

MUSCULOSKELETAL ONCOLOGY COURSE

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This is the 9th edition of the Musculoskeletal Oncology Course of University of Padova. It has been organized by the Department of Orthopedics and Orthopedic Oncology of University of Padova in close cooperation with other Universities of the international faculty. Based on a few years' experience from other Oncology Courses, such as the Moffitt Cancer Center Course, the Rizzoli Course, the Oxford Course and the European Course of Budapest Semmelweis University, our Course is aimed to offer a review and update of the knowledge in musculoskeletal oncology and more specifically to provide basic information on clinical features, imaging, pathology and principles of treatment of the bone and soft tissues tumors and pseudotumoral lesions. It is a short, yet comprehensive Course, addressed to residents and young doctors (orthopedic surgeons, radiologists, pathologist and medical oncologists) willing to start their activity, or already involved in the field of musculoskeletal oncology, in order to refresh or widen their knowledge. This Course is designed to be fairly interactive: case discussion and questions will play an important role. Our faculty includes well-renown names of musculoskeletal oncology expression of different specialties: from orthopedic surgery to pathology, radiology and medical oncology. We hope that this Course will be both useful and pleasant for all participants!

*The Course Directors: **Pietro Ruggieri, Andreas Leithner, Panayiotis Papagelopoulos***

Scientific Secretary and Secretary of the Scientific Center for Research on Musculoskeletal Tumors "Mario Mercuri" of University of Padova: **Dr. Anna Breda**

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Giulia Trovarelli, MD PhD - Padova, Italy



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SPECIAL GUESTS

Ivan Bohacek, MD - Zagreb, Croatia

Mehmet Deveci, MD - Istanbul, Turkey

Giorgi Loria, MD - Tbilisi, Georgia

Kevin Rama, MD - Bolzano, Italy



ISOLS
International Society
Of Limb Salvage

Monday, September 14

08:00-09:00 Registration / Check-In

09:00-09:15 Introduction **Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD; Andreas Leithner, MD**

Panayiotis Papagelopoulos, MD

Welcome address

Carla Destro, MD Direttrice Sanitaria Azienda Ospedale-Università Padova

Paolo Fortuna, MD Direttore Generale Azienda Università-Ospedale di Padova

Umberto Cillo, MD, PhD Direttore Dipartimento DISCOG Università di Padova

Daniela Mapelli, MD, PhD Magnifica Rettore Università di Padova

Block 1. General principles

Moderators: **Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD; Eduardo Ortiz-Cruz, MD**

09:15-09:35 Staging of Musculoskeletal Tumors and Surgical Margins

Panayiotis Papagelopoulos, MD

09:35-09:55 Principles of Bone Tumor Pathology

Angelo Paolo Dei Tos, MD; Marta Sbaraglia, MD

09:55-10:15 Biopsy Techniques

Douglas G. Letson, MD

10:15-10:45 Coffee break

Block 2. Benign Bone Tumors

Moderator: **Douglas Letson, MD; Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD**

10:45-11:05 Leave me alone lesions: Histiocytic Fibroma, Fibrous Dysplasia, Eosinophilic granuloma, Unicameral Bone Cyst

Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD

11:05-11:25 Giant cell Tumor of Bone

Andreas Leithner, MD

11:25-11:45 Osteoid Osteoma, Osteoblastoma, Aneurysmal Bone Cyst

Alberto Crimi, MD

11:45-12:05 Enchondroma, Osteochondroma, Chondroblastoma

Andrea Angelini, MD, PhD

12:05-12:25 Interactive Case Presentations: Benign Lesions

Moderators: **Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD – Giorgio De Conti, MD - Andreas Leithner, MD**

Speakers: **Mariachiara Cerchiaro, MD; Elisa Pagliarini, MD; Vanna Scapin, MD, Kevin Rama, MD**

12:25 - 13:25 Lunch

Block 3. Primary Malignant Bone Tumor

Moderators: **Mehmet Deveci, MD; Panayiotis Papagelopoulos, MD**

13:25-13:45 Malignant Bone Forming Tumors

Douglas Letson, MD

13:45-14:05 Malignant Cartilage Forming Tumors

Andreas Leithner, MD

14:05-14:25 Small Round Blue Cell Tumors of Bone

Eduardo Ortiz-Cruz, MD

14:25-15:25 Interactive Case Presentations and Comments: Ex Fellows “spot”

