



Israel-Italy Meeting  
AUTOIMMUNITY & RHEUMATOLOGY

# 8<sup>th</sup> Italy-Israel Meeting on: ADVANCES in AUTOIMMUNITY and RHEUMATOLOGY



*Chairpersons of the Meeting:*  
Angela Tincani, Guido Valesini

**Brescia,  
24-25 October 2019**





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## ABOUT THE CONGRESS

Over the last few years, rheumatology and autoimmunity have been dealing with themes in the field of genetics, epigenetic, environment, microbiome, gender, etc.

Debate has always been essential when it comes to deal with new as well as traditional themes, especially when experts of different nationalities come together to discuss on them. In this respect the Italian-Israeli Conference provides an opportunity to compare different expertise and solutions, on the basis of different realities and conditions.

Thanks to such exchange it is possible to keep the tradition of this Conference alive. Israel and Italy hosted the previous editions of the Conference, where having fostered the exchange of expertise and cooperation among experts brought mutual enrichment to both countries and led to the development of internationally-accepted clinical standards and protocols.

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*Prof. Angela Tincani, Prof. Guido Valesini*

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## THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER

**08:30-10:00**    **Registration**

*09:30-10:30*    *Open Coffee*

**10:00-10:30**    **OPENING REMARKS**

A. Mathieu (Cagliari, Italy), Y. Shoenfeld (Tel Aviv, Israel), A. Tincani (Brescia, Italy),  
G. Valesini (Rome, Italy)

**10:30-11:00**    **LECTURE**

**The Kaleidoscope of autoimmunity; *Primum non nocere***

*Chair:* A. Mathieu (Cagliari, Italy)

*Speaker:* Y. Shoenfeld (Tel Aviv, Israel)

**11:00-11:50**    **I SESSION**

**T AND B IMMUNITY IN RHEUMATIC DISEASES AND ITS MODIFICATION IN PATIENTS TREATED WITH NEW DRUGS**

*Chairs:* R. Giacomelli (L'Aquila, Italy), F. Iannone (Bari, Italy), Y. Shoenfeld (Tel Aviv, Israel)

**Recent advance in Sjögren syndrome**

R. Gerli (Perugia, Italy)

**The role of sema3A-CD72 axis in regulating autoreactive B cells**

Z. Vadasz (Haifa, Israel)

**Discussion**

**11:50-12:40**    **II SESSION**

**AUTOANTIBODIES: WHEN ARE USEFUL/NEEDED BIOMARKERS?**

*Chairs:* M. Ehrenfeld (Ramat Gan, Israel), C. Lunardi (Verona, Italy), R. Perricone (Rome, Italy)

**Anti-carbamylated protein antibodies as a new biomarker of erosive joint damage in systemic lupus erythematosus**

F. Conti (Rome, Italy)

**Serological biomarkers in the diagnosis and assessment of rheumatic diseases**

O. Shovman (Ramat Gan, Israel)

**Discussion**

**12:40-13:30**    **III SESSION**

**HOW TO MEASURE AUTOANTIBODIES IN 2019**

*Chairs:* N. Bizzaro (Udine, Italy), A. Melegari (Modena, Italy), Z. Vadasz (Haifa, Israel)

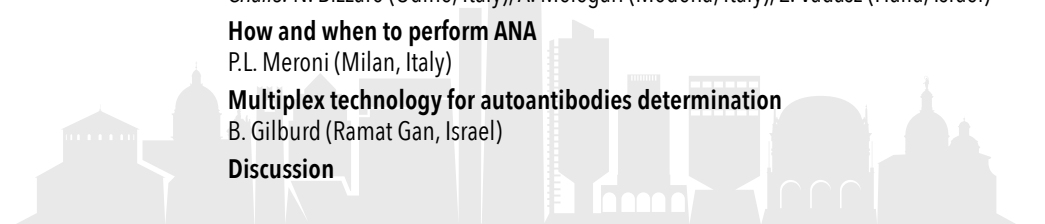
**How and when to perform ANA**

P.L. Meroni (Milan, Italy)

