

Conference Venue

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Registration

	Till April 1 st 2009	After April 1 st 2009
Participants	€100	€150
Students including PhD students	€ 50	€ 75

Fee includes: participation in the scientific program, coffee/tea during breaks, lunches and printed materials, participation in the evening dinner.

Group registration

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Call for Posters

Participants are invited to submit scientific contributions, which will be reviewed and selected for presentation as posters. The first, second and third prize will be selected by the scientific committee and awarded during the symposium.

Abstracts should include a title, complete names of the authors, institution and address.

Submission of abstracts must be done electronically (files should preferably be created in Microsoft Word format), either as a separate attachment of an email to info@yakultsymposium.com or on a CD-ROM to the Registration Desk: Bohn Stafleu Van Loghum. Size of poster boards is 1 m x 1.5m. Please make sure the actual poster does not exceed this size.

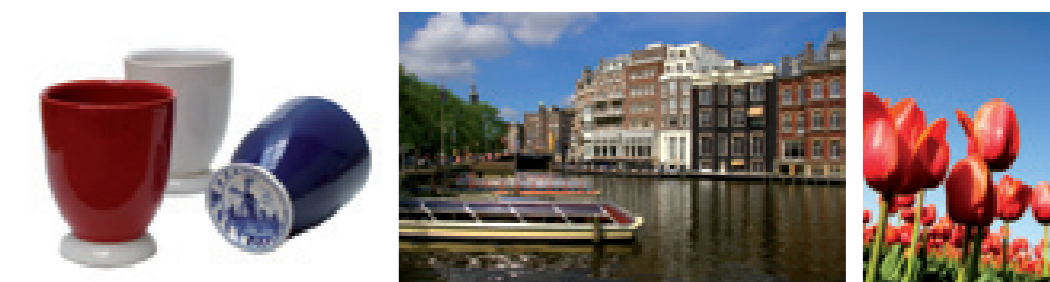
The deadline for submission of abstracts is April 1st. Authors of abstracts accepted for inclusion will be notified by May 1st.

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THE 5TH INTERNATIONAL YAKULT SYMPOSIUM

THE GUT AND MORE

PROBIOTIC INFLUENCES BEYOND THE GUT



June 18th-19th 2009

St. Olofskapel, Barbizon Palace Hotel
Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Introduction

The secrets of the gut microbiota and the influence of probiotics on this ecosystem are being unraveled at an ever increasing speed during the first years of the 21st century. A broad array of effects can be attributed to the gut and its microbiological components. It is becoming increasingly clear that gut health forms the basis for the overall health of the human body.

During the 5th International Yakult Symposium the importance of gut health and its essential role in the general well-being will be highlighted. The program will depart from the digestive and defensive functions of the gut, to go into cutting-edge research into the possible effects of microbiota 'beyond the gut' such as in oral healthcare, obesity-related diseases and general well-being. The latest findings from both fundamental mechanistic and clinical research will be presented for discussion.

The aim of this symposium is to update you on the latest and most exciting findings in the field of gut health and to open a window onto the future of this fascinating area of science.

The symposium language is English.

Scientific Committee

Prof. Bengt Björkstén

(Professor emeritus of Paediatrics and Allergy Prevention, Director of the Centre for Allergy Research, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden)

Prof. Glenn Gibson

(Head of Food Microbial Sciences, Reading University, UK)

Prof. Michiel Kleerebezem

(Professor of Bacterial Metagenomics, Laboratory of Microbiology, University of Wageningen, the Netherlands)

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Program

DAY 1: JUNE 18TH, 2009

REGISTRATION, POSTER ASSEMBLY AND LUNCH 11:00-12:30

OPENING

12:30-12:40

Dr. Satoshi Kudo (*Science Director, Yakult Europe*)

WELCOME SPEECH

12:40-13:00

Prof. Eric Claassen (*Department of Immunology, Erasmus Medical Centre, the Netherlands*)

KEYNOTE LECTURES

Gut health: Current understanding and beyond

13:00-13:40

Prof. Stephan Bischoff (*Director of the Institute of Nutritional Medicine, University Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany*)

The barrier function of the gut: what do we know?

