



European Pancreatic Club – European Society of Pathology – Postgraduate course

Wednesday, July 2nd, 2025 | Early Diagnosis of Pancreatic Cancer – 2025 Update

Venue: University of Dusseldorf, University Hospital – Auditorium 13 A / 13 B, Moorenstrasse 5, 40225 Dusseldorf, Germany

10:00 hrs	Welcome <i>Irene Esposito (Dusseldorf, Germany)</i>
Session 1:	Morphology and genetics of PDAC precursors in humans and animal models <i>Chairs: Ivonne Regel (Munich, Germany) / Caroline Verbeke (Oslo, Norway)</i>
10:05 - 10:30 hrs	Precursor lesions and early PDAC: morphology <i>Volkan Adsay (Istanbul, Turkey)</i>
10:30 - 10:55 hrs	Precursor lesions and early PDAC: genetics <i>Claudio Luchini (Verona, Italy)</i>
10:55 - 11:20 hrs	Animal models of PDAC precursors: not only mice <i>Katja Steiger (Munich, Germany)</i>
11:20 - 11:45 hrs	Use of animal models to dissect the genetics of the human disease <i>Roland Rad (Munich, Germany)</i>
11:45 - 12:10 hrs	Dissecting the ecosystem of PDAC precursors <i>Barbara T. Gruenwald (Essen, Germany)</i>
12:15 - 12:45 hrs	Keynote lecture: The Neandertal legacy in pancreatic cancer <i>Daniele Campa (Pisa, Italy)</i>
12:45 - 13:45 hrs	Lunch break
12:45 - 13:45 hrs	Pancreatic cancer: Call to prevention and screening – can we do more? <i>Moderators: Gabriella Lionetto (Verona, Italy); Patrick Michl (Heidelberg, Germany); Letizia Procaccio (Padua, Italy)</i>
12:50 - 13:00 hrs	Pancreatic cancer – a raising but neglected threat? <i>Nuria Malats (Madrid, Spain)</i>
13:00 - 13:10 hrs	Pancreatic cystic lesions: What do we need to optimize screening efforts? <i>Gabriele Capurso (Milan, Italy)</i>
13:10 - 13:20 hrs	New-onset diabetics – ready for screening? <i>Hans Scheruebl (Berlin, Germany)</i>
13:20 - 13:30 hrs	Genetics high-risk individuals – do we know enough? <i>Salvatore Paiella (Verona, Italy)</i>
13:30 – 13:40 hrs	Enzyme replacement – shortcomings across Europe <i>Afrodita-Oana Panaitescu (Bucharest, Romania)</i>

Session 2:		Identification and treatment of high-risk patients
		<i>Chairs: Thomas Gress (Marburg, Germany) / Núria Malats (Madrid, Spain)</i>
13:45 - 14:10 hrs	Pancreatic Cancer Europe: Challenges and achievements <i>Patrycja Rzadkowska (Brussels, Belgium) – invited</i>	
14:10 - 14:35 hrs	High-risk populations & polygenic risk scores <i>Evangelina López de Maturana (Madrid, Spain)</i>	
14:35 - 15:00 hrs	Liquid Biopsy approaches for early detection <i>Susanne Roth (Tuebingen, Germany)</i>	
15:00 - 15:25 hrs	Biosensors: the new frontier of disease detection <i>Eleonora Macchia / Luisa Torsi (Bari, Italy)</i>	
15:25 - 15:50 hrs	Technical challenges and new developments in EUS diagnostics <i>Livia Archibugi (Milan, Italy)</i>	
15:50 - 16:15 hrs	Radiomics takes it all <i>Rickmer Braren (Munich, Germany)</i>	
16:15 - 16:45 hrs		Coffee break
16:45 - 17:10 hrs	The 5 W (who-what-when-where-why) of surgical treatment in high-risk patients <i>Roberto Salvia (Verona, Italy)</i>	
17:10 - 17:30 hrs	How to improve perioperative care <i>Andrè Mihaljevic (Tuebingen, Germany)</i>	
Session 3:		Case discussion – Discussion of cases presented by junior colleagues
		<i>Chairs: Livia Archibugi (Milan, Italy); Rickmer Braren (Munich, Germany); Marco del Chiaro (Denver/CO, USA); Claudio Luchini (Verona, Italy)</i>
17:30 - 17:50 hrs	When pathology speaks louder than imaging: Unmasking a biliary malignancy hidden behind a pancreatic facade <i>Rita Vesce (Dusseldorf, Germany)</i>	
17:50 - 18:10 hrs	Intraductal papillary squamous neoplasm (IPSN) of the pancreas: another intraductal precursor of pancreatic cancer? <i>Calogero Ciulla (Verona, Italy)</i>	
18:10 - 18:30 hrs	Simple Mucinous Cyst: unknown, infrequent and...harmless? <i>Judith Millastre Bocos (Zaragoza, Spain)</i>	
18:30 hrs		Wrap up
		<i>Irene Esposito (Dusseldorf, Germany)</i>