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Firing up Cancer Treatment



26th Annual Meeting of the EUROPEAN SOCIETY for HYPERTHERMIC ONCOLOGY

Together with

6th ESHO Educational Day (Wednesday, May 19th)
19th European BSD Users Meeting (Friday, May 21st)

 TU Delft
Delft University of Technology

 Erasmus MC
University Medical Center Rotterdam

 TU/e
Technische Universiteit
Eindhoven
University of Technology

Invitation and Call for Abstracts

Dear Colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to attend the 26th Annual Meeting of ESHO in Rotterdam, the Netherlands. Your participation is essential to shape the future of hyperthermia. Following superior results in randomized phase III trials, the interest in hyperthermia is growing continuously as demonstrated by increased patients' requests, more professionals referring patients and increasing ESHO memberships.

Never before were the prospects of hyperthermia as promising as today. The growing clinical application is carried by a strong increase in understanding the biological mechanisms involved in hyperthermia and a solid enhancement of the quality of the hyperthermia treatment. Progress in technology development has resulted in new hyperthermia devices, advanced hyperthermia treatment planning and non-invasive thermometry. Online optimization of the temperature distribution during treatment is glowing at the horizon. These technical advances are the gateway to targeted heating and to exploitation of thermal-dose effect relationships. Progress in thermo sensitive liposomes brings also the field of nanotechnology in the scope of hyperthermia. This will broaden the clinical spectrum but needs to be chaperoned by strong research on how hyperthermia affects tumour physiology. All these options will enhance the use of hyperthermia in multimodal cancer treatment.

The scientific program of ESHO 2010 will start and end with plenary sessions highlighting the latest innovations in biology, medicine and physics. The plenary sessions in the morning will be followed by proffered paper sessions.

In the afternoon workshops on specific topics will be organized. Each day is closed by a plenary including a poster report.

The meeting will take place in the World Trade Centre (WTC) in the centre of Rotterdam. Instead of stock the WTC has now a reputation in exchange of knowledge. Rotterdam is the second largest city of the Netherlands and has a multi-ethnics population. It is a modern, international orientated city with exciting architecture, full of contrast and one of the largest ports in the world.

The spirit of Rotterdam and the promising future of hyperthermia have inspired us to select as motto for the 26th ESHO annual meeting:

“Firing up Cancer Treatment”

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Meeting Venue

The meeting will be held at the Beurs-WTC, Beursplein 37 in Rotterdam at a 10 minute walk from the Central Station and 1 minute from subway station Beurs/Churchillplein.

More details about meeting venue and how you can reach it can be found on their website:

<http://www.wtcrotterdam.nl>

Participants of the 26th Annual Meeting of the ESHO:

200 participants representing the different fields of hyperthermia research are expected to join the meeting: clinicians, physicists, biologists and technicians.

Scientific Program

The scientific program of ESHO 2010 will start and end with plenary sessions highlighting the latest innovations in biology, medicine and physics. Distinguished keynote speakers will be invited.

The plenary sessions in the morning will be followed by proffered paper sessions. In the afternoon workshops on specific topics will be organized. The final of each day will be a plenary session, which will include a poster report. All topics are summarized in the list given in the paragraph on abstract submission.

The scientific program will run from 08.30 until 18.00 hours. A preliminary program will be available from January 2010 at the following website:

<http://www.esho.info/esho2010>

Badges

All participants are kindly requested to wear badges during the meeting.

Certificate of Attendance

At the end of the meeting, a certificate of attendance will be provided to every participant.

CME (Continuous Medical Education)

The accreditation will be requested.

Commercial Exhibition

In close proximity to the lecture halls, there will be an exhibition by companies involved in hyperthermia, radiotherapy and chemotherapy. Interested companies, active in the field of hyperthermia, thermal ablation and oncology, are invited to participate as exhibitors. Please contact the Organizing Secretariat for more information and to receive the prospectus for industry.

Social Program

A Conference Dinner will be held on Friday, May 21st 2010.

Requested Contribution: € 50.00 per person

Pre-Conference Event Educational Day

An educational day will be scheduled on Wednesday, May 19th in the city of Delft (ca. 15 km northwest of Rotterdam). The educational day will contain one general plenary session and two parallel specialized sessions. One will have a focus on clinical expertise and will cover interesting clinical cases while the other one will have a focus on physics and modelling.

The target group are young fellows and researchers who are focusing on a special application or field of hyperthermia and desire a broader view of all the different aspects of hyperthermia, but all other interested persons are welcome.