13:40-14:20

Prof. Jerry Wells (*Head of Host-Microbe-Interactomics Group, University of Wageningen, the Netherlands*)

SESSION I: THE DIGESTIVE FUNCTION OF THE GUT

Chair: Prof. Lucio Capurso (*Director Operative Unit of Gastroenterology, San Filippo Neri Hospital, Rome, Italy*)

The potentials for modulation of the intestinal flora to influence IBD: facts and hopes

14:20-14:50

Dr. Ad van Bodegraven

(Dept. of Gastroenterology and Hepatology and Head of IBD Section, VU University Medical Centre, Amsterdam, the Netherlands)

IBS and the gut-brain axis

14:50-15:20

Prof. Robert-Jan Brummer (*Medical Faculty of Gastroenterology, University of Örebro, Sweden*)

REFRESHMENT AND POSTER VIEWING 15:20-16:00

SESSION II: THE DEFENCE FUNCTION OF THE GUT

Chair: Prof. Dirk Haller (*Head of Department of Biofunctionality, Centre for Nutrition and Food Research, Technical University of Munich, Germany*)

Intensive care and the application of probiotics

16:00-16:30

Dr. Kentaro Shimizu (*Osaka University Hospital Trauma and Acute Critical Care Center, Japan*)

Innate immune dysfunction in cirrhosis: from pathophysiology to novel therapies

16:30-17:00

Prof. Rajiv Jalan (*Head of the Liver Failure Group, University College London, UK*)

Dendritic cells, inflammatory disease and the gut flora

17:00-17:30

Prof. Stella Knight (*Department of Immunopathology, Imperial College London, UK*)

Antibiotic-associated diarrhoea and *C. difficile*: the potential of probiotics for infection control

17:30-18:00

Prof. Felix Stockenhuber (*Department of Internal Medicine, General Hospital of Oberpullendorf, Austria*)

GUIDANCE FOR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES & HOTEL CHECK-IN



DAY 2: JUNE 19TH, 2009

SESSION III - BEYOND THE GUT

Chair: Prof. Glenn Gibson (*Head of Food Microbial Sciences, Reading University, UK*)

Oral flora and oral care with probiotics

9:00-9:30

Prof. Wim Teughels (*Department of Periodontology, Catholic University Leuven, Belgium*)

From the mother to the child: the significance of the initial microbiota for health in later life

9:30-10:00

Prof. Erika Isolauri (*Department of Paediatrics, Turku University, Finland*)

Obesity-metabolic diseases and the gut microbiota; a possible role for probiotics and prebiotics

10:00-10:30

Prof. Natalie Delzenne (*Unit of Pharmacokinetics, Metabolism, Nutrition and Toxicology, Catholic University Leuven, Belgium*)

REFRESHMENT AND POSTER VIEWING 10:30-11:00

Gut microbiota conspire with the nervous system and the brain to promote health and well being

11:00-11:30

Prof. John Bienenstock (*Director of Brain-Body Institute, University Professor of McMaster University, Canada*)

ROUND TABLE 11:30-12:30

What determines your well-being? How important is your gut in this sense? How can you keep the gut healthy?

Moderator: Prof. Eric Claassen (*Department of Immunology, Erasmus Medical Centre, Rotterdam, the Netherlands*)

FUTURE CHALLENGE

12:30-12:50

Prof. Michiel Kleerebezem (*Professor of Bacterial Metagenomics, University of Wageningen, the Netherlands*)

CLOSING SPEECH

12:50-13:00

Mr Piet Dekkers (*Managing Director, Yakult Nederland*)

LUNCH AND FAREWELL

13:00-14:30