

## WELCOME TO LUGANO

We cordially welcome you in Lugano for the 4<sup>th</sup> ATCIP Congress.

Immunocompromised and intensive care (ICU) patients are exposed to viral, bacterial and fungal infections that complicate the already difficult therapy of the underlying diseases. The emergence of resistant viral, bacterial and fungal strains as well as the report of new opportunistic pathogens makes treatment of these patients a daunting task. New antivirals have actually expanded the therapeutic options in the treatment of viral infections, not only for HCV and HIV but also for CMV. New diagnostic tools, as well as old and new antibacterial and antifungal agents, are available to support the fight against infectious diseases in ICU, oncological and transplant patients, but viral, bacterial and fungal diseases still cause unacceptably high mortality rates in all these patients.

This congress aims at providing first-hand and up-to-date information on the management of infectious diseases and the most appropriate antimicrobial therapy in immunocompromised and critically ill patients.

International experts will highlight the latest progress in research on various aspects of infectious diseases and their therapy during plenary sessions and the interactive case session. Special attention will be devoted to infectious complications in oncologic and transplant patients. Further highlights will be some controversial issues in the management of ICU patients with infections, as well as the most recent treatment approaches for multidrug-resistant bacteria, HIV and HCV.

Integrated industry-sponsored symposia will provide the most recent data on the treatment of specific viral, fungal and bacterial infections.

The Palazzo dei Congressi, conveniently located at walking distance from the Lugano Main Station and downtown, is the ideal venue to host this highly educational meeting. We are looking forward to seeing you in Lugano for what we are sure will be not only a very interesting but also a pleasant stay - and please make sure to enjoy not only the congress but also the beautiful surroundings.

## OBJECTIVES

This congress will discuss the most common issues and controversies related to difficult-to-treat infectious diseases in these patients, with the aim of providing not only theoretical but also real-life experience to be then easily translated into daily clinical practice.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Infectious disease and intensive care specialists, oncologists and haemato-oncologists, transplant specialists, clinical microbiologists, as well as to other health professionals involved in the care of critically ill and immunocompromised patients.

# ATCIP 2018

Antimicrobial Therapy  
in Immunocompromised and Critically Ill Patients:  
Management and Perspectives



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Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October

09:45 Welcome, Introduction

**SESSION I: Infections in transplanted patients**10:00 Emerging viral infections  
Dyonisios Neofytos (CH)10:30 Adoptive T-cell therapy: ready for the clinic?  
Patrizia Comoli (IT)

11:00 Antifungal policies after HSCT - Catherine Cordonnier (FR)

11:30 Q&amp;A - Discussion

12:00 Lunch

13:00 MSD - SPONSORED SYMPOSIUM

**SESSION II: New diagnostic tools in infectious diseases**14:00 New diagnostic tools: What's in them for the physician?  
Gian Maria Rossolini (IT)

14:30 Personalized medicine in the diagnostic workout of viral and fungal infections - Pierre-Yves Boschud (CH)

15:00 Coffee Break

15:30 Candidaemia: diagnostic tools and pitfalls - Philipp Bosshard (CH)

16:00 Q&amp;A - Discussion

**SESSION III: Infections in the ICU: challenges and solutions**

16:30 PK/PD issues in septic shock - Russel Lewis (IT)

17:00 Controversies in infection prevention in the ICU - TBD

17:30 New therapies against Gram+ bacteria - José M. Miró (E)

18:00 New therapies against Gram- bacteria - Patrice Nordmann (CH)

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October**SESSION IV: Opportunistic infections in oncology in the era of biological immunosuppression: news and views**

08:30 Haematologic malignancies - Livio Pagano (IT)

09:00 Solid tumours - José Maria Aguado (E)

09:30 Controversial issues in antibacterial prophylaxis  
Maja Weisser (CH)10:00 Controversial issues in antifungal prophylaxis  
Corrado Girmenia (IT)

10:30 Q&amp;A - Discussion

11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 PFIZER-SPONSORED SYMPOSIUM

12:30 Lunch

**SESSION V: New therapeutic agents in HIV and HCV**

13:30 HIV - Huldrych Günthard (CH)

14:00 HCV - Xavier Forns (CH)

14:30 Coffee Break

**SESSION VI: Interactive cases**

15:00 6 cases

## CONGRESS PRESIDENT

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