



- PROGRAM -

Wednesday, October 30th, 2024

Start	End	Duration (min)	Topic
08:00	08:15	15	WELCOME ITMIG President: Anja Roden (<i>Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, USA</i>) Program Committee Chair: Joshua Sonett (<i>Columbia University/New York-Presbyterian Hospital, New York, USA</i>) Chair of Local Organizing Committee: Meinoshin Okumura (<i>National Hospital Organization Osaka Toneyama Medical Center, Osaka, Japan</i>)
08:15	09:12	57	SCIENTIFIC SESSION: PART 1 - The Normal Thymus Development from Birth to Maturity: What We Know and Don't Know Chairs: Mirella Marino (<i>Regina Elena National Cancer Institute, Rome, Italy</i>) Maria Isabel Leite (<i>University of Oxford, Oxford, UK</i>)
08:15	08:34	19	Pathology Alexander Marx (<i>Institute of Pathology, University Medical Center Göttingen in Göttingen, Germany</i>)
08:34	08:53	19	Radiology Jeanne Ackman (<i>Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, USA</i>)
08:53	09:12	19	Immune System Development Avinash Bhandoola (<i>National Cancer Institute, NIH, Bethesda, MD, USA</i>)
09:12	10:05	53	PART 2 - When Things Go Awry - What Do We Understand so Far?
09:12	09:31	19	Immune Aberrations in Thymic Epithelial Tumors Arun Rajan (<i>National Cancer Institute, NIH, Bethesda, MD, USA</i>)
09:31	09:50	19	Neurology - Paraneoplastic Autoimmune Diseases Tatsusada Okuno (<i>Osaka University, Osaka, Japan</i>)
09:50	10:05	15	Q&A: Round Table <i>(All Lecturers for Both Scientific Sessions)</i>
10:05	10:15	10	BREAK
10:15	11:45	90	SCIENTIFIC SESSION: Focus on Thymic Carcinoma - What is Different from Thymoma Chairs: Yusuke Okuma (<i>National Cancer Center Hospital, Tokyo, Japan</i>) Enrico Ruffini (<i>University of Turin, Torino, Italy</i>)
10:15	10:30	15	Thymic Carcinoma Imaging: Can We Predict? Chad Strange (<i>University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX, USA</i>)

10:30	10:45	15	Pathology and Molecular Profiles Yosuke Yamada (<i>Kyoto University Hospital, Kyoto, Japan</i>)
10:45	11:00	15	Medical Oncology: Present Options and Future Directions for Thymic Carcinoma Claudia Proto (<i>Claudia Proto (Fondazione IRCCS Istituto Nazionale Tumori, Milan, Italy)</i>)
11:00	11:15	15	Radiation Oncology: Is Post-operative Radiotherapy Different? Ritsuko Komaki (<i>MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, Texas</i>)
11:15	11:30	15	Surgery: Surgical Options for Known Thymic Carcinoma - Is It Different? Vincent Fang (<i>Shanghai Chest Hospital, Shanghai, China</i>)
11:30	11:45	15	Q&A: Thymic Carcinoma (All Lecturers)
11:45	12:35	50	BREAK Lunch Seminar (Sponsored by Chugai) Heather Wakelee (<i>Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford Cancer Institute, Stanford, USA</i>)
12:35	14:05	90	SCIENTIFIC SESSION: Novel Strategies in Thymic Tumors – What's on the Horizon Chairs: Shun-Ichi Watanabe (<i>National Cancer Center Hospital, Tokyo, Japan</i>) Dawn Owen (<i>Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, USA</i>)
12:35	12:45	10	Surgery: New Techniques in Phrenic Nerve Reconstruction Sakashi Fujimori (<i>Toranomon Hospital, Tokyo, Japan</i>)
12:45	12:55	10	Surgery: Robotic Extended Thymectomy with Subxiphoid Port Jens Carsten Rückert (<i>Charite, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany</i>)
12:55	13:08	13	Radiation Therapy: High-dose Radiotherapy for Oligometastatic/Oligo-progressive Disease Andreas Rimner (<i>University of Freiburg, Freiburg Germany</i>)
13:08	13:21	13	Medical Oncology: Developing Models of New Chemotherapy Asian Clinical Trials Network for Cancers Project: ATLAS Kathleen Yasmin de Almeida (<i>National Cancer Center Hospital, Tokyo, Japan</i>)
13:21	13:34	13	Medical Oncology: Targeted Therapy and Potential for Clinical Trials Chul Kim (<i>Georgetown University, Washington, DC, USA</i>)
13:34	13:47	13	Medical Oncology: Neoadjuvant and Adjuvant Approaches to Thymic Tumors Magdalena Knetki-Wróblewska (<i>Maria Skłodowska-Curie National Research Institute of Oncology, Warsaw, Poland</i>)
13:47	14:05	18	Q&A: Novel Strategies in Thymic Tumors (All Lecturers)
14:05	14:55	50	EDUCATIONAL SESSION: Myasthenia Gravis: Alfred Jaretzki Memorial Session Chairs: Mohammad Ashraghi (<i>University of Oxford, Oxford, UK</i>) Joshua Sonett (<i>Columbia University/New York-Presbyterian Hospital, New York, USA</i>)
14:05	14:20	15	Basic Science Lecture: Thymic Hyperplasia in Myasthenia Gravis Patricia Sikorski (<i>Georgetown University, Washington, DC, USA</i>)
14:20	14:40	20	DEBATE: Biologic Therapies Will Replace the Role of Thymectomy in Myasthenia Gravis Amanda Guidon (<i>Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, USA</i>) Thymectomy in Non-Thymomatous Myasthenia Gravis is Proven Best Practice Michael Lanuti (<i>Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, USA</i>)
14:40	14:55	15	Q&A: Thymectomy and Myasthenia Gravis (All Lecturers)
14:55	15:05	10	BREAK

