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INVITATION TO TEL-AVIV

Dear Colleagues and Friends

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to participate in the 19th International Congress on Thrombosis, to be held in Tel Aviv, Israel, May 14 - 18, 2006.

To accelerate research initiatives and optimize patient care strategies, it is of utmost importance to enhance the flow of information and ideas among the deeply committed researchers and clinicians involved in this field. This biennial Congress provides us with just such an opportunity.

As in previous years several hot topics will be highlighted during the meeting, including new anti-thrombotics, newly discovered risk factors, etc. Oral and poster sessions will complete the program.

Stretched along the beautiful beach strip of the Mediterranean, Tel-Aviv is Israel's largest city and biggest commercial centre. It is a busy metropolis, which inspires its visitors with a unique energetic atmosphere of excitement and fun. By contrast, the ancient port city of Jaffa is medieval in appearance. This special blend of Mediterranean ambience, seaside resort and modern facade is what makes the city so uniquely appealing.

We look forward to welcoming you to Tel Aviv in 2006.



David Varon

President

On behalf of the Organizing Committee

PRELIMINARY SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Plenary Speakers

M. Aiach , France	Genetic of thrombophilia
L. Badimon , Spain	Mechanisms of conversion of atherosclerosis into atherothrombotic syndromes
P. Carmeliet , Belgium	Genetic analysis of (lymph) angiogenesis in zebrafish, tadpoles and mice
M. Cattaneo , Italy	Disorders of platelet function / Abnormalities of the platelet P2 receptors
J.M. Freyssinet , France	Membrane microparticles in the pathophysiology of vascular cell communication
B. Furie , USA	Thrombus formation in vivo
D. Ginsburg , USA	Identifying novel genetic determinants of hemostatic balance
C. Patrono , Italy	Low dose aspirin, traditional NSAIDs and coxibs: interpreting the clinical read-outs of a continuous variable

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State of the Art Sessions

Inflammation and Thrombosis

A. Blann , UK	The endothelium, inflammation and thrombosis
F. Crea , Italy	Pathogenesis of acute coronary syndromes
S. Yedgar , Israel	Red blood cells in hemodynamics and hemostasis

Nutrition and Thrombosis

M. Aviram , Israel	Dietary antioxidants protect against cardiovascular diseases: the pomegranate example
E. Berry , Israel	Is blood thicker than wine or olive oil? - Mediterranean lifestyle and thrombosis
G. de Gaetano , Italy	Moderate wine consumption and cardiovascular risk reduction: open issues

Stroke and CVD

D. Tanne , Israel	Inflammation, atherothrombosis and stroke
C. Molina , Spain	Monitoring clot dissolution during systemic thrombolysis in acute ischemic stroke

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Women's Issues of Thrombosis & Hemostasis

- B. Isermann**, Germany Role of platelets during reproduction
B. Brenner, Israel Thrombophilia and pregnancy complications
R. Zotz, Germany Prediction, prevention, and treatment of venous thromboembolic disease in pregnancy

Cancer & Thrombosis

- I. Vlodavsky**, Israel Inhibition of heparanase and cancer progression by modified species of heparin
B. Furie, USA Tissue factor microparticles and cancer-associated thrombosis
P. Prandoni, Italy Cancer and venous thromboembolism: Clinical implications of a strong association

Coagulation & Angiogenesis

- A. Inbal**, Israel Factor XIII and angiogenesis
K. Preissner, Germany Platelets and angiogenesis
S. Karpatkin, USA Role of endogenous thrombin in tumor growth, metastasis and angiogenesis

TTP

- D. Ginsburg**, USA Von Willebrand Factor, ADAMTS13, and thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura (TTP)
R. Schneppenheim, Germany Molecular mechanisms of inherited ADAMTS13 deficiency
P. Mannucci, Italy Thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura: another example of immunomediated thrombosis

Platelet Signaling and Receptors

- M. Ginsburg**, USA Activation of GPIIb-IIIa
S. Levy Toledano, France Thromboxane induced signalling in platelets and vascular cells
Z. Ruggeri, USA Platelet function in flowing blood

