

1. Nome ed id. del provider

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2. Titolo, Edizione, Data e Indirizzo e luogo di svolgimento dell'Evento

"TARGETED THERAPIES AND EMERGING OPTIONS FOR CARDIOMYOPATHIES: FLORENCE ADVANCES IN CARDIOMYOPATHY SERIES"

I° Edizione

Mercoledì 7, Giovedì 8 e Venerdì 9 Ottobre 2026

Auditorium Camera di Commercio di Firenze - Piazza Mentana, 1 - 50122 Firenze

3. Destinatari dell'attività formativa

Profession: Medical Doctor

Disciplines: Anesthesiology; Cardiac Surgery; Cardiology; Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology; Diseases of the Respiratory System; Emergency Medicine and Surgery; General Medicine; Genetics; Geriatrics; Internal Medicine; Sports Medicine; Pediatrics

4. Obiettivo formativo

Linee guida - protocolli – procedure

5. Orario di inizio e di fine lavori

Mercoledì 7 Ottobre 2026 dalle ore 13:30 alle ore 19:10 (PROGRAMMA NON ECM)

Giovedì 8 Ottobre 2026 dalle ore 08:15 alle ore 18:10

Venerdì 9 Ottobre 2026 dalle ore 08:15 alle ore 18:00

6. Programma dettagliato delle diverse sessioni

Mercoledì 7 Ottobre

PROGRAMMA NON ECM

13:30 Welcome coffee

13:45 Registration of participants

14:15 Official greetings and opening ceremony

Francesco Annunziato – Director of the Department of Experimental and Clinical Medicine, University of Florence

Federico Gelli – Chief Executive Officer, Meyer Children's Hospital, Florence

Daniela Matarrese – Chief Executive Officer, Careggi University Hospital, Florence

Perry Elliott; Iacopo Olivotto; Faiez Zannad

SETTING THE STAGE

Chairpersons: Iacopo Olivotto; Faiez Zannad

14:30 Open questions and unmet needs in cardiomyopathies

Perry Elliott

14:50 Innovation in cardiovascular therapeutics: an overview

Giulio Pompilio

15:10 Discussion

A COMPREHENSIVE LOOK AT DRUG DEVELOPMENT: THE JOURNEY

Chairpersons: Elisabetta Cerbai; Michele Emdin

15:30 From the idea to the molecule

Leslie Leinwand

15:50 From the molecule to clinical trials

Yigal M. Pinto

16:10 From clinical trials to registration

Raffaele Coppini

16:30 From registration to patients

Giancarlo Agnelli

16:50 Discussion

17:10 Industry Corner: updates and future developments

19:10 Closing of the first day and welcome cocktail

Giovedì 8 Ottobre

08:15 Registration of participants

08:45 Opening of the second day

Perry Elliott; Iacopo Olivotto; Faiez Zannad

ADVANCE IN EXPERIMENTAL MODELS AND PRECLINICAL APPROACHES

Chairpersons: Raffaele Coppini; Benjamin Meder

09:00 Classic models revisited: what have we learned and what did we miss?

Lucie Carrier

09:20 Bridging the divide from mouse to men: do our models reflect human disease?

Cecilia Ferrantini

09:40 Human-cell and engineered models: patient-specific mechanisms and drug screening

Thomas Eschenhagen

10:00 Discussion

10:20 Coffee break

10:50 Multistakeholder moderated debate

When is pre-clinical data good enough for translation?

