



Infections & Transplantation

10th International Congress

17th - 19th September, 2025

Varese | Palace Grand Hotel

President of the congress:

Paolo A. Grossi, Varese



Wednesday, 17th September

08:45 - 09:00 **Registration**

09:00 - 09:15 **Welcome and introduction**

Giuseppe Micale (General Director ASST Sette Laghi)

Attilio Fontana (Governor Regione Lombardia)

Davide Galimberti (Varese Mayor)

Emanuele Monti (President Welfare Commission Regione Lombardia)

Maria Cristina Pierro (Rector Università degli Studi dell'Insubria)

Institutional Session

09:15 - 09:35 Solid organ and hematopoietic stem cell transplantation activities in Italy and internationally - *G. Feltrin (Rome, Italy)*

09:35 - 09:55 The new Council of Europe guide for the quality and safety of organs for transplantation - *C.L. Fischer-Froehlich (Stuttgart, Germany)*

09:55 - 10:15 Infections in xenotransplantation: the new frontier
J. Fishman (Boston, USA)

Bacterial infections

Chairs: M. Akova (Ankara, Turkey), M. Bassetti (Genoa, Italy)

10:15 - 10:35 Fast-track microbiology in organ donation and transplantation
N. Mancini (Varese, Italy)

10:35 - 10:55 New treatment options for Gram- infections in solid organ transplantation - *M. Akova (Ankara, Turkey)*

10:55 - 11:15 New treatment options for Gram- infections in hematopoietic stem cell transplantation - *C. Girmenia (Rome, Italy)*

11:15 - 11:35 New treatment options for Gram+ infections in solid organ transplantation - *M. Bassetti (Genoa, Italy)*

11:35 - 12:00 **Break**

12:00 - 12:20 New treatment options for Gram+ infections in hematopoietic stem cell transplantation - *M. Mikulska (Genoa, Italy)*

12:20 - 12:40 Therapeutic potential of human immunoglobulins
M. Girardis (Modena, Italy)

12:40 - 13:00 MDR carriage in transplant candidates and recipients
L. Camera Pierrotti (Sao Paulo, Brazil)

13:00 - 13:30 **Expert-driven discussion**

M. Akova (Ankara, Turkey), M. Bassetti (Genoa, Italy),

L. Camera Pierrotti (Sao Paulo, Brazil), M. Girardis (Modena, Italy),

C. Girmenia (Rome, Italy), N. Mancini (Varese, Italy),

M. Mikulska (Genoa, Italy)

13:30 - 14:30 **Lunch**

Ethical issues

Chairs: M. Cardillo (Rome, Italy), M. Picozzi (Varese, Italy)

14:30 - 14:50 Achieving and measuring quality in organ donation and transplantation - *D. Paredes (Barcelona, Spain)*

14:50 - 15:10 Communication for the prevention of end-stage organ diseases as part of communication about organ donation and transplantation
G. Randhawa (Bedfordshire, UK)

15:10 - 15:30 Organ donation after euthanasia, a new pool of potential organ donors, is this the right direction? - *N. Jansen (Leiden, Netherlands)*

15:30 - 15:50 Breaking barriers: expanding transplant frontiers with HIV-positive donors for HIV-negative recipients? - *P. Grossi (Varese, Italy)*

15:50 - 16:10 Communication as a critical aspect for the quality and safety of solid organ transplantation - *A.A. Grossi (Varese, Italy)*

16:10 - 16:30 **Expert-driven discussion**

M. Cardillo (Rome, Italy), A.A. Grossi (Varese, Italy), P. Grossi (Varese, Italy), N. Jansen (Leiden, Netherlands), D. Paredes (Barcelona, Spain), M. Picozzi (Varese, Italy), G. Randhawa (Bedfordshire, UK)

Immunology of viral infections

Chairs: P. Comoli (Pavia, Italy), E. Cozzi (Padua, Italy)

