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PREFACE

Dear colleagues and friends,

it is our privilege and honor to invite you cordially to the Symposium “Immuno-Mediated Diseases of the GI Tract: Where Do We Stand?” in Florence (Italy).

While the prevalence of immuno-mediated diseases of the gastrointestinal tract increases, relevant progress in the field of celiac disease, eosinophilic esophagitis, inflammatory bowel disease and microscopic colitis has been observed. In order to learn from each other, to discuss the novel insights in gastrointestinal immunopathology, as well as diagnosis and therapeutic approaches while fostering interaction, we designed this cross-diseases symposium.

The program aims to mix lectures and knowledge in an attempt to learn from outstanding experts in the field of immuno-mediated diseases of the gastrointestinal tract. We will discuss novel pathways in pathophysiology, the role of the microbiome and exposome, current management algorithms, and new treatment options that might be relevant for clinical practice not only for a specific condition. Moreover, we will discuss current dietary approaches for these disorders, given the primary role of diet in today’s practice.

We look forward to meeting you in the wonderful city of Florence for this exciting symposium, with the opportunity to learn, but also to meet with friends and colleagues from Europe and all over the world.

Looking forward to meeting you in Florence,

Flavio Caprioli, Nicola de Bortoli, Axel Dignass, Iris Dotan,
Edoardo V. Savarino

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Flavio Caprioli, Milan
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Iris Dotan, Petah Tikva
Edoardo V. Savarino, Padua

Congress Venue:

Palazzo dei Congressi
Piazza Adua 1
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Call for Posters:

A poster session will be held.
For details see page 15.

Start of Registration:

Thursday, November 7, 2024
16:00-20:00 h
at the congress office

Publication Date of the Final Program:

October 2024

The final program will be available on the website www.falkfoundation.org one week before the start of the symposium.

Friday, November 8, 2024

9:00 Welcome and opening remarks
Edoardo V. Savarino, Padua

9:10 **State of the Art Lecture:** Examining complex biological systems: Holistic vs reductionistic approaches. Benefits and drawbacks
Matthieu Allez, Paris

SESSION I

Epidemiology of chronic gastrointestinal disorders: Road to 2030

Chairs: *Nicola de Bortoli, Pisa; Tine Jess, Copenhagen*

9:30 Epidemiologic burden and projections for eosinophilic esophagitis
Christopher Ma, Calgary

9:50 Celiac disease epidemiology: Population screening or case finding strategy
David S. Sanders, Sheffield

10:10 Update on the molecular epidemiology of IBD
Tine Jess, Copenhagen

10:30 Microscopic colitis: New results of the prospective European MC registry
Andreas Münch, Linköping

10:50 **Coffee break with poster session**

SESSION II

Pathophysiology of immune mediated gastrointestinal disorders - lessons for clinicians

Chairs: *Federica Facciotti, Milan; Federica Ungaro, Milan*

11:20 Mechanisms of Type 2 immunity in eosinophilic esophagitis
Marc E. Rothenberg, Cincinnati

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11:40 Interaction between gluten and immune system in celiac disease
Detlef Schuppan, Mainz

12:00 Interplay between epithelium and the mucosal immune system in inflammatory bowel diseases
Britta Siegmund, Berlin

12:20 Microscopic colitis: Immunological insights
Celia Escudero-Hernández, Kiel

12:40 **Lunch with poster session**

SESSION III

Current therapeutic and monitoring algorithms: Practical guidelines for clinicians

Chairs: *Flavio Caprioli, Milan, Axel Dignass, Frankfurt*

14:00 Monitoring patients with eosinophilic esophagitis in routine clinical practice
Glenn Furuta, Aurora

14:20 Monitoring celiac disease activity and gluten free diet adherence
Luca Elli, Milan

14:40 TANDEM: Inflammatory bowel disease: PROs, biomarkers, endoscopy, ultrasonography or all?
Alessandro Armuzzi, Milan; Hagar Banai-Eran, Petah Tikva

15:10 Microscopic colitis: Impact of cohort studies on monitoring and therapeutic algorithms
Hamed Khalili, Danvers

15:30 **Coffee break with poster session**

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SESSION IV

Current therapeutic strategies in different settings of IBD

Chairs: *Gerard Rogler, Zurich; Jürgen Schölmerich, Hofheim*

16:00 Inflammatory bowel disease and primary sclerosing cholangitis:
One disease or two?
Nora Cazzagon, Padua

16:20 Ulcerative proctitis – just UC or a different to treat entity?
Ferdinando D'Amico, Milan

16:40 TANDEM: Management of stricturing Crohn's disease
Willem A. Bemelman, Amsterdam; Charlotte Hedin, Solna

17:10 Cutaneous manifestations in IBD: How to manage
Pascal Juillerat, Bern/Fribourg

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8:30 Welcome
Edoardo V. Savarino, Padua

SESSION V

Future therapeutic strategies in immune mediated gastrointestinal disorders

Chairs: *Iris Dotan, Petah Tikva; Edoardo V. Savarino, Padua*

8:40 TANDEM: Eosinophilic esophagitis therapy: Topical steroids or biologics?
Luc Biedermann, Zurich; Arjan Bredenoord, Amsterdam

9:10 Drug based therapies for celiac disease
Michael Schumann, Berlin

9:30 IBD treatments: what is new and in your clinic next years?
Silvio Danese, Milan

9:50 Treatment of MC patients with budesonide-failure
Andreas Münch, Linköping

10:10 **Coffee break with poster session**

SESSION VI

Disease-specific nutrition, current algorithm and future trends

Chairs: *Paolo Lionetti, Florence; Ulrike von Arnim, Magdeburg*

10:40 TANDEM Eosinophilic esophagitis: To diet or not to diet, that's the question?
Nirmala Gonsalves, Chicago; Alfredo Lucendo, Tomelloso

