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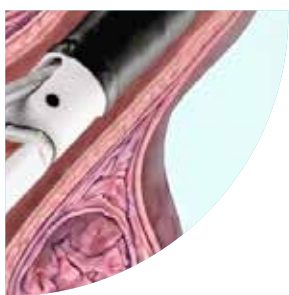
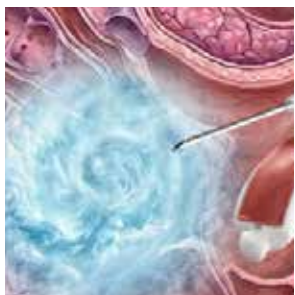


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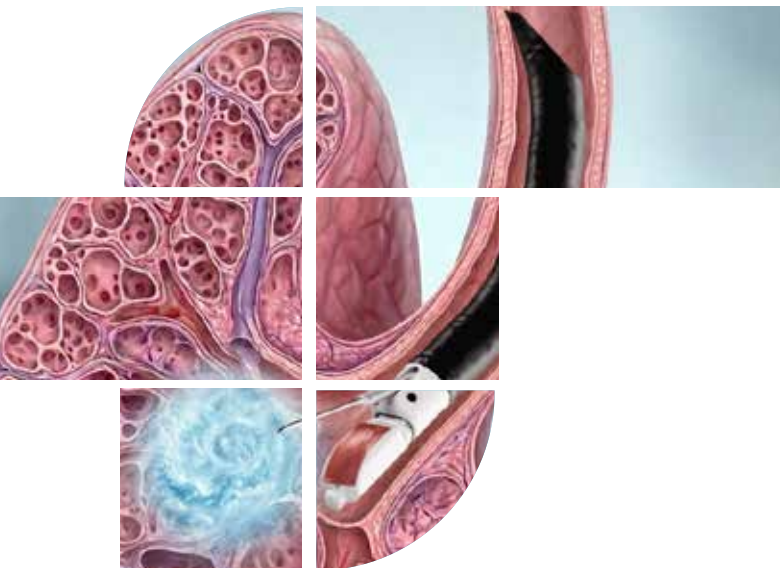
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SCIENTIFIC RATIONALE

The diagnostic work-up of diffuse parenchymal lung disease (DPLD) needs identification of the morphological aspects in a significant minority of patients. Surgical lung biopsy is considered the most efficient method to reach the goal so far. However, it is associated to a significant incidence of morbidity and mortality mainly when the definite diagnosis will be Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF) or in elderly. Transbronchial cryobiopsy is a bioptic approach in subjects with diffuse parenchymal lung disease that is gaining large consideration in the scientific community and recent guidelines suggest considering this approach as the first choice. A variety of studies, documents and guidelines have defined modalities by which cryobiopsies should be taken out, its safety profile and the clinical role of this technique in the diagnostic work-up of patients with diffuse parenchymal lung disease.

EBUS-guided cryobiopsy has also been recently evaluated as a fruitful approach for mediastinal lesions. Cryoprobes could contribute to the precise diagnosis and molecular profiling of neoplastic disorders and chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases. In this Course the technical aspects of transbronchial cryobiopsy, recommended standards of the technique, its diagnostic role will be presented and discussed.

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Thursday, October 22nd 2026

08.00–08.30 Registration

08.30–08.40 Welcome and Introduction

M. Falconi, V. Poletti, F. Sintoni

PULMONARY NODULES/DISCRETE LUNG LESIONS

Chairperson: S. Martinello

08.40–08.55 What may be accepted as diagnostic

V. Poletti

08.55–09.15 Robotic assisted bronchoscopy

J. Hetzel

09.15–09.35 Cone-beam CT

E. Van der Heijden

09.35–09.55 Linear EBUS/thin bronchoscopes

C. Ravaglia

09.55–10.15 CT guided biopsy

A. Vizzuso

10.15–10.40 *Coffee break*

10.40–11.10 LECTIO MAGISTRALIS

Chairperson: V. Poletti

The role (and sustainability) of independent research in a public health system

N. Magrini

11.10–12.00 MULTIDISCIPLINARY DISCUSSION

Multidisciplinary team work (nodules and discrete lesions)

L. Calandriello, A. Dubini, S. Oldani

WHAT IS NEW ON ILDs

Chairperson: M. Bonifazi

12.00–12.30 Bronchocentric Interstitial Pneumonia: what is it?

