

**TITOLO: JOINT CONGRESS AIM-ASNP**

**DATA: MAY 13<sup>TH</sup>-16<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**

**SEDE CONGRESSUALE: Palazzo dei Congressi | Piazza della Costituzione, 4 – 40128 Bologna**

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**TIPOLOGIA EVENTO: Residenziale**

**ORE FORMATIVE: 17**

**OBIETTIVO FORMATIVO:** 18 - Contenuti tecnico-professionali (conoscenze e competenze) specifici di ciascuna professione, di ciascuna specializzazione e di ciascuna attività ultra-specialistica, ivi incluse le malattie rare e la medicina di genere

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Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

11.30-14.00 | Pre-congress course | NO CME

Chairs: Maurizio Moggio, Lucio Santoro

**Distal Amyotrophy: a cross-sectional clinical presentation in neuromuscular disorders**

Distal neuropathic amyotrophy | Stefano Previtali

Distal myopathic amyotrophy | Marina Grandis

Diagnostic tools in differential diagnosis: pathology | Daniele Velardo

Diagnostic tools in differential diagnosis: neurophysiology | Stefano Tozza

Diagnostic tools in differential diagnosis: imaging | Giorgio Tasca

**RATIONALE**

The organization of a joint congress between the Associazione Italiana di Miologia (AIM) and the Associazione per lo Studio del Sistema Nervoso Periferico (ASNP) arises from the increasingly urgent need to address neuromuscular disorders in an integrated manner, in light of therapeutic and diagnostic advances that require a translational and multidisciplinary vision.

In 2026, the decision was made to organize this joint congress with the aim of building a scientific bridge between two communities that share research areas, advanced technologies, and clinical challenges. The meeting is intended to represent a crucial opportunity to unite expertise, share scientific evidence, and define new strategies in the field of neuromuscular diseases.

Today, an interdisciplinary approach represents the only effective way to address the biological and clinical complexity of these conditions, promote cutting-edge research, and improve patient care.

The 2026 Bologna Congress aims to establish a scientific connection between the fields of muscle and peripheral nervous system research, bringing together basic and clinical expertise in neuromuscular regeneration, genetic and inflammatory diseases, immune-mediated complications, advanced imaging, artificial intelligence, and novel therapies. Through plenary and parallel sessions, the program will foster dialogue among research groups and specialists from different backgrounds, encouraging the critical sharing of data, updates on ongoing clinical trials, and the development of biomarkers and quantitative tools for diagnosis, stratification, and disease monitoring.

The ultimate goal of the congress is to stimulate long-term scientific collaborations between the two communities, promote multicenter studies and joint projects, and contribute to shaping future research directions in neuromuscular diseases, with a truly integrated perspective between muscle and peripheral nerve.

## PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026

13.00-14.00 | Opening Registration

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

14.00-14.30 | Greetings and introduction | Rocco Liguori, Fiore Manganelli, Vincenzo Nigro

14.30-15.15 | Main Lecture

Chair: Rocco Liguori

**Multisystem Proteinopathies** | Bjarne Udd

15.15-16.30 | Parallel Workshop 1

Chairs: Claudio Bruno, Gabriele Siciliano

**Muscle Health and Muscle Plasticity-form normal to pathological condition**

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HMGB1 as a Central Regulator of Skeletal Muscle Homeostasis: Implications for Disease and Ageing  
| Emilie Vénéreau

Dissecting the cachexia signature for developing a RNA-based therapy | Marco Sandri

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

15.15-16.30 | Parallel Workshop 2

Chairs: Giuseppe Lauria Pinter, Vincenzo Provitera

**Small fibers, big challenges: an integrated approach to small fiber neuropathy from clinical, diagnostic, and pathophysiological perspectives**

Clinical criteria and diagnostic workup | Grazia Devigili

Neuropathic Pain: Correlations with Small Fiber Morphology and Function | Eleonora Galosi

Autonomic dysfunction: a morpho-functional approach | Maria Nolano

Current Therapeutic Options and Future Directions | Vincenzo Donadio

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

16.30-18.00 | **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Alessandra Ferlini, Federica Ricci**

*Each Presenting Authors will be given 13 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion*

