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Thursday, March 12, 2026

13:00–14:00 **Registration of participants**

14:00–14:05 **Introduction and Meeting presentation**

14:05–15:35 **ANGLE CLOSURE GLAUCOMA**

Moderators: *A. Boles Carenini, P. Brusini, G.L. Manni, M. Sacchi*

14:05–14:15 The hidden weight of angle closure glaucoma: epidemiology and implications on visual function *G. Roberti*

14:15–14:30 EGS classification *F. Topouzis*

14:30–14:40 Gonioscopy step by step: how to handle a crucial examination *M. Taloni*

14:40–14:50 Automatic gonioscopy, UBM, OCT: is it really changed the diagnosis of angle closure...? *C.A. Cutolo*

14:50–15:00 Not only pupillary block: iris plateau, lens vault and more. *M. Iester*

15:00–15:15 Eagle and ZAP: the way they have changed the clinical practice. *G. Sunaric*

15:15–15:35 **Discussion**

15:35–16:30

MANAGEMENT OF ANGLE CLOSURE OR ANGLE CLOSURE SUSPECT

Moderators: *L. Arrico, G. Glorialanza, M. Iester, G. Triolo*

15:35–15:55

Iridotomy vs iridoplasty

G. Milano, M. Sacchi

15:55–16:15

Phacoemulsification vs phaco-trabeculectomy

I. Riva, R. Altafini

16:15–16:30

Discussion

16:30–16:55

Coffee Break

16:55–18:15

Moderators: *B. Brogliatti, S. Miglior, A. Rabiolo, I. Riva*

16:55–17:15

Bruno Boles Carenini Lecture

Present and future of glaucoma surgery

K. Barton

17:15–18:15

TREATMENT ESCALATION

17:15–17:25

Treatment escalation should be guided by progression of glaucoma

G. Montesano

17:25–17:40

Treatment escalation should be guided by insufficient IOP control

J. Liebmann

17:40–17:55

Appropriate timing for surgery

G. Sunaric

17:55–18:15

Discussion

18:15–19:00 **FREE PAPERS**

Moderators: *P. Capris, A. Clemente, D. Paoli, G. Roberti*

Short-term efficacy and tolerability of the fixed combination Latanoprost- Netarsudil.

An observational, multicentric, real world study

P. Brusini, F. Stringa, G. Ambrosini, P. Lepre, L. Loffredo, A. Menna, F. Paolercio (Udine, United Kingdom, Ciampino, Napoli)

The effect of psychotropic drugs on the risk for glaucoma and IOP: a Bayesian meta-analysis

L. Alisi, T. B. Jannini, M. Armentano, F. Giovannetti, G. Manni (Roma)

Perceptual learning in glaucoma patients: initial data from a pilot-study

M. Sulfaro, F. Amore, V. Silvestri, M. Guidobaldi, P. Piscopo, S. Turco (Roma)

Psychological support: its efficacy to reduce anxiety and depression in end-stage glaucoma patients

S. Fortini, S. Turco, E. Rellini, V. Silvestri, M. Guidobaldi, F. Amore (Roma)

“An eye to vision”: prevention of glaucoma and other important ophthalmic chronic diseases in

Monfalcone. A sustainable model, potentially useful at the national level

D. Paoli, F. Fantini, A. Papayannis, S. Vita (Monfalcone)

Post-trabeculectomy hypotony maculopathy. The role of autologous blood

L. Ronchi, M. Sacchi, G. Li Calzi, M. Marchetti, M. Pitzalis, G. Tanda, G. Monsellato, S. Dore, P. Nucci, A. Pinna (Sassari, Milano)

Friday, March 13, 2026

8:30–9:30 FREE PAPERS

Moderators: C.A. Cutolo, A. Menna, M. Sacchi, C. Tosoni

IOP measured with different tonometers and its association with perimetric ROP in the United Kingdom Glaucoma Treatment Study

A. Rabiolo, G. Lascaratos, G. Montesano, D. F. Garway-Heath (Novara, London)

Comparison between GAT and Rebound tonometry in different body positions

A. Montalto, D. Romano, B. Colizzi, A. A. Aminoleslami, L. M. Rossetti (Milano)

Evaluation of “Fast Progressor” definitions which are reported in the literature, and their impact on “Fast Progressor” prevalence

A. Ghirardi, A. Servillo, C. Patelli, G. Montesano, S. De Cillà, A. Rabiolo (Novara, Milano, London)

Comparison between ZEST and ZEST FAST 10-2 strategies with Compass perimeter in healthy individuals and glaucoma patients