Chairpersons: Carolyn Yung Ho; Jolanda Van Der Velden

Discussants: Eric David Adler; Gabriel Brooks; Leslie Leinwand; Benjamin Meder

PHARMACOLOGICAL THERAPIES FOR CARDIOMYOPATHIES

State of the Art – Part I

Chairpersons: Eloisa Arbustini; Francesco Cappelli

11:50 Protein stabilizers

Pablo Garcia Pavia

12:10 Myosin modulators

Iacopo Olivotto

12:30 Mitotropes/metabolic modulators

Martin S. Maron

12:50 Exercise prescription as precision medicine in cardiomyopathies

Gherardo Finocchiaro

13:10 Light lunch

PHARMACOLOGICAL THERAPIES FOR CARDIOMYOPATHIES

State of the Art – Part II

Chairpersons: Filippo Crea; Iacopo Olivotto

14:10 Targeting microtubules and beta-adrenergic receptor signaling

Jolanda Van Der Velden

14:30 Anti-interleukins - removal therapies

Federica Marelli-Berg

14:50 SGLT1/2 inhibitors

Anjali Tiku Owens

15:10 Contemporary treatment of myocarditis

Maurizio Pieroni

15:30 Discussion

GENE THERAPY: WHERE ARE WE DOWN THE ROAD?

Chairpersons: Enrico Ammirati; Alessia Argirò

15:50 RNA therapies for cardiac regeneration and gene editing

Mauro Giacca

16:10 Silencers and RNAs

Francesco Cappelli

16:30 Gene editing

Alessia Argirò

16:50 Discussion

17:10 Paradigms: Fredreich's Ataxia

Eric David Adler

17:30 Paradigms: Danon and Pompe

Juan Pablo Kaski

17:50 Discussion

18:10 Closing of the second day

Venerdì 9 Ottobre

08:15 Registration of participants

08:45 Opening of the third day

Perry Elliott; Iacopo Olivotto; Faiez Zannad

TRANSLATIONAL BREAKTHROUGHS. WHAT WORKED, AND WHY?

Chairpersons: Perry Elliott; Gianfranco Sinagra

09:00 Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy

Carolyn Yung Ho

09:20 Dilated Cardiomyopathy

Neal K. Lakdawala

09:40 Amyloidosis

Simone Longhi

10:00 Lysosomal diseases

Eloisa Arbustini

10:20 Innovation in cardiac devices

Carlo Di Mario

10:40 Discussion

11:00 Coffee break

THE QUEST FOR CLINICALLY MEANINGFUL AND APPROVABLE ENDPOINTS IN CARDIOMYOPATHY TRIALS

Chairpersons: Aldo Pietro Maggioni; Marco Metra

11:30 Hard outcomes

Scott Solomon

11:50 Patient reported outcomes

Anjali Tiku Owens

12:10 Exercise capacity

Caroline Coats

12:30 Biomarkers

Manuel Mayr

12:50 Imaging/Wearables

Gabriella Captur

13:10 Discussion

13:30 Light lunch

METHODOLOGY, TRIAL DESIGN AND STATISTICAL ISSUES

Chairpersons: Scott Solomon; Faiez Zannad

14:30 Is adaptive design appropriate in cardiomyopathy trials? Or else?

Peter Jüni

14:50 Statistical issues and solutions for small sample size trials

Brian Claggett

15:10 Disruptive methodologies: In-silico modelling/digital twins and AI solutions

Jari Hyttinen

15:30 Discussion

15:50 Multistakeholder debate

The patient's perspective "feel, function and survive", what else?

Discussants: Franco Cecchi; Callum Ferguson; Lisa Salberg; Emil Tsenov

CONCLUSIONS: PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER

16:50 Cardiomyopathies are becoming mainstream in the HF community: opportunities and challenges

Faiez Zannad

17:10 How to bridge global inequities in the access to advanced treatments? The WHO Perspective

Perry Elliott

17:30 Discussion

17:50 Final remarks and conclusions

Perry Elliott; Iacopo Olivotto; Faiez Zannad

18:00 CME evaluation

7. Numero dei crediti assegnati

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8. Tabella relatori/moderatori

	NOME COGNOME	PROFESSIONE	DISCIPLINA	ENTE DI APPARTENENZA/ LIBERA PROFESSIONE	DESCRIZIONE ATTIVITA' PROFESSIONALE /FORMATIVA
RS	Perry Elliott	Medical Doctor	Cardiology	Bart's Heart Centre, London, (UK)	Head of the UCL Centre for Heart Muscle Disease and Lead of the Inherited Cardiovascular Disease Unit
RS	Iacopo Olivotto	Medico Chirurgo	Cardiologia; Neurologia	Università degli studi Firenze; AOU Meyer, Firenze; AOU Careggi, Firenze	Professore Ordinario di Malattie Cardiovascolari; Direttore della SOD Cardiologia Pediatrica e della Transizione
RS	Faiez Zannad	Medical Doctor	Cardiology	University of Lorraine, Nancy (FR)	Professor (Emeritus) of Therapeutics &

