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Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma in Non-Endemic Area: Challenges, Advances, and Perspectives

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Scientific rationale

Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma (NPC) is a rare cancer in non-endemic settings. According to European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO) guidelines, locally advanced disease is treated with combination of chemotherapy and radiotherapy. Recently, proton therapy has been introduced as a treatment option for nasopharyngeal carcinoma in light of its unique physical properties. However, late treatment sequelae still occur, and a small subset of patients experience disease relapse. In endemic setting, a new standard of care has been recently set with the introduction of immunotherapy in combination with platinum-based chemotherapy.

Almost all the evidence-based clinical indication in the management of this disease have been mutated from trials conducted in endemic areas. Therefore, there's the urgent need to better refine the management of nasopharyngeal carcinoma in non-endemic setting.
This congress will provide the paramount opportunity to collect the expertise of internationally recognized physicians in the care of this disease and pave the way for knowledge building through the design of novel clinical trials conducted in non-endemic settings.

Faculty

D. Alterio
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PROGRAMMA

09.00
Registration - Welcome and opening remarks

09.30
Mini Oral session (3 best abstract selected)*

10.00
Keynote Lecture
Title: The role of plasma EBV DNA levels in the diagnosis, treatment response and prediction of recurrence in nasopharyngeal carcinoma.
Speaker: *(M. Chua)*

10.30
Coffee break

11.00
Educational session
(C. Franzese – G. Spriano – C. Resteghini)
- Biomolecular aspects of nasopharyngeal carcinoma in non-endemic areas *(L. De Cecco).*
- The Current Treatment Landscape for Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma in non-endemic area *(P. Bossi)*

12.00
New radiotherapic strategies
(M. Scorsetti, D. Alterio)
- Model based strategies to select the best patient candidate *(J.A. Langendijk)*
- The role of Proton Beam Radiotherapy: indications and advances *(E. Orlandi)*

13.00
Lunch Break and optional visit to the Proton Center

Sponsored symposium Hearing loss in cancer patients: incidence, prevention and treatment (Amplifon)

14.00
Recurrent/metastatic disease
(Moderator: M.A. Teriaca, L. Lorini)
- Radiological assessment: is it a relapse or a late side effect? *(C. Giannitto)*
- Integrated medical treatments in patients with recurrent/metastatic NPC in a non-endemic area *(A. Psyrri)*
- Salvage surgery for locally recurrent NPC *(M. Tong)*

15.30
Mini Oral session (3 best abstract selected)*

16.00
Overview of Italian studies on Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma funded by the PNRR
(C. Gurizzan)

16.30
Concluding remarks

* The other abstracts will be available as digital posters.

SPECIALTIES INVOLVED:
Otholaryngologist and ENT surgeons, Medical Oncologist, Radiation Oncologist, Anatomopathologist, Molecular Biologists, Radiologist e Nuclear medicine specialist

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CALL FOR ABSTRACT

We invite researchers, clinicians, and healthcare professionals to submit abstracts for the upcoming Congress.
This premier event will highlight the latest advancements in diagnosis, treatment, and translational research in nasopharyngeal carcinoma. Share your innovative findings, connect with global experts, and contribute to shaping the future of oncological care. Submit your abstract now and be part of the scientific dialogue driving progress in this critical field. The 6 best abstracts will be presented as Oral Presentation during the Congress.
Abstract submission deadline: 31st October

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