TEACHING COURSE ON EVIDENCE AND RESEARCH IN RECTAL CANCER

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TECHNICAL EXHIBITION AND SPONSORING OPPORTUNITIES
Companies interested in exhibition and/or sponsoring opportunities during this teaching course should contact Muriel Hallet - Events and Industry Relations Manager muriel.hallet@estro.be - Tel.: +32.2.775.93.47

ACCOMMODATION
Please find a list of hotels close to the course venue on the ESTRO website. To book your room, please contact the hotel of your choice directly, by email or fax.

21 - 23 May 2007
ROME, ITALY
**COURSE AIM**
This course, jointly organized by ESTRO, ESSO and ESMO wants to promote an integrated approach between all specialists involved in rectal cancer to tailor the best treatment for each individual patient. The treatment of rectal carcinoma is as variable as its clinical presentations. During the past decades surgical approaches have become more standardized with the introduction of total mesorectal excision and new surgical technologies allowing endoscopic surgical procedures and local excision by transanal endoscopy microsurgery are now available in many centres. A broad spectrum of treatment modalities have been examined such as postoperative radiochemotherapy with different 5FU based schedules, preoperative radiotherapy short course (5 Gy in 5 days), long course (alone or in combination with 5FU based regimens or with new drugs), IORT in primary disease, and combinations of drugs in patients with metastatic disease. New imaging techniques are now allowing a better definition of tumour extension and staging. With a combination of lectures, case discussions in small groups and debates, the course aims to offer a truly multidisciplinary programme, focussing on the advantages of the different treatments for the different presentations of rectal cancer (evidence) and ongoing and future research in rectal cancer.

**TARGET GROUP**
The target group consists of surgeons, radiotherapists and medical oncologists involved in the multidisciplinary treatment of rectal cancer.

**EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME**

**Monday, 21 May 2007**
- Pre-Course questionnaire report
- What did we learn in the last 20 years?
- Critical reading of the literature
- Literature revision
- Staging by imaging
- Case staging and therapy proposal
- Areas at risk for tumour recurrence: pathologist and radiotherapist point of view

**Tuesday, 22 May 2007**
- Case discussions on clinical target volume
- Multimodality primary treatment
- Case discussions on multimodality primary treatment

**Wednesday, 23 May 2007**
- Case discussions on treatment toxicity
- Chemotherapy in adjuvant and metastatic setting
- Toxicity: Surgery/Radiotherapy/Chemotherapy
- Follow-up
- New trends of the research
- Post Course questionnaire

**WORKING SCHEDULE**
The course starts on Monday 21st May at 9.00 and will finish on Wednesday 23rd May at 17.00. To be able to start in time, participants are encouraged to register on Sunday 20th May at the course venue from 17:00 to 19:00. If impossible, they can register on Monday morning before the start of the course.

**LANGUAGE**
The course is conducted in English. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

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**REGISTRATION FEES**

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The fee includes a course book, coffees and lunches, a welcome reception and social dinner.

Advance registration and payment are required. Confirmation of your participation will be forwarded to you only upon receipt of your complete registration data and payment.

In case of cancellation, full refund of the registration fee minus 15% for administrative costs may be obtained up to three months before the course and 50% of the fee up to one month before the course. No refund will be made if the cancellation request is postmarked less than one month before the start of the course.