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20/11/2026 ROME, AULA MAGNA AGAZIO MENNITI A.O. SAN CAMILLO-FORLANINI

CME CREDITS, IN-PRESENCE ONLY

ONLINE ATTENDANCE AVAILABLE

November 19th — BIOLOGY DRIVES SURGERY

10:30–11:00 Opening Ceremony

- Institutional Greetings *Eleonora ALIMENTI, Angelo ALIQUÒ, Gerardo DE CAROLIS, Sara FARCHI, Domenico GABRIELLI, Cristina MATRANGA*
- *Giuseppe CURIGLIANO, ESMO*
- *Rossana BERARDI, AIOM*
- *René HORSLEBEN PETERSEN, ESTS*
- *Alberto TERMINELLA, SICT*
- *Mohsen IBRAHIM, SIET/Paola ROGLIANI, SIP*
- Welcome Remarks & Meeting Objectives *Giuseppe CARDILLO*

11:00–13:20 | SESSION 1

Precision Oncology and Surgical Decision-Making

Chairs: *Rossana BERARDI, Giuseppe CURIGLIANO, Erino Angelo RENDINA*

HONORARY LECTURES

- 11:00–11:20 - The evolution of precision oncology in solid tumors *Giuseppe CURIGLIANO*
- 11:20–11:40 - Cancer in a drop: Liquid Biopsy, the future and the impact on clinical practice *Christian ROLFO*
- 11:40–12:00 - Precision oncological surgery for lung cancer *Paul VAN SCHIL*

Focused Presentations

- 12:00–12:15 - Molecular landscape and actionable alterations in NSCLC *Umberto MALAPELLE*
- 12:15–12:30 - Update on Immune biomarkers in clinical and research practice *Fabiana CECERE*
- 12:30–12:45 - Tissue acquisition and stewardship from preoperative biopsies *Rocco TRISOLINI*
- 12:45–13:00 - Pathologic response after surgery (MPR, pCR): how to assess *Paolo GRAZIANO*

13:00–13:20 Expert Discussion

Panelists: *Carlo GARUFI, Maria Cristina MACCIOMEI, Ermanno PUXEDDU, Maria Cristina ZAPPA*

13:20–14:20 LIGHT LUNCH

14:20–16:15 | SESSION 2

Early-Stage NSCLC: Optimizing Local Therapy

Chairs: *Mauro BENVENUTI, Vincent FANG, Brendon STILES*

Focused Presentations

- 14:20–14:35 - TNM 9th Edition: the impact on trials and clinical decision *Enrico RUFFINI*
- 14:35–14:50 - Radiology–pathology correlation *Nicholas LANDINI*
- 14:50–15:05 - Early stage detection — San Camillo experience *Giuseppe CARDILLO*
- 15:05–15:20 - High risk tumour profile in stage I (STAS, solid-micropapillary component, VPI) *Brendon STILES*
- 15:20–15:35 - Sublobar resection vs lobectomy in early stage NSCLC *René HORSLEBEN PETERSEN*

15:35-15:50 - Role of radiotherapy in early stage NSCLC *Raffaele BARBARA*

15:50-16:10 Expert Discussion

Panelists: *Mario D'ANDREA, Giuseppe MARULLI, Edoardo MERCADANTE, Teresa PASQUARIELLO*

16:30-18:30 HANDS-ON SESSION

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ADVANCED VATS & RIGID BRONCHOSCOPY- Educational Session

chaired by *René HORSLEBEN PETERSEN*

Tutors: *Sandro BATZELLA, Angelo CARRETTA, Massimo JAUS, Federico RAVEGLIA, Stefano LOVADINA*

16:15 – 17:10 | SESSION 3

Stage II – N1 NSCLC: Sequencing Strategies

Chairs: *Federico CAPPUZZO, René Horsleben PETERSEN, Piergiorgio SOLLI*

16:15-16:25 Focused Presentations

- Limits of clinical staging in N1 patients *Tim BATCHELOR*

Debate

Surgery First vs Systemic First in Stage II - N1 disease

16:25-16:40 - Upfront surgery *Elie FADEL*

16:40-16:55 - Systemic treatment first *Rossana BERARDI*

16:50- 17:10 Expert Discussion

Panelists: *Ettore D'ARGENTO, Rosario SALVI, Maurizio INFANTE*

17:10 – 19:00 | SESSION 4

Stage III NSCLC: Redefining Resectability in the Chemo-Immunotherapy Era

Chairs: *Eric LIM, Cosimo LEQUAGLIE, Tom NEWSOM-DAVIS*

Focused Presentations

17:10-17:25 - Neoadjuvant/perioperative IO: pros and cons *Federico CAPPUZZO*

17:25-17:40 - Resectability decision making: before or after induction? *Eric LIM*

17:40-17:55 - N2a&N2b disease — different strategies? *Tim BATCHELOR*

17:55-18:10 - Role of Targeted therapies in multimodality approach *Vincent FANG*

18:10-18:25 - Restaging after induction: it is still needed? *Tom NEWSOM-DAVIS*

18:25-18:40 - Technical issues after chemo-immunotherapy *Erino Angelo RENDINA*

18:40-19:00 Expert Discussion

Panelists: *Monica CASIRAGHI, Gianluca GUGGINO, Antonio LUGINI, Lorena ROSSI*

November 20th — ADVANCED DISEASE & FUTURE PERSPECTIVES

08:00 – 09:15 | SESSION 5

Junior MDT Interactive Session

Chairs: *Vincenzo AMBROGI, Alessandro BERTANI, Tiziano DE GIACOMO*

- 08:00-09:15 - Case discussion 1 & Case discussion 2— Oncologists, Surgeons, Radiologists, Radiation Oncologist
Panelists: *Debora BRASCIA, Alessia MONACO, Valentina LOMBARDI, Claudia PARISI, Sara RICCIARDI*
Discussant: *Giuseppe AGNETA, Andrea DE NEGRI, Stefania GRECO, Alessandro MARASCHI, Dania NACHIRA*

09:15 – 10:05 | SESSION 6

PRO-CON DEBATE: Is Stage IIIB Still a Non-Surgical Disease?