15:05	16:20	75	<p>SCIENTIFIC SESSION: Other Mediastinal Tumors (SMARCA4-DUT/Thymic Carcinoids)</p> <p>Chairs:</p> <p>Anja Roden (<i>Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, USA</i>)</p> <p>Heather Wakelee (<i>Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford Cancer Institute, Stanford, USA</i>)</p>
15:05	15:20	15	<p>Radiology: Imaging Features of Atypical Mediastinal Masses</p> <p>Tetsuro Araki (<i>Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, USA</i>)</p>
15:20	15:35	15	<p>When Why and How to Biopsy Mediastinal Masses?</p> <p>Dirk Van Raemdonck (<i>University Hospitals Leuven and KU Leuven University, Leuven, Belgium</i>)</p>
15:35	15:50	15	<p>Pathology: This or that? How Do We Know?</p> <p>Andre Moreira (<i>New York University, New York, NY, USA</i>)</p>
15:50	16:05	15	<p>Oncology: How Do We Treat? (SMARCA4-DUT/Thymic Carcinoids)</p> <p>Margaret Ottaviano (<i>Universita' degli Studi di Napoli Federico II, Naples, Italy</i>)</p>
16:05	16:20	15	<p>Q&A: Other Mediastinal Tumors (All Lecturers)</p>
16:20	16:30	10	<p>BREAK</p>
16:30	17:30	60	<p>SCIENTIFIC SESSION: Oral Abstract Session 1</p> <p>Chairs:</p> <p>Frank Detterbeck (<i>Yale University, New Haven, USA</i>)</p> <p>Thierry Molina (<i>Université Paris Cité, AP-HP, Paris, France</i>)</p> <p><i>7 min presentation + 3 min discussion</i></p> <p>Patterns of lymph node metastasis in patients with neuroendocrine thymic tumors: a retrospective study of 72 cases, <i>PRESENTER: Wenqing Zhang, Shanghai Chest Hospital, Shanghai, China</i></p> <p>Impact of size of primary tumor on survival in thymic epithelial tumor, <i>PRESENTER: Asato Hashinokuchi, Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan</i></p> <p>Surveillance trends after resection for thymic malignancy, <i>PRESENTER: Giye Choe, Kaiser Permanente Oakland Medical Center, Oakland, California, USA</i></p> <p>The impact of radical or limited resection of early-stage thymoma on long-term oncologic outcome and survival: a multi-institutional retrospective study, <i>PRESENTER: Yi-Ting Yen, National Cheng Kung University, Tainan, Taiwan</i></p> <p>Using Physician-Guided Artificial Intelligence to Assess Thymic Epithelial Tumors, <i>PRESENTER: Nirmal Choradia, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, MD, USA</i></p> <p>Deep learning discriminates thymic epithelial tumors histological subtypes using Digital Pathology, <i>PRESENTER: Matteo Sacco, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, USA</i></p>
17:30	19:00	90	<p>WELCOME RECEPTION</p> <p>Pacifico Yokohama North, 4Th Floor, Meeting Room G403</p>



