

European Pain Federation-EFIC School for Cancer Pain and Palliative Care



17th – 21st May 2015 in Maribor, Slovenia

Supported by Medical Faculty of University Maribor, University Clinical Center Maribor, Slovenian Association for Pain Management and Slovenian Association for Palliative Medicine

Venue: [Faculty of Medicine University of Maribor, University Clinical Center Maribor, Taborska 8, Maribor 2000, Slovenia](#)

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Course Fee: 600 Euro

Maximal number of participants: 25

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Sunday, May 17 2015: Day 1

18:00-21:00

Reception and Get Together
Hotel City, Ulica Kneza Koclja 22, Maribor

Monday, May 18 2015: Day 2

- 8:00-8:30 **Registration**
- 8:30-8:45 **School Opening and Introduction: Chris Wells**
- 8:45-10:45 **Basic Mechanisms of Cancer Pain**
- The Epidemiology of Pain in Cancer Patients (Kris Vissers, Nijmegen)
 - The Pathophysiology of Pain in Cancer Patients (Athina Vadalouca, Athens)
 - Chemotherapy Induced Neuropathic Pain: Mechanisms, Clinical Diagnosis and Pharmacological Therapy (Athina Vadalouca, Athens)
 - Mechanisms of Malignant Bone Pain (Silviu Brill, Tel Aviv)
- 10:45-11:15 **Tea/Coffee Break**
- 11:15-13:30 **Assessment of Cancer Pain**
- The Evaluation of Pain in Cancer Patients (Beverly Collet, Leicester)
 - Is There a Need for a New Algorithm in the Treatment of Pain in Patients with Cancer (Kris Vissers, Nijmegen)
 - Practical Aspects for the Multidimensional Diagnosis and Treatment of Pain in Patients with Cancer (Kris Vissers, Nijmegen)
- Special lecture:** Research on Cancer Pain (Elon Eisenberg, Bath)
- 13:30-15:00 **Lunch**
- 15:00-16:30 **Psychology of Cancer Pain**
- Dealing with Cancer (Anja Simonič, Golnik)
 - Anxiety and Depression in Cancer Patients (Marijana Braš, Zagreb)
 - Palliative Care Philosophy (Maja Ebert Moltara, Ljubljana)
- 16:30-17:00 **Tea Break**
- 17:00-18:00 **Special lecture:** Cannabinoids in the Treatment of Cancer Pain (Hans G Kress, Vienna)
- 19:30-22:00 **Special Evening Interactive Lecture and Dinner at Hotel City Terrace**
Interactive Session on the Practical and Ethical Aspects of Palliative Sedation
(for the treatment of intractable symptoms, including pain and palliative care)
(Kris Vissers, Nijmegen)

Tuesday, May 19 2015: Day 3

8:30-11:45

Survey of 2nd day

Current Concepts of Cancer Pain Management

- The Use of Opioids in Cancer Patients (Rudolf Likar, Klagenfurt)
- Opioid Drugs Side Effects: How to Manage in Short and Long Term Treatment (Bart Morlion, Leuven)
- Non-opioids for Pain Treatment in Cancer Patients (Andreas Kopf, Berlin)
- Intrathecal Drug Delivery in the Treatment of Cancer Pain (Hans G Kress, Vienna)

11:45-12:15

Tea/Coffee Break

12:15-14:30

Cancer Pain Treatment

- Invasive Cancer Pain Treatment - When is Indicated Neurolytic Block? (Rudolf Likar, Klagenfurt)
- Invasive Cancer Pain Treatment – When is Indicated Cordotomy? (Manohar Sharma, Liverpool)
- Oncological Treatment of Pain in Cancer Patients – the Role of Radiotherapy (Velenik, Ljubljana)
- Oncological Treatment of Pain in Cancer Patients – the Role of Chemotherapy and Bisphosphonates (Šeruga, Ljubljana)

14:30-15:45

Lunch

15:45-17:45

Therapeutic Challenges and Case Discussions

- Emergencies in Cancer Pain Management (Mateja Lopuh, Jesenice)
- Breakthrough Pain (Rudolf Likar, Klagenfurt)
- Neuropathic Pain (Andreas Kopf, Berlin)
- Opioid Hyperalgesia (Nevenka Krčevski Škvarč, Maribor)
- Opioids and Addiction in the Cancer Patients (Beverly Collet, Leicester)
- Cases Discussion (Manohar L Sharma, Slavica Lahajnar Čavlovič, Martin Rakuša, Mateja Lopuh, Majda Šarman, Mirt Kamenik, Marija Cesar Komar)

18:00-22:00

Excursion to Petovia - Ptuj (Old Castle and Vine Cellar Tour)

