

FOCUSED SYMPOSIUM

INFLAMMATION IN MUSCLE AND BEYOND


**5-6 JULY
2026**

PISA, ITALY

Exploring the intersection of
inflammatory myopathies and
systemic autoimmune disorders
through a multidisciplinary
perspective


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COORDINATORS**

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VENUE

5 July 2026
Hotel Duomo Pisa

6 July 2026
Aula Magna Storica
Palazzo la Sapienza


PROGRAM
5 July 2026 | at Hotel Duomo Pisa

- 18.00 - 18.15 Welcome and Introduction to the Event
S. Bombardieri, A. Toscano
- 18.15 - 18.45 Bridging to other Autoimmune Neuromuscular Disorders:
Shared Pathways and Therapeutic Opportunities for Muscle
Inflammation
G. Siciliano
- 18.45 - 19.05 European Reference Network for Rare Diseases:
Towards a transnational collaborative approach
M. Mancuso, M. Mosca

6 July-Pisa | at Aula Magna Storica- La Sapienza University Building

- First Part** - Chair: *M. De Visser, N. Pipitone*
- 09.00 - 09.20 From Cytokines to Tissue Injury:
Immune Crosstalk and Pathogenic Mechanisms
P. Korsten
- 09.25 - 09.40 - Neuromuscular overlap and mimics
A. Lauletta
- 09.40 - 10.00 Not just necrotizing myositis: Anti-HMGCR myopathy mimicking.
S. Bonanno
- 10.00 - 10.20 Deciphering Specific and Associated Autoantibodies
in Myositis: redefine classification
L. Cavagna
- 10.20 - 10.40 Coffee break
- Second Part** - Chair: *C. Bengala, M. Mosca, G. Ricci*
- 10.40 - 11.00 Inclusion body myositis: still a mystery.
M. Lucchini
- 11.00 - 11.20 Guidelines for Idiopathic Inflammatory Myopathy-associated
cancer screening.
J. Schmidt
- 11.20 - 11.40 Advances in management of idiopathic inflammatory myopathies
M. De Visser
- 11.40 - 11.55 - The project corner - A rapid blood immunoassay for inflammasome
activation
R. Barresi
- Round Table** - Chair: *L. Cavagna, L. Maggi*
- 11:55 - 12:35 - Unmet Needs and Multidisciplinary Care:
Neurologists and Rheumatologists Compared
All speakers
- 12:35 - 12:45 - Conclusions
G. Siciliano