The eighth EIBSEE Meeting

on

CELLULAR MECHANISMS OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

October 29 – November 1, 2008

organized by Christian Haass (University of Munich)

key note speaker: T. Golde (Mayo Clinic Jacksonville)

guest speakers: G. Basi (Elan Pharmaceuticals) B. de Strooper (University of Leuven) H. Li (Brookhaven National Laboratory) M. Meyer-Luehmann (Harvard Medical School) G. Shankar (Harvard Medical School) R. Vassar (Northwestern University) P. Wong (Johns Hopkins University)

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Travelling

by train: take the train to Garmisch (via Munich). In Garmisch please take a cab to the hotel (about 15-20 min drive).

by plane: from Munich airport take the S-Bahn to Munich Central station. At the central station take the train to Garmisch (about 1 hr). From here take a cab to the hotel.

by car: from Munich take the highway to Garmisch. In Garmisch follow the signs to Eibsee. The hotel is at the end of the road right at the foot of the Zugspitze.

Weather

It's fall and there will be a chance for snow (in the skiing area on top of the Zugspitze snow is guaranteed). For those who like to go on the walk: please bring your hiking boots.

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PROGRAM

Wednesday, October 29

Arrival, Hiking, Opening Lecture

15:00 The traditional "Scientific walk" around the lake (if weather permits)

- **17:00 17:15 Welcome** (C. Haass)
- 17:15 18:15 Key Note Lecture
 T. Golde, Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, USA
 Substrate targeting gamma-secretase modulators

18:15 Cocktails

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19:00 Dinner

Thursday, October 30

9:00 – 13:00 Secretases I Chair: E. Mandelkow

9:00 - 9:25

	Heterogeneity of the γ -secretase complex opens new avenues to therapy
9:25 - 9:50	H. Li, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, USA Cryo-EM structural characterization of γ-secretase
9:50 - 10:15	H. Steiner, University of Munich, Germany Functional and structural analysis of γ-secretase
10:15 - 10:40	G. Multhaup, University of Berlin, Germany Molecular dissection of substrate-secretase interactions
	10:40 – 11:20 Coffee Break/Poster Session: APP trafficking & processing
Chair: J. Tatzelt	
11:20 - 11:45	C. Kaether, Leibniz Institute for Age Research, Jena, Germany Quality control of γ -secretase assembly in the ER
11:45 - 12:10	J. Walter, University of Bonn, Germany Lipid-dependent metabolism of the amyloid beta-peptide
12:10 - 12:35	T. Hartmann, University of the Saarland, Homburg, Germany Sterol and glycosphingolipid regulation of γ -secretase
12:35 - 13:00	R. Fluhrer, University of Munich, Germany Insight into the cleavage mechanism of GxGD-type aspartylproteases

B. de Strooper, VIB and K.U. Leuven, Belgium

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:00 Time for recreation (hiking, swimming, sauna)

15:00 - 18:35 Secretases II

Chair: U. Müller

15:00 - 15:25	R. Vassar, Northwestern University, Chicago, USA The role of BACE1 in Alzheimer's disease	
15:25 - 15:50	P. Wong, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA Moderate inhibition of both BACE1 and γ -secretase: towards a safe and effective Alzheimer's therapy	
15:50 - 16:15	M. Willem, University of Munich, Germany The good and the bad side of BACE1	
16:15 - 16:40	S. Lichtenthaler, University of Munich, Germany Secretase inhibitors and modulators in Alzheimer's disease	
	16:40 – 17:20 Coffee Break/Poster Session: APP trafficking & processing	
Chair: T. Hartmann		
17:20 - 17:45	P. Saftig, University of Kiel, Germany Function and regulation of ADAM proteases	

- 17:45 18:10F. Fahrenholz, University of Mainz, Germany
Transcriptional activation of the α-secretase ADAM10 via nuclear receptors
- 18:10 18:35S. Lammich, University of Munich, Germany
Post-transcriptional regulation of the α-secretase ADAM10

19:00 Dinner

Friday, October 31

9:00 – 10:15 APP function and transport

Chair: H. Steiner	
9:00 - 9:25	T. Willnow, Max-Delbrück-Center for Molecular Medicine, Berlin, Germany SORLA - a receptor to sort out APP processing
9:25 - 9:50	S. Kins, University of Heidelberg, Germany Subcellular traffic of APP family members in neurons

9:50 – 10:15 U. Müller, University of Heidelberg, Germany Progress on APP/APLP physiology

10:15 – 10:55 Coffee Break/Poster Session: Aggregation, Toxicity, Aging

10:55 – 12:10 Oligomers and Aggregation

Chair: G. Multhaup

- 10:55 11:20 E.M. Mandelkow, Max-Planck-Unit for Structural Molecular Biology, Hamburg, Germany Inducible tau-transgenic mice: Lessons on phosphorylation, aggregation, and behaviour
- 11:20 11:45 E. Mandelkow, Max-Planck-Unit for Structural Molecular Biology, Hamburg, Germany From tau structure to aggregation inhibitors
- 11:45 12:10 G. Shankar, Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA Amyloid β-protein dimers isolated directly from Alzheimer brains impair synaptic plasticity and memory

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:00 Time for recreation (hiking, swimming, sauna)

15:00 – 15:50 Drug Development & Therapy

Chair: S. Lichtenthaler

- 15:00 15:25 G. Basi, Elan Pharmaceuticals, San Francisco, USA Immunotherapy at atomic resolution
- 15:25 15:50 S. Roßner, University of Leipzig, Germany Inhibition of glutaminyl cyclase – a novel concept for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease

15:50 – 19:00 Neuronal Toxicity and Regeneration

Chair: F. Fahrenholz

- 15:50 16:15 M. Meyer-Luehmann, Harvard Medical School, Charlestown, USA Cascade of pathogenic events in Alzheimer's disease: insights from mouse models
- 16:15 16:40 J. Herms, University of Munich, Germany Dystrophic dendrites in neurodegenerative diseases: cause or consequence of synaptic failure?

16:40 – 17:20 Coffee Break/Poster Session: PD & other neurodegenerative diseases

- 17:20 17:45 M. Jucker, University of Tübingen, Germany Mikroglia ablation in APP transgenic mice
- 17:45 18:10 O. Garaschuk, Technical University of Munich, Germany Impaired cortical network function in Alzheimer's disease: the role of microglia
- 18:10 18:35 A. Fischer, European Neuroscience Institute, Göttingen, Germany Deregulation of epigenetic processes during aging and neurodegeneration
- 18:35 19:00 J. Tatzelt, University of Munich, Germany Stress-protective signalling of PrPC is linked to dimer formation and corrupted by PrPSc

19:00 Dinner

Saturday, November 1, 2008

Departure