

## European LeukemiaNet Consortium WP 9 - CMPD

## Minute of the Heidelberg Meeting, 1 February 2006

The following WP9 investigators attended the Meeting: Guido Finazzi (Bergamo) (coordinator), Gunnar Birgegard (Uppsala), Annette Schmitt-Graff (Freiburg), Hans Hasselbalch (Denmark), Heinz Gisslinger (Wien), Martin Griesshammer (Ulm), Andreas Reiter (Heidelberg), Eva Lengfelder (Heidelberg), S. Zweegman (NL) and some other unidentified attendants.

Before starting, dr. Ihrig from the EL Information Center (WP2) summarized the possible interactions between the central ELIC and each WP web-page. Our "webmaster" dr. Reiter should be congratulated for an excellent preparation and updating of the WP9 page. A major improvement could be to include in the page a link to the web-based registry of pregnancies in ET prepared by dr. Griesshammer (see deliverable 9.18).

The list of ongoing deliverables was reviewed and each responsible investigator pointed out the state-ofthe-art of each deliverable. This is reported in detail in the attached "annual activity report".

Some new deliverables/projects were discussed:

- a) dr. Finazzi briefly presented a project for an European consensus on a unified definition of clinical resistance to Hydroxyurea in ET (responsible investigator, dr. Barosi). This is relevant because this definition represents the indication approved by the EMEA for the use of Anagrelide in high-risk ET patients in Europe. Most WP9 investigators are involved in this project. The first meeting is scheduled in Bergamo next 11 February.
- b) dr. Hasselbalch introduced a novel concept in the management of MPDs, that is the use of statins. A more detailed study project will be prepared.
- c) dr. Reiter proposed a collaborative study on the molecular response to interferon or imatinib in patients with V617K positive CMPDs assessed with a quantitative method (see proposal attached).

We can meet again in Rotterdam during the Workshop organised by drs. Michiels, Griesshammer and Thiele, March 31-April 1 2006 for an informal state-of-the-art review of our projects, for example during a dinner (I do not see any other free-time during the workshop).

Best wishes to all.

Guido Finazzi

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