				Cardiology
Eric David Adler	Medical Doctor	Cardiology	UC San Diego Health, San Diego (USA)	Professor of Medicine; Director of Strauss-Wilson Center for Cardiomyopathy
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Eloisa Arbustini	Medico Chirurgo	Cardiologia; Anatomia Patologica; Genetica Medica	IRCCS Fondazione Policlinico San Matteo, Pavia	Direttore Centro Malattie Genetiche Cardiovascolari
Alessia Argirò	Medico Chirurgo	Cardiologia	AOU Careggi, Firenze	Assegnista di ricerca presso il reparto di Cardiologia
Gabriel Brooks	Medical Doctor	Cardiology	UCSF Health-UCSF Medical Center, Boston (USA)	Cardiologist
Francesco Cappelli	Medico Chirurgo	Cardiologia	AOU Careggi, Firenze; Università degli Studi di Firenze	Professore Associato in Cardiologia; Referente CRR Amiloidosi
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Lucie Carrier	Biology	Genetics	Department of Experimental Pharmacology and Toxicology, Cardiovascular Research Center at the University Medical Center Hamburg-Eppendorf	Professor of "Functional Genomics of Cardiomyopathies"
Franco Cecchi	Medico Chirurgo	Malattie dell'apparato cardiovascolare	Libero Professionista, Firenze	Libero Professionista
Brian Claggett	Statistics	Biostatistics	Harvard Medical School, Boston (USA)	Associate Professor; Director of the Clinical Trials Outcomes Center (CTOC) at Brigham and Women's Hospital
Caroline Coats	Medical Doctor	Cardiology	University of Glasgow (UK)	Honorary Clinical Senior Lecturer
Raffaele Coppini	Medico Chirurgo	Dottorato in Farmacologia, Tossicologia e Chemioterapia	AOU Careggi, Firenze; Università degli Studi di Firenze	Ricercatore a tempo determinato in afferenza assistenziale presso la SOD Farmacologia; Professore Associato

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Carolyn Yung Ho	Medical Doctor	Cardiology	Brigham and Women's Hospital; Harvard Medical School, Boston (USA)	Medical Director of the Cardiovascular Genetics Center; Professor of Medicine
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Juan Pablo Kaski	Medical Doctor	Pediatrics	University College of London; Great Ormond	Professor of Paediatric Inherited Cardiovascular

			Street Hospital, London (UK)	Medicine; Director of UCL Centre for Paediatric Inherited and Rare Cardiovascular Diseases; Consultant Paediatric Cardiologist
Peter Jüni	Medical Doctor	Internal Medicine	University of Oxford, Oxford (UK)	Professor of Medicine and Clinical Trials
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Federica Marelli-Berg	Medical Doctor	Cardiology	Queen Mary University of London, London (UK)	Professor of Cardiovascular Immunology
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Benjamin Meder	Medical Doctor	Cardiology	University Hospital Heidelberg (DE)	Interventional Cardiologist; Coordinator of the Institute for Cardiomyopathies and the Genetic Research of the Cardiology Department
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Anjali Tiku Owens	Medical Doctor	Cardiology	Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania,	Attending Cardiologist; Associate Professor of

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Lisa Salberg	None	None	Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy Association (HCMA)	Founder and CEO
Gianfranco Sinagra	Medico Chirurgo	Cardiologia	Azienda Sanitaria Universitaria Giuliano Isontina (ASUGI), Trieste; Università degli Studi di Trieste	Direttore della Struttura Complessa di Cardiologia e del Dipartimento Cardioracovascolare; Professore Ordinario
Scott Solomon	Medical Doctor	Cardiology	Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston (USA)	Professor of Medicine
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