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March 19-20
2026



THURSDAY March 19, 2026

10:00 - 12:00

MEETING ROOM NEW YORK

CLINICAL CASES

Chairpersons: *F. Bandello, A. Gaudric, K. Ohno-Matsui, G. Querques, S. Y. Yu, M. Zarbin*

- 10:15 - 10:22 **Neovascular maculopathy after laser 2RT in a young myopic patient**
A. Magrini
- 10:22 - 10:29 **En-face imaging of post-operative demarcation lines in rhegmatogenous retinal detachment: implications for visual recovery**
L. Padovani
- 10:29 - 10:36 **Neurosensory detachment as a presenting feature of punctate inner choroidopathy: a case report**
A. Celia
- 10:36 - 10:43 **The cracked mirror of the retina: unveiling angioid streaks with macular neovascularization**
C. De Santis
- 10:43 - 10:50 **Acute visual loss after a flu-like episode: a case of unilateral acute idiopathic maculopathy**
F. Lo Cascio
- 10:50 - 10:57 **Multimodal management of IRVAN occlusive retinal vasculitis complicated by bilateral neovascular glaucoma**
A. P. Di Cristofano
- 10:57 - 11:04 **A case of neonatal lipemia retinalis**
D. Martinuzzi
- 11:04 - 11:11 **Bilateral asymmetric West Nile Virus Chorioretinitis complicated by macular edema: a case report**
F. P. De Rosa
- 11:11 - 11:18 **An unexpected finding in stargardt disease**
C. Ballabio
- 11:18 - 11:25 **Diagnostic challenges in coexisting macular choroidal nevus and age-related macular degeneration: a multimodal imaging analysis**
C. Busoni
- 11:25 - 11:32 **A diagnostic dilemma: inflammatory ocular disease or paraneoplastic manifestation?**
A. Speranzini

- 11:32 – 11:39 **A clue beyond the eye in a case of pseudo-optic pit macular syndrome**
S. Gravina
- 11:39 – 11:46 **Comprehensive management of infectious posterior uveitis with vision loss and macular involvement: integration of targeted antimicrobial and adjunctive immunosuppressive therapy**
D. Cielo
- 11:46 – 11:53 **Longitudinal multimodal imaging in diabetic papillopathy: the impact of pregnancy on disease progression**
C. Molin
- 11:53 – 12:00 **Choroidal neovascularization associated with optic nerve head drusen: a case report**
S. Gritti
- 12:00 – 12:07 **Unilateral idiopathic retinal vasculitis aneurysms and neuroretinitis (IRVAN) syndrome treated with a Dexamethasone implant and focal laser photocoagulation: a case report.**
M. Fantuzzi
- 12:07 – 12:14 **CNV and macular retinoschisis in LCHAD deficiency associated chorioretinal atrophy**
L. Vespi
- 12:14 – 12:21 **Case report: OCT based diagnostic and therapeutic approach in adult-onset coats disease with chronic refractory macular edema**
D. Giannini
- 12:21 – 12:28 **An unusual case of unilateral acute idiopathic maculopathy in a young patient**
A. Vicari

12:30 - 13:15

LUNCH BREAK

13:15 - 13:40

EXHIBITION AREA TOUR

13:45 - 14:00

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INTRODUCTION

F. Bandello, G. Querques

14:00 - 15:10

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VASCULOPATIES AND GENETICS

Chairpersons: *A. Loewenstein, F. Viola*

Panel: *F. Boscia, F. D'Esposito*

- 14:00 - 14:10 **Redefining the role of cystoid maculopathy in retinitis pigmentosa**
A. Arrigo
- 14:10 - 14:20 **Macular neovascularization in best vitelliform macular dystrophy**
M. Battaglia Parodi
- 14:20 - 14:30 **Pachyvitrelliform maculopathy: prevalence, clinical features and natural history**
U. Introini
- 14:30 - 14:40 **High-dose Aflibercept in macular edema due to retinal vein occlusion**
R. Lattanzio
- 14:40 - 14:50 **Photoreceptor integrity as surrogate of retinal sensitivity in chronic central serous chorioretinopathy**
M. Lupidi
- 14:50 - 15:00 **Predicting postoperative outcomes in retinal surgery: AI chatbots VS clinical reality**
A. Loewenstein
- 15:00 - 15:10 **Discussion on the topics above mentioned of the faculty involved**

