



# 62<sup>nd</sup> annual Meeting of the Italian Cancer Society

The exciting path from preclinical research to clinical application

**VENICE** November 16-18, 2022

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## REQUESTS OF PATRONAGE

**EACR** European Association  
for Cancer Research

## 62<sup>nd</sup> annual Meeting of the Italian Cancer Society

The SIC Annual Meeting is the focal point of the Italian cancer research community, where preclinical and clinical scientists gather together to share the latest advances in cancer research and cure.

In the last few years, we have witnessed, as never before, the rapid translation of preclinical research into clinical application.

The program of the **62<sup>nd</sup> SIC Annual Meeting**, entitled “**The exciting path from preclinical research to clinical application**” will focus on the challenges posed by the rapid development of the precision medicine approaches, including the need for a better understanding of tumor heterogeneity and drug resistance mechanisms, and the ongoing efforts necessary for a better patients stratification for radio-, chemo-, targeted- and immune- therapies, to increase the number of patients with durable clinical responses.

The **meeting** will be of **interest for both preclinical and clinical researchers**, working in different areas of cancer research.

In light of this broad attendance, we have designed scientific sessions in which most compelling topics will be discussed from different perspectives.

Participants to this CME event will thus have the opportunity to gain new knowledge and discuss several aspects of cancer research, including:

How particular targeted agents, radiotherapy and immunotherapies have been selected for their use, in patients with advanced cancer.

How to integrate the use of molecular profiling to select the most appropriate treatment for each patient.

How to evaluate the role of new emerging drugs and which is the biology underlying their efficacy.

Which are the main mechanisms of drug resistance and how combination therapies may increase treatment response or durability.

For the first time in Venice, SIC this year will also hold an open session dedicated to survivors, patients, care givers and all stakeholders involved in the cancer care. In an interactive round table, it will be discussed why and how research can impact on cancer prevention, treatment and patients' quality of life.

## SCIENTIFIC COORDINATORS

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# PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

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Venice, November 16-18, 2022

### Program at a Glance

	Wednesday, 16 November 2022		Thursday, 17 November 2022		Friday, 18 November 2022	
	Plenary Room	Congress Hall	Plenary Room	Room 80 pax	Plenary Room	Room 80 pax
08.00						
08.30						
09.00			<b>SIC meets Pharma Industry</b> 08.30 - 10.00		<b>5th Session</b> 08.30 - 10.00	
09.30						
10.00	<b>Open Session</b> 10.00 - 12.00		<i>Coffee Break</i> 10.00 - 10.30		<i>Coffee Break</i> 10.00 - 10.30	
10.30						
11.00		<b>Registration</b> 11.00 - 13.30	<b>3rd Session</b> 10.30 - 12.00		<b>Poster Discussion 1A</b> 10.30 - 12.00	<b>Poster Discussion 1B</b> 10.30 - 12.00
11.30						
12.00	<b>Young SIC meet Young AIOM</b> 12.10 - 13.10					
12.30			<b>Poster Discussion 1A</b> 12.00 - 13.30	<b>Poster Discussion 1B</b> 12.00 - 13.30	<b>Poster viewing with authors</b> 12.00 - 13.00	
13.00						
13.30	<b>Opening Address</b> 13.30 - 14.15		<i>Lunch</i> 13.30 - 14.30		<i>Lunch</i> 13.00 - 14.00	
14.00						
14.30	<b>Opening Lecture</b> 14.15 - 15.00		<b>Poster viewing with authors</b> 14.30 - 15.30			
15.00						
15.30	<b>1st Session</b> 15.00 - 16.30		<b>4th Session</b> 15.30 - 17.00		<b>6th Session</b> 14.00 - 15.30	
16.00						
16.30	<b>Award Ceremony</b> 16.30 - 17.15		<i>Coffee Break</i> 17.00 - 17.15		<b>Closing Lecture</b> 15.30 - 16.15	
17.00			<b>Giorgio Prodi Lecture</b> 17.15 - 18.00		<b>Award Ceremony</b> 16.15 - 17.00	
17.30	<b>2nd Session</b> 17.15 - 18.45					
18.00			<b>SIC General Assembly</b> 18.00 - 19.00			
18.30						
19.00	<b>Satellite Symposium</b> 18.45-19.15					
19.30	<b>Congress Event</b> 19.15 - 20.15					
20.00						
20.30			<b>Social Dinner</b>			
21.00						
21.30						

## PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Wednesday, 16 November 2022

12.10-13.10

YOUNG SIC MEET YOUNG AIOM

**The roadway to scientific independence: the first grant - a pre-clinical and clinical point of view. Round table with young investigator grant winners**

**Chairmen: Lorena Incorvaia and Ilaria Guerriero**

Building a translational research path between university and hospital

**Speaker: Sabrina Arena, University of Torino and Candiolo Cancer Institute FPO-IRCCS**

Uncovering what you previously could not see: notes from a journey across ctDNA, MRD and the path to research independence

**Speaker: Lorenzo Gerratana, IRCCS, Centro di Riferimento Oncologico di Aviano, Aviano (PN)**

Round table

**Discussant: Sabrina Arena, Antonino Bruno, Lorenzo Gerratana, Ilaria Guerriero, Lorena Incorvaia, Elena Ongaro, Erica Torchiaro**

14.15-15.00

OPENING LECTURE

Exploiting synthetic lethality in the treatment of cancer

**Speaker: Christopher Lord, The Institute of Cancer Research, London, UK**

**Introduction: Gustavo Baldassarre**

15.00-16.30

I SESSION

**DNA Damage Response to genotoxic lesions from biology to clinical application**

**Chairmen: Maurizio D'Incalci and Gianluca Tell**

Investigating the DNA damage response at higher resolution

**Speaker: Alberto Ciccia, Columbia University, New York USA**

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker: TBD**

Targeting DNA repair nucleases as therapeutic strategy

**Speaker: Peter Mc Hugh, Department of Oncology, MRC Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine, University of Oxford**

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker: TBD**

17.15-18.45

II SESSION

**Targeting tumor microenvironment as anticancer therapy with radio and/or immuno-therapy**

**Chairmen: Michele Milella and Paola Allavena**

Novel insights into radiation-driven anti-tumor immunity: from the bench to the bed-side and back

**Speaker: Sandra Demaria, Weill Cornell Medical College, New York, NY, USA**

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker: TBD**

Druggable Drivers of Castration Resistance in Prostate Cancer

**Speaker: Andrea Alimonti, Institute of Oncology Research, Bellinzona, Switzerland and University of Padova, Padova, Italy**

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker: TBD**

18.45-19.15

SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM

TBD

**Speaker:** Nicola Normanno, National Cancer Institute, G. Pascale, Napoli  
**Discussant:** Valentina Guarneri, Istituto Oncologico Veneto IOV-IRCCS, University of Padova

**Thursday, 17 November 2022**

8.30-10.00

SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM

**SIC Meets Pharma Industry**

**Chairmen:** Pier Franco Conte and Paola Chiarugi

TBD

**Speaker:** TBD

TBD

**Speaker:** TBD

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**Speaker:** TBD

10.30-12.00

III SESSION

**Activity and inhibition of surface receptors signaling**

**Chairmen:** Stefano Indraccolo and Federica Di Nicolantonio

Activity and resistance of drugs in the precision medicine scenario: lessons learned from lung cancer

**Speaker:** Silvia Novello, University of Torino, Torino, Italy

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker:** TBD

TBD

**Speaker:** TBD

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker:** TBD

12.00-13.30

Poster Discussion 1A

**Novel therapeutic approaches and drug resistance**

**Chairmen:** Ilaria Guerriero and Elena Ongaro

12.00-13.30

Poster Discussion 1B

**Tumor immunology and microenvironment**

**Chairmen:** Agostino Steffan and Antonino Bruno

14.30-15.30

Poster Viewing with Authors

15.30-17.00

IV SESSION

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**Mechanism and regulation of RNA functions as anticancer therapies**

Chairmen: Roberta Maestro and Fabrizio Bianchi

Dynamic interplay between transcription and RNA splicing

**Speaker: Maria Carmo Fonseca, University of Lisbona, Lisbona, Portugal**

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker: TBD**

Alternative splicing modulation as a novel therapy in preclinical models of lung cancer

