



Florence **Post-CROI** 2015



Hot Topics Conference
on Retrovirus
and HIV opportunistic Infections

Florence, 16 – 17 March 2015

Preliminary Programme

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The Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI) has become the world leading conference for the presentation and fine tuning of the most current and innovative perspectives of AIDS.

Thousands of researchers and students from around the world attend this conference and its multiple concurrent sessions. All of that, the crowding and the simultaneity, severely limit the possibility to follow all themes that most attract crosswise the interest of the individual delegates.

In addition, the European participation at CROI is necessarily limited, compared to the number of those who have an interest in cultural and professional issues of AIDS.

*In relation to the development of current technologies and considering the continuing increased costs of transfers, the ID scientists growingly demand to "bring home" the **top hot news** of CROI conference.*

Furthermore, once all new data from CROI have been explored, decanted and stored in one's own personal skill sets, one must operate a selective and critical reflection on what essentially innovative has to be acquired .

This Post-CROI event, by selecting and synthesizing the CROI webcasts of major interest, aims at operating a critical analysis along with expert Rapporteurs and coordinated by authoritative Chairmen, offering a live discussion to an audience of researchers and clinicians that are daily engaged in the research and in the AIDS oriented clinical practice.

MISI Foundation is wishing to adopt this event in its statutory mission and hopes to host, in the beautiful surroundings of Florence, a qualified audience stimulated in offering a substantial contribution to the interactive discussion.

EXPECTED FACULTY

M. Andreoni	F. Mazzotta
P. Bonfanti	C. Mussini
M. Borderi	A. Novelli
T. Brown	C.F. Perno
R. Bruno	M. Puoti
G. Carosi	S. Ray
R. Cauda	J. Rockstroh
R. Chaisson	J. Siliciano
G. Di Perri	M. Sulkovski
R. Elion	G. Taliani
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Expected Categories for Sessions

HIV persistence, reservoirs, latency, eradication, including gene therapy
Studies of all aspects, including human and animal studies related to these topics

Clinical pharmacology: all studies of drug pharmacology and pharmacodynamics
All studies of the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics (PK/PD) in animal models and humans, including studies of drug ADME, novel dosing regimens, drug interaction and experimental/clinical therapeutics

Antiretroviral therapy: randomized clinical trials
Studies of antiviral activity (all phases), including new agents and combinations

Antiretroviral therapy: observational studies
Prospective and cohort non-randomized studies

Hepatitis viruses, including
Studies of diagnostics, epidemiology, pathogenesis, and therapy



Possible alternate topics for sessions or single Lectures (*)

Other complications of HIV Infection and Antiretroviral therapy
Studies of renal, hepatic (excluding hepatitis), bone, metabolic and other complications

Tuberculosis and other opportunistic infections
Basic and clinical examination of bacterial, fungal, parasitic, and non-hepatitis viral infections

Maternal / fetal HIV
Studies of mothers and their babies, including maternal-fetal and transmission

Prevention and Intervention Studies
Preclinical and clinical studies of microbicides, pre- and post-exposure prophylaxis, Treatment as prevention, medical male circumcision, and other prevention interventions.

(*) in view of breaking "Hot topics" emerging last moment at CROI 2015

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16 March

MORNING SESSIONS

MAIL HALL

9:00 - 9:15

Welcome Address

9:15 - 10:15

**Opening Lectures
Summary of Top Topics at CROI 2015**

Joel E. Gallant
Jürgen Rockstroh

10:15 - 11:00

Antiretroviral Therapies: Randomized Clinical Trials

Chairman: M. Andreoni
Discussant: C. Torti

11:00 - 11:45

Clinical Pharmacology and Pharmacodynamics

Chairman: G. Di Perri
Discussant: R. Maserati

11:45 - 12:30 **HIV persistence, reservoirs, latency, eradication, including gene therapy**

