



# HEPATOLOGIST in a LIVER TRANSPLANT PROGRAM (HLTP) Joint AISF - ELITA Course

Rome, Italy, June 13•14, 2019

*Auditorium Antonianum*



## OBJECTIVE:

Liver transplantation has been accepted as the sole therapy for acute and chronic liver failure from different etiologies and some forms of liver cancer, with excellent results and rates of survival comparable to those of the general population of the same age.

The increasing success on this issue is attributable to the progress achieved over time in the field of pharmacology (introduction of new immunosuppressive drugs and storage grafts solutions), hepatology and liver surgery, where early diagnosis and the correct management of complications after transplantation are fundamental to guaranteeing satisfactory long-term results.

The improvement of knowledge in this area involves constant updating as well as thorough medical, cultural and ethical preparation by all the operators engaged in the liver transplant procedure.

The course has the main objective of expanding the knowledge related to liver transplantation, sensitizing the trainers in Hepatology and the young specialists to the main issues and to multidisciplinary approaches, thus increasing the interest in this setting, the ability of an adequate referral of potential liver candidates and satisfactory clinical skills.

The course is organized as a two-day meeting. The program includes a mix of lectures, case discussions and interactive presentations.

## TARGET:

The course is primarily addressed to specialists or residents in Gastroenterology, Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases and Surgery.

This HLTP Course will be considered as preparatory course for the AISF Transplant Hepatology Exam and for the European Diploma in Transplant Medicine (UEMS - EBTM) Exam.

## COURSE DIRECTORS:

- P. Burra (CPT AISF)
- S. Petta (AISF)
- C. Duvoux (ELITA)
- G. Germani (ELITA)

## INVITED FACULTY:

- Giovanni **Addolorato** *Rome, Italy*
- Luca Saverio **Belli** *Milan, Italy*
- Marina **Berenguer** *Valencia, Spain*
- Sherrie **Bhoori** *Milan, Italy*
- Michele **Bartoletti** *Bologna, Italy*
- Patrizia **Burra** *Padua, Italy*
- Lucio **Caccamo** *Milan, Italy*
- Umberto **Cillo** *Padua, Italy*
- Paolo **De Simone** *Pisa, Italy*
- Christophe **Duvoux** *Paris, France*
- Giacomo **Germani** *Padua, Italy*
- Annete **Gouw** *Groningen, The Netherlands*
- Ilaria **Lenci** *Rome, Italy*
- Manuela **Merli** *Rome, Italy*
- Maria Cristina **Morelli** *Bologna, Italy*
- Silvio **Nadalin** *Tubingen, Germany*
- Adelaide **Panariello** *Milan, Italy*
- Luisa **Pasulo** *Bergamo, Italy*
- Salvatore **Petta** *Palermo, Italy*
- Wojtek **Polak** *Rotterdam, The Netherlands*
- Francesca Romana **Ponziani** *Rome, Italy*
- Maria **Rendina** *Bari, Italy*
- Francesco Paolo **Russo** *Padua, Italy*
- Pierluigi **Toniutto** *Udine, Italy*
- Roberto **Troisi** *Naples, Italy*

# Scientific Program

**DAY 1, June 13**

10.00-10.30     *Registration*

- 10.30-10.40     Welcome and Introduction
- AISF Secretary, *Salvatore Petta*
  - CPT AISF Coordinator, *Patrizia Burra*
  - ELITA Chair, *Christophe Duvoux*
  - ELITA Board Member, *Giacomo Germani*

## **SESSION I     EVALUATION OF THE RECIPIENT**

*Chairs: Christophe Duvoux (Paris, France), Salvatore Petta (Palermo, Italy)*

10.40-11.00     How and when to refer a patient to liver transplant center  
*Maria Cristina Morelli (Bologna, Italy)*

11.00-11.20     Selection criteria and pre-transplant evaluation of the patient with decompensated liver cirrhosis  
*Francesco Paolo Russo (Padua, Italy)*

11.20-11.40     Prevention and management of bacterial infections before and after liver transplantation  
*Michele Bartoletti (Bologna, Italy)*

11.40-12.00     Selection criteria and pre-transplant evaluation of the patient with hepatocellular carcinoma  
*Christophe Duvoux (Paris, France)*

## 12.00-13.00     **4 Working groups (WG)**

### **Interactive Discussion**

Coordinators:

WG 1 *Giacomo Germani, Ilaria Lenci*

WG 2 *Maria Cristina Morelli, Wojtek Polak*

WG 3 *Marina Berenguer, Sherrie Bhoori*

WG 4 *Silvio Nadalin, Maria Rendina*

13.00-13.20     Wrap-up session  
*(5-minute summaries presented by one trainee per working group)*

13.20-14.00     *Light Lunch*

**SESSION II THE MANAGEMENT OF LIVER TRANSPLANT WAITING LIST**

Chairs: *Patrizia Burra (Padua, Italy), Wojtek Polak (Rotterdam, The Netherlands)*

- 14.00-14.20 The Allocation policy in Europe  
*Wojtek Polak Rotterdam, The Netherlands*
- 14.20-14.40 Priority of patients on the waiting list  
*Umberto Cillo (Padua, Italy)*
- 14.40-15.00 Donor-recipient matching: the agreement between transplant hepatologist and liver surgeon  
*Silvio Nadalin (Tubingen, Germany)*
- 15.00-15.20 Acute liver failure: indication for urgency in liver transplantation  
*Giacomo Germani (Padua, Italy)*

