



Associazione Italiana di Neuro-Oncologia



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SOCIETY

# ITALIAN-SWISS NEURO-ONCOLOGY MEETING



*Verona*

Aula Magna – Silos di Ponente  
Polo Santa Marta – University of Verona

*26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>  
March 2026*

# Summary

Dear Colleagues,

since 2013 through 2017 and 2022 a conjoint Swiss-Italian meeting of Neuro-Oncology has been successfully organized in Lugano, Torino and Lugano again.

Now, a 4th meeting is being organized in Verona (26-28 March 2026) with the aim of reviewing and discussing the latest advances in the field of primary and secondary brain tumors.

As for Basic Science and Pathology major topics will be molecular classification of meningiomas and role of liquid biopsies. Advances in Neuroimaging will cover new techniques, role of PET and radioligand therapy. Moreover, a number of innovative therapies will be reviewed, such as histone inhibitors, CAR-T cells, TTF device and IDH inhibitors. Hot surgical and radiation issues will be also discussed.

The last day will be devoted to Brain and Leptomeningeal Metastases, Supportive/Palliative Care and Scientific Presentations by Young Investigators.

We are sure that all participants will take an advantage from the relevant multidisciplinary professional experience.

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Roberta Rudà (Turin)  
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Michael Weller (Zurich)

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# Programma

## March 26

### Thursday afternoon

17.00 Registration and Welcome  
**R. Rudà, M. Weller**  
**F. Sala, G.F. Pesce**

18.00 **Opening Lecture**  
Advances in target therapy  
and immunotherapy in IDHwt gliomas  
**M. Weller**

19.00 Welcome Cocktail

## March 27

### Friday morning

8.15 Introduction  
**R. Rudà, M. Weller**  
**F. Sala, A. Hottinger**

### NOVELTIES IN BASIC SCIENCE AND PATHOLOGY

Chairs: **A. Silvani, P. Roth**

8.30 Improvements in meningioma classification  
by novel molecular and computational  
pathology tools  
**L. Bertero**

8.50 HLA ligandome analyses in brain tumors  
**M. Neidert**

9.10 Tumor- infiltrating lymphocyte therapy  
in glioblastoma  
**S. Pellegatta**

9.30 Liquid biopsies: their emerging role  
**T. Weiss**

9.50 Panel Discussion

10.10 Coffee Break

### ADVANCES IN NEUROIMAGING OF GLIOMAS

Chairs: **B. Bonetti, G. Hutter**

10.30 Advanced MRI methods to characterize  
the metabolic and microenvironmental  
heterogeneity in gliomas  
**A. Castellano**

10.50 Imaging the IDH mutation  
**R. Wiest**

11.10 FDOPA PET in monitoring gliomas  
**S. Morbelli**

11.30 Radioligand therapy  
**TBC**

11.50 Panel Discussion

**FOCUS ON INNOVATIVE THERAPEUTIC APPROACHES**

Chairs: **R. Rudà, T. Weiss**

12.10 Histone-mutant gliomas  
**E. Le Rhun**

12.30 CAR-T cells in pediatric gliomas  
**A. Mastronuzzi**

12.50 Panel Discussion

13.00 Lunch break

**HIGH GRADE GLIOMAS**

Chairs: **D. Garbossa, G.F. Pesce**

14.00 Fluorescence-guided surgery for malignant gliomas: an Italian experience  
**F. Acerbi**

14.20 TTF studies update  
**A. Hottinger**

14.40 Reirradiation in high grade gliomas  
**P. Navarria**

15.10 Update on the RESURGE trial  
**P. Schucht**

15.30 Panel Discussion

15.50 Coffee break

16.10 **Keynote Lecture**  
Novel techniques to investigate brain connectivity during asleep surgery for brain gliomas  
**F. Sala (President EANS)**

**LOW GRADE GLIOMAS**

Chairs: **S. Sarubbo, P. Schucht**

16.40 Supratotal resection  
**L. Bello**

17.00 Novel surgical approaches  
**G. Hutter**

17.20 IDH inhibition: monitoring of tumor growth and seizure control  
**R. Rudà**

17.40 IDH inhibition: current clinical trial landscape  
**D. Gramatzki**

18.00 Panel Discussion

**CONTROVERSIES IN INCIDENTAL GLIOMAS**

Chairs: **F. Pessina, D. Migliorini**

18.20 **T. Ius and K. Seystahl**

18.50-19.00 Closure of the day

**March 28**  
*Saturday morning*

**BRAIN AND LEPTOMENINGEAL METASTASES**

Chairs: **R. Soffietti, E. Le Rhun**

8.30 Farewell to WBRT  
**G.F. Pesce**

8.50 Controversy: SRT as initial therapy for multiple brain metastases  
**A. Nicolato**

9.10 Controversy: targeted therapies as initial therapy for multiple brain metastases  
**TBC**

9.30 Combination of radiosurgery and immunotherapy for brain metastases  
**S. Chiesa**

9.50 Leptomeningeal metastases: What's new?  
**B. Muoio**

10.10 Coffee break

**SUPPORTIVE AND PALLIATIVE CARE**

Chairs: **G. Lombardi, G. Pesce**

10.30 Palliative care in Neuro-Oncology: an Italian multi-societies (SIN, SICP, AINO) Guideline  
**A. Pace**

10.50 Timely integration of palliative care in patients with brain tumors  
**C. Hertler**

11.10 Panel Discussion  
Chairs: **E. Franceschi, B. Muoio**

11.20 - 12.20 6 Selected oral presentations from youngsters 10 minutes  
**(3 Italian, 3 Swiss)**

12.30 Closing Remarks

## Faculty

Francesco Acerbi.....	Pisa
Lorenzo Bello.....	Milano
Luca Bertero.....	Torino
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