"Collaborate to Catalyse Research"

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The 4th EAPC research forum is driven and shaped by your contributions. We look forward to learning and discussing new data, hypothesis, and methods in an atmosphere of respect and collaboration among the variety of professionals from multiple disciplines, professions, research settings, and nationalities. There is enough space and time for focusing on sessions, meeting people, and establishing fruitful contacts.

As the forum starts, it is time to celebrate. We had the privilege to receive proposals for the themed research and plenary session from many members of EAPC. The scientific committee is also very thankful for the speakers’ contributions to the scientific programme and the abstract review. Each abstract was reviewed by 3 reviewers, who were blind for the authors and institutions and rated the abstracts as described in the abstract submission procedures. The scientific committee balanced the differences in reviewers’ mean scores and selected abstracts for plenary, new research data and poster viewing sessions.

363 posters will be presented in dedicated poster sessions. The poster viewing sessions allow you to both see and show research work, by presenting and visiting half time. There are also opportunities to share lunch with others. Poster guided tours by faculty aim to provide focused education. Two poster discussion sessions focus on the best posters, and 6 poster awards will be handed over.

115 oral presentations are delivered in 16 new research data sessions. The new research data sessions are managed by the chairs to dedicate time to both present and discuss the papers in a productive spirit. 4 abstracts will be presented in plenary together with 3 plenary lectures. Sentinel research developments in palliative care and associated educational aspects will also be emphasized in 10 thematic sessions and 2 satellite workshops offering a total of 43 presentations.

Educational aspects are webbed in the forum. All session speakers and chairs follow rules to acknowledge the educational needs of the variety of participants.

Three pre-conference education sessions tackle issues of research methodology and development of research logistics and networks, clarifying the question: How to perform cutting-edge research?

It is important to get to know other researchers, be inspired by discussions and learn about networks and working groups to stimulate collaborative research.

Morning meet-the-expert/tutorial sessions and opportunities in rooms for informal meetings bring researchers close to other researchers. In the entrance area a meeting spot offers a message board, to place your message alphabetically. The collaborative projects corner is your market place to invite participants to join or participate in your project.

Finally, dedicate moments to enjoy with old and new friends the wonderful place of Venice.

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**Description of the Scientific Sessions**

The Scientific Programme is also available at: [www.eapcnet.org/research2006](http://www.eapcnet.org/research2006).

The programme offers the following sessions:

**Educational Sessions**

On Thursday morning educational sessions on how to plan, conduct and interpret clinical research, will be offered.

**Meet the Experts and Tutorial Sessions**

Up to 8 parallel sessions of 45 minutes for each morning with 2 experts per session: an opportunity to meet and to discuss specific research issues. The emphasis lies on expert – participant interaction with limited visual presentations. Participants were invited to indicate their choice prior to the conference or at latest at registration as places are limited.

**Message Board**

Participants are invited to use the large message boards at the entry hall by placing messages in alphabetically order for other participants.

**Plenary Sessions**

3 sessions in plenary of 60 minutes.

**Parallel Sessions**

Ten Themed Research Sessions  
2 Co-chairs will moderate the presentations of 3 to 4 invited speakers.

Sixteen New Research Data (Free communication) Sessions:  
2 Co-chairs will moderate and discuss the presentations of 6 to 8 selected abstracts. Each abstract will be allocated 8 minutes for presentation and 5 minutes for discussion.

Two Poster Discussion Sessions (see hereafter)
POSTERS

Poster viewing sessions
The majority of the participants are involved in the presentation of a poster but aim also to visit and discuss other's work. The required time slot to be present at the poster is split and limited to 30 minutes, but please be at this time present at the poster.

Poster guided tours
As a further tutorial opportunity, faculty offers to visit together with a group of participants some faculty-selected posters of an abstract category. The aim is to select important posters in the field, but also such of special educational content as judged by the faculty (interesting methodology, results presentation, challenging evolution of research question, etc.).

At the entrance of the poster area please write your name in the list, and meet the expert there.

Poster discussion sessions
All posters will be reviewed by the coordinators of the poster discussion sessions, who will select posters for a presentation and discussion of the posters. The posters selected will be announced at a dedicated board in the poster area and authors are kindly invited to check the board and confirm their attendance at the congress secretariat.