Thursday, October 31st, 2024

Start	End	Duration (min)	Topic
08:45	10:25	100	SCIENTIFIC SESSION: When Surgery Is Not Enough: Managing Stage IV Thymic Carcinoma (Case Based Session with Audience Participation) Chairs: Dong Kwan Kim (<i>University of Ulsan College of Medicine, Seoul, South Korea</i>) Nicolas Girard (<i>Institut Curie, Paris, France</i>)
08:45	09:00	15	Case Presentation with Audience Participation Presenter: Paolo Mendogni (<i>Foundation IRCCS Ca' Granda Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico, Milan, Italy</i>) Radiology: Mylene Truong (<i>University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center Houston, Texas USA</i>) Pathology: Anjali Saqi (<i>Columbia University/New York-Presbyterian Hospital, New York, USA</i>)
09:00	09:05	5	What would you do? 1st AUDIENCE VOTING
09:05	09:20	15	Oncologic Strategies and Options Rohan Maniar (<i>Indiana University Simon Comprehensive Cancer Center, USA</i>)
09:20	09:35	15	Radiation Therapy Strategies and Options Annemarie Fernandes Shepherd (<i>University of Washington School of Medicine, Washington, USA</i>)
09:35	09:50	15	Pleural Therapies, HITHOC and Less Than Total Resection Paolo Mendogni (<i>Foundation IRCCS Ca' Granda Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico, Milan, Italy</i>)
09:50	09:55	5	What would you do? 2nd AUDIENCE VOTING
09:55	10:10	15	Case Exploration
10:10	10:25	15	Q&A: Stage IV Thymoma (All Lecturers)
10:25	10:45	20	BREAK

10:45	11:45	60	<p>SCIENTIFIC SESSION: Oral Abstract Session 2</p> <p>Chairs: Conrad Falkson (<i>Queen's University, Kingston, ON, Canada</i>) Christopher Nabel (<i>Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA, USA</i>) 7 min presentation + 3 min discussion</p> <p>Long-Term Outcomes and Characteristics of Unresectable or Inoperable Thymic Malignancies, PRESENTER: James Huang (<i>Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center New York, NY, USA</i>)</p> <p>Altered thymopoiesis in the context of thymoma, PRESENTER: Nicolas Girard, <i>Institut Curie, Paris, France</i></p> <p>Mediastinal lesion characterization and prognostication using diffusion MRI: from whole lesion to target zone with dynamic approach, PRESENTER: Johan Coolen, <i>University Hospitals of Leuven, Belgium</i></p> <p>Efgartigimod for treating thymoma-associated myasthenia gravis: A multicenter prospective observational cohort in China, PRESENTER: Sushan Luo, <i>Fudan University, Shanghai, China</i></p> <p>Spatial transcriptomics to dissect the cellular heterogeneity in thymic carcinoma, PRESENTER: Minoru Matsumoto, <i>Tokushima University Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Tokushima, Japan</i></p> <p>SHR-1316 Plus Nab-Paclitaxel And Carboplatin as The First Line Therapy For Advanced, Unresectable, Recurrent or Metastatic Thymic Carcinoma, PRESENTER: Ning Xu, <i>Shanghai Jiao Tong University School Of Medicine, Shanghai, China</i></p>
11:45	12:45	60	<p>BREAK</p> <p>Lunch Seminar (Sponsored by Eisai) Yasushi Goto (<i>National Cancer Center Hospital, Tokyo, Japan</i>)</p>
12:45	14:00	75	<p>ITMIG Committees and Working Groups Updates</p> <p>Chairs: Anja Roden (<i>Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, USA</i>) Malgorzata Szolkowska (<i>Institute of Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases, Warsaw, Poland</i>) All attendees are welcome!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership Committee - Paolo Mendogni (<i>Foundation IRCCS Ca' Granda Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico, Milan, Italy</i>) • Thymic Carcinoma and Mediastinal Working Groups - Anja Roden • Education Committee - Vincent Fang (<i>Shanghai Chest Hospital, Shanghai, China</i>) • Mediastinum Collaboration Working Group - Vincent Fang (<i>Shanghai Chest Hospital, Shanghai, China</i>) • Retrospective/Prospective Database Committee - Nicolas Girard (<i>Institut Curie, Paris, France</i>) • Biology Working Group - Thierry Molina (<i>Université Paris Cité , AP-HP, Paris, France</i>) • Artificial Intelligence Working Group - Jan von der Thüsen (<i>Erasmus MC, Rotterdam, The Netherlands</i>) • Communication Committee - Chul Kim (<i>Georgetown University, Washington, DC, USA</i>)
14:00	14:10	10	BREAK
14:10	15:40	90	<p>SPONSORED SESSION (Alexion): Thymoma and Myasthenia Gravis - Neurologic Implications and Strategies</p> <p>Chair: Tomihiro Imai (<i>National Hospital Organization Hakone Hospital</i>)</p>
14:10	14:35	25	<p>Recent Advances in Molecular Targeted Therapy for Myasthenia Gravis</p> <p>Akiyuki Uzawa (<i>Chiba University, Chiba, Japan</i>)</p>
14:35	15:00	25	<p>Myasthenia Gravis Associated With Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors</p> <p>Shigeaki Suzuki (<i>Keio University School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan</i>)</p>