**Speaker: Juan Valcarcel, ICREA and Center for Genomic Regulation, Barcelona, Spain.**

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker: TBD**

17.15-18.00

GIORGIO PRODI LECTURE

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The tumor and its ecosystem: oncogenic pathways governing this relationship

**Speaker: Giannino Del Sal - Department of Life Sciences, University di Trieste - ICGEB-International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, Trieste - IFOM ETS, The AIRC Institute of Molecular Oncology, Milan**

Introduction: Nicola Normanno SIC president

**Friday, 18 November 2022**

08.30-10.00

V SESSION

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**Molecular basis of precision oncology a look to the future**

Chairmen: Giovanni Blandino and Vincenzo Canzonieri

Understanding the diapause-like drug tolerant persister state in colorectal cancer

**Speaker: Catherine A.O'Brien, Princess Margaret Cancer Center and Ontario Institute for Cancer Research, Toronto, Canada**

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker: TBD**

Access to Precision Oncology - rethinking care pathways

**Speaker: C. Benedikt Westphalen, Comprehensive Cancer Center Munich & University Hospital, LMU Munich, Munich, Germany.**

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker: TBD**

10.30-12.00

Poster Discussion 2A

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**Precision Medicine**

Chairmen: Valter Gattei and Erica Torchiaro

10.30-12.00

Poster Discussion 2B

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**Cancer genetics, epigenetics and tumor progression**

Chairmen: Aldo Scarpa and Flavio Rizzolio

12.00-13.00

Poster Viewing with Authors

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**JOINT SESSION AIOM/SIC - Advances in breast-cancer translational research****Chairmen: Nicola Normanno and Saverio Cinieri**

Novel approaches for the treatment of breast cancer

**Speaker: Filippo Montemurro, Candiolo Cancer Institute, IRCCS, Torino, IT**

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker: TBD**

Capturing tumor heterogeneity exploiting preclinical models of breast cancer

**Speaker: Barbara Belletti, IRCCS, Centro di Riferimento Oncologico di Aviano, Aviano (PN)**

Selected presentation from submitted abstracts

**Speaker: TBD****15.30-16.15****CLOSING LECTURE**

Liquid biopsies in Lung Cancer

**Speaker: Caroline Dive, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK**Introduction: **Nicola Normanno****CME CREDITS**

The event will be accredited for the following Professions:

Biologist

Chemist

Medical Surgeon

Pharmacist

Physicist

Veterinary

**MEETING OPEN ALSO TO\***

Biotechnology, Informaticians, Bioinformatics

(\*) no CME credits

**OFFICIAL LANGUAGE**

English. Simultaneous translation will not be provided

**CONGRESS VENUE**

Venice - NH Hotel Laguna Palace

**MODALITIES OF PARTICIPATION**

RESIDENTIAL EVENT

VIRTUAL EVENT

**BADGE**

Participants and exhibitors are kindly requested to wear their badge during the congress.

**CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE**

Certificate of attendance is given to all registered participants at the end of the congress.

**EXHIBITION AND SPONSORSHIP**

A technical, pharmaceutical and publication exhibition will be held in the Congress Venue. For any information, please contact the Organizing Secretariat.



## REGISTRATION FEES

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	Residential		Virtual	
	before September 30, 2022	after September 30, 2022	before September 30, 2022	after September 30, 2022
SIC member	420,00 €	500,00 €	150,00 €	200,00 €
SIC member under 35	280,00 €	330,00 €	120,00 €	150,00 €
Non member	500,00 €	600,00 €	200,00 €	250,00 €
Non member under 35	380,00 €	400,00 €	150,00 €	200,00 €

VAT included

The VAT rate will be applied depending on the Italian fiscal law at the time of payment.

Registration fees include:

- admission to the scientific sessions
- admission to the exhibition area
- name badge and congress kit
- welcome cocktail
- coffee breaks and light lunches
- abstracts
- attendance certificate
- CME certificate
- social dinner

## SIC SECRETARIAT

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