15:10 - 16:10

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AMD 1

Chairpersons: *U. Chakravarthy, P. Lanzetta*

Panel: *V. Capuano, A. Carnevali*

- 15:10 - 15:20 **SPECTRUM: early data from a global real-world study of aflibercept 8 mg in neovascular age-related macular degeneration**
P. Lanzetta
- 15:20 - 15:30 **AI and DME: diagnostic-therapeutic phenotypes and their application in clinical practice**
E. Midena
- 15:30 - 15:40 **Type 4 MNV: a new member of the OCT classification of neovascular AMD**
D. Sarraf - REMOTE CONNECTION
- 15:40 - 15:50 **OCT and OCTA characterization of fibrovascular pigment epithelial detachments**
U. Chakravarthy

- 15:50 - 16:00 **Biomarkers associated with the development of macular atrophy in neovascular AMD**
E. Borrelli
- 16:00 - 16:10 **Discussion on the topics above mentioned of the faculty involved**

16:10 - 16:30

COFFEE BREAK

16:30 - 17:30

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SURGERY

Chairpersons: *S. Rizzo, M. Romano*

Panel: *T. Avitabile, M. Coppola, C. Mariotti*

- 16:30 - 16:40 **Bridging the gap: an innovative approach for refractory macular holes**
R. Mastropasqua
- 16:40 - 16:50 **Intraoperative OCT-Enface in epiretinal membrane: new tool for new performance**
S. Rizzo
- 16:50 - 17:00 **Intraocular cyst formation in macular edema: pathophysiological insights and surgical management strategies**
M. Romano
- 17:00 - 17:10 **Intraoperative use of OCT**
T. Rossi
- 17:10 - 17:20 **Dissociated optic nerve fiber layer: novel insight on pathophysiology and clinical relevance**
A. Govetto
- 17:20 - 17:30 **Discussion on the topics above mentioned of the faculty involved**

17:30 - 18:30

VISIT TO THE POSTER AREA

17:30 - 18:30

MEETING ROOM PARIGI

AFTERNOON SYMPOSIUM

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CONFIDENCE THROUGH EXPERIENCE WITH AFLIBERCEPT 8MG

Chairperson: *F. Boscia*

- 17:30-17:50 **From data to decisions**
S. Vujosevic
- 17:50-18:10 **Exploring the full potential: can we do better by switching?**
A. Invernizzi
- 18:10-18:30 **A maximizing efficiency in maculopathy treatment: a
pharmacoeconomic perspective**
P. Cortesi

FRIDAY March 20, 2026

08:00 - 09:00

MEETING ROOM MADRID

BREAKFAST MEETING

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MITOCHONDRIA: RETINAL BIOENERGETIC HEART

Chairperson: *G. Querques*

08:00-09:00

Clinical approach

R. Sacconi, T. Verdina

09:00 - 10:00

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AI

Chairpersons: *D. Ting, T.Y. Wong,*

Panel: *A. Pece*

09:00 - 09:10

OCT/OCT-A predictors discerning progression from iAMD to type 1 versus type 3 MNV

R. Sacconi

09:10 - 09:20

Current progress in AI and LLM for retina disease management

T.Y. Wong

09:20 - 09:30

A new imaging technique

J. Pulido

09:30 - 09:40

Automated PVD detection in OCT scans

M. Zinkernagel

09:40 - 09:50

AI in retina: what's next in 2026?

D. Ting

09:50 - 10:00

Discussion on the topics above mentioned of the faculty involved

10:00 - 11:00

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DIABETES

Chairpersons: *L.M. Jampol, M. Zarbin*

Panel: *N. Malachkova, M. Reibaldi*

- 10:00 - 10:10 **Understanding the progression of diabetic retinopathy**
I. Marques, J. Cunha-Vaz †
- 10:10 - 10:20 **Update from the DRCR retina network**
L.M. Jampol
- 10:20 - 10:30 **Microvascular changes in diabetic retinopathy after anti-VEGF treatment**
M. Parravano
- 10:30 - 10:40 **Novel concepts in neurovascular unit impairment in diabetic retinopathy**
S. Vujosevic
- 10:40 - 10:50 **Impact of faricimab on DME treatment burden in a university hospital clinic**
M. Zarbin
- 10:50 - 11:00 **Discussion on the topics above mentioned of the faculty involved**

