How to reach the Hotel Royal Continental

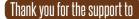
Hotel ROYAL CONTINENTAL: Via Partenope, 38/44 - 80121 Napoli (NA)

Highway exit: Napoli "Centro Porto". Go on 4 Km approx. The Port of Naples is on the left side, the Maschio Angioino castle is on the right side. Cross the "Galleria della Vittoria". At Piazza della Vittoria roundabout enter the seafront (Lungomare). After 400 m approx you'll find our Hotel (in front of the Castel dell'Ovo).

From the airport by car or taxi (the Hotel is 10 Km away). How to reach us: Take the bypass. Exit: Fuorigrotta. After the toll, cross the underway tunnel to "Lungomare". Turn left when you are close to the Campi Flegrei station, then go on to the tunnel. After the tunnel, enter the seafront (Lungomare). After approx 1 km, you'll find our Hotel (in front of the Castel dell'Ovo).

From Porto Beverello by car or taxi (our Hotel is 1.8 Km away). How to reach us: Turn left. Cross the "Galleria della Vittoria". Take the roundabout and enter the seafront (Lungomare). Our Hotel is just in front of the Castel dell'Ovo). From Porto Mergellina by car or taxi (our Hotel is 2.3 Km away). How to reach us: go on to the seafront (Lungomare). Our Hotel is just in front of the Castel dell'Ovo.

From Mergellina railway station by car or taxi (our Hotel is 4.9 km away) How to reach us: Reach Piazza Sannazzaro by turning right. At the roundabout, turn to Via Caracciolo Lungomare. Go on to Via Partenope. Our Hotel is iust in front of the Castel dell'Ovo.





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2ND MEETING ON EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE IN MOLECULAR PATHOLOGY



PROGRAM

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

4:00 pm

Opening and welcome

S. Cascinu, C. Clemente, F. Carneiro, R. Stahel, T. Pedicini

4:15-5:30 pm

The scope of the European Initiative on EQA in Molecular Pathology

(chairs H. vanKrieken and N. Normanno)

The goal of this session to develop a view on what this group should undertake and what not. This session is therefore aiming at discussion and interaction. It will consist of a few statements that will be put forward with a short introduction on the topic after which we will discuss it and try to reach consensus.

- The EQA-group needs to be formally recognized by stakeholders
 Han van Krieken
- The EQA group needs to develop a detailed guideline on reporting E. Dequecker
- There is need for an educational program for Molecular Biologists in Pathology Marjolijn Ligtenberg
- The ESP needs to develop a label for EQA Hans Kreipe
- The ESP needs to develop a website with all information on EQA in Europe Fatima Carneiro

5:30-7:00 pm

Round Table: EQA in molecular pathology: the point of view of:

- Medical Oncologists: ESMO, AIOM
- Pathologists: ESP, SIAPEC
- European EQA organizations: EMQN, UKNEQAS, Quip
- Pharma: Amgen, AstraZeneca, Bayer, Boehringer Ingelheim, GSK, Pfizer, Roche
- Diagnostic companies: LifeTech, Qiagen, Roche Diagnostics

In this session we aim to identify the views on EQA in molecular pathology, which, together with the input of the first session will enable the draft of a mission and scope statement. We invite all participating organizations to put forward their ideas on this topic in a short introduction (mx. 5 minutes) and will have a discussion per group.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

	Chan's H. Vankheken and N. Normanno
9:00 am	An European database for EQA schemes in molecular pathology progress report by E. Thunnissen
9:30 am	The needs for organization of an EQA scheme for FISH Han van Krieken
10:00 am	Organization of an EQA scheme for mRNA based tests <i>G. Stanta</i>
10:30 am	Minimal requirements for molecular pathology labs M. Ligtenberg
11:00 am	Coffee Break
11:30 am	Results from national EQA programs France, E. Rouleau Italy, A. Marchetti
12:30 pm	Moving from single genes to panels in molecular diagnostic: implications for EQA N. Normanno and S. Patton
1:00 pm	Cut-of levels for different techniques in clinical trials <i>S. Patterson</i>
1:30-2:30 pm	Lunch
2:30-3:30 pm	Wrap Up and Future actions H. vanKrieken and N. Normanno

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