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This is the 8th edition of the Musculoskeletal Oncology Course of University of Padua. It has been organized by the Department of Orthopedics and Orthopedic Oncology of University of Padua in close cooperation with other Universities of the international faculty. Based on a few years' experience from other Oncology Courses, such as the Moffitt Cancer Center Course, the Rizzoli Course, the Oxford Course and the European Course of Budapest Semmelweis University, our Course is aimed to offer a review and update of the knowledge in musculoskeletal oncology and more specifically to provide basic information on clinical features, imaging, pathology and principles of treatment of the bone and soft tissues tumors and pseudotumoral lesions. It is a short, yet comprehensive Course, addressed to residents and young doctors (orthopedic surgeons, radiologists, pathologist and medical oncologists) willing to start their activity, or already involved in the field of musculoskeletal oncology, in order to refresh or widen their knowledge. This Course is designed to be fairly interactive: case discussion and questions will play an important role. Our faculty includes well-renown names of musculoskeletal oncology expression of different specialties: from orthopedic surgery to pathology, radiology and medical oncology. We hope that this Course will be both useful and pleasant for all participants!

*The Course Directors: **Pietro Ruggieri & Andreas Leithner***

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SPECIAL GUESTS

Steven Gitelis, MD - Chicago, USA
Ivan Bohacek, MD - Zagreb, Croatia
Mehmet Deveci, MD - Istanbul, Turkey
Giorgi Loria, MD - Tbilisi, Georgia

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Monday, September 15

08:00-09:00 Registration / Check-In

09:00-09:15 Introduction **Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD; Andreas Leithner, MD**
Welcome address
Maria Vittoria Nesoti, MD, Direttore UOC Direzione Medica OSA Azienda Ospedale-Università Padova
Umberto Cillo, MD, PhD, Direttore Dipartimento DISCOG Università di Padova
Daniela Mapelli, MD, PhD, Magnifica Rettore Università di Padova

Block 1. General principles

Moderators: **Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD; Eduardo Ortiz-Cruz, MD**

09:15-09:35 Staging of Musculoskeletal Tumors and Surgical Margins
Giulia Trovarelli, MD, PhD

09:35-09:55 Principles of Bone Tumor Pathology
Angelo Paolo Dei Tos, MD; Marta Sbaraglia, MD

09:55-10:15 Biopsy Techniques
Douglas G. Letson, MD

10:15-10:45 Coffee break

Block 2. Benign Bone Tumors

Moderator: **Douglas Letson, MD; Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD**

10:45-11:05 Leave me alone lesions: Histiocytic Fibroma, Fibrous Dysplasia, Eosinophilic granuloma, Unicameral Bone Cyst
Elisa Pala, MD, PhD

11:05-11:25 Giant cell Tumor of Bone
Andreas Leithner, MD

11:25-11:45 Osteoid Osteoma, Osteoblastoma, Aneurysmal Bone Cyst,
Alberto Crimi, MD

11:45-12:05 Enchondroma, Osteochondroma, Chondroblastoma
Andrea Angelini, MD, PhD

12:05-12:25 Interactive Case Presentations: Benign Lesions
Moderators: **Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD – Giorgio De Conti, MD - Andreas Leithner, MD**
Speakers: **Mariachiara Cerchiaro, MD; Elisa Pagliarini MD; Vanna Scapin, MD; Giovanni Baldin, MD**

12:25 - 13:25 Lunch

Block 3. Primary Malignant Bone Tumor

Moderators: **Andrea Angelini, MD, PhD, Mehmet Deveci, MD**

13:25-13:45 Malignant Bone Forming Tumors
Douglas Letson, MD

14:40-15:00 Malignant Cartilage Forming Tumors
Andreas Leithner, MD

15:00-15:20 Small Round Blue Cell Tumors of Bone
Eduardo Ortiz-Cruz, MD

15:20-16:20 Interactive Case Presentations and Comments: Ex Fellows “spot”
Moderators: **Pietro Ruggieri, MD PhD – Andrea Angelini, MD PhD**
Speakers: **Giulia Trovarelli MD PhD; Ivan Bohacek, MD; Giorgi Loria, MD; Mehmet Deveci, MD**

Moderators: **Gianni Bisogno, MD – Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD**

16:20-16:40 Multidisciplinarity: a need in modern orthopedic oncology
Andrea Angelini, MD, PhD

16:40-17:00 Modern imaging in musculoskeletal oncology
Giorgio De Conti, MD

17:00–17:20 Tumours in children
Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD

17:20–17:40 My 50 years in musculoskeletal oncology at Rush University
Steven Gitelis, MD

20:30 Social Dinner

Tuesday, September 16

Block 4. Soft Tissue Tumors, Bone Metastases & Metabolic Bone Disease

Moderators: **Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD - Vanna Scapin, MD**

08:30-08:50 Principles of Soft Tissue Tumors Pathology
Angelo Paolo Dei Tos, MD, PhD; Marta Sbaraglia, MD

08:50-09:10 Benign Soft Tissue Tumors: diagnosis and treatment
Douglas Letson, MD

09:10-09:30 Malignant Soft Tissue Tumors: diagnosis and treatment
Andreas Leithner, MD

Moderators: **Andreas Leithner, MD - Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD**

09:30 -09:50 Metastatic Tumors of Bone: diagnosis and principles of treatment
Ivan Bohacek, MD

09:50-10:10 Metabolic bone disease
Elisa Pala, MD, PhD

10:10-10:45 Interactive Case Presentations and Comments: Ex Fellows “spot”
Moderator: **Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD – Alberto Crimi, MD**
Speakers: **Mehmet Deveci, MD; Ivan Bohacek, MD; Giorgi Loria, MD**

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee Break

Moderators: **Ivan Bohacek, MD - Eduardo Ortiz-Cruz, MD**

11:15-11:35 Techniques of plastic surgery in musculoskeletal oncology
Cesare Tiengo, MD, PhD

11:35– 11:55 Oncologic Surgery in elderly patients
Giulio Maccauro, MD, PhD

Block 5. Surgical Techniques and Other Treatments

Moderators: **Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD; Andrea Angelini, MD, PhD**

12:00-12:20 Prosthetic Reconstructions in Musculoskeletal Oncology
Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD

12:20-12:40 Surgery of Pelvic Tumors
Douglas G. Letson, MD

12:40-13:10 Surgery of Spine and Sacral Tumors
Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD

13:10 - 14:10 Lunch

Moderators: **Andreas Leithner, MD – Francis Hornicek, MD, PhD**

14:10-14:30 Principles of Chemotherapy of Bone and Soft Tissue Sarcoma
Antonella Brunello, MD

14:30-14:50 Principles of radiotherapy
Marco Krengli, MD

14:50 – 15:30 Presentation of Unknown Cases
Moderators: **Andreas Leithner, MD – Giorgi Loria, MD**
Speakers: **Giovanni Baldin MD; Elisa Pagliarini, MD; Mariachiara Cerchiaro, MD; Eduardo Ortiz-Cruz, MD**

15:30 Closing remarks
Andreas Leithner, MD; Pietro Ruggieri, MD, PhD

20:30 *Faculty Dinner*

General Informations

COURSE VENUE:

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Via S. Francesco, 61-63

35121 Padova PD

REGISTRATION FEES:

Early Regular (until 30th June): € 370,00 (*vat included*)

Late Regular (from 1st July): € 425,00 (*vat included*)

Residents with Chair certificate: € 250,00 (*vat included*)

Social Dinner: € 55,00 (*vat included*)

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE:

All attendees will receive a certificate of attendance the day after the Course

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