

14th SPAGN Annual Conference

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PROGRAM

DAY 1 – FRIDAY April 19, 2024	
11:00	Opening of the Registration Desk
12:00	Lunch
13:00 OFFICIAL START OF THE CONFERENCE (Room Space 3A +3B)	
13:00 (30)	Welcome to Rome, welcome to Italy! 15 years of SPAEN/SPAGN: A travel in time <i>Speakers: Markus Wartenberg, Roger Wilson, Ornella Gonzato</i>
13:30 (60)	Real-world data & evidence <i>Chairs: Sorrel Bickley, UK & Christina Ip-Toma, US</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Why gathering real-world data is so important• What sources do I have to collect real-world data?• What impact can they have?• How real-world data can influence decisions of regulators and reimbursement bodies?• What's the role of real-world data in drug repurposing? <i>Speakers: Ana Amariutei, WECAN</i>
14:30 – 15:00 COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING (30 mins)	
15:00 (60)	Molecular Diagnostics – an introduction <i>Chairs: Ornella Gonzato, IT & Jayne Bressington, UK</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is it?• How does it work?• Why do we need it?• What is a molecular tumor board? <i>Speakers: Eva Wardelmann, GER</i>
16:00	Short Break (15 mins)
16:15 (90)	SPAGN AGM All Conference Participants are welcome! (Voting rights for SPAGN Members only) This session has an official invitation / agenda – important topics are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report of the Board of Directors (2023)• Financial Report (2023)• Outlook 2024 and beyond• Elections• Applications/requests <i>SPAGN Board</i>
17:45	BREAK BEFORE DINNER
19:30	Dinner (hotel restaurant)

DAY 2 – SATURDAY April 20, 2024

08:30 OFFICIAL START OF THE CONFERENCE (Room Space 3A/3B)					
08:30 (60)	Surgery in Sarcomas <i>Chairs: Gerard van Oortmerssen, NL & Angelika Sandakly, FR</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Challenges and pitfalls when operating on sarcomas <i>Speaker: Sylvie Bonvalot, FR</i> - Patient's participation in surgical oncology <i>Speaker: Jendrik Hardes, GER</i> 				
9:30 (75)	Patient involvement in sarcoma clinical trials <i>Chair: Markus Wartenberg, DE & Roger Wilson, UK</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenges of planning and conducting clinical trials in rare and ultra-rare cancers <i>Speakers: Emine Hatipoglu, UK</i> • Case studies: Clinical trials - What questions do you need to ask? General and study-specific questions <i>Lead: Roger Wilson, UK & Bernd Kasper, DE</i> 				
10:45 – 11:30 COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING (45 mins)					
11:30 (60)	Working Group & Discussion Session: Clinical Trials (Room 3A+B): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenges and opportunities for patient organizations <i>Chairs: Denise Reinke, US</i>		Working Group & Discussion Session: Sarcoma Awareness (Room 4A) <i>Chair: Cory Archibald, DE</i>		
12:30 Group Photo					
12:40 – 14:00 LUNCH and NETWORKING (90 min)					
14:00 (90)	Soft Tissue Sarcomas (Room 3A/3B) <i>Chair: Gerard v. Oortmerssen, NL & Denise Reinke, USA</i>	GIST (Room 4A) <i>Chairs: Laura Occhiuzzi, USA & Kai Pilgermann, DE</i>	Bone Sarcomas (Room 4B) <i>Chairs: Ornella Gonzato, IT & Zoe Davison, UK</i>	Desmoid (Room 4C) <i>Chairs: Christina Baumgarten, DE</i>	TGCT (Room 4D) <i>Chair: Sydney Stern, USA</i>
Full program for tracks – please see below					
15:30 – 16:00 COFFEE BREAK (30 min.)					
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16:00 (60)					
17:00 (75)	Sharing Best Practices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentations Advocacy in Action Award Winners/Submissions 2023/24 - Selected projects (Bone Sarcoma Alliance) <i>Chair: Gabriele Ott, DE/AUT & Ornella Gonzato, IT</i>				
18:15 BREAK BEFORE DINNER					
19:30 Dinner (Restaurant La Rosa Rossa)					

