



## ANNOUNCEMENT

### SPIDIA INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC WORKSHOP

#### Standardisation and Improvements of Generic Pre-Analytical Tools and Procedures for in vitro Diagnostics

March 20<sup>th</sup> 2013, 09:00 – 18:00, Hilden, Germany

The European FP7 SPIDIA Consortium is an international collaboration of 16 leading academic institutions, life science and diagnostic companies and international organizations. SPIDIA will present scientific background, key activities, and main results of its four and a half years of scientific research and discuss how these integrate with other international initiatives to standardize and improve pre-analytical workflows for securing high quality samples in research and in vitro diagnostics.

### Programme

- 09:00 – 09:20 **SPIDIA Project Overview - EU SPIDIA Project Update – Standardization and Improvement of Generic Pre-Analytical Tools and Procedures for In-Vitro Diagnostics**  
Uwe Oelmüller, SPIDIA Coordinator, QIAGEN GmbH, Hilden, Germany
- 09:20 – 09:50 **Biospecimen Research at the U.S. National Cancer Institute (to be confirmed)**  
Helen Moore, Director of the NCI Biospecimen Research Network (BRN), Bethesda, USA
- 09:50 – 10:20 **Molecular Biomarker Validation Topic (title to be announced)**  
François Rousseau, Québec University Hospital Centre, Québec, Canada
- 10:20 – 10:50 **International Ethic Topic (title to be announced)**  
Ruth Chadwick, Cardiff University, Cardiff, Wales
- 10:50 – 11:15 \*\*\*Break \*\*\*
- 11:15 – 11:30 **SPIDIA Pan-European Blood DNA Ring Trial**  
Mario Pazzagli, University of Florence, Italy
- 11:30 – 11:45 **SPIDIA Pan-European Blood / Plasma Cell Free Circulating DNA Ring Trial**  
Francesca Malentacchi, University of Florence, Italy
- 11:45 – 12:00 **SPIDIA Pan-European Blood RNA Ring Trial**  
Stefania Gelmini, University of Florence, Italy
- 12:00 – 12:15 **SPIDIA Pan-European Ring Trials – Statistical Data Analysis**  
Paolo Verderio, Fondazione IRCCS Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori, Milan, Italy
- 12:15 – 12:35 **SPIDIA Blood Protein (title to be announced)**  
Mario Pazzagli, University of Florence, Italy



12:35 – 13:45

\*\*\* Lunch \*\*\*

13:45 – 14:00 **New Blood Stabilization and Processing Technology**

Ralf Wyrich, QIAGEN GmbH, Hilden, Germany

14:00 – 14:20 **RNA Quality Biomarkers to Monitor Pre-Analytical Variation in Blood Samples**

SPIDIA speaker to be determined

14:20 – 14:40 **SPIDIA's Results on Molecular Changes in Tissue Samples during the Pre-analytical Phase**

Karl-Friedrich Becker, Technical University of Munich, Germany

14:40 – 15:00 **Impact of Pre-Analytical Variables and Preservation Techniques on Tissue-Based Studies**

Christian Viertler, Medical University of Graz, Austria

15:00 – 15:20 **A New Tissue Stabilization Technology for Preservation of Biomarkers and Morphology**

Daniel Grölz, QIAGEN GmbH, Hilden, Germany

15:20 – 15:40 **Preservation of Proteins and Phosphoproteins in Formalin-Free Tissue Specimens for Diagnosis and Research**

Karl-Friedrich Becker, Technical University of Munich, Germany

15:40 – 16:05 **The SPIDIA Tissue Morphology Ring Trials**

Christian Viertler, Medical University of Graz, Austria

16:05 – 16:30

\*\*\*Break\*\*\*

16:30 – 16:50 **SPIDIA Topic on Metabolomics (title to be announced)**

Paola Turano, CERM, University of Florence, Italy

16:50 – 17:10 **Dissemination and Exploitation of Results of R&D-Projects into Standardisation**

Lena Krieger, DIN German Institute for Standardization, Berlin, Germany

17:10 – 17:30 **QA and QC in Biobanking and Biobanking Networks**

Peter Riegman, Erasmus Medical Center, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

17:30 – 17:45 **Closing Words**

Uwe Oelmüller, SPIDIA Coordinator, QIAGEN GmbH, Hilden, Germany



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**The attendance is free of charge.** Since there is a limitation for the number of participants we kindly ask you to register early.

**VENUE**

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40724 Hilden, Germany

**For Registration**, please fill out the registration form and send it to [spidia@novamen.eu](mailto:spidia@novamen.eu)

**For Hotel Reservations**, you can book rooms yourself at a special „QIAGEN“ rate at the

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In order to get the QIAGEN rate, it is recommended to reserve the hotel before **February 28<sup>th</sup>**.  
For getting the special rate, please mention "**QIAGEN**" and **Group Code "SPIDIA"**.

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