11:10 Qualitative aspects of a mediterranean gluten free diet in celiac disease
Nick Trott, Sheffield

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11:30 TANDEM: Do diets provide a feasible and effective personalized treatment approach in IBD?
Rotem Sigall-Boneh, Tel Aviv; Julie van der Stappen, Leuven

12:00 Presentation of poster awards
Flavio Caprioli, Milan; Nicola de Bortoli, Pisa

12:20 **Lunch with poster session**

SESSION VII

Managing chronic gastrointestinal inflammation in special populations

Chairs: *Carolina Ciacci, Baronissi; Molnar Tamás, Szeged*

13:20 TANDEM: Eosinophilic esophagitis with other type 2 disorders: What clinicians should know for improving management and treatment
Seema S. Aceves, San Diego; Alain Schoepfer, Lausanne

13:50 Diagnosing and monitoring celiac disease in elderly patients
Fabiana Zingone, Padua

14:10 Chronic pouchitis and refractory pouchitis: How to deal with them?
Paolo Gionchetti, Bologna

14:30 Acute severe colitis: New possibilities
David Laharie, Bordeaux

14:50 **Coffee break with poster session**

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SESSION VIII

What have we learned from patients?

Chairs: *Massimo C. Fantini, Monserrato; Giovanni Monteleone, Rome*

15:20 Eosinophilic esophagitis: Are patients' needs satisfied?
Evan Dellon, Chapel Hill

15:40 Celiac disease: What do the patients want?
Carlo Catassi, Ancona

16:00 TANDEM: Discrepancy between treatment goals of physicians and patients in IBD
Fernando J. Magro, Porto, Portugal; Ciara Drohan, Brussels

16:30 Microscopic colitis: Creating the European MC activity index (PROM) - what have we learned from patients?
Katarina Pihl-Lesnovska, Linköping

16:50 Closing words
Edoardo V. Savarino, Padua

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POSTER SESSION

ePosters will be exhibited on our ePoster screens on November 8-9, 2024. The authors will be in attendance during coffee and lunch breaks on both days.

CALL FOR POSTERS

Please submit your poster abstract before August 1, 2024.

Abstracts must be submitted via our Internet Abstract Submission System (<https://poster.falkfoundation.com>) where further information regarding the submission format and the submission process is available.

The abstracts will be selected by the scientific organizers, with preference being given to those thematically related to one of the sessions of the congress.

The accepted abstracts will be published in the final program of the meeting.

Poster authors will receive notification about acceptance and further instructions in August 2024.

For the first author of an accepted poster, accommodation expenses (November 8-9, 2024) and fees for the scientific program will be covered during Symposium 238. Travel expenses will not be covered.

POSTER AWARDS

Three prizes will be awarded for the best poster presentations. Winners will be asked to give a short presentation (2 - 5 minutes) of their poster during the award ceremony.

Award winners will be presented with a certificate and prize money of EUR 3000, EUR 2000 and EUR 1000.

Travel expenses will also be covered for the first authors of the three winning posters.

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Scientific Program of Symposium 238	EUR 300
Students (copy of student ID required)	EUR 150

The congress fees include:

- Pre-Opening and Welcome on Thursday, November 7, 2024
- Refreshments during coffee breaks
- Lunch on Friday and Saturday, November 8-9, 2024
- A copy of the final program

CONGRESS OFFICE AND REGISTRATION

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By plane

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The Galileo Galilei International Airport in Pisa (PSA) is only one hour away from the Florence city centre and is connected to the Tuscan capital with trains departing every hour.

By train

The Palazzo dei Congressi is located just a few steps away from the main Santa Maria Novella railway station.

By Tram

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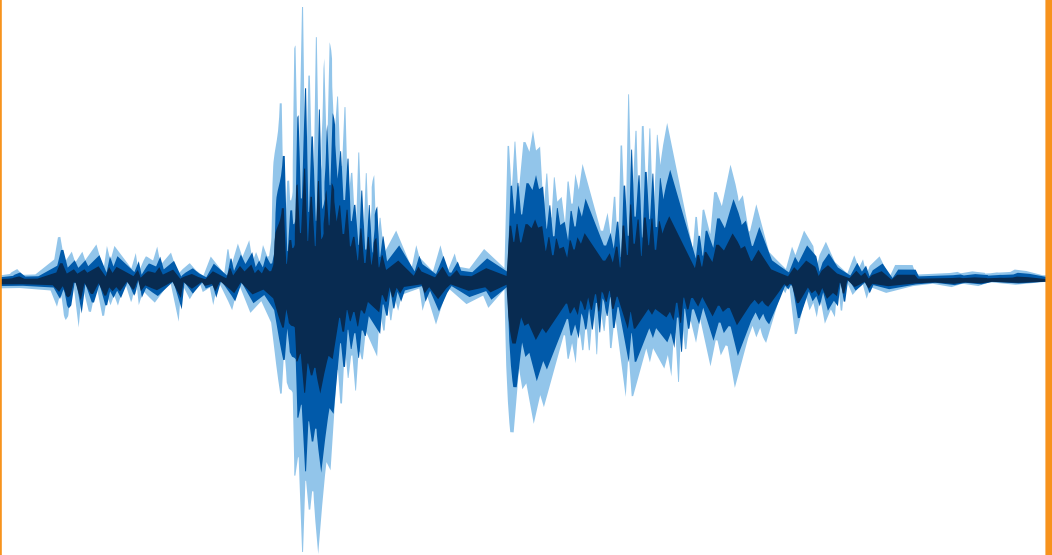
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You can also leave your car right next to the motorway at the Villa Constanza parking lot and take the streetcar (Drive & Tramway) to the Palazzo dei Congressi.“



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