DAY 3 – SUNDAY April 21, 2024

08:30 (105)	<p>The SPAGN Market Place Sessions Choose your 3 favourite sessions from 5 market booths! Each Session lasts 30 mins, 5 minutes break to change the booth <i>Max. 10 mins presentation, 15-20 mins discussion</i></p> <p>Booth 1: Fundraising – the US example <i>Brandi Felser, USA</i></p> <p>Booth 2: Standards of Excellence for Patient Organisations <i>Lauren Pretorius, South Africa</i></p> <p>Booth 3: Social Media <i>Cory Archibald, DE / Maria Brandt, DE</i></p> <p>Booth 4: Peer-to-peer support <i>Zoe Davison / Kathleen Kane, UK</i></p> <p>Booth 5: Storytelling <i>Roger Wilson, UK & Gabi Ott, GER/AUT</i></p>
10:15– 10:45	C O F F E E B R E A K (30 mins)
10:45 (60)	<p>Working Group & Discussion Session: “Sarcoma Intelligent Specialist Networks” <i>Focus on Sarcoma Management and Care outside the US and Europe</i> Chairs: <i>Roger Wilson, UK & Vandana Gupta, IND</i></p>
11:45– 12:00	Short Break (15 mins)
12:00 (75)	<p>Artificial Intelligence in Sarcomas Chairs: <i>Gerard van Oortmerssen, NL</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview <i>Maria Brandt, DE</i>• A practical example <i>Sandro Pasquali, IT</i>
13:15	<p>Closing Remarks – End of Meeting SPAGN Board</p>

**5 Parallel Tracks (Soft Tissue Sarcoma/Bone Sarcoma/GIST/ TGCT/Desmoids)
Saturday, 20 of April from 14:00 – 17:00**

**Soft Tissue Sarcoma Track – Agenda – Main meeting room 3A+B
Saturday, 20th of April**

14:00 (5)	<p>Welcome <i>Chair: Gerard v. Oortmerssen, NL & Denise Reinke, USA</i></p>
14:05 (60)	<p>Research & Medical Update: What's new in Soft Tissue Sarcomas? <i>Moderator: Denise Reinke</i></p> <p>Report from the lab: About biomarkers and more (30 mins) <i>Speaker: Sandro Pasquali, IT</i></p> <p>Clinical trials and medical updates (30 mins) <i>Speaker: Emine Hatipoglu, UK</i></p>
15:05 (25)	<p>Panel discussion and Q&A session <i>Moderator: Denise Reinke</i> <i>Panelists: Emine Hatipoglu, UK, Roberta Sanfilippo, Sandro Pasquali, IT</i></p>
15:30 – 16:00	C O F F E E B R E A K (30 mins)
16:00 (60)	<p>Caught between disciplines: Organ-specific sarcomas <i>Moderator: Gerard van Oortmerssen</i></p> <p>Navigating the journey of being a patient between disciplines (10 mins) <i>Speaker: Marloes van Esterik, NL</i></p> <p>Spotlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uterine LMS (20 mins) <i>Roberta Sanfilippo, Italy</i> • Phyllodes (20 mins) <i>Speaker: Frederieke van Duijnhoven, NL</i>

GIST Track – Agenda – Room 4A
Saturday, 20th of April

14:00 (5)	Welcome <i>Chairs: Laura Occhiuzzi, USA & Kai Pilgermann, GER</i>
14:05 (30)	Molecular and Genomic Drivers of GIST <i>Moderator: Laura Occhiuzzi, USA</i> <i>Speaker: Eva Wardelmann, GER</i>
14:35 (55)	Current developments in GIST research: From research to clinical trials <i>Moderator: Laura Occhiuzzi, USA</i> <i>Speaker: Mehdi Brahmi, FR</i>
15:30 – 16:00	C O F F E E B R E A K (30 mins)
16:00 (60)	Navigating GIST in 2024: Implications of new findings and treatment options for patients <i>Moderators: Kai Pilgermann & Laura Occhiuzzi</i> <i>Speaker: Peter Reichardt, GER (15 mins)</i> <i>Panel discussion and Q&A session (45 mins)</i> <i>Panelists: Peter Reichardt, Eva Wardelmann and Mehdi Brahmi</i>