Atherothrombosis Basic and Clinical

- D. Harats**, Israel Pro- & anti-inflammatory properties of ox-lipids
G. Schmitz, Germany Molecular defects in the abca1 pathway affect platelet function

Epidemiology of Thrombosis

M. Monreal, Spain Deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism.
The same disease?

Novel Anti-Thrombotics in Cardiology

B.S. Lewis, Israel Efficacy of clopidogrel and thienopyridines to improve
outcome in patients with acute coronary syndromes and
in patients undergoing PCI

Heparin-Induced Thrombocytopenia

A. Greinacher, Germany HIT: pathogenesis and frequency
M. Poncz, USA New insights into the molecular basis of HIT:
Diagnostic/Therapeutic implications
T.E. Warkentin, Canada HIT: lessons learned

Fibrinolysis Basic and Clinical

A. Estelles, Spain Expression of the fibrinolytic components in endometriosis
C. Kluft, The Netherlands Multiple pathways of fibrin degradation and the
consequences for assay of fibrin degradation products
J. Montaner, Spain Biomarkers to guide safety and efficacy of stroke
thrombolysis

Controversies in Prophylaxis of VTE

B. Eriksson, Sweden New strategies for prevention of Deep Vein Thrombus
S. Schulman, Canada Prophylaxis in non-surgical patients - harm or good?
F. Anderson, USA Provision of prophylaxis for venous thromboembolism
in patients hospitalized with an acute medical illness:
Comparison of evidence-based guidelines with real-
world practices

New Concepts in Thrombus Formation

B.C. Furie, USA Multiple paths to thrombus formation in vivo
J. Lopez, USA Ultra large and ultra-reactive forms of von Willebrand
Factor
U. Seligsohn, Israel Recent findings on thrombin generation in deficiency
plasmas affected by FVIIa, phospholipids or tissue factor

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APS

R. Cervera , Spain	Catastrophic antiphospholipid syndrome
P.L. Meroni , Italy	Role of anti-beta2 glycoprotein I antibodies in Anti-Phospholipid Syndrome-associated thrombosis: in vitro and in vivo studies
V. Pengo , Italy	Diagnosis of antiphospholipid syndrome
Y. Shoenfeld , Israel	The infectious origin of APS from Rheumatic fever to Libman Sacks endocarditis

Novel Methods for Evaluation of Hemostatis

J. Francis , USA	Clinical applications for the Platelet Function Analyzer - 100
A. Michelson , USA	Evaluation of platelet function by flow cytometry
N. Savion , Israel	Impact – cone and plate(let) analyzer
S.R. Steinhubl , USA	Are we capable of determining clinically important platelet function?

Bleeding Disorders

A. Zivelin , Israel	Worldwide rare bleeding disorders - common in Israel
F. Peyvandi , Italy	From clinical and molecular characterisation to a treatment of rare bleeding disorders
M. Neerman-Arbez , Switzerland	Molecular basis of fibrinogen disorders



PRELIMINARY TIMETABLE

■ SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2006

All day: Registration opens and Corporate Symposia

Evening: Welcome Reception

■ MONDAY, MAY 15, 2006

All day: Scientific Sessions (plenary and state of the art sessions, posters, oral communications)

■ TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2006

All day: Scientific Sessions (plenary and state of the art sessions, posters, oral communications)

■ WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2006

All day: Scientific Sessions (plenary and state of the art sessions, posters, oral communications)

Evening: Farewell Party

■ THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2006

All day: Scientific Sessions (plenary and state of the art sessions, posters, oral communications)



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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Deadline for the submission of abstracts: Tuesday, January 31, 2006

Abstracts must be submitted in English and will be presented as oral or poster communications. The Scientific Committee will endeavour to schedule abstracts according to authors' preferences but reserves the right to decide on the final form of presentation.

The presenting author is required to ensure that all co-authors are aware of the content of the abstract before submission to the Secretariat.

Abstracts should be submitted via the Congress website:
www.kenes.com/thrombosis2006

Please do not submit multiple copies of the same abstract. You will receive confirmation that your abstract has been received, indicating the abstract number which it has been allocated. Please refer to this number in all correspondence regarding the abstract. Please contact the Secretariat if you have not received any communication regarding your abstract by February 28, 2006.