15:00	15:25	25	<p>Insights into the Current and Future Thymectomy for Myasthenia Gravis Naoko Matsui <i>Tokushima University Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Tokushima, Japan</i></p>
15:25	15:40	15	<p>Q&A: Thymoma and Myasthenia Gravis (All Lecturers)</p>
15:40	15:50	10	<p>BREAK</p>
15:50	17:20	90	<p>SCIENTIFIC SESSION: Thymoma Innovations - ITMIG/JLCS joint session Chairs: (JCLS) Meinoshin Okumura <i>(National Hospital Organization Osaka Toneyama Medical Center, Osaka, Japan)</i> (ITMIG) Joshua Sonett <i>(Columbia University/New York-Presbyterian Hospital, New York, USA)</i></p>
15:50	16:10	20	<p>A Tribute to the Work of Masaoka Yoshitaka Fujii <i>(Professor Emeritus, Nagoya City University, Japan)</i></p>
16:10	16:25	15	<p>Innovations in Surgery: Uniportal DaVinci Single Port Subxiphoid Thymectomy Yasushi Hoshikawa <i>(Fujita Health University, Nagoya, Aichi, Japan)</i></p>
16:25	16:40	15	<p>Innovations in Medical Oncology: New Therapies and Pre-Clinical Strategies? Meredith McAdams <i>(National Cancer Institute, NIH, Bethesda, MD, USA)</i></p>
16:40	16:55	15	<p>Innovations in Radiation Therapy: Proton Therapy Hideyuki Harada <i>(Shizuoka Cancer Center, Shizuoka, Japan)</i></p>
16:55	17:10	15	<p>Innovations in Pathology: Artificial Intelligence Jan von der Thüsen <i>(Erasmus MC, Rotterdam, The Netherlands)</i></p>
17:10	17:20	10	<p>Q&A: Thymoma Innovations (All Lecturers)</p>
17:20	17:30	10	<p>BREAK</p>
17:30	17:55	25	<p>TUMOR BOARD Chairs: Usman Ahmad <i>(Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates)</i></p> <p>Case 1: Presenter: Carlos S. Pinto <i>(Hospital São João, Porto, Portugal)</i></p> <p>EXPERT PANEL Radiology: Edith Marom <i>(Chaim Sheba Medical Center, Tel Hashomer, Israel)</i> Pathology: Andrea Valeria Arrossi <i>(Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH, USA)</i> Thoracic Surgery: James Huang <i>(Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center New York, NY, USA)</i> Radiation Oncology: Andreas Rimner <i>(University of Freiburg, Freiburg Germany)</i> Medical Oncology: Rohan Maniar <i>(Indiana University Simon Comprehensive Cancer Center, USA)</i></p>
17:55	18:20	25	<p>Case 2: Presenter: Mateusz Polaczek <i>(Institute of Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases, Warsaw, Poland)</i></p> <p>EXPERT PANEL: Radiology: Katarzyna Błasińska <i>(Institute of Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases, Warsaw, Poland)</i> Pathology: Malgorzata Szolkowska <i>(Institute of Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases, Warsaw, Poland)</i> Thoracic Surgery: Taine Pechet <i>(University of Pennsylvania, USA)</i> Radiation Oncology: Peter Meidahl Petersen <i>(Copenhagen University Hospital, Copenhagen, Denmark)</i> Medical Oncology: Chul Kim <i>(Georgetown University, Washington, DC, USA)</i></p>

