Diverticular Disease of the Colon

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Diverticular Disease 2019

Diverticulosis of the colon is an anatomical condition very common in the western world (> 70% of sixty is affected), and is increasing in countries of the developing world. The majority of patients remain asymptomatic throughout their lives, but about 25% of them will encounter symptoms and complications related to the diverticula. This results in extremely high in cost for the National Health System.

Despite this, diverticular disease of the colon, with all its facets of clinical pathology is still misunderstood and considered very little. However, in recent years there have been major innovations in both pathophysiological and therapeutic sides, innovations that have led to both a better understanding of the causes of the disease that embarking on new therapeutic avenues.

One of them is the new endoscopic classification called DICA, which has been recently developed and validated. Data from large retrospective analysis found this classification able to predict the outcome of the disease according to the severity of the score.

For this reason we organized an international event to better understand of this important disease. This event, according to the criteria accredited from Continuing Medical Education (CME) of the Italian Ministry of Health, will collect opinions of the most important Italian and European experts, and will be open to all healthcare professionals who deal with diverticular disease of the colon.

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Thursday 11th April

POSTGRADUATE COURSE
DICA - The Endoscopic Classification of Diverticular Disease of the colon

15.00 Registration of participants

15.30 Welcomes and rational of the Postgraduate course
Giovanni Brandimarte, Francesco Di Mario, Angel Lanas, Carmelo Scarpignato, Antonio Tursi

16.00 Epidemiology of diverticular disease
Alfredo Papa

16.15 DICA endoscopic classification: what it is, and why to use it
Walter Elisei

16.45 COFFEE BREAK

17.15 Plenary visualization of the videos

18.30 Discussion of the results
Alfredo Papa, Walter Elisei, Marcello Picchio

19.30 Conclusive remarks
Giovanni Brandimarte, Francesco Di Mario, Angel Lanas, Carmelo Scarpignato, Antonio Tursi

Friday 12th April

SESSION I:
What’s new in the pathogenesis
Chair: László Herszényi, Peter Malfertheiner

9.00 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
Angel Lanas

9.30 Open questions
Luís Grande

9.40 Genetics
Limas Kupcinskas

10.00 Neuromuscular function abnormalities
Gabrio Bassotti

10.20 Patterns of colonic mucosal inflammation
Marjorie Walker

10.40 Impact of lifestyle
Lisa Strate

11.00 Statements provided by the speakers and voting by audience

11.10 DISCUSSION

11.30 COFFEE BREAK

SESSION II:
Course of the disease: what it is changing?
Chair: Tomica Milosavljevic, Gerardo Nardone

12.00 Open Questions
Eduardo Gutierrez Galiana

12.10 Is it symptomatic diverticular disease or IBS?
It is symptomatic diverticular disease!
Neil Stollman
Is it symptomatic diverticular disease or IBS?
It is IBS!
TBD
SESSION IV:
Hot topics in medical treatment of Diverticular Disease
Chair: Peter Malfertheiner, Dan Dumitrascu

18.10 Open Questions
Francesco Di Mario

18.20 Antibiotics in Symptomatic Uncomplicated Diverticular Disease:
Pro Frank Lammert
Cons Fermín Mearin

18.40 Mesalazine in Symptomatic Uncomplicated Diverticular Disease:
Pro Mauro Bafutto
Cons Wolfgang Krüis

19.10 Probiotics in Symptomatic Uncomplicated Diverticular Disease:
Pro Antonio Gasbarrini
Cons Carmelo Scarpignato

19.20 Statements provided by the speakers and voting by audience

19.30 DISCUSSION

20.00 END OF THE SESSIONS

SESSION III:
What’s new in diagnosing diverticular disease
Chair: Davor Štimac, Frank Lammert

15.00 Open questions
Miguel Pera

15.10 Biomarkers
Gerardo Nardone

15.30 Computerized Tomography
Patrick Ambrosetti

15.50 Ultrasound
Giovanni Maconi

16.10 Endoscopy
Walter Elisei

16.30 The DICA classification: a new predictive tool in managing diverticular disease
Antonio Tursi

16.50 Statements provided by the speakers and voting by audience

17.00 DISCUSSION

17.20 COFFEE BREAK

SESSION V:
Hot topics in surgical management of acute diverticulitis
Chair: Patrick Ambrosetti, Gian Andrea Binda

8.30 Open questions
Giovanni Brandimarte

8.40 Antibiotic treatment for uncomplicated acute diverticulitis:
Pro Gian Andrea Binda
Cons Alfredo Papa

12.40 What determines the evolution to diverticulitis?
Bowel habits alteration
Angel Lanas

What determines the evolution to diverticulitis?
Inflammation
Adi Lahat

13.05 Is diverticular inflammation a risk factor for colorectal cancer?
Pro Jaroslaw Regula
Cons Dan Dumitrascu

13.25 Statements provided by the speakers and voting by audience

13.35 DISCUSSION

13.45 LIGHT LUNCH

Saturday 13rd April
9.10  Open or laparoscopic treatment:
Open
Roberto Persiani

Laparoscopic
Savvas Papagrilioudis

10.40  Peritoneal lavage for perforated diverticulitis:
Pro  Ricardo Escalante
Cons  Enio Oliveira

11.10  The surgical certainties on Diverticular Disease
Surgical or endoscopic treatment of abdominal diverticular abscess
Antonio Crucitti

11.40  Statements provided by the speakers and voting by audience

11.50  DISCUSSION

12.00  COFFEE BREAK

SESSION VI:
Critical issues
Chair: Marjorie Walker, Neil Stollman

12.10  Open questions
Pedro Moya

12.20  In- or out-patient management of uncomplicated diverticulitis?
Sebastiano Biondo

12.30  Segmental colitis associated with diverticulosis: what is it?
Adi Lahat

12.50  How to prevent acute diverticulitis recurrence?
Carmelo Scarpignato

13.10  Statements provided by the speakers and voting by audience

13.20  DISCUSSION

13.30  Closing remarks and end of the sessions
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