16.30-16.45 | **NONSENSE VARIANTS IN BECKER MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY: CLINICAL COURSE AND DISEASE SEVERITY** | Domenico Gorgoglione

16.45-17.00 | **DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY DRIVES T CELL REMODELING** | Chiara Villa

17.00-17.15 | CHARACTERIZING INITIAL SYMPTOMS AND FUNCTIONAL EVOLUTION IN BECKER MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY | Angela Petrosino

17.15-17.30 | EVOLUTION OF SWALLOWING DISTURBANCES IN DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY (DMD) | Chiara Legnani

17.30-17.45 | PROSPECTIVE EVALUATION OF SLEEP-DISORDERED BREATHING AND FUNCTIONAL ASSESSMENT IN DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY: DYSTREST STUDY | Amanda Maccarrone

17.45-18.00 | CELL-MEDIATED EXON SKIPPING INDUCES ROBUST DYSTROPHIN EXPRESSION AT A VERY LATE-STAGE OF DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY | Stefano Previtali

#### PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

16.30-18.00 | **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Mauro Monforte, Maria Lucia Valentino**

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16.30-16.45 | PROGRESSION DYNAMICS AND DISABILITY MILESTONES IN CHILDHOOD-ONSET FSHD | Beatrice Ravera

16.45-17.00 | AN INTEGRATED LONG-READ SEQUENCING WORKFLOW FOR COMPREHENSIVE MOLECULAR CHARACTERIZATION OF FSHD PATIENTS | Claudia Strafella

17.00-17.15 | INNATE IMMUNE ACTIVATION ASSOCIATED WITH MUSCLE-SPECIFIC FRG1 OVEREXPRESSION | Sebastian Fantini

17.15-17.30 | RETHINKING GENOMICS OF FACIOSCAPULOHUMERAL MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY IN THE TELOMERE-TO-TELOMERE ERA: PITFALLS IN THE HIDDEN LANDSCAPE OF D4Z4 REPEATS | Valentina Salsi

17.30-17.45 | A TELOMERIC TRANSLOCATION CAUSING FACIOSCAPULOHUMERAL MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY IN A FAMILY WITH NORMAL D4Z4 SIZE | **Ilaria Quartesan**

17.45-18.00 | UNRAVELING PHENOTYPIC HETEROGENEITY IN FSHD THROUGH MACHINE LEARNING-BASED ANALYSIS OF GENOME VARIANTS | Sara Pini

#### MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 1-2

16.30-18.00 **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Caterina Garone, Chiara Pisciotta**

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16.30-16.45 | HETEROZYGOUS TUBB3 VARIANTS CAUSE ISOLATED OR COMPLEX, AXONAL OR INTERMEDIATE CHARCOT-MARIE-TOOTH DISEASE | Alessandro Bertini

16.45-17.00 | SERUM POLYOLS AS DISEASE BIOMARKERS IN SORD NEUROPATHY | **Ilaria Quartesan**

17.00-17.15 | A NOVEL 5' UTR CCG EXPANSION IN TBC1D7 CAUSES OCULOPHARYNGODISTAL MYOPATHY | Riccardo Currò

17.15-17.30 | IN VITRO VARIANT SCREENING IMPROVES VARIANT INTERPRETATION IN ACTN2-RELATED MYOPATHIES | Ranta-aho Johanna

17.30-17.45 | GENETIC MODIFIERS IN HEREDITARY TRANSTHYRETIN AMYLOIDOSIS: A GENOME-WIDE ASSOCIATION STUDY | Elisa Vegezzi

17.45-18.00 | BEYOND DISTAL ARTHROGRYPOSIS: REFINING THE PHENOTYPIC LANDSCAPE OF PIEZO2-RELATED DISORDERS | Giuliana Capece

#### MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 3

16.30-18.00 | **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Chiara La Morgia, Paola Tonin**

*Each Presenting Authors will be given 13 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion*

16.30-16.45 | WEARABLE SENSOR-BASED QUANTITATIVE GAIT ANALYSIS IN METABOLIC MYOPATHIES: A SINGLE-CENTRE EXPERIENCE | Ignazio Giuseppe Arena

