THIRD NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SARCOIDOSIS DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT COMORBIDITIES AND THE HOLISTIC APPROACH TO THE DISEASE

19-20 APRIL 2024
Centro Altinate San Gaetano
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The ACSI (Friends Against Sarcoidosis Italy) Association and its President Filippo Martone are pleased to announce the

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Comorbidities and the holistic approach to the disease.

Sarcoidosis is a chronic systemic granulomatous disease characterised by great clinical heterogeneity; indeed, in some cases the disease is asymptomatic, is discovered by chance and heals spontaneously, in others it represents a real diagnostic and therapeutic challenge. In these cases, which account for around a third of all patients, the morbidity of sarcoidosis is very high both because of its clinical manifestations and because of the side effects of corticosteroids, by far the most commonly used drugs for its treatment. This translates into a compromised quality of life and, as these are almost always subjects of working age, reduced productivity with inevitable socio-economic consequences. Sarcoidosis is considered a rare disease; certainly, it is an orphan disease mainly due to the (mis)belief that the disease is benign and only rarely requires treatment.

An often underestimated aspect of the disease is the comorbidities that contribute to the patient’s quality of life and complicate its management. The systemic nature of sarcoidosis and the comorbidities call for a multidisciplinary approach to the disease, and this can only be guaranteed in reference centres which, in addition to taking care of the ‘complex’ patient, are involved in research activities and the testing of new drugs.

With this in mind, the main topics of the 3rd edition of the congress, which will be attended by leading national and international experts, will be the psychological and social (as well as medical) aspects of sarcoidosis, comorbidities (including some of the less explored ones) and the multidisciplinary approach to the disease. However, there will be no lack of references to basic research and new therapeutic perspectives with the hope that a real cure will soon be found for people with sarcoidosis.
FRIDAY, APRIL 19 2024

01.00pm  Participants Registration
02.00pm  Conference Opening and Greetings by the Authorities

FIRST SESSION: DIAGNOSIS: NEW EVIDENCE AND GLOBAL DIAGNOSIS
CHAIRS: ROBERT BAUGHMAN, VENERINO POLETTI, SERGIO HARARI
02.20pm  The importance of an early diagnosis on treatment response and outcome
          PAOLO SPAGNOLO
02.35pm  Discussion
02.40pm  Diagnostic work-up and multiorgan disease
          DOMINIQUE VALEYRE
02.55pm  Discussion
03.00pm  Diagnosis of sarcoidosis without lung involvement
          MARC JUDSON
03.15pm  Discussion
03.20pm  Sarcoidosis and cancer: myth and reality
          HILARIO NUNES
03.35pm  Discussion
03.40pm  Coffee break

SECOND SESSION: TREATMENT: THE PATIENT CENTRED MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH
CHAIRS: DOMINIQUE VALEYRE, CARLO AGOSTINI, ANGELO GUIDO CORSICO
04.00pm  The importance of disease phenotype on treatment choice
          ATHOL WELLS
04.15pm  Discussion
04.20pm  Holistic approach to treatment: sarcoidosis and comorbidities
          FABRIZIO LUDDI
04.35pm  Discussion
04.40pm  Chronic pain in sarcoidosis: diagnosis and treatment
          MARCEL VELTKAMP
04.55pm  Discussion
05.00pm  The role of patient associations in disease management
          FILIPPO MARTONE
05.15pm  Discussion
05.20pm  The treatment of pulmonary hypertension related to sarcoidosis: to whom, where, how
          NAZZARENO GALIE
05.35pm  Discussion
05.40pm  The many faces of neurosarcoidosis
          CHIARA BRIANI
05.55pm  Discussion
SATURDAY, APRIL 20 2024

THIRD SESSION: QUALITY OF LIFE OF PATIENTS WITH CHRONIC SARCOIDOSIS: CLINICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL AND SOCIAL ASPECTS
Chair: Anthony Wells, Elena Bargagli, Patrizia Suppessa

08.30am Chronic fatigue in sarcoidosis: the role of physical rehabilitation
Ernesto Crisafulli

08.45am Discussion

08.50am Labor law, medico-legal and social aspects of living with chronic diseases: the paradigm of sarcoidosis
Dominique Israel-Biet

09.05am Discussion

09.10am Psychological impact of sarcoidosis
Claudio Tana

09.25am Discussion

09.30am Unexplored comorbidities of sarcoidosis (sleep breathing, sexual disorders and eating disorders)
Dan Culver

09.45am Discussion

09.50am Telemedicine: the future is now
Anne-Marie Russell

10.05am Coffee break

FOURTH SESSION: BASIC RESEARCH IN SARCOIDOSIS
Chair: Marc Judson, Jelle Miedema, Francesco Cinetto

10.45am Novel insight in the epidemiology of sarcoidosis
Giovanni Sotoiu

11.00am Discussion

11.05am Disease registries: ERN Sarcoidosis
Francesco Bonella

11.20am Discussion

11.25am Etiology and pathogenesis: novel paradigms
Simon Hart

11.40am Discussion

11.45am Genetic architecture of sarcoidosis
Paolo Spagnolo

12.00am Discussion

12.05am Role of Biobanks in sarcoidosis research
Luca Richeoli, Natalia Rivera

12.20pm Discussion

12.25pm Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency: an update
Mariaenrica Tiné

12.40pm Discussion

12.45pm Extra CME Session unconditionally supported by Xentria: “XTMAB16 Study studying a TNFa- in a new global clinical trial in pulmonary sarcoidosis”
Robert Baughman

01.15pm Lunch

FIFTH SESSION: NEW RESEARCH AVENUES AND THE EXPECTED IMPACT OF CURRENT STUDY PROTOCOLS: THE FUTURE OF SARCOIDOSIS
Chair: Francesco Bonella, Luca Richeoli, Athol Wells

02.30pm The “omic” research in sarcoidosis: new tools to understand the disease
Paolo Cameli

02.45pm Discussion

02.50pm The state of ongoing research
Jelle Miedema

03.05pm Discussion

03.10pm New therapeutic perspectives
Jelle Miedema

03.25pm Discussion

03.30pm The future of the research in sarcoidosis
Elena Bargagli

03.45pm Discussion

POSTER SESSION
Chair: Paolo Spagnolo, Niccol Bernardinello

03.50pm Best poster presentation and award
Closing remarks
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CONGRESS DINNER
A Congress Dinner will be held on April 19, 2024. Those interested in participating can flag it on the Registration Form. We remind you that only a limited number of places is available and an additional fee is required.

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