


# 4<sup>th</sup> SWISS AUTOIMMUNE LIVER DISEASE MEETING

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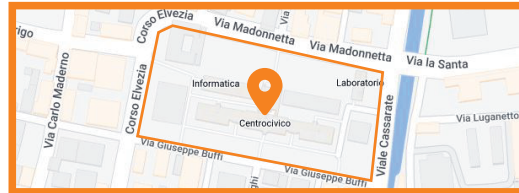
 21<sup>st</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

 Aula Magna, USI Università della Svizzera Italiana West Campus  
Via Giuseppe Buffi 13, 6900 Lugano, Switzerland

## HOW TO GET THERE

From Lugano railway station, you can reach the Lugano Campus by bus or on foot. Take bus 6 (direction Cornaredo) from the square in front of the station. Alight at the "Università" stop (around 8-10 minutes' ride in normal traffic conditions).

By car: underground car park for the Lugano Campus available.



## REGISTRATION

You can register:

- on the website [www.swissautoimmuneliver.com](http://www.swissautoimmuneliver.com)
- through the QR code



## Endorsements



Schweizer Leberpatienten Verein  
Association Suisse des Patients Hépatologiques  
Associazione Svizzera dei Pazienti Epatologici  
Swiss Liver Patients Association



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## CME CREDITS:

Pädiatrie schweiz, Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Pädiatrie: **2 credits**

SGAIM: the meeting is allowed to be accredited for "formazione allargata SGAIM"

European CME credits (ECMEC®s): **11 credits**

SSAI Swiss Society for Allergology and Immunology: **13 credits**

SGG SSG Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Gastroenterologie: Day 1 - **6 credits**; Day 2 - **8 credits**

SGPath SSPath Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Pathologie : **13 non-specific credits**

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della Svizzera Italiana  
Lugano, Switzerland

We are extremely pleased to invite you to the 4th Swiss Autoimmune Liver Disease Meeting, which will take place in Lugano, Switzerland, on September 21-22, 2023.

For the first time, the meeting will include a patients' session, during which international experts will present the latest advances on three crucial topics, and answer questions from patients, who will be attending both in person and online.

The meeting will continue with a basic science session, whereby the latest advances in our understanding of the pathogenesis of autoimmune liver diseases will be presented by leading experts in the field. There will be also contributions from different immunology areas, from whom very precious lessons can be learned to advance our knowledge of liver autoimmunity. The second part of the meeting will be devoted to the clinic, whereby world renowned experts will lead the attendees to understand emerging topics, highly relevant for the daily clinical practice.

The meeting program foresees plenty of time for discussions, a very precious opportunity to share opinions and new ideas, and for networking. We invite the attendees to contribute to the meeting by submitting an abstract. The discussion of their work with peers will improve their basic and clinical knowledge on these rare, severe but fascinating liver diseases, leading ultimately to better patient care.

We are deeply grateful to the outstanding faculty for having accepted to come to our small, peripheral city, that, thanks to the Swiss autoimmune liver disease meetings, is increasingly recognized as the place to be every second year in order to get an update by the most prominent experts in the field.

The Scientific Committee  
Benedetta Terziroli Beretta-Piccoli - Chair, Switzerland  
Andreas Cerny, Switzerland  
Andrea De Gottardi, Switzerland  
Diego Vergani, UK  
Giorgina Mieli-Vergani, UK  
Andreas Kremer, Switzerland  
Federica Sallusto, Switzerland

## September 21<sup>st</sup>

from 08.30 **REGISTRATION**  
Entrance hall

09:00-10:30 **PATIENTS' SESSION**  
Pregnancy - *Michael Heneghan*  
Drug side effects - *Maria Isabel Lucena and Raul Andrade*  
New therapies - *Michael Manns*

With the participation of:

SwissHePa  
UK PBC Foundation  
AMAF  
Deutsche Leberhilfe  
Globalliver

11:00-11:15 **Welcome**  
*Benedetta Terziroli Beretta - Piccoli and Andrea De Gottardi*  
Welcome from Università della Svizzera Italiana - *Giovanni Pedrazzini*

## BASIC SCIENCE SESSIONS

### 1 Genetics

Chairs: Gideon Hirschfield and Federica Sallusto

11:15 - 11:35 Genetics of PBC - *Pietro Invernizzi*  
11:35 - 11:55 Genetics of PSC - *Tom Karlsen*  
11:55 - 12:15 Genetics of AIH - *Ynto de Boer*  
12:15 - 12:35 Inherited immune deficiencies and autoimmunity - *Mike Recher*  
12:35 - 12:55 Discussion  
12:55 - 13:45 **LUNCH**