Preparation Instructions

Abstracts must be written in English and contain a brief, clear statement of conclusion. Avoid statements such as "the findings will be discussed". All abbreviations must be defined before being used as an abbreviation in the text. In the preparation of the abstract please adopt the following structured format:

- Background
- Aims
- Methods
- Results
- Summary/Conclusions

The title should contain no more than 100 characters. Titles with more than 100 characters will be truncated. Abstracts should be no longer than 1800 characters (approximately 250 words).

Images, tables, diagrams, graphs must be saved and uploaded as BMP or JPG files. Other file types cannot be accepted. Please note that these may be resized to fit the final printed material.

Instructions on the preparation of presentations and information regarding projection equipment will be included with the notification of scheduling.

Abstracts accepted for presentation at the Congress will be published in a supplement to the journal 'Pathophysiology of Haemostasis and Thrombosis'.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Venue

David Intercontinental Hotel
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Language

The official language of the Congress is English.

Climate

The weather in Tel Aviv in May is warm and sunny during the day with cooler evenings.

Clothing

Informal for all occasions. Please bring sunglasses, and comfortable walking shoes as well as a jacket for the evenings.

Letter of Invitation

Participants requiring a formal letter of invitation to enable them to make their arrangements to participate in the Congress may receive a letter via the Congress website. Please note that this letter can in no way be regarded as a commitment regarding scheduling or financial support from the Congress organizers.

Visas

Please check with your travel agent if you require a visa for entry to Israel.



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Tel Aviv and Jaffa



Lying along a beautiful beach strip of the Mediterranean, Tel Aviv is Israel's largest city and biggest commercial center. It is a busy metropolis, which invigorates its visitors with a unique energetic atmosphere, entertainment venues, shopping malls, exotic markets, non stop nightlife, golden beaches and restaurants.



The city's streets are full of lively sidewalk cafes, elegant restaurants and exclusive shops, alongside with simple kiosks and local Falafel and Shawarma stalls. Tel-Aviv is also the country's cultural center, a home for a wide variety of museums, galleries, theatres and concert halls.

Tel Aviv offers visitors 14 kilometers of seashore. Another popular site along the beachfront is the marina, which is used as an anchorage by scores of boats and yachts.



In July 2003, UNESCO, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, proclaimed "The White City", the unique urban and historical fabric of Tel Aviv-Jaffa, as a World Cultural Heritage site. UNESCO recognized the special architectural qualities of the buildings, streets, squares and avenues of Tel Aviv. "The White City", the world's largest grouping of buildings in the International Style, also known as Bauhaus, was planned by the famous Scot, Sir Patrick Geddes. About 4,000 buildings were constructed in this area, between 1930 and 1948. According to Christian legend, Jaffa was named after Noah's son, Japhet, who built it after the Great Flood. Jaffa existed as a port city 4,000 years ago, serving Egyptian and Phoenician sailors in their sea voyages. Old Jaffa has become one of Israel's tourist attractions. It is now inhabited by artists' quarters, studios and galleries. Shops catering for Judaica, archeology, jewelry and art, line its narrow alleys which are named after the signs of the Zodiac. Old Jaffa in itself is a quaint city, more picturesque than ever, with romantic paths and gardens.



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Exhibition

An exhibition will take place in conjunction with the Congress.

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REGISTRATION

To register, please complete the enclosed form, or register via the Congress website:
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Registration

	Up to and including February 13, 2006	From February 14- May 8, 2006	On site***
League members*	\$ 500	\$ 600	\$ 700
Non-members	\$ 625	\$ 725	\$ 800
Students and trainees**	\$ 190	\$ 250	\$ 300
Accompanying persons	\$ 225		
Booking fee for the Farewell Party ticket (payable for all participants and accompanying persons wishing to participate)	\$ 25 Subject to availability		

- * Member in good standing (dues paid for 2006). Membership will be checked with the Mediterranean League against Thromboembolic Diseases
- ** Students and trainees must provide a letter from their head of department verifying their status
- *** On-line registration will be closed after May 8 and all registration payments made after this date will be at the on-site fee

Fees for Participants, Students and Trainees include:

- Participation in scientific sessions
- Entrance to the exhibition
- Printed material of the Congress
- Invitation to the Welcome Reception on Sunday, May 14 and social event on Monday, May 15

Fees for Accompanying Persons include:

- Two half-day tours planned to coincide with scientific sessions
- Invitation to the Welcome Reception on Sunday, May 14 and social event on Monday, May 15

Payment:

For details of payment please see the enclosed form or follow the instructions on the website.

