



Course Program

Wednesday, March 26th, 2008

08:45 – 10:00 Session I

Welcome and Introduction to the conference

Cancer Care in the older population and the South and East Mediterranean region (SEMCO) region : An Introduction

Epidemiological and demographic consideration

Biological connections of aging in cancer

Physiology of Aging

10:30 – 12:30 Session II

Comorbidity & Assessment and goal of care

Cancer Prevention (Early diagnosis & Chemoprevention)

Q & A and general discussions

13:30 – 15:00 Session III

Cancer Surgery

Radiation Oncology

Cancer Chemotherapy & Pharmacology

15:30 – 17:00 Session IV

Breast Cancer

Plasma cell Dyscrasias

Non Hodgkin's Lymphoma

General discussion of the day

Thursday, March 27th, 2008

08:45 – 10:30 Session V

Evidence based Medicine

How to read a scientific paper with a critical eye

Meta-analysis

10:30 – 12:30 Session VI

Clinical trials: Phase 1 (Targeted therapy as example)

Phase II & Phase III, long treatment of cancer effect

Clinical trials and Ethics of researches in the older persons

Q & A of the morning sessions

13:30 - 15:00 Session VII

Panel discussion: The SEMCO Initiatives: Publication in International Journals.

15:15 – 17:30 Session VIII

ATLAS (Adjuvant Tamoxifen, Longer Against Shorter): International randomised trial of 10 versus 5 years of adjuvant tamoxifen among 11 500 women – preliminary results

Lung Cancer in the elderly

Genito-urinary cancers in elderly

Palliative care in older persons.

Closing notes of the SEMCO-ASCO advanced course

Evaluation

Friday, March 28th , 2008

09:30 – 11:45 Session IX: Proffered Papers

13:00 – 17:00 Session X

Late outcomes of Tamoxifen therapy in breast Cancer?

Imaging in Lung Cancer

The impact of CT/PET Radiotherapy Treatment Planning of NSCLC

Thyroid Cancer (DTC), Consensus in Management Controversy and the emerging promising new diagnostic and treatment modalities

Panel discussion: Potentialities for Collaboration SEMCO-EMRO, WHO in Cancer control and Cancer Education