### 2 Hot topics in autoimmune liver diseases

Chairs: Michael Manns and Michael Trauner

13:45 - 14:05 Cellular therapies  
*Maria Serena Longhi*  
14:05 - 14:25 SARS-CoV-2 and liver autoimmunity  
*Gideon Hirschfield*  
14:25 - 14:45 Pregnancy in autoimmune liver diseases patients  
*Michael Heneghan*  
14:45 - 15:05 Drug-induced AIH-like DILI  
*Maribel Lucena*

15:05 - 15:25 Discussion

15:25 - 16:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

### 3 Oral presentations

Chairs: Michael Heneghan and  
Giorgina Mieli-Vergani

16:00 - 16:15 Oral presentation 1  
16:15 - 16:30 Oral presentation 2  
16:30 - 16:45 Oral presentation 3  
16:45 - 17:00 Oral presentation 4

### 4 Mechanisms of autoimmunity

Chairs: Diego Vergani and Andreas Cerny

17:00 - 17:20 The Long and Latent Road to Autoimmunity - *Eric Gershwin*  
17:20 - 17:40 T cells in autoimmunity  
*Federica Sallusto*  
17:40 - 18:00 Viruses and autoimmunity  
*Christian Münz*  
18:00 - 18:20 Discussion

**DAY 1**

## September 22<sup>st</sup>

### CLINICAL SESSIONS

#### 1 Diagnostic dilemmas

Chairs: Andrea De Gottardi and Andreas Kremer

08:30 - 08:45 Radiological clinical case presentation: the diagnosis of PSC  
*Stefano Cappio and his fellow*  
08:45 - 09:05 Imaging in PSC and ASC  
*Annamaria Deganello*  
09:05 - 09:20 Serological case presentation: the diagnosis of AIH - *Eric Dayer and Benedetta Terziroli Beretta-Piccoli*  
09:20 - 09:40 Are autoantibodies still useful in the AI era? - *Diego Vergani*  
09:40 - 10:00 Discussion

10:00 - 10:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

#### 2 Treatment

Chairs: Kirsten Muri Boberg and Raul Andrade

10:30 - 10:50 Novel therapeutic targets for autoimmune cholestatic liver diseases - *Michael Trauner*  
10:50 - 11:10 Treatment of cholestatic pruritus  
*Andreas Kremer*

11:10 - 11:30 Difficult to treat AIH patients  
*Ansgar Lohse*  
11:30 - 11:50 Discussion

### Oral presentations

Chairs: Benedetta Terziroli Beretta-Piccoli and Pietro Invernizzi

11:50 - 12:05 Oral presentation 1  
12:05 - 12:20 Oral presentation 2  
12:20 - 12:35 Oral presentation 3  
12:35 - 12:50 Oral presentation 4  
12:50 - 13:50 **LUNCH**

### 3 Pediatrics

Chairs: Giorgina Mieli-Vergani and Gideon Hirschfield

13:50 - 14:05 Case presentation  
*Christiane Sokollik*  
14:05 - 14:25 Sclerosing cholangitis in pediatric IBD patients  
*Patrick van Rheenen*  
14:25 - 14:45 Growing up with autoimmune liver disease: longterm outcome of autoimmune liver disease  
*Marianne Samyn*

14:45 - 15:05 Discussion

15:05 - 15:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

### 4 Checkpoint-inhibitors and the liver

Chairs: Ansgar Lohse and Maria Isabel Lucena

15:30 - 15:45 Clinical case presentation  
*Antonio Galante*  
15:45 - 16:05 Checkpoint-inhibitors-induced liver injury  
*Eleonora de Martin*  
16:05 - 16:25 Liver histology of checkpoint-inhibitors-induced liver injury - *Yoh Zen*  
16:25 - 16:45 Can checkpoint inhibitors be used in patients with autoimmune liver diseases?  
*Michael Manns*  
16:45 - 17:00 Discussion  
17:00 - 17:20 Concluding remarks  
Benedetta Terziroli Beretta-Piccoli  
Andreas Kremer  
Carina Bobzin  
Robert Mitchell-Thain

**MEETING ENDS**

**DAY 2**