Chairs: *Emilio BRIA, Andrea BILLÉ, Marco LUCCHI*

- 09:15-09:30 - Pros: *Tom NEWSOM-DAVIS*
09:30-09:45 - Cons: *Brendon STILES*

09:45-10:05 Expert Discussion

Panelists: *Andrea DELL'AMORE, Domenico GALETTA, Valeria STASI*

10:05 – 10:55 | SESSION 7

Surgery After Induction Therapy

Chairs: *Tim BATCHELOR, Tom NEWSOM-DAVIS, Federico VENUTA*

Focused Presentations

- 10:05-10:35 - VATS vs RATS after induction therapy *René HORSLEBEN PETERSEN* vs *Andrea BILLÉ*
10:35-10:50 - Open surgery: when and why? *Elie FADEL*
10:50-11:05 - From unresectable to resectable disease? *Vincent FANG*
11:05-11:20 - Salvage surgery when and how? *Marco ALIFANO*
11:20-11:35 - Surgical complications after induction therapy *Brendon STILES*
11:35-11:50 - Redefining surgical success. Patient-reported Outcomes (PROMS) and Quality of Life in precision lung surgery after induction treatment *Cecilia POMPILI*

11:50-12:10 Expert Discussion

Panelists: *Giuditta D'ISERNIA, Marcello MIGLIORE, Samuele NICOTRA, Massimiliano PACI, Pierpaolo SPINELLI*

12:10 – 13:45 | SESSION 8

Stage IV & Oligometastatic Disease

Chairs: *Francesco GROSSI, Vincent FANG, Giulio MELLONI*

Focused Presentations

- 12:10-12:25 - Surgical Perspective: Who, When and How to Operate *Brendon STILES*

- 12:25-12:40 - Ablative therapy: who, when and why to do it *Francesco GROSSI*
 12:40:12:55 - Role of re-biopsy and MRD in advanced disease *Tom NEWSOM-DAVIS*
 12:55-13:10 - Advances in stage IV NSCLC EGFR oncogene addicted *Serena RICCIARDI*
 13:10-13:25 - Clinical Case Discussion: Real-World Decision Making *Andrea BILLÉ & Emilio BRIA*

13:25-13:45 Expert Discussion

Panelists: *Lorenzo ROSSO, Marco RUSSANO, Paolo SCANAGATTA, Luca VOLTOLINI*

10:30-12:30 ABSTRACT SESSION (PARALLEL ROOM – 📍 Aula A, Ospedale San Camillo)

Moderators: *Giampiero DOLCI, Francesco PETRELLA*

- Selected abstracts (7 min each+ 3 min discussion)
- Discussion: *Giuseppe CASABLANCA, Pierfilippo CRUCITTI, Sara MANTOVANI, Andrea ZUIN*

13:45-14:25 LIGHT LUNCH

14:25-15:00 SIMPOSIO J&J (no ECM)

15:00 – 15:45 | SESSION 9

AI and Digital Surgery

Chairs: *Tim BATCHELOR, Andrea BILLÉ, Marco CASACCIA*

Focused Presentations

- 15:00-15:15 - AI analysis in Lung Cancer Multiomics Prospective Cohort *Filippo LOCOCO*
 15:15-15:35 - AI in planning complex surgery *Luca BERTOLACCINI*

15:30-15:45 Expert Discussion

Panelists: *Luca LUZZI, Gianluca PARISCENTI, Marco TAURCHINI, Cristina ZIRAFÀ*

15:45 – 16:30 | SESSION 10

T3 Chest Wall Involvement

Chairs: *Lucio CAGINI, Elie FADEL, Brendon STILES*

DEBATE: Surgery First vs Induction First in T3 chest wall involvement

- 15:45-16:00 - Surgery first *Marco ALIFANO*
 16:00-16:15 - Induction first *Tom NEWSOM-DAVIS*

16:15-16:30 Expert Discussion

Panelists: *Angelo Luca DE QUARTO, Giulio MAURIZI, Stefano MEDA, Enrico MELIS*

16:30 – 17:15 | SESSION 11

Cavitary NSCLC and Lung Abscess Cancer: Upfront Surgery vs Induction Chemoimmunotherapy

Chairs: *Tom NEWSOM-DAVIS, Alberto TERMINELLA, Majed REFAI*

- 16:30-16:45 - The Abscess Must Go: Why Surgery Should Come First *Elie FADEL*
 16:45-17:00 - Biology Before Scalpel: Why Induction Therapy Should Remain the Standard *Francesco GROSSI*

17:00-17:15 Expert Discussion

Panelists: *Alain GELIBTER, Sabrina MARIOTTI, Elisa MEACCI, Francesco ZARACA*

17:15 Take-home Messages *Giuseppe CARDILLO*

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