

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Day 1 Wednesday, May 25th		
09:15 - 09:45	Registration	
09:45 - 10:00	Welcome and opening ceremony Rui L. Reis, Manuela E. Gomes & Ana Gonçalves (3B's Research Group, University of Minho, Portugal)	
	Session I Chairs: Manuela Gomes & Rui Reis	
10:00 - 10:45	Tendon aging & degeneration: learning from 2D and 3D cellular models Denitsa Docheva (Würzburg University, Germany)	
10:45 - 11:15	Coffee-Break E-Poster & Photo contest Sessions	
	Session II Chairs: Chris Evans & Ana Gonçalves	
11:15 - 12:00	The "Tendinopathy Triad" - Mechanosensing, ECM, and Inflammation? Andreas Traweger (Paracelsus Medical University, Austria)	
12:00 -12:30	Basic and Applied Research Collaboration Overview Hollie Pietsch (US Army DEVCOM-Atlantic, Basic & Applied Research Team)	
12:30 – 14:30	Lunch	
	Session III Chairs: Márcia Rodrigues & Jess Gerrit Snedeker	
14:30 - 15:15	Tendon bioengineering – a clinician's perspective Sebastian A. Müller (University Hospital Basel, Switzerland; Mayo Clinic)	
15:15 – 16:00	Engineering platelet-derived extracellular vesicles as cell-free therapies for tendon regeneration Manuel Florit (Health Research Institute of the Balearic Islands, Spain)	
16:00 - 17:30	Get-together Reception	



Day 2 Thursday, May 26th		
	Session I Chairs: Manuela Gomes & Elizabeth Balmayor	
	Transversal Skills Training	
09:15 - 10:00	Impact and exploitation – tips and tricks on the Horizon Douglas Thompson (Sociedade Portuguesa de Inovação) Raquel Almeida (Sociedade Portuguesa de Inovação)	
	Session II Chairs: Denitsa Docheva & Rui Domingues	
10:00 – 10:45	Defining the biochemical and biophysical cues that regulate tendon cell fate Nathaniel Dyment (University of Pennsylvania, USA)	
10:45 - 11:15	Coffee-Break E-Poster & Photo contest Sessions	
	Session III Chairs: Denitsa Docheva & Rui Domingues	
11:15 – 12:00	Mechanics and mechanisms of tendon disease and regeneration Jess Gerrit Snedeker (ETH Zurich, Switzerland)	
	Short Oral Presentations	
12:00 -12:10	Ciprofloxacin reveals structural but not mechanical changes in murine patellar tendon Nicole A. Chittim (ETH Zurich, Switzerland)	
12:10 - 12:20	Hampering hypoxia and inflammatory cues in tendon cell behavior using magnetically-assisted cell sheet constructions Adriana Vinhas (3B's Research Group, University of Minho, Portugal)	
12:20 -12:30	3D writing of a multicellular human tendon model Rosa F. Monteiro (3B's Research Group, University of Minho, Portugal)	
12:30 – 14:30	Lunch	



	Session IV Chairs: Manuela Gomes & Andreas Traweger
14:30 - 15:15	Non-viable cables to dynamic, complex, biological structures – where next for the tendon? Nicholas Forsyth (Keele University, UK)
	Short Oral Presentations
15:15 - 15:30	Loss of tensional homoeostasis mediates angiogenic signaling in tendon disease Maja Wolleb (ETH Zurich, Switzerland)
15:30 - 15:45	Bioinspired composite hydrogels direct stem cell fate toward tenogenesis by synergistically modulating growth factor signalling and local microtopography Simão P. B. Teixeira (3B's Research Group, University of Minho, Portugal)
15:45 - 16:00	Human 3D tendon-on-a-chip: a microscale physiomimetic model to interrogate multicellular crosstalk in tendinopathy Syeda M. Bakht (3B's Research Group, University of Minho, Portugal)
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee-Break E-Poster & Photo contest Sessions
	Session V Chairs: Jess Snedeker & Hazel Screen
16:30 – 17:30	Round Table Consortium: Manuela Gomes (3B's Research Group, Portugal) Dimitrios Zeugolis (University College Dublin, Ireland) Denitsa Docheva (Würzburg University, Germany) Advisory Board: Chris Evans (Mayo Clinic, USA) Elizabeth Balmayor (Uniklinik RWTH AC, Germany) Jess Snedeker (ETH Zurich, Switzerland) Hazel Screen (Queen Mary University of London, UK)



Day 3 Friday, May 27th		
09:15 – 10:00	Progress meeting (Restricted) & Achilles Retreat	
	Session I Chairs: Dimitrios Zeugolis & Nathaniel Dyment	
10:00 - 10:45	Tendon cell populations and drivers of tendinopathy Hazel Screen (Queen Mary University of London, UK)	
10:45 - 11:15	Coffee-Break E-Poster & Photo contest Sessions	
11:15 -12:00	Mechanics or Metabolism – what is more important for Achilles tendinopathy rehabilitation? Kirsten Legerlotz (University of Berlin, Germany)	
12:00 – 12:30	Closing ceremony	