

1st International *Blastocystis* Symposium, May 28-29, 2015
“*Blastocystis*: From Genes to Gastroenterology”

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

May 28, 2015

08:30-09:30	Registration
09.30-10:00	Opening ceremony
10:00-10.30	Session Chair: Funda DOGRUMAN-AL , Gazi University, Turkey What Have We Learned After 100 Years of <i>Blastocystis</i> Research? Keynote speaker : Graham CLARK , London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, England
10:30-11.00	Session Chair: Sibel ERGÜVEN, Hacettepe University, Turkey <i>Blastocystis</i>: What We Know Today and What We Might Know Tomorrow Funda DOGRUMAN-AL , Gazi University, Turkey
11.00-11.15	Coffee break
11.15-11:45	Session Chair: Ayşegül TAYLAN ÖZKAN, Hitit University, Turkey <i>Blastocystis</i> Cell Biology: Perspectives, Pitfalls and Promise Kevin SW TAN , National University of Singapore, Singapore
11:45-12:00	Session Chair: Mehmet TANYÜKSEL, Gulhane Military Medical Faculty, Turkey Evolution of the <i>Blastocystis</i> Mitochondrion and its Genome Graham CLARK , London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, England
12:00-12:30	Session Chair: Ümit BAĞRIAÇIK, Gazi University, Turkey Comparisons of the <i>Blastocystis</i> subtype 1 (Nand II) genome to the subtype 7 genome highlight unexpected inter-subtype variation Laura EME/Andrew ROGER , Dalhousie University, Canada
12:30-13:30	Lunch time
13.30-	Session Chair: Mehmet TANYÜKSEL, Gulhane Military Medical Faculty, Turkey <i>Blastocystis</i> phylogeny among a variety of isolates from humans to insects Keynote speaker: Hisao YOSHIKAWA , Nara Women’s University, Japan
	Session Chair: Gülay ARAL AKARSU, Ankara University, Turkey <i>Blastocystis</i>-Host Interactions: Overview, Advances and Challenges Kevin SW TAN , National University of Singapore, Singapore
15:00-15:30	Coffee break
15:30-16:30	Session Chair: Nihal DOĞAN, Osmangazi University, Turkey & Kevin SW TAN, National University of Singapore Oral presentation I
16:30-17:30	Session Chair: Fadile YILDIZ ZEYREK, Harran University, Turkey & Rune STENSVOLD, Statens Serum Institut, Denmark Oral presentation II
19:30-23:00	GALA DINNER

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09:00-10:00	<p>Session Chair: Özgür KURT, Acıbadem University, Turkey</p> <p>Human <i>Blastocystis</i> Subtyping by a Combination of RFLP Analysis and Subtype-Specific Primers. Hisao YOSHIKAWA, Nara Women's University, Japan</p> <p>Host Specificity of <i>Blastocystis</i> Subtypes: Comparison of Humans with Domestic Animals in a Small Community in Sumba Island, Indonesia. Hisao YOSHIKAWA, Nara Women's University, Japan</p>
10:00-10.30	<p>Coffee break</p>
	<p>Session Chair: İbrahim DOĞAN, Gazi University, Turkey</p> <p><i>Blastocystis</i> and IBS: Underlying Pathogenic Mechanisms Philippe POIRIER, Praticien Hospitalier-Universitaire, France</p>
	<p>Session Chair: Zahide ŞİMŞEK, Diskapi Yıldırım Beyazıt Education and Research Hospital, Turkey</p> <p>Cinical Manifestations of <i>Blastocystis</i> : Relationship with IBS & IBD Javed YAKOOB, Aga Khan University, Pakistan</p>
12:30-13:30	<p>Lunch time</p>
13:30-14:00	<p>Session Chair: Süleyman YAZAR, Erciyes University, Turkey</p> <p>Advances in <i>Blastocystis</i> Diagnosis Rune STENSVOLD, Statens Serum Institut, Denmark</p>
14:00-14:30	<p>Session Chair: Hande DAĞCI, Ege University, Turkey</p> <p>Eradication of <i>Blastocystis</i> in Humans: Really Neccessary for All? Özgür KURT, Acıbadem University, Turkey</p>
15:00-15:30	<p>Coffee break</p>
15:30-17:00	<p>Closing ceremony</p> <p>Poster and oral presentation awards Suggestions and requests for next symposium</p>