A. A. Aminoleslami, D. Romano, B. Colizzi, G. Montesano, J. Baldesi, E. Mocchiardini, L. M. Rossetti (Milano, London)

Change of tear osmolarity and ocular surface after glaucoma surgery: a 3 month prospective study

L. Peci, C. Bonzano, D. Gaudenzi, S. Topalli, C. E. Traverso, M. Iester, C. A. Cutolo (Genova)

Association between thickness of retinal layers and hearing loss: a cross-sectional study in the UK Biobank

L. A. Meliante, K. V. Stuart 1, P. G. Meliante, G. Montesano, Dun Jack Fu, R. N. Luben, M. I. Biradar, Ruiqi Hu, T. R. P. Taylor, A. P. Khawaja, P. J. Foster, G. Manni (London, Roma)

Correlation between IOP and progressive OCT changes during an 8 year follow up

F. Bertuzzi, D. Pressacco, M. L. Mazzoni, S. Perez, S. Miglior (Monza)

9:30–11:10

UNCERTAINTIES IN GLAUCOMA

Moderators: *R. Carassa, A. Fea, G. Milano, G. Montesano*

9:30–9:55

Glaucoma management should be guided by structural progression more than functional progression

Yes

No

*K. Mercieca
M. Michelessi*

9:55–10:20

Ocular hypertension should be treated also when predictive factors are lacking

Yes

No

*G. Triolo
J. Liebmann*

10:30–10:55

Artificial intelligence can/will be able to improve glaucoma diagnosis and follow up

Yes

No

*A. Harris
D. Romano*

10:55–11:10

Discussion

11:10–11:30

Coffee Break

11:30–12:55

NEWS IN GLAUCOMA THERAPY

Moderators: *G. Manni, S. Miglior, F. Topouzis*

11:30–11:45

New EGS Guidelines: what is changing...?

A. Viswanathan

11:45–12:00

Role of quality of life in the glaucoma patient

F. Goñi

12:00-12:20	Neuroprotection: today tomorrow	<i>L. Rossetti F. Oddone</i>
12:20-12:30	Synaptic plasticity in glaucoma: recent results of a nuclear magnetic resonance clinical study	<i>V. Parisi</i>
12:30- 12:40	A view to clinical practice	<i>M. Figus</i>
12.40- 12:50	Discussion	
12:50- 12:55	Final remarks	<i>S. Miglior</i>
12:55- 13:00	Research Grant AISG -Omikron Italia “Marco Centofanti” on Neuroprotection and Glaucoma (presentation of work in progress of the Moorfields’ Fellowship - D. Garway-Heath / L. Meliante)	
13:00- 14:00	Light Lunch	
14:00-15:00	THE ROLE OF TRABECULAR MESHWORK IN GLAUCOMA: FROM PHYSIOPHATOLOGY TO ITS ROLE AS A TARGET OF MEDICAL AND SURGICAL THERAPIES - NO ECM	
14:00- 14:20	Clinical evidences and mechanism of action of the combination Netarsudil-Latanoprost	<i>L. Rossetti, F. Oddone</i>
14:20- 14:30	Discussion	
14:30- 14:50	The role of Microshunt in the management of advanced glaucoma	<i>E. Martini, S. Miglior</i>
14:50- 15:00	Discussion	

15:00–15:45 **VERSATILITY OF GLAUCOMA GEL IMPLANT: A DEVICE FOR MANY OPPORTUNITIES.**

Moderator: *M. Iester*

15:00-15:10	Ab-interno implant	<i>A. Fea</i>
15:10-15:20	Ab-externo implant	<i>L. Rossetti</i>
15:20-15:30	Combined Phaco-Xen	<i>R. Carassa</i>
15:30-15:45	Discussion	

15:45-16:25 **NEW SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCES FOR A TARGETED NEUROPROTECTION IN GLAUCOMA**

Moderator: *M. Figus*

15:45-15:55	Rationale of an essential foundation for neuroprotection in glaucoma	<i>A. Chiarugi</i>
15:55-16:05	Mitochondrial dysfunction in glaucoma	<i>F. Oddone</i>
16:05-16:15	Pre-clinical and clinical evidences of NAD precursors	<i>L. Agnifili</i>
16:15-16:25	Discussion	

16:25-16:42 **Hot Spot**

Moderator: *T. Rolle*

16:25-16:35	New metabolic strategies to counteract the neuro-degeneration in glaucoma	<i>L. Agnifili</i>
16:35-16:42	Tolerability and therapeutic simplicity: two key drivers to improve adherence in glaucoma	<i>D. Romano</i>

16:42-17:05

Coffee Break

17:05–18:30

LASER TREATMENT IN GLAUCOMA BETWEEN TRADITION AND INNOVATION

Moderators: *F. Bertuzzi, F. Oddone, T. Rolle, V. Russo*

17:05–17:20

Selective trabeculoplasty (SLT): mechanism of action and application technique

M. Latina

17:20–17:35

Selective trabeculoplasty (SLT): therapeutic positioning

D. Garway-Heath

17:35–17:45

Laser applications in filtering surgeries

E. Martini

17:45–18:00

Endocyclophotocoagulation: a novel opportunity...?