Satellite Meeting – BSD Users Conference

The 19th European BSD User Conference will take place on Friday, May 21st, 2010.

Deadlines

Abstract submission: February 15, 2010

Early registration: March 20, 2010

Hotel reservation: April 5, 2010

Registration Fees

Early Registration before March 20, 2010 26th Annual Meeting of the ESHO

ESHO members	€ 350.00
Non-members	€ 450.00
Students, Research Fellows, Radiologist Technicians	€ 200.00
Accompanying Person	€ 100.00
Pre-Conference Event Educational Day	€ 60.00
Conference Dinner/ Requested contribution	€ 50.00

Late Registration after March 20, 2010 26th Annual Meeting of the ESHO

ESHO members	€ 400.00
Non-members	€ 500.00
Students, Research Fellows, Radiologist Technicians	€ 250.00
Accompanying Person	€ 150.00
Pre-Conference Event Educational Day	€ 70.00
Conference Dinner/ Requested contribution (possible until Thursday May 13 th)	€ 50.00

On-site Registration 26th Annual Meeting of the ESHO

ESHO members	€ 450.00
Non-members	€ 550.00
Students, Research Fellows, Radiologist Technicians	€ 300.00
Accompanying Person	€ 200.00
Pre-Conference Event Educational Day	€ 80.00
Conference Dinner/ Requested contribution	not possible

Cancellations / Refunds

If you cancel your meeting registration before April 5, 2010, the registration fee will be refunded, less a € 60.00 handling fee.
If your registration is cancelled after April 5, 2010 no refunds can be made.

The registration fee for the 26th Annual Meeting of the ESHO covers:

ESHO members, Non-members, Radiologist Technicians, Students and Research Fellows:

Participation in the scientific sessions, meeting kit, abstracts book, certificate of attendance, lunches and coffee breaks as indicated in the program.

Accompanying persons:

The fee will include the welcome reception, lunches, coffee and tea breaks.

The registration fee for the Pre-Conference Event Educational Day covers:

Participation only in the Educational Event, certificate of attendance, lunch, coffee and tea breaks.

Registration via Website

You are kindly requested

- To visit the website www.esho.info/esho2010
- To go to the sector Registration
- To fill in the printed registration form
- To sign
- And to fax the form to the organizing Secretariat (+ 31 10 7041022)

The Organizing Secretariat will send you an official receipt for the payment and further organizing information.

You can choose to pay by:

- Credit card, filling in the appropriate box in the form (MasterCard, VISA)
- By banktransfer to the following account:
 - Daniel den Hoed Stichting
 - Bank: Rabobank in Rotterdam
 - Accountnumber: 10.20.69.611
 - BIC code: RABONL2U
 - IBAN-code: NL46RABO0102069611
 - To avoid problems please mention with your payment: ESHO2010/Name(s) of participant(s).

Other forms of payment will not be accepted.

For all ESHO members:

Payment of the ESHO membership fee for 2010 as confirmed by the ESHO secretary is required to register as an ESHO member.

Abstract Submission (Deadline: February 15, 2010)

Abstracts will be subject to review by the scientific committee before they can be accepted.

The ESHO 2010 organizing committee will use an electronic abstract submission process. All abstracts must be submitted electronically.

All abstracts must be scientific in nature and address an appropriate topic of discussion without inclusion of commercial messages or inappropriate references to specific products, services, or commercial concerns. All abstracts must be maximum 250 words in length and submitted in English. Tables, graphs, and structural formulae may not be included, although simple mathematical formulae are acceptable.

Abstract Categories

All abstracts must be submitted within the Clinical, Biological and Physics categories listed below.

Topics

Clinic

1. Randomized Trials
2. Uterine cervix cancer
3. Abdominal metastases and peritoneal carcinomatosis
4. Prostate cancer
5. Sarcoma and melanoma
6. Locally advanced head and neck cancer
7. Breast cancer
8. Miscellanea

Physics

11. Treatment planning
12. HIFU
13. Thermal ablation
14. Thermometry
15. Miscellanea

Biology

16. Radiotherapy and hyperthermia
17. Chemotherapy and hyperthermia
18. Physiological effects
19. DNA-repair
20. Immune effects
21. Liposomes
22. Miscellanea

Deadline

For editing reasons, we need to receive the abstract by February 15, 2010. Abstracts received after this date cannot be accepted. Once the abstract has been received, a confirmation message will be sent to the corresponding author within 7 calendar days after the receipt of the abstract. If you don't receive the confirmation message, please directly contact the Organizing Secretariat for information.