16.45-17.00 | CLINICAL AND GENOTYPIC SPECTRUM OF TWINKLE-RELATED DISORDERS INSIGHTS FROM A MULTINATIONAL COHORT STUDY | Piervito Lopriore

17.00-17.15 | REAL WORD DATA ON ALGLUCOSIDASE – CIPAGLUCOSIDASE/MIGLUSTAT SWITCHING IN LOPD: AN ITALIAN MULTICENTER EXPERIENCE | **Olimpia Musumeci**

17.15-17.30 | BRAIN PHYSIOLOGICAL TRANSCRIPTOMIC ARCHITECTURE UNDERPINNINGS OF REGIONAL VULNERABILITY TO STROKE-LIKE LESIONS IN MELAS | Matteo Azzimonti

17.30-17.45 | SWITCHING FROM ALGLUCOSIDASE ALFA TO AVALGLUCOSIDASE: REAL-WORLD DATA FROM A SINGLE-CENTER EXPERIENCE | **Olimpia Musumeci**

17.45-18.00 | RITUXIMAB IN IDIOPATHIC INFLAMMATORY MYOPATHIES: AN ITALIAN MULTICENTER STUDY FROM THE INFLAMMATORY MYOPATHIES AIM STUDY GROUP | Matteo Lucchini

#### PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

18.00-18.45 | Symposium | NO CME

**Chair: Eugenio Maria Mercuri**

**Optimizing Standard of Care Therapy in Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy: A next generation of steroid with dissociative mechanism**

18.00-18.05 | Welcome & Introduction | Eugenio Maria Mercuri

18.05-18.15 | Rethinking Steroid Therapy in DMD: Why Mechanism of Action Matters | Pier Lorenzo Puri

18.15-18.25 | Looking Beyond the Trial Endpoint: Sustained Efficacy and Long-Term Functional Preservation in DMD | Luca Bello

18.25-18.35 | When Treatment Becomes a Risk Factor: Preserving Bone While Treating Muscle in Duchenne | Chiara Panicucci

18.35-18.45 | Discussion Q&A | Eugenio Maria Mercuri

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

18.45-19.15 | Lecture | NO CME

**Chair: Antonella Pini**

**Gene therapy in Spinal Muscular Atrophy: achievements and expectations** | Maria Carmela Pera

19.15-19.45 | Lecture | NO CME

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

18.45-20.00 | GdS\* Myasthenia Gravis

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 1-2

18.45-20.00 | GdS\* CIDP/MMN

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MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 3

18.45-20.00 | **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Emanuele D'Amico, Carlo Minetti**

*Each Presenting Authors will be given 13 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion*

18.45-19.00 | EMERGING ROLE OF MUSCLE-AND FIBROSIS-RELATED MICRORNAS IN EMERY-DREIFUSS MUSCULAR DYSTROPHIES | Giorgia Farinazzo

19.00-19.15 | SERUM LIGHT CHAIN NEUROFILAMENTS AS A BIOMARKER IN VINCRISTINE-INDUCED PERIPHERAL NEUROPATHY IN PEDIATRIC ACUTE LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA | Giacomo Gotti

19.15-19.30 | A MULTICENTER STUDY OF CCDC78-RELATED MYOPATHY: CLINICAL AND ULTRASTRUCTURAL INSIGHTS | Diego Lopergolo

19.30-19.45 | IMPROVING MOLECULAR RESOLUTION IN NEUROMUSCULAR DISORDERS WITH LONG-READ SEQUENCING | Pasquale Di Letto

19.45-20.00 | SYNTHETIC DATA FOR RESEARCH IN CIDP: VALIDATION AGAINST REAL-WORLD DATA FROM THE ITALIAN CIDP REGISTRY | Alessio Signori

20.00-20.15 | TARGETED NGS NEWBORN SCREENING IN EUROPE: FIRST RESULTS FROM THE SCREEN4CARE TREAT PANEL | Rita Selvatici

20.15-21.45 | Welcome Cocktail

**Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

08.00-09.15 | Plenary Session

Chairs: Corrado Angelini, Stefania Corti

**Regeneration in neuromuscular disorders: from the pathogenic mechanism to new therapeutic approaches**

Regeneration in neuromuscular disorders: the case of LGMDs | Giovanna Cenacchi

Pathophysiology of muscle regeneration and the satellite cell-opathies | Edoardo Malfatti

