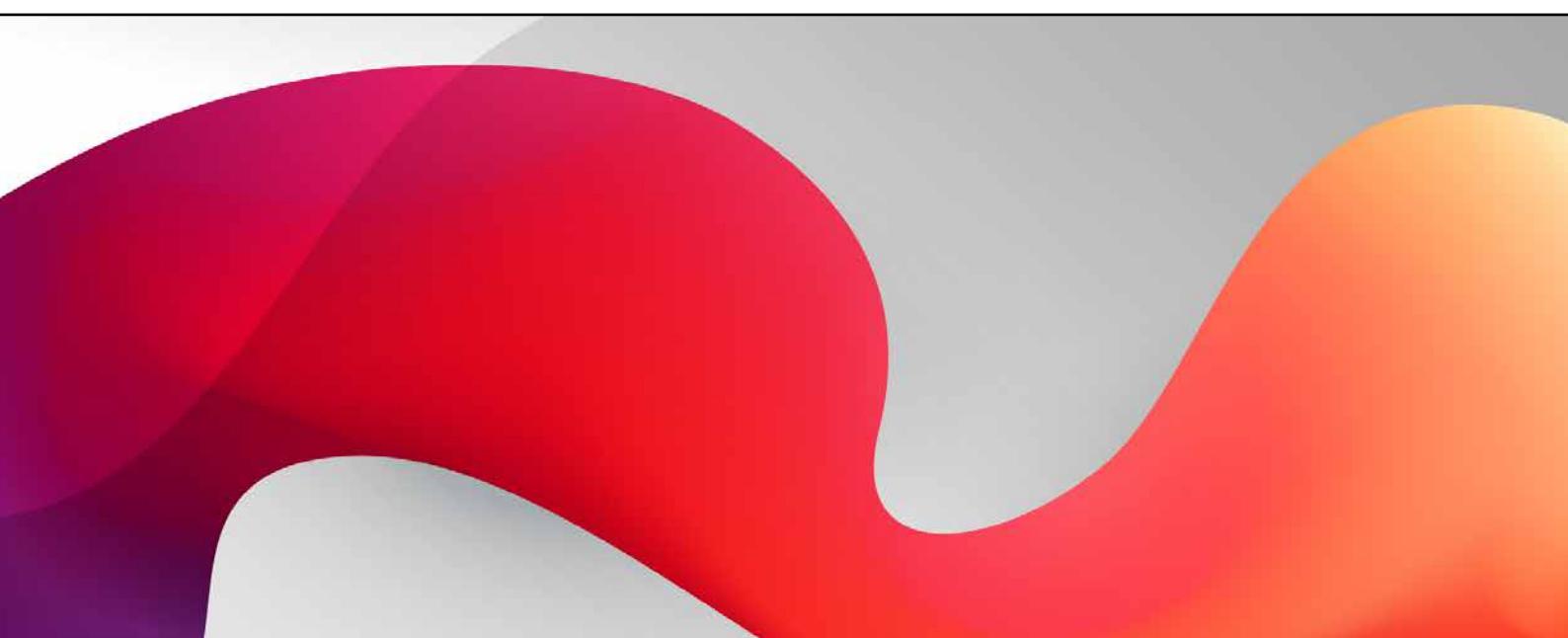


# THE CHALLENGES OF SYSTEMIC SCLEROSIS. WHEN SCIENCE MEETS PRACTICE



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The rationale for the event focusing on systemic sclerosis from Science to Clinical Practice, is to ensure that the latest scientific insights are integrated into clinical care for better disease management, patient outcomes, and quality of life. It also underscores the importance of multidisciplinary collaboration, patient-centered approaches, and ongoing education in addressing the complexities of this challenging disease.

The event will be rooted on items that may bridge the gap between scientific research and patient care. We know how much Systemic sclerosis is a complex autoimmune disease characterized by fibrosis, vascular abnormalities, and immune dysregulation, and its management poses challenges that require a multidisciplinary approach. Therefore, the sessions will explore advancements in Pathophysiology and Basic Science, to achieve the understanding of the underlying disease mechanisms to developing effective treatments. The areas of Fibrosis Pathways, Vascular Dysfunction and Immune alterations

The Clinical Guidelines and Best Practices will be definitively presented, addressing the disease complexity including Multidisciplinary Care, Risk Stratification, Monitoring and Early Intervention and Patient-Centered Care and Quality of Life. The increasing complexity of treatment options, informed and collaborative decision-making process between patients and clinicians will be a crucial item which will be developed and will be the backbone to provide the state of the art and the emerging Therapeutic Targets and Treatments that will include Anti-fibrotic agents , Immunomodulatory therapies and precision medicine approaches that tailor treatments based on specific biomarkers, disease subsets, or genetic predispositions. On top of these sessions, the conclusion lecture will be delivered on the innovative CarT cellular therapies which today presents a significant hope to achieve a controlled disease remission.

## SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

**08.30** Registration

**08.45** Introduction and opening

*S. Levi, N. Montano, A. Doria, F. Esposti, L. Dagna*

**09.00 Invited Lectures**

*Moderator: L. Czirjak*

The pillars of SSc

*C. Black*

The role of patient education in the challenge against SSc

*S. Farrington, I. Galetti*

Kidney involvement: Lupus nephritis vs SSc nephropathy

*M. Mosca, C. Denton*

**10.00 SSc pathogenesis**

*Moderators: A. Manfredi, M. Manetti, R. Molteni*

Autoantibodies

*M. Kuwana*

Fibroblasts

*T. Krieg, J. Distler*

Adaptive and innate immune cells

*G.L. Morocini*

Endothelial cells e microparticles

*B. Kahaleh, J. Colic*

Discussion

**11.15 Invited Lecture**

*Moderators: C. Bellocchi, A. De Paulis*

Novel Biomarkers in SSc

*S. Assassi*

The pathogenesis of ILD

*V. Poletti*

**11.45 Pulmonary Hypertension**

*Moderators: L. Beretta, M. De Santis, S. Tomassetti*

PH, revised classification criteria

*S. Harari*

PAH in SSc: up-to-date on treatment strategies in SSc

*O. Distler*

From improved stratification to precision medicine for PAH and PH, the art of saving patient's life

*C. Denton*

**13.00 Light lunch**

**13.45 Imaging in SSc**

*Moderators: A. Moggi Pignone, O. Epis, F. Luppi*

The world of US in SSc (GI, heart, MSK)

*G. Bandini, L. Gargani,*

*MRI in myocardial imaging, may we do more in the future*

*G. De Luca, S. Mavrogeni*

New Lung imaging approach to SSc

*C. Campochiaro, A. Esposito*

Discussion

**14.45 Invited Lecture**

*Moderators: U. Muller Ladner, M. Hughes*

The Very Early Diagnosis, our window of opportunity

*F. Del Galdo, S. Bellando Randone*

**15.15 The management of SSc**

*Moderators: M.E. Truchetet, D. Giuggioli, F. Iannoe*

How to predict the evolution of SSc-ILD

*Y. Allanore*

How to manage ILD in SSc

*D. Khanna*

BAFF and type I interferon in SLE, what can we learn for SSc

*A. Doria*

Discussion

**16.30 Round Table**

*Moderator: L. Dagna*

Immunesuppression & immunodeficiency in SSc

*Y. Allanore, C. Denton, G. Di Colo, D. Khanna*

**17.00 Invited lecture**

*Moderator: P. Rovere Querini*

B-cell depletion in autoimmunity, getting close to the Graal

*G. Orofino*

**17.30 Closing remarks & the last 20 years in EUSTAR & WSF**

*M. Matucci Cerinic*

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