



# Infections & Transplantation

9<sup>th</sup> International Congress

**6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2023**  
**Varese | Palace Grand Hotel**

President of the congress:  
**Paolo A. Grossi, Varese**



## Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> September

08:45 – 09:00 **Registration**

09:00 – 09:15 **Welcome speech and introduction**

### **Institutional Session**

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

09:35 – 09:55 The new Council of Europe guide for the quality and safety of organs for transplantation - *B. Dominguez Gil (Madrid, Spain)*

09:55 – 10:15 Infection in xenotransplantation: the new frontier  
*J. Fishman (Boston, USA)*

### **Bacterial infections**

10:15 – 10:35 Fast-track microbiology in organ donation and transplantation  
*S. Stefani (Catania, 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 - *C. Van Delden (Geneva, Switzerland)*

11:35 – 12:00 **Break**

### **Bacterial infections**

12:00 – 12:20 New treatment options for gram+ infections in hematopoietic stem cell transplantation - *F. Menichetti (Pisa, Italy)*

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

12:40 – 13:00 VAD (Ventricular Assist Device)-related infections  
*M. Rinaldi (Turin, Italy)*

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

*E. Concia (Verona, Italy), M. Mikulska (Genoa, Italy),  
A. Ranghino (Ancona, Italy), M. Rinaldi (Turin, Italy),  
P. Vitulo (Palermo, Italy)*

13:30 – 14:30 **Lunch**

**Ethical issues**

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 disease as part of communication about organ donation and transplantation  
*G. Randhawa (Bedfordshire, UK)*

15:10 – 15:30 Shared decision-making as a critical aspect for the quality and safety of transplantation - *A.A. Grossi (Varese, Italy)*

15:30 – 15:50 Older age and more marginal organ donors  
*N. Jansen (Leiden, Netherlands)*

15:50 – 16:10 *Expert-driven discussion*

*M. Cardillo (Rome, Italy), T.M. De Feo (Milan, Italy),  
C.L. Fischer-Froehlich (Stuttgart, Germany),  
U. Maggiore (Parma, Italy), G. Piccolo (Milan, Italy)*

**Immunology of viral infections**

16:10 – 16:30 Adoptive immunotherapy in viral infections prevention and treatment - *P. Comoli (Pavia, Italy)*

16:30 – 16:50 Off-the-shelf virus-specific T cells to treat viral infections  
*A. Leen (Houston, USA)*

16:50 – 17:10 Immunoglobulins for prophylaxis and treatment of viral infections  
*E. Cozzi (Padova, Italy)*

17:10 – 17:30 *Expert-driven discussion*

*E. Cozzi (Padova, Italy), P. A. Grossi (Varese, Italy),  
G. Piccolo (Milan, Italy), P. Solidoro (Turin, Italy)*



## Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> September

### Immunosuppressive therapy

- 09:00 – 09:20 New immunosuppressive agents - *J. M. Grinyò (Barcelona, Spain)*
- 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 - *A. Rambaldi (Bergamo, Italy)*
- 10:00 – 10:20 Tolerance induction in solid organ transplantation  
*F. Casiraghi (Bergamo, Italy)*
- 10:20 – 10:40 Personalized immunosuppression in kidney transplantation  
*R. Oberbauer (Wien, Austria)*
- 10:40 – 11:10 **Expert-driven discussion**  
*F. Citterio (Rome, Italy), J. Fishman (Boston, USA),  
P. A. Grossi (Varese, Italy), U. Maggiore (Parma, Italy),  
F. Casiraghi (Bergamo, Italy), L. Furian (Padova, Italy),*
- 11:10 – 11:40 **Break**
- HIV**
- 11:40 – 12:00 Advances in HIV treatment - *A. Castagna (Milan, 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 - *C. Durand (Baltimore, USA)*
- 13:00 – 13:30 **Expert-driven discussion**  
*L. Camera Pierrotti (Sao Paulo, Brazil), C. Durand (Baltimore, USA),  
J. Fishman (Boston, USA), - P.A. Grossi (Varese, Italy),  
U. Maggiore (Parma, Italy), - G. Rizzardini (Milan, Italy)*

13:30 – 14:30 **Lunch**

**Fungal Infections**

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  
*P.E. Verweij (Nijmegen, Netherlands)*