Some abstracts will be chosen by the Scientific Committee for an oral presentation (max 8 min.) either as "selected communication" during the oral contributions sessions. Some abstracts will be chosen as posters. You can indicate your preference on the abstract form. The choice will be communicated by email to the first author by March 30, 2010.

ESHO-student Award

At each annual meeting the ESHO is holding the "ESHO student award" event. This year again three ESHO student awards are available. One for each discipline: physics, medicine, biology. The Scientific committee will select award winners from the submitted abstract. Please note that you must indicate with your abstract submission whether you qualify for the ESHO-student Award competition.

ESHO students are participants who are still in training (PhD students, post-doc students, etc.). The candidate must be the presenting author of the electronic submission; after having submitted the abstracts online, the candidate should send an email to the scientific secretary Dr. G. ter Haar, **e-mail: gail.terhaar@icr.ac.uk**, specifying her/his desire to compete for the award.

Hotel Accommodation

By HotelService Rotterdam

Hotel rooms in various price categories in the city of Rotterdam have been reserved for the 26th European Society for Hyperthermic Oncology being held in World Trade Centre (Rotterdam, The Netherlands) from the May 20 - 22, 2010.

The hotels offer the following price ranges:

	Single room		Double room	
	From	To	From	To
Category A	€ 87.50	€ 110.00	€ 95.00	€ 125.00
Category B	€ 110.00	€ 135.00	€ 125.00	€ 155.00
Category C	€ 135.00	€ 160.00	€ 155.00	€ 180.00

Rates are per room per night, including breakfast, service charge and applicable taxes. Rooms are subject to availability. Partners stay free of charge.

Accommodation Booking Details

It is recommended to book your hotel room through HotelService Rotterdam as they provide sharp offers.

Your room reservation will be confirmed as soon as HotelService Rotterdam receives the reservation and the amount stated in the deposit required field.

A first deposit of € 125.00 is required to secure your reservation. Full stay needs to be paid to HotelService Rotterdam on April 5, 2010 at the latest. The mentioned rates are per room per night, including breakfast and taxes unless specified differently.

Booking Policy

All requests will be handled on a "first come-first served basis". Deadline for hotel bookings is April 5, 2010. After this deadline requests will be accepted, however, hotel accommodation will be subject to availability.

Furthermore, after this deadline, bookings are only possible against full payment by credit card and a late booking fee of € 30.00 will be charged.

Cancellations / Refunds

If your hotel reservation is cancelled until April 5, 2010 the deposit will be refunded, less a € 60.00 handling fee.

If your reservation is cancelled after April 5, 2010 no refunds can be made. Any change of reservation will be subject to a handling fee of € 30.00. Changes or cancellations have to be made in writing to HotelService Rotterdam. If you arrive later or leave earlier than the originally booked dates the total accommodation amount will be charged and no refunds can be made.

Partner Stays Free of Charge in the Hotel During an International Congress

As from today onwards, partners of international congress participants stay free of charge in Rotterdam. This hospitality campaign includes overnight stays including breakfast and a Rotterdam Welcome Card, which offers many discounts. This offer is only valid for hotel rooms booked in Rotterdam in NH Atlanta and Golden Tulip Rotterdam Centre through HotelService Rotterdam. If you wish to apply for the “partner for free”, please book a single room and send an e-mail including your confirmation number and relationship to the partner.

Pre- and/or Post-conference Bookings

If you wish to make a booking arriving earlier or departing later than the dates mentioned in the hotel booking form, please book the available nights on the reservation website and contact HotelService Rotterdam to arrange the pre- and/or post conference nights.

Contact Details

For further information about hotel related topics for 26th European Society for Hyperthermic Oncology, please do not hesitate to contact HotelService Rotterdam:

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How to reach Rotterdam

Rotterdam is easily accessible:

By Airplane

Amsterdam International Airport is the most user friendly airport in the world and the 4th largest in Europe. Schiphol station has six direct train connections per hour to Rotterdam Central station. The new high-speed train from Schiphol to Rotterdam Central Station takes only 25 minutes. Rotterdam Airport is a comfortable and easy regional airport, situated at approximately 6 miles from the city centre. From there you can reach Rotterdam Central Station by bus.

By Train

Frequent International direct connections run between Belgium, France, Germany and Rotterdam Central Station.

Public Transport in Rotterdam

The Rotterdam Public Transport system comprises a network of bus and tramway services as well as a modern, efficient subway network.