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Thursday 05.06.2025	
13:00	Registration
14:00	Welcome Address Fabrizio Illuminati (Director, CNR Nanotec) Overview of Italian Pancreatic Cancer Community (IPCC) Loretta L. del Mercato (CNR Nanotec)
14:15	Chair: Loretta L. del Mercato
14:15	Clinical Lecture Evolution in Surgical Treatments of Pancreatic Cancer Marcello G. Spampinato (Head Department of Surgery, ASL Lecce)
14:45	Session 1 I-PCC meet Patient associations Chair: Elisa Giovannetti (Fondazione Pisana per la Scienza ONLUS, Cancer Center Amsterdam) Federica Valsecchi (Fondazione Nadia Valsecchi) Francesca Gabellini (Oltre la ricerca)
15:30	Coffee break Poster session & Tour Zeiss
16:30	Session 2 Microenvironmental Dynamics and Therapeutic Strategies in PDAC Chair: Miriam Martini (University of Turin)
16:30	Differential activity of MAPK signalling defines fibroblast subtypes in pancreatic cancer Lisa Veghini (University of Verona)
16:45	The HFE H63D variant in pancreatic cancer promotes epithelial-to-mesenchymal transition at the expense of cell cycle Federica Rubbino (IRCCS Humanitas Research Hospital)
17:00	Dissecting the malignant cell-fibroblast crosstalk in pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma liver metastases Gianluca Mucciolo (CRUK – University of Cambridge)
17:15	Repurposing of Valproic Acid and Simvastatin to potentiate first line chemotherapy regimen in metastatic pancreatic cancer patients: from preclinical evidence to clinical testing in VESPA trial Rossella Migliorino (Istituto Nazionale Tumori "G.Pascale" IRCCS)
17:30	Discussion
17:45	Keynote lecture Functional Heterogeneity of Fibroblasts in Pancreatic Cancer Giulia Biffi (University of Cambridge, Cancer Research UK Cambridge Institute)

Friday 06.06.2025	
09:00	Session 3 Metabolic Reprogramming and Targetable Vulnerabilities in PDAC Chair: Enza Lonardo (CNR IGB-ABT)
09:00	Keynote lecture Exploiting the inherent characteristics of cancer stem cells (CSCs) to develop personalized approaches to detect and treat PDAC Bruno Sainz (Instituto de Investigaciones Biomédicas Sols-Morreale (IIBM) - CSIC-UAM)

09:40	PGM3 Inhibition as a Novel Strategy to Induce BRCAness in HR-Proficient Pancreatic Cancer Cells Ferdinando Chiaradonna (University of Milano Bicocca)
09:55	Lysosomal Cholesterol links acetyl-CoA metabolism and mTORC1 activation in acinar-to-ductal metaplasia (ADM) Giulia Milan (University of Padua)
10:10	Elucidating MLK4 role in pancreatic cancer progression and metabolism Noemi Ghiglione (University of Turin)
10:25	Discussion
10:40	Coffee break Poster session & Tour Zeiss
11:30	Session 4 Bioengineering Strategies to Modulate the Tumor Microenvironment Chair: Giuseppe Riccardo Diaferia (Champalimaud Foundation)
11:30	Keynote lecture Integrating cancer-associated fibroblasts and macrophages in a human vascularized pancreatic tumor-on-a-chip for therapeutic innovation Giulia Adriani (Singapore Immunology Network, A*STAR)
12:10	Ultrasound Activated Lipid-Coated Zinc Oxide Nanoparticles for Pancreatic Cancer Therapy Marzia Conte (Polytechnic University of Turin)
12:25	A bottom-up approach to engineering the 3D fibrotic microenvironment in pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma Marco Cristiano (University of Naples "Federico II")
12:40	Matrix Remodeling by IL17A Inhibition Enhances ENO1-Vaccine-induced Antitumor Immunity in Pancreatic Cancer Mouse Model Giorgia Tiberi (University of Turin)
12:55	Discussion
13:10	Lunch Poster session & Tour Zeiss
15:30	Session 5 Advanced Imaging of Tumor-Stroma Interactions Chair: Paolo Porporato (University of Turin)
15:30	ZEIS Talk Multimodal and Multiscale Imaging Workflows across Light, Electron and X-rays" Francesco Biancardi (3D Volume Microscopy in biomedical research)
15:50	Occurrence and relevance of multinucleated giant macrophages in human PDAC Marika Viatore (University of Milan)
16:05	Induced mitochondrial deficit reduces RAB7 expression and causes lysosomal dysfunction in pancreatic cancer cells Giulia Girolimetti (University of Salento)
16:20	Pharmacological targeting of KRAS signaling at three nodes leads to complete regression of pancreatic cancer Vasiliki Liaki (Spanish National Cancer Research Center (CNIO))
16:35	Discussion
16:50	Travel and Poster Awards (sponsored by Valsecchi, AISP, Oltre la ricerca)
17:30	Closing remarks and wrap-up