



EFC XI EUROPEAN CONGRESS

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and Cervical Cancer Prevention

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PRE COURSES PROGRAMME

Pre-Congress Courses

Wednesday October 14th, 2026

ROOM: MAGNOLIA 1

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	VULVO-VAGINAL DISEASE: BEYOND THE CERVIX (including skills for vagina/vulval/perianal biopsy and treatment) Chairs: <i>Vesna KESIC (SE), Pedro BAPTISTA (PO), Mario PRETI (IT), Jacob BORNSTEIN (IL)</i>
	*Min participants: 25 *Max participants: 75
	Introduction
	1. Vaginal disease
8:00 AM - 8:20 AM	Vaginal dysbiosis: beyond bacterial vaginosis Speaker: <i>Pedro BAPTISTA (PO)</i>
8:20 AM - 8:40 AM	Challenges in diagnosing vaginal SIL Speaker: <i>Mario PRETI (IT)</i>
8:40 AM - 9:00 AM	How new IFCPC terminology reflects to management of vaginal SIL? Speaker: <i>Jacob BORNSTEIN (IL)</i>
9:00 AM - 9:20 AM	The Hidden Diagnostic Puzzle: Vaginal Malignancy Speaker: <i>Vesna KESIC (SE)</i>
9:20 AM - 9:40 AM	Approaches to vaginal diseases through case studies Speaker: <i>Pedro BAPTISTA (PO)</i>
	2. Vulvar disease
9:40 AM - 10:00 PM	Vulvodynia-a new paradigm Speaker: <i>Jacob BORNSTEIN (IL)</i>
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	How to differentiate vulvar neoplasia from vulvar dermatoses? Speaker: <i>Pedro BAPTISTA (PO)</i>
10:20 AM - 10:40 AM	New ISSVD terminology of VIN and its implications to clinical management Speaker: <i>Mario PRETI (IT)</i>
10:40 AM - 11:00 AM	Case based learning: rare and challenging vulvar findings Speaker: <i>Vesna KESIC (SE)</i>

	3.HPV and more
11:00 AM - 11:20 AM	Multizonal anogenital neoplasia Speaker: <i>Mario PRETI</i> (IT)
11:20 AM - 11:40 AM	Does gynecologist have a role in screening for AIN? Speaker: <i>Vesna KESIC</i> (SE)
11:40 AM - 12:00 AM	I was diagnosed with an HPV lesion-what should I tell to my partner? Speaker: <i>Jacob BORNSTEIN</i> (IL)
12:00 AM - 1:00 PM	4.Ask the experts Interactive session addressing participants' questions
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Lunch break
2:00 PM - 7:00 PM	CHALLENGING COLPOSCOPY Difficult Cases and "Bring Your Own Case" Workshop Topics: Multizonal HPV-related disease; diagnostic discordance; type 3 transformation zone; glandular lesions; suspected microinvasive disease; colposcopy during pregnancy and after menopause; persistent HPV infection. Chairs: <i>Pekka NIEMINEN</i> (FI), <i>Giovanni DELLI CARPINI</i> (IT)
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2:00 PM - 2:10 PM	Welcome and introduction to the interactive workshop Presentation of the case-based format and live audience voting. Chairs: <i>Pekka NIEMINEN</i> (FI), <i>Giovanni DELLI CARPINI</i> (IT)
2:10 PM - 2:30 PM	Interactive difficult case Speaker: <i>Giovanni DELLI CARPINI</i> (IT)
2:30 PM - 2:50 PM	Interactive difficult case Speaker: <i>Mihaela Grigore</i> (RO)
2:50 PM - 3:10 PM	Interactive difficult case Speaker: <i>Pekka Nieminen</i> (FI)
3:10 PM - 3:30 PM	Interactive difficult case Speaker: <i>Ilkka Kalliala</i> (FI)

3:30 PM - 3:50 PM	"Bring Your Own Case" – Part 1 Cases brought or submitted by delegates and reviewed live by the expert panel Faculty: <i>All</i>
3:50 PM - 4:00 PM	Open discussion
4:00 PM - 4:20 PM	Coffee break
4:20 PM - 4:40 PM	Interactive difficult case Speaker: <i>Laura Kotaniemi-Talonen (FI)</i>
4:40 PM - 5:00 PM	Interactive difficult case Speaker: <i>André Kind (CH)</i>
5:00 PM - 5:20 PM	Interactive difficult case Speaker: <i>Goran Dimitrov (MK) — confirmation pending</i>
5:20 PM - 5:40 PM	"Bring Your Own Case" – Part 2 Cases brought or submitted by delegates and reviewed live by the expert panel. Faculty: <i>All</i>
5:40 PM - 6:00 PM	Interactive difficult case Speaker: <i>Gráinne Flannelly (IE)</i>
6:00 PM - 6:20 PM	Interactive difficult case Speaker: <i>Stefania Tudorache (RO)</i>
6:20 PM - 6:50 PM	Additional interactive cases and open expert discussion Selected reserve cases, unresolved diagnostic or management questions, and discussion with the audience. Faculty: <i>All</i>
6:50 PM - 7:00 PM	Key learning points and closing remarks Chairs: <i>Pekka Nieminen (FI), Giovanni Delli Carpini (IT)</i>