Bone Sarcoma Track – Agenda – Room 4B
Saturday, 20th of April

14:00 (5)	<p>Welcome</p> <p><i>Chairs: Ornella Gonzato, IT & Zoe Davison, UK</i></p>
14:05 (15)	<p>Bone Sarcoma Survey Results & Bone Sarcoma Alliance</p> <p><i>Speakers: Ornella Gonzato, IT & Zoe Davison, UK</i></p>
14:20 (25)	<p>Precision surgery in Bone Sarcomas: Technological advances for more tailored approaches and better functional outcomes</p> <p><i>Moderator: Ornella Gonzato, IT</i> <i>Speaker: Domenico Andrea Campanacci, IT</i></p>
14:45 (20)	<p>The role of proton therapy and carbon Ion radiotherapy in Bone Sarcomas</p> <p><i>Moderator: Ornella Gonzato, IT</i> <i>Speaker: Maria Rosaria Fiore, IT</i></p>
15:05 (25)	<p>Immunotherapy and target therapies in bone sarcomas: What's new?</p> <p><i>Moderator: Ornella Gonzato, IT</i> <i>Speaker: Uta Dirksen, GER</i></p>
15:30 – 16:00	C O F F E E B R E A K (30 mins)
16:00 (30)	<p>Biomarkers in Bone Sarcomas from early diagnosis to prognosis, clinical decision-making and response monitoring. Where are we now?</p> <p><i>Moderator: Zoe Davison, UK</i> <i>Speaker: Sue Burchill, UK</i></p>
16:30 (30)	<p>Survivorship and Quality of Life: managing long-term side effects and addressing the psychosocial aspects of survivorship (in different age groups?)</p> <p><i>Moderator: Zoe Davison, UK</i> <i>Speaker: Uta Dirksen, GER</i></p>

Desmoid Track – Agenda Room 4C
Saturday, 20th of April

14:00 (5)	Welcome <i>Chair: Christina Baumgarten, GER</i>
14:05 (55)	New and innovative projects in several countries <i>Speakers: Patient representatives from different countries</i>
15:00 (30)	Challenges with research grants for Desmoid tumors (borderline/benign tumors) <i>Discussion Session</i>
15:30 – 16:00 COFFEE BREAK (30 mins)	
16:00 (30)	FAP & Desmoids <i>Speaker: Marco Vitellaro, IT</i>
16:30 (30)	Latest Edition on the Desmoid Consensus Paper <i>Speaker: Bernd Kasper, GER</i>

TGCT Track – Agenda – Room 4D
Saturday, 20th of April

14:00 (5)	Welcome <i>Chair: Sydney Stern, US</i>
14:05 (25)	Diagnosis Discourse: Differentiating between localized and diffuse TGCT <i>Speaker: Emanuela Palmerini, Italy</i>
14:30 (30)	Surgical Management of TGCT <i>Speaker: Jendrik Hardes, GER</i>
15:00 (30)	The Do's and Don't of Systemic Therapy in TGCT <i>Speaker: Giacomo Baldi, Italy</i>
15:30 – 16:00	C O F F E E B R E A K (30 mins)
16:00 (30)	Navigating Clinical Trials in TGCT <i>Speaker: Mehdi Brahmi, France</i>
16:30 (30)	Q&A Panel Discussion <i>Moderator: Sydney Stern</i> <i>Speakers: Emanuela Palmerini, Giacomo Baldi, Jendrik Hardes</i>