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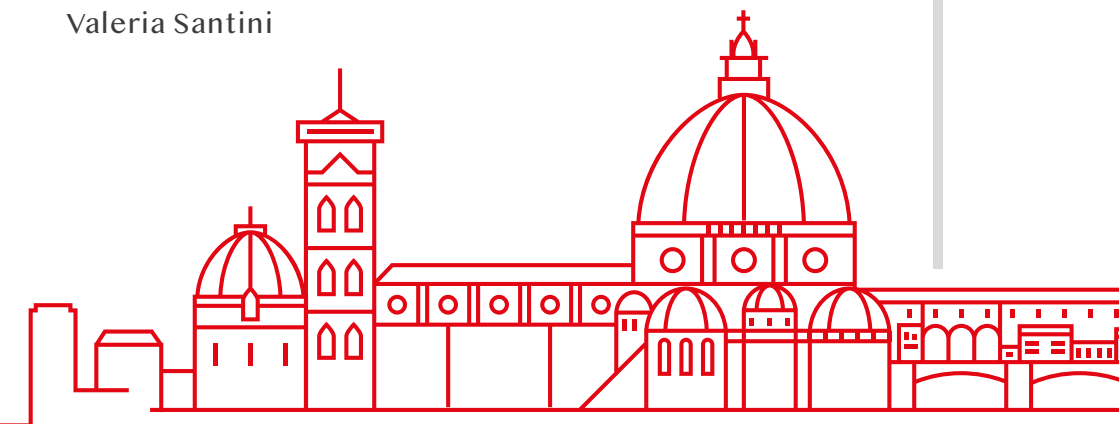
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Introduction

Hematology is a continuously evolving discipline, standing at the crossroads between laboratory research and clinical practice. It is constantly informed by breakthroughs in genetics and pathophysiology that translate, at an incredible pace, into diagnostic, prognostic, and therapeutic benefits for patients.

This fourth edition of the Florence Symposium will host world-renowned International Key Opinion Leaders (KOLs) who will present the latest updates in both oncologic and non-oncologic hematologic diseases, with the aim of fostering knowledge and interaction among all participants.

Alessandro Maria Vannucchi

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Preliminary Program





1st DAY

NOVEMBER 12th, 2026

01:30 p.m. - 01:40 p.m.

A.M. Vannucchi (Florence, IT)
Welcome and Introduction



Session I: Acute Leukemias I

Chairperson: **A. Venditti** (Rome, IT)

01:40 p.m. - 02:00 p.m.

C. Papayannidis (Bologna, IT)
**NPM1-AML: novel understanding
and novel therapies**

02:00 p.m. - 02:20 p.m.

N. Gangat (Rochester, USA)
**The era of lower-intensity and targeted
regimens: who is really unfit?**

02:20 p.m. - 02:30 p.m.

Panel discussion

INFOCUS 1

02:30 p.m. - 03:00 p.m.

F. Mannelli (Florence, IT)
Introduction

M. P. Martelli (Perugia, IT)
**Maintenance therapy in acute myeloid
leukemia: from historical controversy to
precision strategy**

INFOCUS 2

03:00 p.m. - 03:30 p.m.

C. Nozzoli (Florence, IT)
Introduction

A. Ruggeri (Milan, IT)
**Long term efficacy and survivorship in
CAR-T cell therapy**

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INFOCUS 3

03:30 p.m. - 04:00 p.m.

A. Sanna (Florence, IT)

Introduction

O. Al-Sawaf (Cologne, DE)

**Translating clinical trial evidence into
daily practice in CLL treatment**

04:00 p.m. - 04:20 p.m.

Coffee break

Session II: Multiple Myeloma

Chairperson: **S. Galimberti** (Pisa, IT)

04:20 p.m. - 04:40 p.m.

A. Larocca (Turin, IT)

**New treatment paradigm for newly
diagnosed elderly patients**

04:40 p.m. - 05:00 p.m.

X. Leleu (Poitiers, FR)

Anti-BCMA therapies in R/R MM

05:00 p.m. - 05:10 p.m.

Panel discussion

INFOCUS 4

05:10 p.m. - 05:40 p.m.

E. Antonioli (Florence, IT)

Introduction

C. Botta (Palermo, IT)

**MRD-directed therapy for multiple
myeloma**



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Session III: Hot topics

Chairperson: **M. Bocchia** (Siena, IT)

05:40 p.m. - 06:00 p.m.

F. Zaja (Trieste, IT)

Target therapy of immune thrombocytopenia

06:00 p.m. - 06:20 p.m.

T. Barbui (Bergamo, IT)

Inflammation, thrombosis and cancer: where's the link?

06:20 p.m. - 06:40 p.m.

D. Girelli (Verona, IT)

Regulation of Hepcidin metabolism: challenges and opportunities

06:40 p.m. - 06:50 p.m.

