Associazione Italiana di Neuro-Oncologia

SWISS NEURO-ONCOLOGY SOCIETY

ITALIAN - SWISS NEURO - ONCOLOGY MEETING

Verona

Aula Magna – Silos di Ponente
Polo Santa Marta – University of Verona

26th - 28th
March 2026

Summary

Dear Colleagues,

since 2013 through 2017 and 2022 a conjoint Swiss-Italian meeting of Neuro-Oncology has been successfully organized in Lugano, Torino and Lugano again.

Now, a 4th meeting is being organized in Verona (26-28 March 2026) with the aim of reviewing and discussing the latest advances in the field of primary and secondary brain tumors.

As for Basic Science and Pathology major topics will be molecular classification of meningiomas and role of liquid biopsies. Advances in Neuroimaging will cover new techniques, role of PET and radioligand therapy. Moreover, a number of innovative therapies will be reviewed, such as histone inhibitors, CAR-T cells, TTF device and IDH inhibitors. Hot surgical and radiation issues will be also discussed.

The last day will be devoted to Brain and Leptomeningeal Metastases, Supportive/Palliative Care and Scientific Presentations by Young Investigators.

We are sure that all participants will take an advantage from the relevant multidisciplinary professional experience.

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Programma

March 26
Thursday afternoon

17.00 Registration and Welcome
R. Rudà, M. Weller
F. Sala, G.F. Pesce

18.00 **Opening Lecture**
Advances in target therapy and immunotherapy in IDHwt gliomas
M. Weller

19.00 Welcome Cocktail

March 27
Friday morning

8.15 Introduction
R. Rudà, M. Weller
F. Sala, A. Hottinger

NOVELTIES IN BASIC SCIENCE AND PATHOLOGY

Chairs: **A. Silvani, P. Roth**

8.30 Improvements in meningioma classification by novel molecular and computational pathology tools
L. Bertero

8.50 HLA ligandome analyses in brain tumors
M. Neidert

9.10 Tumor- infiltrating lymphocyte therapy in glioblastoma
S. Pellegatta

9.30 Liquid biopsies: their emerging role
T. Weiss

9.50 Panel Discussion

10.10 Coffee Break

ADVANCES IN NEUROIMAGING OF GLIOMAS

Chairs: **B. Bonetti, G. Hutter**

10.30 Advanced MRI methods to characterize the metabolic and microenvironmental heterogeneity in gliomas
A. Castellano

10.50 Imaging the IDH mutation
R. Wiest

11.10 FDOPA PET in monitoring gliomas
S. Morbelli

11.30 Radioligand therapy
TBC

11.50 Panel Discussion

FOCUS ON INNOVATIVE THERAPEUTIC APPROACHES

Chairs: **R. Rudà, T. Weiss**

12.10 Histone-mutant gliomas
E. Le Rhun

12.30 CAR-T cells in pediatric gliomas
A. Mastronuzzi

12.50 Panel Discussion

13.00 Lunch break

HIGH GRADE GLIOMAS

Chairs: **D. Garbossa, G.F. Pesce**

14.00 Fluorescence-guided surgery for malignant gliomas: an Italian experience
F. Acerbi

14.20 TTF studies update
A. Hottinger

14.40 Reirradiation in high grade gliomas
P. Navarria

15.10 Update on the RESURGE trial
P. Schucht

15.30 Panel Discussion

15.50 Coffee break

16.10 **Keynote Lecture**
Novel techniques to investigate brain connectivity during asleep surgery for brain gliomas
F. Sala (President EANS)

LOW GRADE GLIOMAS

Chairs: **S. Sarubbo, P. Schucht**

16.40 Supratotal resection
L. Bello

17.00 Novel surgical approaches
G. Hutter

17.20 IDH inhibition: monitoring of tumor growth and seizure control
R. Rudà

17.40 IDH inhibition: current clinical trial landscape
D. Gramatzki

18.00 Panel Discussion

CONTROVERSIES IN INCIDENTAL GLIOMAS

Chairs: **F. Pessina, D. Migliorini**

18.20 **T. Ius and K. Seystahl**

18.50-19.00 Closure of the day

March 28
Saturday morning

BRAIN AND LEPTOMENINGEAL METASTASES

Chairs: **R. Soffietti, E. Le Rhun**

8.30 Farewell to WBRT
G.F. Pesce

8.50 Controversy: SRT as initial therapy for multiple brain metastases
A. Nicolato

9.10 Controversy: targeted therapies as initial therapy for multiple brain metastases
TBC

9.30 Combination of radiosurgery and immunotherapy for brain metastases
TBC

9.50 Leptomeningeal metastases: What's new?
B. Muoio

10.10 Coffee break

SUPPORTIVE AND PALLIATIVE CARE

Chairs: **G. Lombardi, G. Pesce**

10.30 Palliative care in Neuro-Oncology: an Italian multi-societies (SIN, SICP, AINO) Guideline
A. Pace

10.50 Timely integration of palliative care in patients with brain tumors
C. Hertler

11.10 Panel Discussion
Chairs: **E. Franceschi, B. Muoio**

11.20 – 12.20 6 Selected oral presentations from youngsters 10 minutes
(3 Italian, 3 Swiss)

12.30 Closing Remarks

Faculty

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Lorenzo Bello ..... Milano
Luca Bertero ..... Torino
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