Stem cell-derived models and gene therapy approaches for neuromuscular regeneration | Stefania Corti

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

09.15-10.30 | Parallel Workshop 3

Chairs: Fiore Manganelli, Elena Pegoraro

**Inherited neuromuscular diseases mimicking immune disorders**

Hereditary neuropathies presenting with CIDP-like features | Marco Luigetti

Hereditary myopathies misdiagnosed as inflammatory myopathies | Carmelo Rodolico

Neuromuscular junction disorders: mistaking genetic for acquired | Raffaele Iorio

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

09.15-10.30 | Parallel Workshop 4

Chairs: Alessandra Ariatti, Luca Bello

**AI in neurophysiology and imaging: automated signal analysis, MRI Radiomics, COMPASS project**

Voice and AI in neuromuscular diseases | Raffaele Dubbioso

The COMPASS project: digital technologies and telemedicine | Rossella Ginevra Tupler

MRI in Muscle disorders | Giorgio Tasca

10.30-11.00 | Coffee Break

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

11.00-12.30 | **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Angelo Antonini, Rita Rinaldi**

Each Presenting Authors will be given 13 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion

11.00-11.15 | CLINICAL RESPONSE HETEROGENEITY TO FIRST-LINE BIOLOGIC THERAPIES IN ACHR-POSITIVE MYASTHENIA GRAVIS | Nicasio Rini

11.15-11.30 | IMPACT OF TARGETED THERAPIES ON THE DISEASE COURSE OF GENERALIZED MYASTHENIA GRAVIS | Rita Frangiamore

11.30-11.45 | FUNCTIONAL CHARACTERIZATION OF ANTIBODIES DIRECTED AGAINST CLUSTERED ACETYLCHOLINE RECEPTOR | Antonio Lotti

11.45-12.00 | RITUXIMAB IN ACHR AND MUSK MYASTHENIA GRAVIS: LONG-TERM FOLLOW-UP WITH DIFFERENT THERAPEUTIC PROTOCOLS | Francesco Tuccillo

12.00-12.15 | LATE-ONSET MYASTHENIA GRAVIS: CLINICAL PHENOTYPE AND LONGITUDINAL THERAPEUTIC MANAGEMENT IN A RETROSPECTIVE STUDY | Luca Angelini

12.15-12.30 | COMPARATIVE EFFICACY OF ANTI-C5 VS. ANTI-FCRN THERAPY IN THYMOMA-ASSOCIATED MYASTHENIA GRAVIS: A MULTICENTRE RETROSPECTIVE STUDY | Alba Cepele

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 1-2

11.00-12.30 | **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Dario Cocito, Matteo Garibaldi**

Each Presenting Authors will be given 13 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion

11.00-11.15 | LIMITATIONS OF STANDARD OF CARE THERAPY IN CHRONIC INFLAMMATORY DEMYELINATING POLYRADICULONEUROPATHY | Claudia Lozi

11.15-11.30 | ANTIBODIES AGAINST PROTEOLIPID PROTEIN-1 ARE IDENTIFIED IN PATIENTS WITH INFLAMMATORY NEUROPATHIES | Alberto De Lorenzo

11.30-11.45 | WHEN DEMYELINATION IS NOT DEMYELINATION: RETHINKING NERVE CONDUCTION FINDINGS IN AUTOIMMUNE NODO/PARANODOPATHIES | Emanuele Cassano

11.45-12.00 | LONG-TERM OUTCOME IN REFRACTORY ANTI-MAG ANTIBODY NEUROPATHY PATIENTS TREATED WITH BTK INHIBITORS | Benedetta Tierro

12.00-12.15 | EVOLVING ELECTROPHYSIOLOGICAL PATTERNS IN CIDP: HOW ELECTROPHYSIOLOGICAL PATTERNS CAN INFORM TREATMENT RESPONSE AND RECOVERY | Rita Fiumarella