Moderators: **Andrea Angelini, MD PhD - Giulia Trovarelli MD PhD**

Speakers: **Ivan Bohacek, MD; Giorgi Loria, MD; Mehmet Deveci, MD**

Moderators: **Gianni Bisogno, MD – Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD**

15:25-15:45 Anesthesiological approach and pain management

Gian Mario Parise, MD

15:45-16:05 Modern imaging in musculoskeletal oncology

Giorgio De Conti, MD

16:05–16:25 Tumours in children

Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD

16:25–16:45 How to plan and write a scientific paper

Andrea Angelini, MD PhD - Elisa Pala, MD, PhD

20:30 Social Dinner

Tuesday, September 15

Block 4. Soft Tissue Tumors, Bone Metastases & Metabolic Bone Disease

Moderators: **Elisa Pala, MD, PhD - Vanna Scapin, MD**

08:30-08:50 Principles of Soft Tissue Tumors Pathology
Angelo Paolo Dei Tos, MD, PhD; Marta Sbaraglia, MD

08:50-09:10 Benign Soft Tissue Tumors: diagnosis and treatment
Giulia Trovarelli, MD, PhD

09:10-09:30 Malignant Soft Tissue Tumors: diagnosis and treatment
Andreas Leithner, MD

Moderators: **Andreas Leithner, MD - Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD**

09:30 -09:50 Metastatic Tumors of Bone: diagnosis and principles of treatment
Ivan Bohacek, MD

09:50-10:10 Metabolic bone disease
Elisa Pala, MD, PhD

10:10-10:45 Interactive Case Presentations and Comments: Ex Fellows “spot”
Moderators: Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD – Alberto Crimi, MD
Speakers: Mehmet Deveci, MD; Ivan Bohacek, MD; Giorgi Loria, MD

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee Break

Moderators: **Ivan Bohacek, MD - Eduardo Ortiz-Cruz, MD**

11:15-11:35 Techniques of plastic surgery in musculoskeletal oncology
Cesare Tiengo, MD, PhD

11:35– 11:55 Oncologic Surgery in elderly patients
Giulio Maccauro, MD, PhD

Block 5. Surgical Techniques and Other Treatments

Moderators: Douglas G. Letson, MD - Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD

12:00-12:20 Prosthetic Reconstructions in Musculoskeletal Oncology
Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD

12:20-12:40 Surgery of Pelvic Tumors
Panayiotis Papagelopoulos, MD

12:40-13:10 Surgery of Spine and Sacral Tumors
Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD

13:10 - 14:00 Lunch

Moderators: **Andreas Leithner, MD – Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD**

14:00-14:20 Principles of Chemotherapy of Bone and Soft Tissue Sarcoma

Antonella Brunello, MD, PhD

14:20-14:40 Principles of radiotherapy

Marco Krengli, MD

14:40 - 15:20 Presentation of Unknown Cases

Moderators: **Andreas Leithner, MD – Giorgi Loria, MD**

Speakers: **Elisa Pagliarini, MD; Mariachiara Cerchiaro, MD; Eduardo Ortiz-Cruz, MD**

15:20 Closing remarks

Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD; Andreas Leithner, MD; Panayiotis Papagelopoulos, MD

20:30 *Faculty Dinner*

General Informations

COURSE VENUE:

Sala Conferenze

Palazzina dei Servizi 2° piano

Azienda Ospedale - Università Padova

Via Giustiniani, 2 - 35121 Padova

REGISTRATION FEES:

Early Regular (until 30th June): € 370,00 (*vat included*)

Late Regular (from 1st July): € 425,00 (*vat included*)

Residents with Chair certificate: € 250,00 (*vat included*)

Social Dinner: € 55,00 (*vat included*)

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE:

All attendees will receive a certificate of attendance the day after the Course

PARKING:

You can park your car at:

Autopark

Via Gattamelata, 60

(650 MT from Congress Venue)

PARK PADOVA CENTRO

Via Trieste 50-52

(1,3 KM from Congress Venue)

AREA PARCHEGGIO PIAZZA INSURREZIONE

Piazza dell'Insurrezione 10B

(1,4 KM from Congress Venue)

PARCHEGGIO PIAZZA RABIN PRATO DELLA VALLE

Via 58° Reggimento Fanteria, 1

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