovations are known to have taken place in 1511, 1705, 1759, 1894 (at the expense of George Averoff), as well as in 1959 and 1991-1994 (at the expense of the Tossizza Foundation). In its present form, the church is a three-aisled basilica; the existence of cells proves that the church used to be the katholikon of a Monastery. A campanile rises in the yard of the church built between 1880-1885 at the expense of George Averoff. In the interior of the church remarkable are: the wood-carved items (iconostasis, episcopal throne, pulpits, icon stand, etc.) and the wooden ceiling. The wood-carved iconostasis of the church (initially gold-plated) dates back to 1730 and is a creation of craftsmen from Metsovo.

## **BARON MICHAEL TOSSIZZA MANSION**

**Type:** MUSEUM

**Location:** METSOVO, **Centure:** 1661, **Phone number:** (+30) 26560-41084



The building used to be the mansion of the well-known Tossizza family. It was built in 1661. In 1829, the initial building was renovated. Further renovation works took place between 1952-1956 at the initiative of Evangelos Averoff-Tossizza with funds from the Baron Michael Tossizza estate. The museum exhibits cover the period from the 4th through the 19th century. The coin collection includes pieces from the time of Constantine the Great through Andronikos Palaiologos II. The paintings date to the post-Byzantine era and they are attributed to Damaskinos, Tzane and others. The visitor may admire traditional household objects of the past century, costumes, weapons of eminent men of the recent history and the desk of Evangelos Averoff-Tossizza with his personal items.

## **EVANG. AVEROFF-TOSSIZZA ART GALLERY**

**Type:** ART GALLERY

**Location:** METSOVO, **CENTRAL SQUARE**, **Phone number:** (+30) 26560-41210



The Art Gallery belongs to the Evangelos Averoff-Tossizza Foundation. Work commenced in 1985 and it was inaugurated in August 1988. Most paintings are from the personal collection of its founder. The collection includes paintings and sculptures from the 19th and 20th centuries, including works of the Greek painters Pantazis, Lytras, Roilos, Gizis, Parthenis, Iakovidis, Maleas, Prosalentis, Hatzis, Volanakis, Lembesis and Oikonomou. The Art Gallery regularly hosts guest collections and works of individual artists.

## **WINERY KATOGI AVEROFF**

**Type:** WINERY

**Location:** METSOVO, **Phone number:** (+30) 26560 41010



The visitor of Metsovo should taste the famous "Katogi" wine, which comes from the French Cabernet vineyards, planted in the "Ginietsi" and "Boianos" areas in Metsovo. The wine making, the ripening and the bottling take place in the newly established wine factory, which is the property of Evangelos Averoff-Tossizza. Katogi wine was offered at the official dinner given in honor of the integration of Greece in the EEC and it became the object of discussions and praises. It was awarded the 7th prize at the "Wine Olympiad" held in France in 1974, participated by 330 wines from 30 countries.

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