4th St.Gallen International Gastrointestinal Cancer Conference

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Session 1: Oesophago-Gastric Cancer: One Disease or Separate Entities? Do we need to differentiate histologically between oesophageal & gastric adenocarcinoma? Translating molecular subtyping into clinical practice; Classification of oesophago-gastric cancer: surgical facts & fiction.

Session 2: Treatment of Oesophago-Gastric Cancer: Setting the Stage – Who Benefits from Multimodal Therapy. Which tumours need more treatment than just surgery? What imaging is needed to select patients for neoadjuvant treatment & where are the limitations? Patterns of recurrence to guide selection of multi-modal treatment?

Session 3: Treatment Modalities for Oesophago-Gastric Cancer. Perioperative treatment strategies and current studies to improve gastric cancer outcomes in Japan; Response-adapted treatment stratification in oesophago-gastric cancer; FLOT, MAGIC or CROSS for adenocarcinoma of the oesophagus and cardia?

Session 4: Special situation I: Signet Ring Cell Cancer. Signet ring cell carcinoma (SRCC) in the stomach: histopathological definitions & response to therapy assessment – the urgent need for an international consensus; Endoscopic approach to SRCC; Is there a role for (neo)adjuvant or radiochemotherapy in SRCC?

Keynote: Hereditary Gastric Cancer. Fatima Carneiro, Portugal

Session 5: Special situation II: Limits of Curative Approaches to Metastatic Oesophago-Gastric Cancer. Positive lavage cytology or limited peritoneal carcinomatosis during laparoscopy – what should be done? Peritonectomy and HIPEC for peritoneal carcinomatosis in gastric cancer; current evidence; Role of surgery in oligometastatic disease?


EORTC Gastrointestinal Tract Cancer Group: Clinical trial portfolio.