12.15-12.30 | NEURALGIC AMYOTROPHY ULTRASOUND CHARACTERISTICS: A SINGLE CENTER STUDY | Sara Carta

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 3

11.00-12.30 | **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Roberto Massa, Elena Sacconi**

*Each Presenting Authors will be given 13 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion*

11.00-11.15 | OCULOPHARYNGEAL MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY: A MULTICENTER RETROSPECTIVE COHORT ANALYSIS FROM THE ITALIAN NETWORK | Claudia Alberti

11.15-11.30 | THE NOVEL (TCTG)N MOTIF IN CNBP EXPANDED ALLELES: COMPOSITION, DYNAMICS AND GENOTYPE-PHENOTYPE CORRELATION IN DM2 | Federica Centofanti

11.30-11.45 | PLASMA PTAU-181 AS A PROGNOSTIC BIOMARKER OF MOTOR DECLINE IN MYOTONIC DYSTROPHY TYPE 1 | Erica Frezza

11.45-12.00 | CIRCULATING MUSCLE-SPECIFIC MIRNAS UNCOVER DIFFERENTIAL MOLECULAR SIGNATURES IN MYOTONIC DYSTROPHY TYPE 1 AND 2 PATIENTS | Dario Ciabini

12.00-12.15 | INTEGRATED ORTHOPEDIC AND NEUROLOGICAL 14-YEAR EXPERIENCE IN THE DIAGNOSTIC APPROACH TO THE 'TOE WALKER' SPECTRUM IN A PEDIATRIC POPULATION | Federica Trentin

12.15-12.30 | CLINICAL SPECTRUM OF MYOTONIC DYSTROPHY TYPE 2: RESULTS FROM A CROSS-SECTIONAL MONOCENTRIC STUDY | Elena Faedo

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

11.00-11.30 | Lecture | NO CME

**Chair: Caterina Garone**

**When to Suspect Thymidine Kinase 2 Deficiency (TK2d): Red Flags and Differential Diagnosis**  
| Michelangelo Mancuso

11.30-12.00 | Lecture | NO CME

**Chair: Rocco Liguori**

**The evolving landscape of Myasthenia Gravis treatment: focus on nipocalimab** | Carlo Antozzi

12.00-12.30 | Lecture | NO CME

**Chair: Rocco Liguori**

**Rethinking When: Redefining Treatment Timing in Myasthenia Gravis** | Yuri Matteo Falzone

12.30-13.30 | Lunch Buffet

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

13.30-14.15 | **Symposium | NO CME**

**Chairs: Francesco Habetswallner, Rocco Liguori**

**Clinical refractions in gMG: expanding ravulizumab and eculizumab evidence across all age groups**

13.30-13.45 | **A Prism** of Evidence for gMG: Integrating C5-inhibition treatment data from clinical trials in adult and pediatric patients | Paolo Emilio Alboini

13.45-14.00 | Ravulizumab in late-onset gMG: **illuminating** Real-World outcomes | Laura Fionda

14.00-14.15 | Through the Case **Lens**: Practical Management of gMG and Comorbidities | Daniele Velardo

14.15-15.00 | Symposium | NO CME

**Chair: Marika Pane**

**Spinal Muscular Atrophy lifespan: from newborn screening to adulthood**

14.15-14.20 | Introduction | Marika Pane

14.20-14.30 | Born with SMA: early diagnosis and timely intervention | Marika Pane

14.30-14.40 | Growing up with SMA: clinical transitions and phenotypic variability | Federica Ricci

14.40-14.50 | Ageing with SMA: needs and clinical approaches of a chronic disease

14.50-15.00 | Discussion & Q&A | All Faculty

15.00-16.30 | Poster Session | NO CME

16.30-17.00 | Coffee Break

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

17.00-18.30 | Parallel Workshop 5

Chairs: Luca Padua, Giampietro Zanette

**Neuromuscular imaging in the diagnosis of peripheral nerve and muscle disorders**

Principles of neuromuscular ultrasound and clinical applications | Stefano Tamburin