**Multiplex technology for autoantibodies determination**

B. Gilburd (Ramat Gan, Israel)

**Discussion**





## THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER

13:30-14:30 *Lunch*

14:30-15:20

### IV SESSION

#### GENETIC AND EPIGENETICS IN DIAGNOSIS AND PROFILING OF RHEUMATIC DISEASES

*Chairs:* G.D. Sebastiani (Rome, Italy), E. Toubi (Haifa, Israel)

##### **Common traits in the genetic of autoimmunity**

C. Perricone (Rome, Italy)

##### **Gene therapy in autoimmunity**

E. Pras (Ramat Gan, Israel)

##### **Discussion**

15:20-16:10

### V SESSION

#### ENVIRONMENT AND RHEUMATOLOGY

*Chairs:* A. Afeltra (Rome, Italy), H. Amital (Ramat Gan, Israel), F. Franceschini (Brescia, Italy)

##### **The role of dietary sodium intake and diesel exhaust particles inhalation in the pathogenesis of autoimmune rheumatic diseases**

R. Scivo (Rome, Italy)

##### **Fasting in psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis**

M. Adawi (Poriya, Israel)

##### **Discussion**

16:10-17:25

### VI SESSION

#### OLD AND NEW

*Chairs:* C. Montecucco (Pavia, Italy), P. Sarzi-Puttini (Milan, Italy), E. Toubi (Haifa, Israel)

##### **The management of inflammatory arthritis: old treatments or new drugs?**

R. Caporali (Pavia, Italy)

##### **The treatment of SLE and APS: a promising future**

A. Doria (Padova, Italy)

##### **Autoimmune adverse events associated with checkpoint inhibition cancer treatment**

M. Ehrenfeld (Ramat Gan, Israel)

##### **Discussion**





## FRIDAY 25 OCTOBER

08:30-09:20

### VII SESSION

#### **EARLY-DIAGNOSIS OR OVER-DIAGNOSIS? THE RISK OF OVERTREATMENT**

*Chairs:* M.G. Danieli (Ancona, Italy), M. Galeazzi (Siena, Italy), R. Scarpa (Naples, Italy)

#### **Early diagnosis of large vessels vasculitis**

C. Salvarani (Reggio Emilia-Modena, Italy)

#### **Early/over diagnosis of sacroiliitis?**

G. Slobodin (Haifa, Israel)

#### **Discussion**

09:20-10:10

### VIII SESSION

#### **MICROBIOME IN AUTOIMMUNE RHEUMATIC DISEASES, NEW UNDERSTANDING TOWARDS NEW TREATMENTS?**

*Chairs:* R. Cimaz (Milan, Italy), C.F. Selmi (Rozzano, Italy), Y. Shoenfeld (Tel Aviv, Israel)

#### **The microbiome in rheumatic diseases**

F. Ciccia (Naples, Italy)

#### **Oral tolerance with beta2glycoprotein-I derivative**

A. Shemer (Ramat Gan, Israel)

#### **Discussion**

10:10-10:25

### *Coffee Break*

10:25-11:40

### IX SESSION

#### **GENDER AUTOIMMUNITY: EXPRESSION AND CONSEQUENCES**

*Chairs:* H. Amital (Ramat Gan, Israel), C. De Carolis (Rome, Italy), T. Trenti (Modena, Italy)

#### **New evidences for gender impact on immune response**

M. Cutolo (Genoa, Italy)

#### **Gender implication in systemic lupus erythematosus**

M. Fredi (Brescia, Italy)

#### **Gender differences in early systemic sclerosis**

A. Balbir Gurman (Haifa, Israel)

#### **Discussion**

11:40-12:00

### CLOSING REMARKS

A. Tincani (Brescia, Italy), G. Valesini (Rome, Italy)





## SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION

### HONORARY CHAIRPERSONS

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### ITALIAN CME - Continuing Medical Education

The Congress will be accredited by the National Commission for Continuing Education for the following disciplinary areas: Medical Surgeon (Disciplines: Rheumatology, Internal Medicine, Allergology and clinical immunology) for nr. 200 participants.

Credits will be recognized only upon 90% of attendance of the scientific sessions and an overall quiz score of 75% or higher.

The participation is free of charge.