A.U. Wells

LUMPING EXERCISE

Chairpersons: C. Doglioni, E. Giampalma

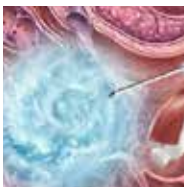
12.30–13.00 Cryobiopsy based Pathologic–radiologic correlations in ILDs

S. Piciucchi, V. Poletti

13.00–14.30 *Light lunch*

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14.30–15.00

LECTIO MAGISTRALIS

Chairperson: L. Saragoni

Genetic landscape in human beings and Fibrotic ILDs: what the links

M. Chilosi

16.00–16.15

Coffee break

IMAGING CORNER

Chairperson: S. Piciucchi

16.15–16.45

CT approach on ILDs

H. Prosch

NEW ENERGIES IN RESEARCH

Chairpersons: L. Pisani, C. Ravaglia

16.45–17.00

From University of Bologna

S. Petrarulo

17.00–17.15

From University of Aarhus

S. Brix Kronborg-White

17.15–17.30

From University of Foggia

D. Lacedonia

17.30–17.45

From University Università Politecnica delle Marche

F. Gonnelli

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CRYOBIOPSY

Chairpersons: S. Gasparini, L. Zuccatosta

08.30–08.50 News from cryobiopsy techniques

K. Kontogianni

08.50–09.10 Mediastinal Cryobiopsy: how I do it

H. Gunuguntla

CRYO: GUIDING SYSTEMS

Chairperson: J. Hetzel

09.10–09.20 No guiding systems for cryoTBB

V. Poletti

09.20–09.30 Cone beam CT as a guiding system for cryoTBB

A. De Graw

GUIDELINES

Chairperson: S. Tomassetti

09.30–09.50 ERS/ESGE/ESTS clinical practice guide lines on EBUS/EUS

J.T. Annema

LUMPING EXERCISE

09.50–10.15 Case discussion–mediastinal disorders

A. Dubini, S. Martinello, C. Romei

10.15–10.30 Coffee break

OTHER RELEVANT STUFF

Chairpersons: F. Stella, S. Piciocchi

10.30–10.50 New pathogenetic data on Lung cancer

C. Doglioni

10.50–11.10 Lung transplant in ILDs: update

S. Nicotra

11.10–11.30 Transcriptomics in ILD

C. Ravaglia

Chairpersons: S. Tamberi, F. Lanza

11.30–11.45 Lymphoproliferative disorders: what is the role of cryobiopsy

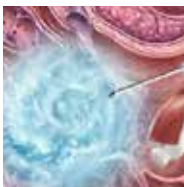
S. Petrarulo

11.45–12.00 ROSE for Respiratory Clinicians

V. Poletti

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TREATMENT CORNER

Chairperson: S. Oldani

12.00-12.30 Asthma treatment: update

R. Scala

12.30-13.00 LECTIO MAGISTRALIS

Chairperson: A. Gabrielli

New pathogenetic data on CTD-ILD

J. Dissler

13.00-14.00 *Light lunch*

LUMPING EXERCISE

14.00-15.00 Experience from Real Life (on ILDs)

L. Calandriello, A. Dubini, S. Oldani

THERAPY: ILDS-VASCULITIS-ONCOLOGY

Chairpersons: C. Ravaglia, C. Salvarani, S. Tamperi

15.00-15.20 Treatment of IPF & Friends

S. Harari

15.20-15.40 CAR-T cells

M. Bonafè

15.40-16.00 New update on vasculitis treatment

C. Salvarani

16.00-16.20 Treatment of Sarcoidosis

C. Ravaglia

16.20-16.40 Lung cancer: new therapeutic horizons

L. Crino'

16.40-17.00 Closing remarks

V. Poletti

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