Chairman: C.F. Perno
Discussant: G. Tambussi

12:30 - 13:30

LUNCH BREAK

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

MAIN HALL

13:30 - 14:30

Screen and Treat. Treatment as Prevention. PrEP. Towards the Elimination

Moderator: G. Carosi - Discussants: M. Andreoni, G. Di Perri, C.F. Perno



14:30 - 17:30

VIDEOCONFERENCE link with JOHNS HOPKINS, Baltimore

14:30 - 15:30

Round Table on Randomized Clinical Trials

(8.30-9.30 USA)

Florence: M. Andreoni, G. Carosi, J. Gallant, J. Rockstroh, C. Torti
Baltimore: S. Ray

15:30 - 16:30

Round Table on Clinical Pharmacology &

(9.30 - 10.30 USA)

Florence: G. Di Perri, R. Maserati
Baltimore: C. Flexner

16:30 - 17:30

Round Table on HIV Persistence, Latency, Reservoir, Eradication, etc

(10.30-11.30 USA)

Florence: C.F. Perno, G. Tambussi
Baltimore: J. Siliciano

17:30

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17 March

MORNING SESSIONS

MAIN HALL

9:00 - 10:00

Antiretroviral Therapies: Observational Studies

Chairman: R. Cauda

Discussant: C. Mussini

10:00 - 11:00

Other complications of HIV ARV Therapy, including renal, hepatic, bone, lipid and Glucose disorders

Chairman: M. Borderi

Discussant: P. Bonfanti

11:00 -12:00

Tuberculosis and other opportunistic infections including basic and clinical studies on bacterial, fungal, parasitic and non HIV infections

Chairman: P.L. Viale

Discussant: M. Matteelli

12:00 -13:00

LUNCH BREAK

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MAIN HALL

13:00 -13:30

INDUSTRY LECTURE

The customised HCV therapy in co-infected Patients: updates from CROI

Moderator: G. Carosi – Discussant: M. Puoti

(Unrestricted grant from Bristol Myers Squibb)

13:30 -14:30

Hepatitis, including diagnosis, epidemiology, pathogenesis and therapy

Chairman: M. Puoti

Discussants: R. Bruno



14:30 -17:30

VIDEOCONFERENCE link with JOHNS HOPKINS Baltimore

14.30-15.30

(8.30-9.30 USA)

Round Table on Co-infections.

Florence: R. Bruno, A. Matteelli, F. Mazzotta, G.Taliani

Baltimore: R. Chaisson, M. Sulkovski, D. Thomas

15.30-16.30

(9.30-10.30 USA)

Round Table on Other complications of HIV ARV Therapy

Florence : M. Borderi, P. Bonfanti

Baltimore: T. Brown

16.30-17.30

(10.30-11.30 USA)

Round Table on Observational Studies

Florence : R. Cauda, P.L. Viale

Baltimore: R. Elion

WRAP UP

17:40

(11.40 USA)

GENERAL INFORMATION

VENUE

Firenze Fiera - Palazzo degli Affari
Piazza Adua, 1 (aside S.ta Maria Novella Train Station)
Tel. 055 49721

REGISTRATION FEES

Quote	Until February 15, 2015	After February 16, 2015
Clinicians	VAT Included	VAT Included
Full Attendance Fee	€ 150,00	€ 170,00
Single Day Attendance (16 or 17 March)	€ 85,00	€ 110,00
Graduate Students*		
Full Attendance Fee	€ 70,00	€ 90,00
Single Day Attendance (16 or 17 March)	€ 40,00	€ 60,00
Students*	Free	Free

* Kindly attach document for eligibility

Registration Fee includes:

- . Attendance to all scientific sessions
- . Congress Kit
- . Certificate of Participation
- . Lunch (not included for free registered Students)

Refunds

50% refund will be made only for written cancellations arrived to the Organizing Secretariat within February 14, 2015. After that date no refund will be made.

Hotel Bookings

A Hotel allotment has been reserved for Participants to the event. Reservations can be made contacting the Organizing Secretariat ECON S.r.l. (elide.vitali@econcongressi.it).

Languages

Italian & English. A Simultaneous Translation Service will be available during the entire event.

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