S. Lim

18:00–18:10

Ab externo cyclodestructive procedures

L. Rossetti

18:10–18:30

Discussion

18:30–18:45

Business Meeting

Saturday, March 14, 2026

8:30–9:30 FREE PAPERS

Moderators: *G. Glorialanza, D. Romano, G. Triolo, M. Uva*

Moorfields' Safe Surgery System vs Trabeculectomy: a retrospective study on 427 eyes

M. Montanaro, F. Barra, P. Bianchini, B. Bonetti, P. Donna, D. Fantin, A. Fornero, L. Montanaro, L. Palanza, R. Penna, M. Zola (Torino)

Urrets-Zavalía syndrome after trabeculectomy: a case report

M. Montanaro, F. Barra, P. Bianchini, B. Bonetti, P. Donna, D. Fantin, A. Fornero, L. Montanaro, L. Palanza, R. Penna, M. Zola (Torino)

Surgical management of the angle in chronic angle-closure glaucoma

B. Bonetti, G. Caramello (Cuneo)

Efficacy and safety of open conjunctiva XEN63 Gel implant

B. Colizzi, L. M. Rossetti, M. Digiuni, A. A. Aminoleslami, G. Corsini, M. Bartoccini, L. Chacra, P. Radice, D. Romano (Milano, Varese)

Efficacy and safety of ab-interno XEN63 Gel implant in pseudophakic eyes

F. Agricola, M. Lanza, L. Serra, S. Ambrosio, I. Fattore, F. Abbate, F. Simonelli (Campania)

Impact of post-op visit-schedules on success rates in Glaucoma surgical studies

A. Clemente, D. Khaliliyeh, S. W. Jin, E. Morales, L. Rossetti, N. Anand, G. Montesano, F. Oddone, J. Caprioli, S. De Cillà, A. Rabiolo (Novara, Milano, Roma, Los Angeles, Huddersfield, London)

Phacotrabeculectomy: sequential vs combined approach, long term re

M. Sacchi, G. Monsellato, D. Rastelli, S. Ranaei, D. Tomaselli, G. Li Calzi, E. Villani, L. Ronchi, S. Dore, A. Pinna, P. Nucci (Sassari, Milano, Roma, Lecco)

Elios: Laser MIGS Without Stent Implantation

F. Oddone (Roma)

9:30–11:10

GLAUCOMA SURGERY AND VISUAL FUNCTION

Moderators: *E. Martini, S. Miglior, L. Rossetti, C. Traverso*

9:30–9:40

Target pressure and visual function: how can we correlate the outcomes...?

L. Quaranta

9:40–9:55

Visual field after surgery

A. Viswanathan

9:55–10:05

Visual acuity after surgery

R. Carassa

10:05–10:15

Differences between trabeculectomy, deep sclerectomy, tubes and MIBS

M. Figus

10:15–10:25

Impact of ocular comorbidities on visual acuity after surgery

G. Caramello

10:25–10:40

Surgery and quality of life

F. Goñi

10:40–10:50

Impact of surgery vs eye-drops in patient's perception

A. Perdicchi

10:50–11:10

Discussion

11:10–11:30

Coffee Break

11:30–13:00

SURGICAL COMPLICATIONS WITH FUNCTIONAL IMPACT

Moderators: *R. Altafini, G. Caramello, , F. Gaudenzi, L. Quaranta*

11:30–11:40

Hypotony, choroidal detachment and hypotony maculopathy

A. Rabiolo

11:40–11:50

Visual dysfunction related to microshunts, tubes and dysesthetic blebs

F. Oddone

11:50–12:00

Monitoring, prevention and management of post-op visual damage

P. Brusini

12:00–12:10

Which surgeries better prevent vision...?

A. Fea

12:10–12:20

Is there any limitation for performing further surgery...?

C. Traverso

12:20-12:45

Discussion

12:45–13:00

Meeting closure and farewell – ECM questionnaire

13:00–13:45

Light Lunch

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