



PERI-OPERATIVE IMMUNOTHERAPY FOR HEAD AND NECK CANCER

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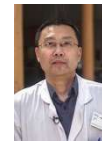
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Day 1 - Thursday 08th January 2026



Understanding the immunology of head and neck cancers

CHAIR : Wojciech Golusinski, René Leemans

08:30 – 08:45	Introduction of the CHUV	Claire Charmet
08:45 - 09:00	Introduction to the meeting	Giovanni Succo, Christian Simon
09:00 - 09:30	Immune landscape of HNSCCs	Rieneke van de Ven
09:30 - 10:00	Impact of loco-regional treatment on immune response in HNSCC	Paul Nankivell
10:00 - 10:30	HPV and immuno-biomarkers to predict HNSCC outcome	Ruud Brakenhoff
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 - 11:30	How Check-point inhibitors work and how to improve them	Petr Szturz
11:30 - 12:00	CAR-T-cells, therapeutic cancer vaccines and other IO-strategies	Amanda Psyri
12:00 - 13:30	Lunch	

Neo-adjuvant and adjuvant IO for surgical HNC patients

CHAIR : Giovanni Succo, Stephan Lang

13:30 - 14:00	BMS Symposium: The science behind neo-adjuvant IO versus adjuvant IO, or both	Mascha Binder
14:00 - 14:30	Defining pathological response after IO	Senada Koljenovic
14:30 - 15:00	Imaging for IO response evaluation	Patric Hagmann
15:00 - 15:30	Coffee break	

Clinical trial landscape

CHAIR : Sefik Hosai, Mario Fernandez Fernandez

15:30 - 16:00	Adjuvant IO for HPV negative and positive HNSCC	Andreas Dietz
16:00 - 16:30	Neoadjuvant combined with adjuvant IO for HPV negative HNSCC	Christophe LeTourneau
16:30 - 17:00	Adjuvant IO for high-risk disease HNSCC	Yun-Gan Tao
17:00 - 17:30	Summary and outlook on peri-operative IO trials	Jean Bourhis



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Day 2 - Friday 09th January 2026



Round tables with prepared questions

CHAIR : Vinidh Paleri

08:45 - 09:00	Introduction to the round tables	Christian Simon
09:00 - 9:45	How to resect after neo-adjuvant IO	Christian Simon
	Panelists	Jan Klotz, René Leemans, Gunesh Rajan, Andrew Schache, Patrick Sheahan, Sandro Stoeckli
09:45 - 10:30	Adjuvant, neo-adjuvant or both	Irene Brana
	Panelists	Martina Broglie, Jeppe Friborg, Roland Giger, Ana Joaquim, Lisa Licita, Vinidh Paleri
10:30 - 11:15	Neo-adjuvant treatment: Combinations of IO with Chemo	Paolo Bossi
	Panelists	Andreas Dietz, Caterina Giannitto, Senada Koljenovic, Christophe Le Tourneau, Hisham Mehanna, Cesare Piazza
11:15 - 12:00	Coffee break	
12:00 - 12:45	Neo-adjuvant treatment: Modes of applications	Christophe Le Tourneau
	Panelists	Paolo Bossi, Andreas Dietz, Petri Koivunen, Sjoukje Oosting, David Thomson
12:45 - 13:30	Response evaluation: How?	Senada Koljenovic
	Panelists	Paolo Bossi, Ali Khurram, Stephan Lang, Laura Smit, Giovanni Succo
13:30 - 14:15	Adjuvant treatment after IO	Jeppe Friborg
	Panelists	Vincent Grégoire, Sefik Hosai, Lisa Licita, Prav Praveen, Barbara Wollenberg

End of the event