Cancellation Policy:

Refund of registration fees will be made as follows:

Prior to January 15, 2006 – full refund less US\$50 handling fees

From January 15 – April 30, 2006 – 50% refund

After April 30, 2006 – no refund

ACCOMMODATION AND TOURS

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Kenes International will be offering special reduced rates for accommodation at the following hotels:

Hotels	Category	Distance from Congress Venue	Single Room	Double Room
David Intercontinental	★★★★★	Venue	\$ 190	\$ 210
Dan Panorama	★★★★★	5 minutes walk	\$ 140	\$ 150

Rates quoted are per room, per night including breakfast and all taxes

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How to Book

In order to benefit from the special Congress rates, kindly use one of the following booking methods:

- Send the enclosed Registration and Accommodation form with the required deposit by FAX or AIRMAIL at your earliest convenience.
- Book your hotel accommodation using the on-line form on the Congress website: www.kenes.com/thrombosis2006.

We strongly advise all Congress participants to reserve their hotel accommodation as soon as possible, as hotel rooms will be reserved on a "first-come, first-served" basis. Kenes International will not be able to guarantee rooms after April 24, 2006.

Hotel reservation will only be confirmed if credit card details are fully supplied or alternatively, please forward a deposit of \$US 200 per room by cheque or bank transfer.

Each participant will receive an individual confirmation, indicating the name and address of the hotel. The booking will only be final upon receipt of the corresponding deposit.

For hotel reservation made by a sponsoring company, the participant will receive the hotel confirmation from the sponsoring company directly.

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For block bookings (10 rooms and up) companies are requested to send their request by fax or e-mail to the attention of Thrombosis Secretariat, Kenes International. Different payment and cancellation policies will apply.

Payment

Full payment for accommodation, provided by Kenes International is payable (less deposit) before your arrival in Tel-Aviv.

Kenes International accepts Travelers' cheques and Euro cheques (in the currency of the issuing country) Visa, Master Card, Diners Club and American Express credit cards. For American Express credit cards, charges will be made in US Dollars according to the rate of exchange on the day of the transaction.

Cancellation of Accommodation

Cancellation or changes must be sent in writing to Thrombosis 2006, Kenes International.

Cancellations made until March 14, 2006 - full refund (less bank charges).

Cancellations made until April 24, 2006 – Non refundable deposit.

Cancellations made from April 25, 2006 – no refund.

In the event of non-arrival, the hotel will automatically release the reservation and the payment will be non-refundable.

If you arrive later or leave earlier than on the dates indicated on your reservation form, The total accommodation amount will be charged and no refunds will be made.

Important Notes

- Participants requiring single rooms will be accommodated in double rooms for single occupancy.
- Kenes International reserves the right to change the requested hotels to those of a similar grade or better
- Kenes International and their agents shall not be responsible for, and shall be exempt from, all liability in respect of any loss, damage, injury, accident, delay or inconvenience to any person, or his/her luggage or any other property, for any reason whatsoever, for any tourist services provided.
- Personal travel and health insurance is highly recommended.
- Official check in time in all Hotels is 15:00 hours and check out time is 12:00 hours.

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ACCOMPANYING PERSONS' PROGRAM

■ Old Jaffa and Tel Aviv

Monday, May 15, 2006

Half day tour 09:00 – 13:00

Begin the morning with a visit to the artists' colony in Old Jaffa and a view of the house of Simon the Tanner. Continue to Tel Aviv's bustling Carmel Market and then drive through the area known as the 'White City' - a neighbourhood of Bauhaus-inspired architecture, designated a UNESCO 'World Heritage Site' in 2003. Passing through Tel Aviv's cultural centre, home to the Habima National Theatre, the 'Golda Meyer' Opera House and the Museum of Modern Art you will arrive at the Tel Aviv University campus where you will visit the Diaspora Museum, a unique display telling the story of the Jewish people during the last 2,500 years.