Panel discussion



INFOCUS 5

06:50 p.m. - 07:20 p.m.

V. Santini (Florence, IT)

Introduction

L. Malcovati (Pavia, IT)

Shedding light on clonal cytopenias and related diseases

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Session IV: Chronic Myeloproliferative Neoplasms

Chairperson: **A. Tefferi** (Rochester, USA)

08:30 a.m. - 08:50 a.m.

F. Passamonti (Milan, IT)

Are JAK inhibitors all the same for myelofibrosis?

08:50 a.m. - 09:10 a.m.

J. J. Kiladjan (Paris, FR)

Interferon for MPN: old story, new avenues

09:10 a.m. - 09:30 a.m.

J. Gotlib (Stanford, USA)

Approved and novel therapies for systemic mastocytosis

09:30 a.m. - 09:40 a.m.

Panel discussion

IN FOCUS 6

09:40 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.

M. Martino (Reggio Calabria, IT)

Introduction

C. Craddock (Birmingham, UK)

Allogeneic transplant: adapting to targeted and MRD-guided treatment paradigms

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Session V: Lymphomas

Chairperson: **L. Arcaini** (Pavia, IT)

10:10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

A. Sureda (Barcelona, ES)

After first line therapy in Hodgkin diseases

10:30 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.

M. Hutchings (Copenhagen, DK)

Bispecifics and CAR-T in follicular lymphoma: current and future directions

10:50 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.

M. Hutchings (Copenhagen, DK)

Current and evolving therapeutic approaches for DLBCL

11:10 a.m. - 11:20 a.m.

Panel discussion

11:20 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.

Coffee break

IN FOCUS 7

11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

P. Guglielmelli (Florence, IT)

Introduction

N. Kröger (Hamburg, DE)

Implementing transplantation strategies for the management of myelofibrosis

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SPECIAL LECTURE

12:10 p.m. - 12:40 p.m.

A. M. Vannucchi (Florence, IT)

Introduction

A. Tefferi (Rochester, US)

MDS/MPN: what's behind a name?

12:40 p.m. - 01:10 p.m.

Selected oral communications

01:10 p.m. - 01:40 p.m.

Lunch

01:40 p.m. - 02:10 p.m.

Selected oral communications



Session VI: Acute Leukemias II

Chairperson: **M. P. Martelli** (Perugia, IT)

02:10 p.m. - 02:30 p.m.

M. T. Voso (Rome, IT)

APL: lessons still to learn

02:30 p.m. - 02:50 p.m.

R. La Starza (Perugia, IT)

**Molecular insights for targeted therapy
in T-ALL/LBL**

02:50 p.m. - 03:00 p.m.

Panel discussion

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INFOCUS 8

03:00 p.m. - 03:30 p.m.

F. Pane (Naples, IT)

Introduction

M. Breccia (Rome, IT)

**From log of molecular response to TFR
in CML: did we get it?**

03:30 p.m. - 03:50 p.m.

Coffee break

Session VII: Hot Topics II

Chairperson: **N. Gangat** (Rochester, USA)



03:50 p.m. - 04:10 p.m.

M. Della Porta (Milan, IT)

Risk-adapted therapy in MDS

04:10 p.m. - 04:30 p.m.

F. Peyvandi (Milan, IT)

Novel therapies for hemophilia

04:30 p.m. - 04:50 p.m.

D. Rees (London, UK)

Gene therapy for hemoglobinopathies

04:50 p.m. - 05:10 p.m.

D. Efremov (Skopje, MK)

**Molecular mechanisms of Richter
transformation**

05:10 p.m. - 05:20 p.m.

A. M. Vannucchi (Florence, IT)

Closure of the meeting

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Meeting venue

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Registrations

No registration fee is required to attend the meeting

The registration form is available at the following link:

<https://targettherapyinhematology.com/>

Official language

English. Simultaneous translation will not be provided

Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits

The application for CME accreditation has been submitted to the Italian Ministry of Health for Italian Physicians (disciplines: Hematology, Internal Medicine, Oncology, Anatomic Pathology, Medical Genetics, Medical Genetics Laboratory, Transfusion Medicine).

In-person Congress

- CME provider AVEC: ID 2299 – event ID 493986
- Nr. CME credits: 12

CME credits will be awarded only to participants who attend at least 90% of the scientific program and achieve a minimum score of 75% on the Learning Questionnaire.

Attendance will be recorded on site.

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Please note that access to the congress areas will not be permitted without an official congress badge.

Certificates of Attendance will be available at the registration desk at the end of the event.

Technical facilities

A Slide Centre with PCs (Windows and Macintosh operating systems) will be available for Speakers to check and preview their presentations. Speakers are kindly requested to submit their presentations on USB flash drive to the Slide Centre technicians at least one hour before the opening of the Session.



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