11:00 - 11:30

COFFEE BREAK

11:30 - 12:30

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AMD 2

Chairpersons: *G. Cheung, S.Y. Yu*
Panel: *G. Guarnaccia, V. Primavera*

- 11:30 - 11:40 **Topographic prediction of geographic atrophy progression using En Face OCT and Fundus Autofluorescence Imaging**
S.Y. Yu
- 11:40 - 11:50 **Targeted MP to evaluate retinal function in GA**
U. Schmidt-Erfurth
- 11:50 - 12:00 **Incidence of macular neovascularization and geographic atrophy in fellow eyes of neovascular AMD patients: a 3-year study in an Asian cohort**
G. Cheung
- 12:00 - 12:10 **Balloon angioplasty of the ophthalmic artery for the treatment of late AMD**
P.J. Rosenfeld - REMOTE CONNECTION

- 12:10 - 12:20 **Multicentric study-results of Intravitreal CORD blood injection in Dry-AMD**
M.C. Savastano
- 12:20 - 12:30 **Discussion on the topics above mentioned of the faculty involved**

12:30 - 13:00

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ROSARIO BRANCATO RETINA AWARD: PRESENTATION AWARD CEREMONY

Chairpersons: F. Bandello, J. Arnold, G. Cheung, J. Cunha-Vaz †, L. M. Jampol, P. Lanzetta, A. Loewenstein, K. Ohno-Matsui, J. Pulido

Presentation of the case by the winner

13:10 - 14:30

LUNCH BREAK

13:10 - 14:30

MEETING ROOM MADRID

LUNCH SYMPOSIUM

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RAPID DRYING WITH FARICIMAB DRIVING A SUSTAINED DISEASE CONTROL

Chairpersons: *M. Parravano, F. Viola*

- 13:10-13:50 **Real world long lasting efficacy in nAMD**
R. Sacconi
- 13:50-14:30 **Vascular stability for sustained outcomes in retinal vascular diseases**
M. Vadalà

13:10 - 14:30

MEETING ROOM PARIGI

LUNCH SYMPOSIUM

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RETINA DEEP DIVE: COMPLEX CASES DISCUSSION BASED ON ADVANCED RETINAL IMAGING

Chairpersons: *G. Querques, G. Staurenghi*

Speakers: *D. Bacherini, A. Carnevali, M.C. Savastano, P. Viggiano*

14:40 - 15:10

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BEST POSTER SESSION

Chairpersons: *F. Bandello, G. Querques*

14:40-14:46

High-resolution optical coherence tomography assessment of the outer retina in extensive macular atrophy with pseudodrusen-like appearance

A. Quarta

14:46-14:52

Seeing the risk: behavioral benefits of AI-assisted retinal screening in type 1 Diabetes

L. Ilavska

14:52-14:58

Changes in choroidal vascularization in neovascular age-related macular degeneration: a comparison between Faricimab, Brolucizumab, Aflibercept, and High-Dose Aflibercepto

A. Lazerini

14:58-15:10

Discussion on the topics above mentioned of the faculty involved

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UVEITIS AND MYOPIA

Chairpersons: *A. Adan, L. Da Cruz*

Panel: *L. Mastropasqua*

15:10 - 15:20

Latest advances and new findings in OCT in posterior noninfectious uveitis

A. Adan

15:20 - 15:30

Lesion localization in Punctate Inner Choroidopathy is guided by posterior curvature: a widefield OCT-based analysis

M.V. Cicinelli

15:30 - 15:40

Uveitis induced by check point inhibitors

E. Miserocchi

15:40 - 15:50

Myopic posterior pole retinal detachments

L. Da Cruz

- 15:50 - 16:00 **A new nomenclature for myopic traction maculopathy**
A. Gaudric
- 16:00 - 16:10 **Ultrawidefield imaging in uveitis**
L. Cimino
- 16:10 - 16:20 **Discussion on the topics above mentioned of the faculty involved**

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IMAGING

Chairpersons: *S. Sadda, A. Tufail*
Panel: *A. Giovannini, G. Querques*

- 16:20 - 16:30 **Polarization-sensitive OCT imaging of peripapillary scleral fibers**
K. Ohno-Matsui
- 16:30 - 16:40 **Integration of information from multimodal imaging: where OCT outperforms ultrasound and viceversa**
L. Pierro
- 16:40 - 16:50 **Choriocapillaris flow deficits in Alzheimer's disease**
S. Sadda
- 16:50 - 17:00 **Ellipsoid zone or outer nuclear layer: which is the most reliable marker for monitoring retinal function deterioration**
G. Staurenghi
- 17:00 - 17:10 **Autoimmune retinopathies: imaging phenotypes**
A. Tufail
- 17:10 - 17:20 **Discussion on the topics above mentioned of the faculty involved**

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FINAL DISCUSSION AND TAKE-HOME MESSAGE