16:30 - 16:50 Immunologic monitoring - *M. Sester (Homburg, Germany)*

16:50 - 17:10 Adoptive immunotherapy in viral infections prevention and treatment - *P. Comoli (Pavia, Italy)*

17:10 - 17:30 Off-the-shelf virus-specific T cells to treat viral infections
S. Sica (Rome, Italy)

17:30 - 17:50 Immunoglobulins for prophylaxis and treatment of viral infections
P. Solidoro (Turin, Italy)

17:50 - 18:10 **Expert-driven discussion**

P. Comoli (Pavia, Italy), E. Cozzi (Padua, Italy), M. Sester (Homburg, Germany), S. Sica (Rome, Italy), P. Solidoro (Turin, Italy)



Thursday, 18th September

Immunosuppressive therapy

Chairs: O. Bestard (Barcelona, Spain), F. Citterio (Rome, Italy)

09:00 - 09:20 New immunosuppressive agents - *U. Maggiore (Parma, Italy)*

09:20 - 09:40 Immunosuppressive strategies and infectious risk in solid organ transplantation - *F. Citterio (Rome, Italy)*

09:40 - 10:00 Immunosuppressive strategies and infectious risk in hematopoietic stem cell transplantation - *M. Malagola (Brescia, Italy)*

10:00 - 10:20 Tolerance induction in solid organ transplantation
G. Remuzzi (Milano, Italy)

10:20 - 10:40 Personalized immunosuppression in kidney transplantation
O. Bestard (Barcelona, Spain)

10:40 - 11:10 **Expert-driven discussion**

*O. Bestard (Barcelona, Spain), F. Citterio (Rome, Italy),
U. Maggiore (Parma, Italy), M. Malagola (Brescia, Italy),
G. Remuzzi (Milano, Italy)*

11:10 - 11:40 **Break**

HIV

Chairs: A.M. Cattelan (Padova, Italy), P. Grossi (Varese, Italy)

11:40 - 12:00 Advances in HIV treatment - *A.M. Cattelan (Padova, Italy)*

12:00 - 12:20 Solid organ transplantation in HIV-infected patients
J. Fung (Chicago, USA)

12:20 - 12:40 Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation in HIV-infected patients
A. Re (Brescia, Italy)

12:40 - 13:00 The new frontiers: solid organ transplantation from HIV+ donor to HIV+ recipient - The U.S. Perspective - *M. Rana (New York, USA)*

13:00 - 13:30 **Expert-driven discussion**

*A.M. Cattelan (Padova, Italy), J. Fung (Chicago, USA), P. Grossi (Varese, Italy),
M. Rana (New York, USA), A. Re (Brescia, Italy)*

13:30 - 14:30 **Lunch**

Fungal Infections

Chairs: J.M. Aguado (Madrid, Spain), M. Sanguinetti (Rome, Italy)

14:30 - 14:50 Diagnosis of invasive fungal infections in the immunocompromised patient: what's new? - *M. Sanguinetti (Rome, Italy)*

14:50 - 15:10 Fungal infections in solid organ transplantation
J.M. Aguado (Madrid, Spain)

15:10 - 15:30 Fungal infections in hematopoietic stem cell transplantation
E. Kampouri (Losanne, Switzerland)

15:30 - 15:50 Emerging mycoses - *L. Pagano (Rome, Italy)*

15:50 - 16:10 New treatment options for fungal infections in the immunocompromised patient - *M. Mikulska (Genoa, Italy)*

16:10 - 16:30 **Expert-driven discussion**

*J.M. Aguado (Madrid, Spain), E. Kampouri (Losanne, Switzerland),
M. Mikulska (Genoa, Italy), L. Pagano (Rome, Italy),
M. Sanguinetti (Rome, Italy)*

CMV

Chairs: P. Grossi (Varese, Italy), P. Ljungman (Stockholm, Sweden)