**SESSION III MANAGEMENT OF SPECIAL LIVER POPULATIONS**

Chairs: *Luca Saverio Belli (Milan, Italy), Maria Cristina Morelli (Bologna, Italy)*

- 15.20-15.40 Risk assessment of frailty (elderly patient, sarcopenia)  
*Manuela Merli (Rome, Italy)*
- 15.40-16.00 Evaluation of addictions (alcohol, light drugs, tobacco, food): prevention strategies of recurrence after liver transplantation  
*Giovanni Addolorato (Rome, Italy)*
- 16.00-16.20 The epidemiological impact of NASH among the new indication of liver transplantation and the risk of recurrence after transplant  
*Marina Berenguer (Valencia, Spain)*
- 16.20-16.40 Psychological and psychiatric evaluation of liver transplant candidate  
*Adelaide Panariello (Milan, Italy)*
- 16.40-17.00 *Coffee Break*
- 17.00-18.00 **4 Working groups (WG)**  
**Interactive Discussion**  
Coordinators:  
WG 1 *Giacomo Germani, Ilaria Lenci*  
WG 2 *Maria Cristina Morelli, Wojtek Polak*  
WG 3 *Marina Berenguer, Sherrie Bhoori*  
WG 4 *Silvio Nadalin, Maria Rendina*
- 18.00-18.20 Wrap-up session  
*(5-minute summaries presented by one trainee per working group)*
- 18.20-18.30 Conclusion of the day and summary of the educational objectives from Course Directors

**SESSION IV THE MANAGEMENT OF PERI-OPERATIVE PHASE**

Chairs: *Silvio Nadalin (Tubingen, Germany), Luisa Pasulo (Bergamo, Italy)*

8.30-8.50 Management of patients after liver transplantation during the ICU stay with special focus on rejection and early immunosuppressive strategies: the role of Transplant Hepatologist (TH)  
*Pierluigi Toniutto (Udine, Italy)*

8.50-9.10 Surgical complications after liver transplantation: identification and multidisciplinary management  
*Wojtek Polak (Rotterdam, The Netherlands)*

9.10-9.30 Early medical complications after liver transplantation  
*Francesca Romana Ponziani (Rome, Italy)*

**SESSION V PRE- AND POST TRANSPLANTATION CLINICAL STRATEGIES**

Chairs: *Christophe Duvoux (Paris, France), Ilaria Lenci (Rome, Italy)*

9.30-9.50 Management of patients with HBV and HCV infections  
*Luca Saverio Belli (Milan, Italy)*

9.50-10.10 Prevention and treatment of recurrence of hepatocellular carcinoma  
*Sherrie Bhoori (Milan, Italy)*

10.10-10.30 The role of histology in the differential diagnosis of diseases recurrence after liver transplantation and immuno-mediated damage  
*Annete Gouw (Groningen, The Netherlands)*

10.30-11.00 *Coffee Break*

**11.30-13.00 4 Working groups (WG)**

**Interactive Discussion**

Coordinators:

WG 1 *Giacomo Germani, Ilaria Lenci*

WG 2 *Luisa Pasulo, Wojtek Polak Rotterdam*

WG 3 *Marina Berenguer, Sherrie Bhoori*

WG 4 *Silvio Nadalin, Maria Rendina*

13.00-13.20 Wrap-up session  
*(5-minute summaries presented by one trainee per working group)*

13.20-14.30 *Light Lunch*

**SESSION VI THE MANAGEMENT OF THE LIVER TRANSPLANT PATIENT: LONG-TERM COMPLICATIONS**

Chairs: *Marina Berenguer (Valencia, Spain), Maria Rendina (Bari, Italy)*

- 14.30-14.50 Strategies of tailoring of immunosuppressive therapy  
*Paolo De Simone (Pisa, Italy)*
- 14.50-15.10 Late biliary complications: endoscopic, radiological and surgical approach  
*Lucio Caccamo (Milan, Italy)*
- 15.10-15.30 Indications for late chronic re-transplantation  
*Roberto Troisi (Naples, Italy)*
- 15.30-16.00 Conclusion and summary of the educational objectives from the Course Directors

### Venue

Auditorium Antonianum  
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### Registration Information

The Course is primarily addressed to specialists or residents in Gastroenterology, Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases and Surgery and limited to 30 participants.

Deadline for registration: **10 May 2019.**

### For Italian Participants

The Italian Association for the Study of the Liver (AISF) will offer **15 grants** to AISF members under 40 years old (in order with the payment of membership fees) assigned on first come, first served basis.

The grant includes:

- access to the scientific sessions and to all course materials
- accommodation in shared double room (1 night: 13 June)
- refreshments according to the program
- networking dinner on 13 June

A limited number of grants covering only the registration fee will be available to AISF members over 40 years of age (assigned on a first come, first served basis).

These include:

- access to the scientific sessions and to all course materials
- refreshments according to the program

For more information please contact [info@webaisf.org](mailto:info@webaisf.org) by **10 May.**

### **For International Participants**

International participants are kindly invited to register on the ESOT website [www.esot.org](http://www.esot.org)

Registration fees:

- ELITA/ESOT members - 300 EUR
- Non-members - 360 EUR

The registration fee includes:

- access to the scientific sessions and to all course materials
- accommodation in shared double room (2 nights: 12 and 13 June)
- refreshments according to the program
- networking dinner on 13 June

The registration fee does not include additional meals and any other items not listed above.

For further information please contact the ESOT Office [office@esot.org](mailto:office@esot.org)