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ROOM: MAGNOLIA 2

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	TRAINING THE TRAINERS Chair: <i>Maggie CRUICKSHANK</i> (GB)
	*Min participants: 25 *Max participants: 75
8:00 AM - 8:15 AM	1. Welcome and Introduction Speaker: <i>Maggie CRUICKSHANK</i> (GB)
	Faculty introduction and Trainer Identity Map exercise
8:15 AM - 8:45 AM	2. The EFC Approach to Colposcopy Training Speaker: <i>Maggie CRUICKSHANK</i> (GB)
	EFC training standards and curriculum
	Competencies and trainer responsibilities
	Challenges and opportunities across Europe
	Interactive discussion
8:45 AM - 9:15 AM	3. How Adults Learn Speaker: <i>Grainne FLANNELLY</i> (IE)
	Adult learning principles
	VARK and learning preferences (participants will have taken online quiz before course to identify their learning type)
	Creating an effective learning environment
9:15 AM - 9:45 AM	4. Simulation-Based Training in Colposcopy
	Communication and consultation skills Speaker: <i>Maggie CRUICKSHANK</i> (GB)
	Teaching colposcopic assessment Speaker: <i>Cecelia KÄRRBERG</i> (AT)

	Teaching practical procedures Speaker: <i>Cecelia KÄRRBERG</i> (AT)
	Digital images, video and simulation tools Speaker: <i>Grainne FLANNELLY</i> (IE)
9:45 AM - 10:00 AM	Small group exercise: "How do you train in your own unit?"
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Coffee break
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	5. Structured colposcopy assessment: Using the Swedescore in colposcopy practice and training Speaker: <i>Cecelia KÄRRBERG</i> (AT)
	How to score colposcopy with the Swedescore
	Evaluation of colposcopic images
11:00 AM - 11:20 AM	6. Giving Effective Feedback and Developing Learning Plans Speaker: <i>Maggie CRUICKSHANK</i> (GB)
	Models of feedback
	Workplace-based assessment
	Setting objectives and action plans
11:20 AM - 11:40 AM	Interactive exercise using video scenario
	Participants practise feedback conversations in small groups
11:40 AM - 12:10 AM	7. Supporting the Trainee in Difficulty Speaker: <i>Grainne FLANNELLY</i> (IE)
	Small groups discuss 5 scenarios of trainee who is struggling
	Recognising problems early
	Performance concerns
	Professionalism and communication issues
	Confidence and progression difficulties

	Case-based group discussions
	Group leads report back on action plan for each trainee
12:10 AM - 12:40 AM	8. Assessing Competence and Quality Assurance Speaker: <i>Cecelia KÄRRBERG</i> (AT)
	Entrustment and competency assessment
	Logbooks and portfolios
	Trainer responsibilities
	Quality assurance of training programmes
1:00 PM	9. Course evaluation and close
	Common challenges in training
	Top tips from experienced trainers
	Personal action planning
	Course evaluation and close
	Course Trainer ToolKit (Provided to all course attendees)
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Lunch break
2:00 PM - 7:00 PM	COLPOSCOPY SKILLS MASTERCLASS (basics + documentation video), Video-Based Masterclass Short "How I do it" procedure videos with discussion Chair: <i>Amélia PEDRO</i> (PT)
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2:00 PM - 2:20 PM	Natural History of HPV and Primary Prevention Speaker: <i>Amélia PEDRO</i> (PT)
2:20 PM - 2:40 PM	Cervical Cancer screening Speaker: <i>Hanna Milread</i> (SE)
2:40 PM - 3:00 PM	Colposcopy & biopsy – material and methods Speaker: <i>Christina FOUNTA</i> (GR)