16:30 - 16:50 CMV infection in hematopoietic stem cell transplantation: current trends and perspectives - *P. Ljungman (Stockholm, Sweden)*

16:50 - 17:10 CMV infection in solid organ transplantation: current trends and perspectives - *J. Fishman (Boston, USA)*

17:10 - 17:30 Viral infections diagnosis: current trends and perspectives
T. Lazzarotto (Bologna, Italy)

17:30 - 17:50 Mechanism of action of old and new antiviral agents
F. Baldanti (Pavia, Italy)

17:50 - 18:10 **Expert-driven discussion**

*F. Baldanti (Pavia, Italy), J. Fishman (Boston, USA), P. Grossi (Varese, Italy),
T. Lazzarotto (Bologna, Italy), P. Ljungman (Stockholm, Sweden)*



Friday, 19th September

HBV and HDV

Chairs: L. De Carlis (Milan, Italy), J. Fung (Chicago, USA)

09:00 - 09:20 Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation in HBV-infected patients
M. Malagola (Brescia, Italy)

09:20 - 09:40 Liver transplantation for HDV/HBV coinfection
R. Angelico (Rome, Italy)

09:40 - 10:00 Therapeutic strategies for HBV and HDV infection
P. Lampertico (Milan, Italy)

10:00 - 10:20 HBV relapse prevention following liver transplantation
M. Angelico (Rome, Italy)

10:20 - 10:40 Liver transplantation in HBV-infected patients
P. Burra (Padova, Italy)

10:40 - 11:00 **Expert-driven discussion**
*M. Angelico (Rome, Italy), R. Angelico (Rome, Italy),
P. Burra (Padova, Italy), L. De Carlis (Milan, Italy), J. Fung (Chicago, USA),
P. Lampertico (Milan, Italy), M. Malagola (Brescia, Italy)*

11:00 - 11:30 **Break**

HCV

Chairs: L. De Carlis (Milan, Italy), J. Fung (Chicago, USA)

11:30 - 11:50 Liver transplantation in patients with HCC - *V. Mazzaferro (Milan, Italy)*

11:50 - 12:10 HCV treatment in solid organ transplantation
M. Gambato (Padova, Italy)

12:10 - 12:30 Solid organ transplantation from donors with HCV infection
M. Rana (New York, USA)

12:30 - 12:50 Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation in HCV-infected patients
F.P. Russo (Padova, Italy)

12:50 - 13:10 **Expert-driven discussion**
*L. De Carlis (Milan, Italy), J. Fung (Chicago, USA),
M. Gambato (Padova, Italy), V. Mazzaferro (Milan, Italy),
M. Rana (New York, USA), F.P. Russo (Padova, Italy)*

13:10 - 14:10 **Lunch**

Emerging Issues

Chairs: E. Bernasconi (Lugano, Switzerland), C. Garzoni (Lugano, Switzerland)

14:10 - 14:30 Polyomavirus in solid organ transplantation

H. Hirsch (Basel, Switzerland)

14:30 - 14:50 Emerging tropical viral infections in solid organ transplantation

L. Camera Pierrotti (Sao Paulo, Brazil)

14:50 - 15:10 Respiratory viruses infections: current trends and perspectives

M. Peghin (Varese, Italy)

15:10 - 15:30 Emerging viral infections in immunocompromised patients

G. Ippolito (Rome, Italy)

15:30 - 15:50 Vaccination in immunocompromised transplant recipients

A. Vollaard (Bilthoven, Netherlands)

15:50 - 16:10 COVID-19 and solid organ transplantation - *J. Fishman (Boston, USA)*

16:10 - 16:30 **Expert-driven discussion**

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J. Fishman (Boston, USA), C. Garzoni (Lugano, Switzerland),

H. Hirsch (Basel, Switzerland), G. Ippolito (Rome, Italy),

M. Peghin (Varese, Italy), A. Vollaard (Bilthoven, Netherlands)

16:30 - 16:40 Congress Closing and CME Questionnaire

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