PROGRAM

Thursday, December 7, 2017

Welcome and Registration

08:15  Registration
08:45  Welcome and Introduction, Jennifer Keiser and Peter Odermatt, Swiss TPH

Session 1 – Setting the Scene

09:00  Helminthiasis Epidemiology and Control: Scoring Success, Charles King, Case Western Reserve University, USA
09:30  Worms, History and Swiss TPH, Hanspeter Marti, Swiss TPH
10:00  Coffee Break

Session 2 – Helminth Diagnosis

10:30  Coprological Methods, Bruno Levecke, Ghent University, Belgium
11:00  Echinococcus multilocularis Diagnosis, Peter Deplazes, Vetsuisse-Faculty, University of Zurich
11:20  Sushi Worms – Diagnostic Challenges, Beatrice Nickel, Swiss TPH
11:40  Mobile Phone and Handheld Microscopy for Helminth Diagnosis, Isaac Bogoch, Toronto General Hospital, Canada
12:00  Limitations and Future Considerations in Helminth Diagnostics, Daniel Paris, Swiss TPH
12:20  Lunch

Session 3 – Anthelminthic Drugs

13:30  Combination Chemotherapy for Soil-Transmitted Helminthiasis, Jennifer Keiser, Swiss TPH
14:00  DNDi Helminth Portfolio, Ivan Scandale, DNDi, Switzerland
14:20  Paediatric Praziquantel, Elly Kourany-Lefoll, Merck, Switzerland
14:40  Tribendimidine Dose Finding in School-Aged Children Infected with Hookworm, Jean Coulibaly, Université Félix Houphouët-Boigny, Côte d’Ivoire
15:00  Coffee Break

Session 4 – Anthelminthic Drugs and Beyond

15:30  ICE Health Promotion for Helminth Control, Giovanna Raso, Swiss TPH
15:50  Elimination of Urogenital Schistosomiasis in Zanzibar: Results of a 5-Year Multi-Disciplinary Integrated Intervention Approach, Stefanie Knopp, Swiss TPH
16:10  Evaluation of a Novel Treatment Approach for the Treatment of Human Cystic Echinococcosis, Andreas Neumayr, Swiss TPH
16:30  WASH for Accelerating Progress on NTDs – New Frontiers, Yael Velleman, WaterAid, UK
17:00  Film Preview, “Why Rudolf Geigy Left for Africa” by Stéphane Kleeb
17:30  Cocktails
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Session 5 – Helminth Infection: Pain and Gain

08:30  Helminth Infections and Cancer: Lessons from Human Liver Flukes, Banchob Sripa, Khon Kaen University, Thailand

09:00  Helminths, Disability and Health-Related Quality of Life, Thomas Fürst, Swiss TPH

09:20  Helminth Infection, Asthma and Diabetes, Maria Yazdanbakhsh, Leiden University Medical Center, The Netherlands

09:40  Tuberculosis and Helminth Co-Infections in Tanzanian Adults, Claudia Daubenberger, Swiss TPH

10:00  Influence of Helminths on Cognition and Physical Activity, Markus Gerber, University of Basel

10:20  Coffee Break

Session 6 – Helminth Transmission

10:50  Breaking the Schistosome Life Cycle, David Rollinson, Natural History Museum, UK

11:20  Helminthiasis Risk Profiling in Africa, Penelope Vounatsou, Swiss TPH

11:50  Helminthiasis Mapping and Prediction in Southeast Asia, Peter Odermatt, Swiss TPH

12:10  Opisthorchis viverrini Transmission Models, Nakul Chitnis, Swiss TPH

12:30  COUNTDOWN on WHO 2020 Targets: A Focus on Helminthiasis, Russell Stothard, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, UK

13:00  Lunch

Session 7 – From Control to Elimination and Eradication

14:00  The Global Programme to Eliminate Lymphatic Filariasis, Jonathan King, WHO, Switzerland

14:30  Schistosomiasis Elimination in China, Guojing Yang, Swiss TPH


15:10  Opisthorchis felineus Control in Siberia, Olga Fedorova, Siberian State Medical University, Russia

15:30  Closing Words, Jürg Utzinger, Swiss TPH

15:45  End of Day 2