## GENERAL INFORMATION

### ORGANIZING SEGRETERIAT



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#### *How to reach the venue*



#### **BY CAR**

From the motorway

- At the first roundabout turn right and take the first exit
- At the second roundabout go straight across, take the second exit
- At the third roundabout turn left into via Borgosatollo, third exit
- At the fourth roundabout turn right into Viale Duca degli Abruzzi, first exit
- Continue until the underpass and turn left at the traffic lights Via A. Diaz
- Turn right into Via Duca D'Aosta
- At the traffic lights turn left into Via Varaini
- At the roundabout turn left into via XXV Aprile, second exit
- At the next set of traffic lights, turn right into Via Crispi
- The third road on the right is Via G. Calini





## GENERAL INFORMATION



### BY TRAIN AND PUBLIC SERVICE

From the railway station by Bus:

Exit the station; there are two possibilities: the line 2 and the line 12

Line 2:

- Take the bus in the direction of Chiesanuova for Centro Storico
- Get off at the stop for Via S. Martino della Battaglia
- Take the first road on the right into Via Moretto and go to the end
- Turn left into Via Crispi
- The first road on the right is Via G. Calini

Line 12:

- Take the bus in the direction of Verrocchio for Centro Storico
- Get off at the stop C.so Zanardelli
- Go straight in Corso Magenta
- Turn right into Via Crispi
- The first road on the left is Via G. Calini

From the station on foot (1,5 km – 20 minutes walk):

- Exit from the station and take Via Foppa
- At the second set of traffic lights turn right into Via XX Settembre
- Go straight up to the top of Via San Martino della Battaglia
- After taking Via San Martino della Battaglia follow the bus route Linee 1 and 2 after getting off or else:
- Take the first road on the right Via Moretto and continue until the end
- Turn left for Via Crispi
- The first road on the right is Via G. Calini



### BY PLANE

Distance from the main airports

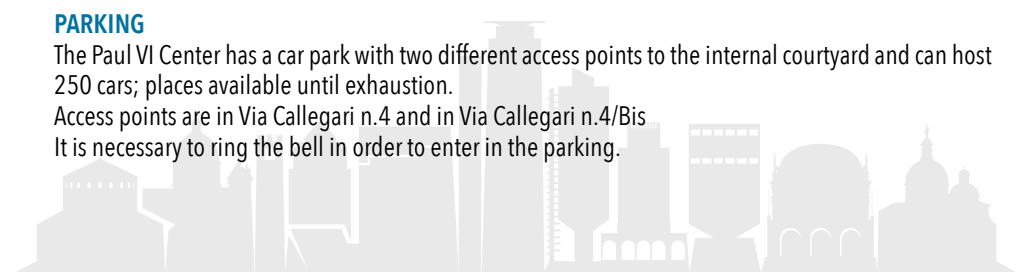
- Milano Malpensa 150 km
- Milano Linate 100 km
- Bergamo Orio al Serio 50 km
- Verona Villafranca 60 km

### PARKING

The Paul VI Center has a car park with two different access points to the internal courtyard and can host 250 cars; places available until exhaustion.

Access points are in Via Callegari n.4 and in Via Callegari n.4/Bis

It is necessary to ring the bell in order to enter in the parking.







## GENERAL INFORMATION

### REGISTRATION

The meeting is reserved up to 200 participants.

The registration to the meeting is free, but it is constrained to the filling out of the online registration platform.

The deadline for the registration is October 15, 2019.

The registration includes:

- Participation to the scientific sessions
- Conference kit
- Participation certificate
- Lunch
- Coffee breaks
- ECM certificate (which will be sent after the conclusion of the event, in order to check presence and learning outcomes)

Participants are kindly requested to wear their badge during all congress activities.

The badge will admit to the scientific sessions, coffee breaks and lunch.

### REGISTRATION DESK

The on-site registration desk will be open during the following days:

Thursday 24 October 2019 08.30-17.30

Friday 25 October 2019 08.00-13.00

### LANGUAGE

The official language is English. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

### ACCOMMODATION

If you need any assistance for hotel booking at the congress venue please contact the Organizing Secretariat at the following e-mail: [info@italyisraelmeeting2019.com](mailto:info@italyisraelmeeting2019.com)

There is the availability to book and pay rooms directly on our online platform.