18:20	18:30	10	ANNOUNCEMENTS/AWARDS/CLOSING CEREMONY Joshua Sonett (<i>Columbia University/New York-Presbyterian Hospital, New York, USA</i>) Meinoshin Okumura (<i>National Hospital Organization Osaka Toneyama Medical Center, Osaka, Japan</i>) Malgorzata Szolkowska (<i>Institute of Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases, Warsaw, Poland</i>)
18:30	19:30	60	BREAK
19:30	21:30	120	ITMIG GALA DINNER Exhibition Hall, Pacifico Yokohama, 2Nd Floor, Ristorante ATTIMO



Friday, November 1 st , 2024			
Start	End	Duration (min)	Topic
08:30	10:30	120	<p>NEUROLOGY WORKSHOP for Non-Neurologists</p> <p>Practical Implications on Patient Centric Care With Take Home Messages for Non-Neurologists and Neurologists</p> <p>Chair: Marc De Baets (<i>Maastricht University, Maastricht, The Netherlands</i>)</p>
08:30	08:54	24	<p>Understanding Myasthenia Gravis (MG) as a Non-Neurologist</p> <p>Maria Isabel Leite (<i>University of Oxford, Oxford, UK</i>)</p> <p><i>Topics to be discussed:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>When and how to suspect MG?</i> • <i>Ordering antibodies - when it is more than anti-AChR?</i> • <i>Is there a role for following antibody titers post operatively?</i> • <i>Understanding diagnostic modalities</i>
08:54	09:18	24	<p>Does The Presence of a Thymoma Influences The Treatment Strategies for MG?</p> <p>Marc De Baets (<i>Maastricht University, Maastricht, The Netherlands</i>)</p> <p><i>Topics to be discussed:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Classic therapy with acetylcholinesterase inhibitors</i> • <i>Immunosuppressive therapy</i> • <i>Mechanical immunomodulatory therapy</i> • <i>Biologic therapies</i> • <i>Measured objective responses therapy guidance</i>
09:18	09:42	24	<p>When to Operate, When Not to Operate</p> <p>Jens Rueckert (<i>Charite, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany</i>)</p> <p><i>Topics to be discussed:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Optimizing and understanding pre-operative treatments</i> • <i>Non thymomatous myasthenia gravis vs. thymoma with myasthenia gravis pretreatment regimes</i>

09:42	10:06	24	<p>Understanding Implications of Myasthenia Gravis on Patients Mohammad Ashraghi (<i>John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, UK</i>)</p> <p><i>Topics to be discussed:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Practical implications for everyday life</i> • <i>Interactions with medications</i> • <i>Treatment implications with chemo and radiotherapy</i>
10:06	10:30	24	<p>Paraneoplastic Syndromes - An Unusual Case Marc De Baets (<i>Maastricht University, Maastricht, The Netherlands</i>)</p> <p><i>Topics to be discussed:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>When to suspect?</i> • <i>How to screen if suspected?</i> • <i>How to avoid complications?</i> • <i>Is the treatment different than in myasthenia gravis?</i>
10:30	11:00	30	BREAK
11:00	12:00	60	<p>Future Studies/Collaborations: Working Group Discussion/Formulation Chairs: Joshua Sonett (<i>Columbia University/New York-Presbyterian Hospital, New York, USA</i>) Maria Isabel Leite (<i>University of Oxford, Oxford, UK</i>)</p> <p><i>Topics to be discussed:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Myasthenia gravis and other paraneoplastic syndromes in thymoma: prospective studies, biobanks, collective series • Thymectomy implications in adults • Can we prospectively study and how? • Thymectomy in children and adolescents • MGNET collaboration • MGFA collaboration • Solicitation of ideas/projects
12:00	13:00	60	LUNCH

13:00	16:00	180	<p>ITMIG Committee Meetings - Business Meeting</p> <p><i>All ITMIG Members are welcome!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steering Committee • Education Committee • Communication Committee • Membership Committee • Finance Committee • Database Committee • Mediastinal Working Group • Thymic Carcinoma Working Group • Artificial Intelligence Working Group • Biology Working Group • Mediastinum Collaboration Working Group
16:00	19:00	180	BREAK
19:00			<p>JLCS GALA DINNER „GET TOGETHER”</p> <p>Pacifico Yokohama North, 1St Floor, Room 1 (G7+G8)</p> <p>All ITMIG2024 attendees are welcome!</p>