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Colposcopy of the Normal cervix: Transformation zone; IFCCPC Nomenclature; Pregnancy and menopause Speaker: <i>Hanna Milread</i> (SE)
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Colposcopy of the abnormal transformation zone: Colposcopic findings grades 1 and 2 Speaker: <i>Amelia PEDRO</i> (PT)
4:00 PM - 4:20 PM	Coffee break
4:20 PM - 4:40 PM	Colposcopy in microinvasive and invasive disease Speaker: <i>Maggie CRUICKSHANK</i> (GB)
4:40 PM - 5:00 PM	Colposcopy of glandular lesions Speaker: <i>Christina FOUNTA</i> (GR)
5:00 PM - 5:45 PM	Treatment Methods - indications, technique, complications
	Cryotherapy & Thermoablation Speaker: <i>Maggie CRUICKSHANK</i> (GB)
	Electrosurgery - needle and loop Speaker: <i>Hanna Milread</i> (SE)
	Laser - ablative and excisional procedures Speaker: <i>Amelia PEDRO</i> (PT)
5:45 PM - 7:00 PM	Interactive discussion of clinical cases (images & videos) Speaker: <i>All</i>

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ROOM: TRANSILVANIA

8:30 AM - 1:00 PM	CERVICAL CANCER PREVENTION IN ROMANIA: FROM SCREENING TO PRECISION COLPOSCOPY Chairs: <i>Mihaela GRIGORE (RO), Mihaela BADEA (RO)</i>
	*Max participants: 50
8:30 AM - 8:40 AM	Opening Speaker: <i>Ana Cristina ANTON (RO)</i>
8:40 AM - 8:55 AM	Implementation of HPV-based screening in Romania: progress and barriers Speaker: <i>Elvira BRATILA (RO)</i>
8:55 AM - 9:10 AM	HPV vaccination in Romania- lessons learned and future directions Speaker: <i>Radu VLADAREANU (RO)</i>
9:10 AM - 9:25 AM	Clara project- Cervical cancer control through equitable access for underserved populations" Speaker: <i>Octavian MUNTEANU (RO)</i>
9:25 AM - 9:40 AM	The Evolution of Colposcopy in the Republic of Moldova: Looking Back, Moving Forward Speakers: <i>Uliana TABUICA (MD)</i>
9:40 AM - 9:55 AM	Cervical Screening in the Republic of Moldova: Evolution, Achievements and Key Considerations in the Transition to Primary HPV Screening Speaker: <i>Diana VALUTA (MD)</i>
9:55 AM - 10:10 AM	Molecular markers/ Triage strategies after HPV positivity – what works best? Speaker: <i>Demetra SOCOLOV (RO)</i>
10:10 AM - 10:30 AM	Discussion
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Coffee break

11:00 AM - 11:15 AM	Colposcopic standards: are we aligned with ESGO/EFC recommendations? Speaker: <i>Stefania TUDORACHE (RO)</i>
11:15 AM - 11:30 AM	Colposcopy in HPV era: how to run a colposcopy clinic Speaker: <i>Mihaela BADEA (RO)</i>
11:30 AM - 11:45 AM	Management of CIN2+ in Romania – between guidelines and reality Speaker: <i>Claudiu MARGINEAN (RO)</i>
11:45 AM - 12:00 AM	Overtreatment vs undertreatment in cervical lesions Speaker: <i>Dominic ILIESCU (RO)</i>
12:00 AM - 12:15 AM	Quality Indicators in Cervical Cancer Prevention: how we implement them in Romania Speaker: <i>Laurentiu PIRTEA (RO)</i>
12:15 AM - 12:30 PM	Colposcopic challenges of HPV infection in menopause, our experience Speaker: <i>Diana PLES (RO)</i>
12:30 AM - 12:40 PM	Symposion Pharma (Ewopharma) Speaker: <i>Mihaela GRIGORE (RO)</i>
12:40 AM - 13:00 PM	Final Discussion
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Lunch break
	HAND-ON TRAINING COURSE (ABLATION, TA&LASER, LLETZ) 6 stations / nr Chair: <i>Xavier CARCOPINO (FR)</i>
	*Max participants: 50
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM	1. "How to do it" lectures
2:00 PM - 2:15 PM	How to set up the colposcope Speaker: <i>Xavier CARCOPINO (FR)</i>
2:15 PM - 2:30 PM	How to perform a LLETZ Speaker: <i>Jana ŽODŽIKA (LV)</i>
2:30 PM - 2:45 PM	How to perform laser ablation Speaker: <i>Xavier CARCOPINO (FR)</i>

2:45 PM - 3:00 PM	Discussion
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Introduction to the hands-on session
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Coffee break
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	2.Hands-on training on simulators Chair: <i>Xavier CARCOPINO (FR), Jana ŽODŽIKA (LV), Giovanni DELLI CARPINI (IT),</i>
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