Nerve Ultrasound in inflammatory neuropathies | Sara Carta

MRI Neurography in inflammatory neuropathies | Roberto Gasparotti

Muscle MRI in inflammatory myopathies | Anna Pichiecchio

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

17.00-18.30 | Parallel Workshop 6

Chairs: Guido Angelo Cavaletti, Paola Mandich

**Schwann cell from normal to pathological conditions**

Schwann Cells in the Development of the Peripheral Nervous System | Lucilla Nobbio

The Role of Beclin 1 and Autophagy/Endosome Trafficking in Myelination | Matilde Cescon

Neurovascular Interactions in Peripheral Nerve Regeneration and Degeneration | Dario Bonanomi

Therapeutic perspectives for Hereditary Neuropathies | Alessandra Bolino

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 1-2

17.00-18.00 | GdS\* Inflammatory Myopathies

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 3

17.00-18.00 | GdS\* LGMD

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 1-2

18.00-19.00 | GdS\* FSHD

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 3

18.00-19.00 | GdS\* Myotonic Dystrophies

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PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

18.30-20.00 | Parallel Workshop 7

Chairs: Massimiliano Mirabella, Eduardo Nobile-Orazio

**Neuromuscular complications of oncologic immunotherapies**

Introduction | Lucia Festino

Myopathies | Massimiliano Mirabella

Neuropathies | Paola Alberti

Myasthenia Gravis | Maria Pia Giannoccaro

PLENARY ROOM ITALIA

18.30-19.30 GdS\* AIM Giovani

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 1

19.00-20.00 GdS\* AIG

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 2

19.00-20.00 GdS\* Mitochondrial Disorders

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**Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

08.00-09.15 | Plenary Session

Chairs: Giacomo Pietro Comi, Antonella Pini

**Lessons from SMA treatments**

Focus on novel approaches in SMA treatment | Eugenio Maria Mercuri

New evidence from transitional age and adulthood | Sonia Messina

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09.15-10.30 | Parallel Workshop 8

Chairs: Giovanni Meola, Davide Pareyson

**Repeats expansion**

Myotonic Dystrophy type 1 | Darren G. Monckton

Oculopharyngeal muscular dystrophy, RFC1-CANVAS | Andrea Cortese

Kennedy's disease | Maria Pennuto

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

09.15-10.30 | Parallel Workshop 9

Chairs: Enrico Silvio Bertini, Lucia Ruggiero

**Multisystem involvement in neuromuscular diseases (myotonic dystrophy, Pompe disease, amyloidosis, mitochondrial diseases): management for improved QoL**

Myotonic Dystrophies: new therapeutic approaches outcomes and clinical relevance | Valeria Sansone

ATTRv Polyneuropathy: management for improved QoL | Angelo Schenone

Management and Therapeutic options of patients with multisystem Pompe disease | Antonio Toscano

10.30-11.00 | Coffee Break

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

11.00-12.30 | **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Emily Bellone, Marco Savarese**

Each Presenting Authors will be given 13 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion

11.00-11.15 | A UNIVERSAL DONOR CELL FOR THE NEXT GENERATION CELL AND EX VIVO GENE THERAPIES | Giulio Cossu

11.15-11.30 | PATIENT-DERIVED SPINAL CORD ORGANOID REVEAL CRITICAL TREATMENT WINDOWS IN SMA | Stefania Corti

11.30-11.45 | MORPHOLOGICAL AND MOLECULAR ALTERATIONS IN THE SOMATOSENSORY CORTEX VASCULATURE OF RATS WITH PACLITAXEL-INDUCED PAINFUL PERIPHERAL NEUROPATHY | Antonio Giuliano Zippo

11.45-12.00 | ROLE OF UNCONVENTIONAL MYOSIN1B IN PERIPHERAL NERVOUS SYSTEM | Giovanna Capodivento

12.00-12.15 | NEW INSIGHTS INTO THE MOLECULAR ROLE OF TNPO3 IN A ZEBRAFISH MODEL OF LGMDD2 | Maria Teresa Rodia

12.15-12.30 | THE MYOSTATIN-SMAD3 PATHWAY AS BIOMARKER FOR MONITORING DISEASE COURSE UNDER DISEASE-MODIFYING THERAPIES IN SPINAL MUSCULAR ATROPHY | Giorgia Riolo

#### MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 1-2

11.00-12.30 | **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Melania Giannotta, Marika Pane**

*Each Presenting Authors will be given 13 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion*

11.00-11.15 | MULTI-OMIC BIOMARKERS ENABLE PERSONALIZED SMA MANAGEMENT IN A MULTICENTER ITALIAN STUDY | Chiara Panicucci

11.15-11.30 | SUSTAINED MOTOR FUNCTION STABILIZATION IN TREATED ADULT SPINAL MUSCULAR ATROPHY: REAL-WORLD EVIDENCE FROM PADOVA | Giuliana Capece

11.30-11.45 | DNA METHYLATION IN PERIPHERAL BLOOD AS A NEW POTENTIAL BIOMARKERS SMA | Francesca Polito

11.45-12.00 | RESPIRATORY FUNCTION IN ADULT SMA PATIENTS AFTER LONG-TERM RISDIPLAM TREATMENT: THE EXPERIENCE OF ITALIAN CENTERS | Maria Sframeli

12.00-12.15 | SMACK! PROJECT: IMPACT OF THE PARENT-CHILD INTERACTION IN THE EARLY NEURODEVELOPMENTAL STAGES OF A COHORT OF CHILDREN WITH SMA DIAGNOSED BY NEONATAL SCREENING – A PILOT STUDY | Stefano Parravicini

12.15-12.30 | POLYGRAPHIC ASSESSMENT OF ADULT PATIENTS WITH SPINAL MUSCULAR ATROPHY FOLLOWING 12 MONTHS OF RISDIPLAM | Grazia Crescimanno

#### MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 3

11.00-12.30 | **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Chairs: Veria Vacchiano, Marcello Romano**

*Each Presenting Authors will be given 13 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion*

11.00-11.15 | REFINING ELECTROPHYSIOLOGICAL CRITERIA IN CIDP AND MMN: TOWARD A UNIFIED DEFINITION OF MOTOR CONDUCTION BLOCK AND PROXIMAL TEMPORAL DISPERSION | Chiara Gallo

11.15-11.30 | SMALL FIBER DYSFUNCTION IN FIBROMYALGIA: A MULTIMODAL STUDY | Domenico Dell'Aversana

11.30-11.45 | NEUROPHYSIOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT IN PATIENTS WITH SPINAL MUSCULAR ATROPHY IDENTIFIED BY NEWBORN SCREENING | Riccardo Masson

11.45-12.00 | LONG-TERM OUTCOMES AND NATURAL HISTORY OF SMALL FIBER NEUROPATHY | Grazia Devigili

12.00-12.15 | DISEASE MODELLING IN DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY – SINGLE-CENTRE PILOT STUDY USING A MACHINE LEARNING APPROACH | Federica Trucco

12.15-12.30 | ELECTROPHYSIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE OF PRECLINICAL NON-LENGTH DEPENDENT SENSORY INVOLVEMENT IN TTR AMYLOIDOSIS | Mariagiovanna Castiglia

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

11.00-11.30 | Lecture | NO CME

**Chair: Rocco Liguori**

**Management of Pain and Motor Recovery in Peripheral Neuropathies** | Stefano Tamburin

11.30-12.00 | Lecture | NO CME

**Chair: Vincenzo Donadio**

**When Innovation converges: neuroimmunology at the intersection** | Dario Ricciardi

12.00-12.45 | Symposium | NO CME

**Chairs: Eugenio Maria Mercuri, Valeria Sansone**

**Duvyzat: Advancing the Treatment Landscape in Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy**

12.00-12.05 | Introduction | Eugenio Maria Mercuri, Valeria Sansone

12.02-12.05 | Duvyzat: clinical evidence and long-term data | Luca Bello

12.25-12.45 | Duvyzat: translating evidence into clinical practice and patient management | Marika Pane

12.45-13.30 | Symposium | NO CME

12.30-13.30 | Lunch Buffet

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

13.30-14.15 | Symposium | NO CME

**Chair: Giacomo Pietro Comi**

**Towards a New Era: Emerging Perspectives in SMA Landscape**

13.30-13.40 | Welcome and Introduction | Giacomo Pietro Comi

13.40-13.55 | Bridging Biology and the Clinic: Neuroprotection into Practice | Marika Pane