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*

*M. Mikulska (Genoa, Italy), A. Mularoni (Palermo, Italy),  
M. Salizzoni (Turin, Italy), G. Sganga (Rome, Italy)*

**COVID-19 and solid organ transplantation**

16:30 – 16:50 COVID-19 and solid organ transplantation - *J. Fishman (Boston, USA)*

16:50 – 17:10 Immunosuppressive therapy in solid organ transplant recipients with COVID-19 - *U. Maggiore (Parma, Italy)*

17:10 – 17:30 Liver transplantation from SARS-CoV2+ donors  
*R. Romagnoli (Turin, Italy)*

17:30 – 17:50 Prevention and treatment of COVID-19 in solid organ transplant recipients - *S. Aslam (San Diego, USA)*

17:50 – 18:10 Diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 infection - *N. Mancini (Varese)*

18:10 – 18:30 *Expert-driven discussion*

*J. Fishman (Boston, USA), R. Romagnoli (Turin, Italy),  
S. Aslam (San Diego, USA), U. Maggiore (Parma, Italy),  
P. A. Grossi (Varese, Italy), M. Peghin (Peghin, Italy)*



## Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> September

### CMV

- 09:00 – 09:20 CMV infection in hematopoietic stem cell transplantation: current trends and perspectives - *P. Ljungman (Stockholm, Sweden)*
- 09:20 – 09:40 CMV infection in solid organ transplantation: current trends and perspectives - *J. Fishman (Boston, USA)*
- 09:40 – 10:00 Viral infections diagnosis: current trends and perspectives  
*T. Lazzarotto (Bologna, Italy)*
- 10:00 – 10:20 Mechanism of action of old and new antiviral agent  
*F. Baldanti (Pavia, Italy)*

### 10:20 – 10:50 *Expert-driven discussion*

*F. Baldanti (Pavia, Italy), L. Camera Pierrotti (Sao Paulo, Brazil), P. A. Grossi (Varese, Italy), T. Lazzarotto (Bologna, Italy), L. Santambrogio (Milan, Italy)*

### 10:50 – 11:20 **Break**

### HBV

- 11:20 – 11:40 Therapeutic strategies for HBV and HDV infections  
*P. Lampertico (Milan, Italy)*
- 11:40 – 12:00 Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation in HBV-infected patients  
*P. Burra (Padova, Italy)*
- 12:00 – 12:20 HBV relapse prevention following liver transplantation -  
*M. Angelico (Rome, Italy)*

### HCV

- 12:20 – 12:40 HCV treatment in solid organ transplantation  
*M. Gambato (Padova, Italy)*
- 12:40 – 13:00 Solid organ transplantation from donors with hcv infection  
*C. Durand (Baltimore, USA)*
- 13:00 – 13:20 Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation in HCV-infected patients - *F. Russo (Padova, Italy)*
- 13:20 – 13:50 *Expert-driven discussion*  
*U. Cillo (Padova, Italy), M. Colombo (Milan, Italy), L. De Carlis (Milan, Italy), L. Furian (Padova, Italy), G.B. Gaeta (Naples, Italy), M. Tavio (Ancona, Italy)*

13:50 – 14:50 **Lunch**

**Emerging Issues**

14:50 – 15:10 Polyomavirus in solid organ transplantation

*H. Hirsch (Basel, Switzerland)*

15:10 – 15:30 Emerging tropical viral infections in solid organ transplantation

*L. Camera Pierrotti (Sao Paulo, Brazil)*

15:30 – 15:50 Respiratory viruses infections: current trends and perspectives

*M. Peghin (Varese, Italy)*

15:50 – 16:10 Emerging viral infections in immunocompromised patients

*G. Ippolito (Rome, Italy)*

16:10 – 16:30 Vaccination in immunocompromised transplant recipients

*P.A. Grossi (Varese, Italy)*

16:30 – 16:50 **Expert-driven discussion**

*A. Ambrosini (Varese, Italy), G. Carcano (Varese, Italy),*

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

*P.A. Grossi (Varese, Italy), G. Ippolito (Rome, Italy),*

*E. Minetti (Milan, Italy)*

16:50 – 17:00 **Congress Closing and CME Questionnaire**

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