EpSSG WINTER 2026-DRAFT PROGRAMME v.8

TIME	SESSION	Local Organisers	CHAIR	Location Open to:
Tue 1 December-University Padova, Paediatric Department				
9.00-18.00	Phase 1-2 Meeting/Biology-Pathology	J. Daragjati	W. Breunis, S. Gatz	Aula p56-closed
16.00-18.00	INSTRuCT Executive Committee	G. Bisogno	D. Hawkins, M. Sparber-Sauer, G. Bisogno	Aula p20-closed

TIME	SESSION	Local Organisers	CHAIR	Location/Open to:
Wed 2 December- Palazzina dei Servizi, Ospedale				
8.30-10.00	EpSSG BOARD MEETING	G. Bisogno	Andrea Ferrari	Aula p20-closed
10.00-12.30	JOINT meeting: NRSTS/Phase1,2/Biology	Maria Carmen Affinita	Andrea Ferrari	Sala Conferenze-open
10.00-12.30	Radiotherapy Discipline Panel Committee	Giovanni Scarzello	Raquel Davila-Fajardo	Aula B-closed
10.00-12.30	Surgery Discipline Panel committee	Federica De Corti	Florent Guerin	Aula D-closed
10.00-12.30	Pathology Discipline Panel committee	Luisa Santoro	Edmund Cheesman	Aula C-closed
10.00-12.30	Imaging Discipline Panel Committee	Chiara Giraudo Anna Chiara Cavaliere	Rick van Rijn	Aula E-closed
10.00-12.30	RMS Committee	Gianni Bisogno	Gianni Bisogno	Aula A-closed
12.30-14.00	Lunch Break+coffee			
14.00-18.00	INSTRuCT meeting	Gianni Bisogno	D. Hawkins, M. Sparber-Sauer, G. Bisogno	Sala Conferenze-open

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER	CHAIR	Open to:
Thu 3 December-Aula Magna, Palazzo Bo				
8.00-9.30	Frontline and Relapse Rhabdomyosarcoma TMG Meeting		**Julia Chisholm**	TMG-closed
9.30-10.00	Registration			
10.00-10.15	Opening of the meeting		Gianni Bisogno & Andrea Ferrari	OPEN to all
	Rhabdomyosarcoma session		**Gianni Bisogno & Janet Shipley**	
10.15-10.45	When Classification Changes: Implications of the new WHO classification for FaR-RMS Data	Edmund Cheesman		
10.45-11.05	A convergent cell state of high-risk RMS transcends existing predictive features	Holly Whitfield		
11.05-11.30	Coffee break			

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Thu 3 December-Aula Magna, Palazzo Bo				**OPEN to all**

11.30-11.50	Predictive risk of nodal involvement	Federico Mercolini	**Federica De Corti & Martin Ebinger**	
11.50-12.10	VGLL::NCOA2 analysis	Patrizia Gasparini		
12.10-12.30	Local treatment: operative imaging using ICG and tumor-microenvironment antibodies	Luca Pio		
12.30-13.00	**Keynote Lecture: Molecular pathology of sarcomas: promises and challenges**	**Prof. AP Dei Tos**	**Andrea Ferrari & Gianni Bisogno**	OPEN
13.00-14.00	LUNCH			
14.00-15.30	**Immunotherapy session**		**Monika Sparber-Sauer & Michael Meister**	OPEN to all
14.00-14.30	The immune landscape of paediatric soft tissue sarcoma: barriers and opportunities for immunotherapy	Zoe Walters		
14.30-15.00	"Vaccination, really? For sarcoma, seriously?", PerVision trial	Martin Ebinger		
15.00-15.30	The INFORMi PRAME Time study	Katharina Mair		
15.30-16.00	Coffee break			
16.00-17.30	**NRSTS session**		**Andrea Ferrari & Daniel Orbach**	OPEN to all
16.00-16.20	Myofibroblastic neoplasms 2.0: sharpening the diagnostic focus with molecular tools	Rita Alaggio		
16.20-16.30	Discussion			
16.30-16.50	New Therapeutic Horizons in Desmoid Fibromatosis: Local and Systemic Approaches	Nadege Corradini		
16.50-17.00	Discussion			
17.00-17.20	Targeted Therapies in Inflammatory Myofibroblastic Tumors: From Early Inhibitors to Next-Generation Agents	Michela Casanova		
17.20-17.30	Discussion			
19.30-22.30	EpSSG DINNER	Caffè Pedrocchi		

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER	CHAIR	Open to:
	Fri 4 December Centro Culturale San Gaetano			
08.30-10.00	EpSSG GENERAL ASSEMBLY		**Andrea Ferrari**	EpSSG members
10.00-10.30	Coffee break			
10.30-12.00	**Trial update session**		**Hans Merks & Sheila Terwisscha van Schelting**	OPEN to all
10.30-11.00	FaR-RMS trial update	Julia Chisholm		
11.00-11.15	Discussion			
11.15-11.45	MYKIDS and OCTOPUS studies update	Reineke Schoot, Michela Casanova, Daria Valerio, Andrea Buonsante		
11.45-12.00	Discussion			
12.00-13.00	Box Lunch & Coffee			

13.00-13.30	Children's oncology group update on North American Soft Tissue Sarcoma Trials	Raj Venkatramani	**Max van Noesel**	OPEN to all
13.30-14.30	**Young Investigators session, best abstract**		**Lisa Lyngsie Hjalgrim & Julia Chisholm**	OPEN to all
13.30-13.40	Cell state lethality overcomes revival progenitor-driven chemoresistance in fusionnegative RMS	Laura Broutier, France		
13.40-13.45	Discussion			
13.45-13.55	Lineage plasticity and tumor microenvironment associated transcriptional features define a novel aggressive tumor state in RMS	Roberta Sulsenti, Italy		
13.55-14.00	Discussion			
14.00-14.10	Infants with NRSTS and other rare tumors: Results of the CWS-96 and CWS-2002P Prospective Trials and Data of the recent Soft Tissue Sarcoma Registry	Amadeus Heinz, Germany		
14.10-14.15	Discussion			
14.15-14.30	Farewell		**Andrea Ferrari & Gianni Bisogno**	

Please note that the meeting is open to EpSSG members. Non EpSSG members can attend the meeting by invitation from an EpSSG member. Deadline 1 Nov,2026

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