13.55-14.10 | SMA Over Time: Clinical Insights from Long-Term Data and Emerging Biomarkers | Giulia Ricci

14.10-14.15 | Q&A | All Faculty

14.15-15.00 | Symposium | NO CME

**Chair: Lorenzo Maggi**

**Generalized Myasthenia Gravis: from Complexity to Choice**

14.15-14.20 | Integrating patient expectations into the clinical decision-making framework for gMG management | Lorenzo Maggi

14.20-14.35 | The patient who lives a different day every day: when sustained disease management becomes essential | Paolo Emilio Alboini

14.35-14.50 | The patient seeking to regain voice and breath: when management is shaped by the waves of the disease | Raffaele Iorio

14.50-15.00 | Interactive Discussion | All Faculty

15.00-16.30 | Poster Session | NO CME

16.30-17.00 | Coffee Break

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

17.00-18.30 | Round Table Meeting\*\* with Patient's Associations

Chairs: Paola Mandich, Fiore Manganelli, Vincenzo Nigro, Luisa Politano, Cristina Sancricca, Antonio Trabacca

\*\* It is a roundtable discussion, providing an opportunity for AIM (Italian Association of Myology) to present its various projects and updates to patients and patient associations, while also addressing any questions they may have.

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

17.00-18.30 | TRIVIAIM-ASNP Qualification Round

Chairs: Luana Benedetti, Claudio Bruno, Massimiliano Filosto, Serenella Servidei

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

18.30-19.30 | AIM General Assembly\*\*\* | NO CME

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

18.30-19.30 | ASNP General Assembly\*\*\* | NO CME

\*\*\*AIM Members' Assembly (Italian Association of Myology) and ASNP Members' Assembly (Italian Association of Peripheral Nervous System), during which a report on the activities carried out by the Scientific Society throughout the year will be presented, along with the financial statement and plans for the upcoming year.

20.30-24.00 | Social Dinner

**Saturday, May 16, 2026**

07.45-08.30 | GdS\* Bone Health

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 1

07.45-08.30 | GdS Laminopathies Group

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 2

07.45-08.30 | GdS Rehabilitation and Long-Term Care

MODULAR PARALLEL ROOM 3

\*The Study Groups (GdS) are specialized working groups within the Society, bringing together experts and researchers with a common interest in specific areas of myology and peripheral nerve. These groups focus on advancing knowledge, promoting collaboration, and fostering scientific discussions on various topics related to neuromuscular diseases, muscle biology, and clinical myology.

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

08.30-09.00 | Plenary Session

Chair: Tiziana Enrica Mongini

**LAMA2-related disease: when a gene hits muscle and nerve** | S. Previtati

09.00-09.30 | Plenary Session

Chair: Vincenzo Nigro

**Lessons from Newborn Screening in SMA** | Laurent Servais

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

09.30-10.45 | Parallel Workshop 10

Chairs: Francesco Habetswallner, Anna Mazzeo

**Neuropathy and autoimmune myasthenia**

Introduction: autoimmune neuropathies | Chiara Briani

What therapy for what patient? Personalizing treatment choices in myasthenia gravis | Lorenzo Maggi

Novel and emerging treatment in autoimmune neuropathies | Pietro Emiliano Doneddu

Italian Recommendations for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Myasthenia Gravis - 2025 Update | Laura Fionda

PARALLEL ROOM ITALIA

09.30-10.45 | Parallel Workshop 11

Chairs: Gian Maria Fabrizi, Serenella Servidei

**Nerve and muscle involvement in complex genetic diseases**

Peripheral neuropathy in complex inherited disorders | Massimiliano Filosto

Beyond muscle weakness in muscle disorders | Giovanna Lattanzi  
Nerve and muscle involvement in mitochondrial disorders | Olimpia Musumeci

10.45-11.15 | Coffee Break

PLENARY ROOM EUROPA

11.15-12.15 | TRIVIAIM-ASNP Contest Final  
Chairs: Luana Benedetti, Claudio Bruno, Massimiliano Filosto, Serenella Servidei

12.15-13.45 | Closing Ceremony & Awards