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■ Caesarea

Wednesday, May 17, 2006

Half day tour 09:00 – 13:00

Drive via the coastal road to Caesarea, once an important Crusader City in the Middle East. Caesarea is one of Israel's principal historical sites. Built in 20 BC by Herod, the city was the last capital of the Roman province of Judea; later one of the main Crusader strongholds destroyed in 1291 and is now a National Park. Visit the aqueduct, the Roman amphitheater and the Crusader fortress.

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PRE-CONGRESS TOURS

Full day tours including lunch

1. Biblical Jerusalem & Jerusalem Through the Ages

Saturday, May 13, 2006

Cost: \$55

Depart from your hotel for the Old City of Jerusalem where you will visit archeological sites including the City of David, Warren's Shaft and the Ophel Archaeological Gardens. Visit the ritual baths the pilgrims used as well as the streets, shops and magnificent edifices that made Jerusalem a gem of the Roman Empire. Continue to Jaffa Gate, one of the city's gates built in the Ottoman period. Walk through the Arab Bazaar to the rooftops of the old City for an overview of the Christian, Jewish, Moslem and Armenian Quarters. We also visit the Cardo, the main street of Jerusalem during the Byzantine period. Then descend to the Western Wall for a brief tour of the newly-opened Southern Wall excavations. From there we walk to the Jewish Quarter and visit the Broad Wall, part of Jerusalem's walls from the First Temple period.

Take a scenic ride through the area of the Knesset, the Israel Museum and the magnificent new Supreme Court building. We drive to the Haas Promenade for a breathtaking view of ancient Jerusalem from the south to understand its topography and how it developed throughout the ages.

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2. Full day tour to the Galilee

Saturday, May 13, 2006

Cost: \$60

Travel up the Mediterranean coast to Mount Carmel to visit Muchraka the site of Elijah the Prophet's challenge of the prophets of Baal. From the roof of the Carmelite monastery, enjoy a magnificent view of the legendary Jezreel Valley below. Travel via the Valley of Armageddon to Nazareth and visit the Basilica of Annunciation. Travel via Cana site of Jesus' first miracle of changing water into wine, arrive at Tiberias. Drive around the sea of Galilee to the Mount of Beatitudes where Jesus delivered his Sermon on the Mount. Descend to Tabgha, traditionally the site of the Miracle of Loaves and Fishes. Stop at Yardenit, the Baptismal Site on the Jordan river. Return to Tel Aviv.



POST - CONGRESS TOURS

Full day tours including lunch

1. Dead Sea and Massada

Friday, May 19, 2006

Cost: \$70

Drive via Ma'aleh Ha'adumim down to the Dead Sea area. Pass the Qumran Caves where the Dead Sea scrolls were found. Continue to the Mountain Fortress of Massada. Ascend by cable car to tour the last stronghold of the Zealots against the Roman Empire. Descend for a short drive to the Ein Gedi Spa for a light lunch and leisure time to enjoy the Thermal Baths and a dip in the Dead Sea.

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2. Jerusalem Through the Ages & as The Center of Three Religions

Friday, May 19, 2006

Cost: \$55

Explore Jerusalem as the center of the three great monotheistic faiths: Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Visit and view the original sites where the significant moments in the beginning of the religions took place. The tour begins at Jaffa gate with the story of the Ottoman Walls of Jerusalem. Walk through the Arab Bazaar to the rooftops of the old City for an overview of the Christian, Jewish, Moslem and Armenian Quarters. We continue to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher via the Arab Bazaar and see the last five stations of the Via Dolorosa located in the church including the site of the Crucifixion and the Holy Tomb. View the Dome of the Rock and El Aqsa mosque, exploring the Muslim connection to the city. Visit the Broad Wall, part of Jerusalem's walls from the First Temple period. From there we descend to the Western Wall through the Jewish Quarter to view the ancient remains from Jerusalem at the Second Temple Period. We also visit the Cardo, the main street of Jerusalem during the Byzantine period. Then descend to the Western Wall for a brief stop and tour of the newly opened Southern Wall excavations.

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