Wednesday, 20 May 2015: Day 4

- 8:30-11:00 **Survey of 3rd day**
Palliative Care 1
- Definition and Principles (Maja Ebert Moltara, Ljubljana)
 - Models of Care (Mateja Lopuh, Jesenice)
 - Who is Palliative Patient (Mateja Lopuh, Jesenice)
 - Communication (Jernej Benedik, Ljubljana)
- 11:00-11:30 **Tea/Coffee Break**
- 11:30-13:00 **Palliative care 2**
- Symptom Control (Maja Ebert Moltara, Ljubljana)
 - Care at the End of Life (Mateja Lopuh, Jesenice)
- 13:00-14:30 **Lunch**
- 14:30-17:00 **Workshops**
(Mateja Lopuh, Maja Ebert Moltara, Jernej Benedik, Slavica Lahajnar, Gorazd Požlep, Vesna Zupanc, Majda Šarman, Barbara Kosmina)
- Workshop 1: Opioid Rotation
 - Workshop 2: Rotation of Drugs Delivery
 - Workshop 3: Preparation of Subcutaneous Continuous Infusions
 - Workshop 4: Preparation of Continuous Epidural Infusions
 - Workshop 5: Communication
 - Workshop 6: Communication: Breaking Bad News
 - Workshop 7: Case Studies of Difficult Pain Management
- 17:30-21:00 **River Drava Boat and Discussion**
Integrative Care for Palliative Patients in Your Country (Nevenka Krčevski Škvarč, Maribor, Mateja Lopuh, Maja Ebert Moltara)

Thursday, May 21: Day 5

8:30-10:00

Survey of 4th day

Special topics 1

- Chronic Pain in the Cured Cancer Patients (Nevenka Krčevski Škvarč, Maribor)
- Research in Palliative Care: what is good and what can be improved? (Herbert Watzke, Vienna)

10:00-10:30

Tea/Coffee Break

10:30-12:00

Special topics 2

- Physical Therapy for Cancer Patient (Breda Jesenšek, Maribor)
- Psychotherapy for Cancer Patient (Anja Simonič, Golnik)
- Attention Management (Marijana Braš, Zagreb)

12:00-

Questionnaire and Farewell

Faculty

- Dr **Chris Wells**, MD, Consultant in Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine, Liverpool
- Prof **Kris Vissers**, MD, PhD, FIPP, Head of Expertise Center for Pain and Palliative Care, Radboud University Medical Centre, Nijmegen
- Prof **Athina Vadalouca**, MD, PhD, Pain Relief and Palliative Care Unit, Anesthesiology Clinic, Aretaieion University Hospital, University of Athens
- Dr **Silviu Brill**, MD, Institute for Pain Medicine, Sourasky Medical Center Tel Aviv
- Dr **Beverly Collet**, MD, Consultant in Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine, Leicester
- Prof **Marijana Braš**, MD, PhD, Psychiatrist, Clinic for Psychological Medicine, University Clinical Centre Zagreb
- Prof **Hans G Kress**, MD, PhD, Head of Department of Special Anesthesia and Pain Therapy, AKH Medical University Vienna
- Prof **Elon Eisenberg**, MD, PhD, Director of Pain Research Unit, Institute of Pain Medicine Rambam Health Care Campus, Haifa
- Prof **Bart Morlion**, MD, PhD, Director of the Leuven Center for Algology and Pain Management, University Hospitals Leuven
- Dr **Maja Ebert**, MD, Medical Oncology, Institute of Oncology Ljubljana
- Dr **Manohar LR Sharma**, MD, PhD, Consultant in Pain Medicine, Walton Centre, Liverpool
- Prof **Rudolf Likar**, MD, PhD, Director of ZISOP, Clinic Klagenfurt
- Ass Prof **Boštjan Šeruga**, MD, PhD, Medical Oncology, Institute of Oncology Ljubljana
- Ass Prof **Vaneja Velenik**, MD, PhD, Radiation Oncology, Institute of Oncology Ljubljana
- Dr **Mateja Lopuh**, MD, MS, Palliative Medicine and Pain Treatment, General Hospital Jesenice
- Prof **Andreas Kopf**, MD, PhD, Department of Anesthesiology, Charite Medical University, Berlin
- Dr **Jernej Benedik**, MD, Medical Oncology, Institute of Oncology Ljubljana
- Dr **Anja Simonič**, PhD, Consultant Psychologist, University Hospital for Pulmonary Disease, Golnik
- Ass Prof **Nevenka Krčevski Škvarč**, MD, MS, PhD, Department of Anesthesiology, Intensive Care and Pain Treatment, University Medical Centre Maribor, Head of Institute for Palliative Medicine and Care, Faculty of Medicine of University Maribor
- Ass Prof **Breda Papež Jesenšek**, MD, PhD, Head of Department for Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation, University Medical Center Maribor
- Prof **Herbert Watzke**, MD, PhD, Head of Division of Palliative Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine I, University of Vienna

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