Poster Presentation Guide Lines
Poster dimensions should be 70 cm (width) x 100 cm (high)
The Title and the Authors of your poster should be stated at the top, in easily readable bold letters. (Please also indicate the presenting author if different of the first author). The text and the illustration should be readable from a distance of 2 mt.
POSTER AWARDS

Chosen reviewers will assess the posters that will be displayed in two sets during the Forum. Six outstanding posters (three for each poster set) will receive an award in the Poster Highlight during the Closing Session (Teatro Perla, Saturday, 27th 16,10-16,45).

First price: Free registration to the next EAPC Congress in Budapest, 7 to 9 June 2007
Second price: One copy of: Oxford Textbook of Palliative Medicine
Third price: One copy of: Oxford Handbook of Palliative Care and of: The Philosophy of Palliative Care Critique and reconstruction

We would like to thank Oxford University Press for the donation of the free copies for this award.
http://www.oup.co.uk/academic/medicine/palliative_medicine_oncology/

COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS CORNER

In the market place area a dedicated place is offered for research groups aiming to meet participants of the forum to start collaboration or to participate in the research (i.e., by questionnaires). If you wish to be present, in addition to the pre-announced groups, please contact registration.

INFORMAL MEETINGS OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE

Friday, 26 May (17.45-19.45) Sala Mosaici 1
A Delphi study in the use of the information technology in Palliative Care
Facilitated by: George Demiris, USA; Debra Parker Oliver, USA; Elaine Wittenberg-Lyles, USA

Friday, 26 May (17.45-18.45) Sala Mosaici 2
Family carer research: making the desirable possible
Facilitated by: Peter Hudson, AUS; Sheila Payne, UK

Friday, 26 May (18.45-19.45) Sala Mosaici 2
User involvement in service delivery in PC
Facilitated by: Sheila Payne, UK; David Oliver, UK; Pam Firth, UK; Lucie Haspille, F
Saturday, 27 May (08.00-08:45)

Symptom assessment how can computers help us
- Mogens Gronvald, DK
- Jon Harvard Loge, N

Research in education
- Jose Pereira, CH
- Susie Wilkinson, UK

Bereavement research: priorities and challenges
- Sheila Payne, UK
- Orla Keegan, IRE

How to make clinical pathways evidenced-based
- Dirk Schrijvers, B
- Marie Fallon, UK

Overcoming institutional barriers to research
- Stein Kaasa, N
- David Currow, AUS

Definition and content of symptom assessment tools and QOL instruments
- Andrey Novik, RUS
- Jürg Bernhard, CH

The art of abstract writing
- Paul Glare, AUS
- Jane Seymour, UK

Research in resource-poor settings
- David Clark, UK
- Jorge Eisenchlas, ARG
# Programme at a Glance

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**Bone Metastasis - New Aspects**

Chairs: P. Hoskin, Middlesex UK; J.P. Vuillez, Grenoble F

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**Realising Unmet needs in Breakthrough Pain**

Chair: F. De Conno, Milan I

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**Terminal Care & Elderly**

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  **Virginia Dunn, Dublin IRL**

- **17.13-17.26** Using a Cybex dynamometer to measure quadriceps endurance in patients with lung cancer
  **Mary Lewis, Nottingham UK**

- **17.26-17.39** Cancer Related Fatigue: Central or Peripheral
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- **17.39-17.52** The use of parenteral/enteral nutrition in Swedish palliative care
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- **17.52-18.05** Views about the use of Traditional Chinese medicine in the UK
  **Sheila Payne, Sheffield UK**

- **18.05-18.18** Do women experience higher levels of fatigue than men at the end of life? A longitudinal study shows a gender difference in fatigue severity in a home palliative population
  **Amna F. Husain, Toronto CDN**

- **18.18-18.31** Nutrition, inflammatory markers and quality of life in palliative care patients
  **Paul Glare, Camperdown NSW AUS**

- **18.31-18.44** Ghrelin for patients with anorexia/cachexia related to advanced cancer: a randomised, placebo-controlled, double-blind, cross-over Phase I/II Study
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**Thursday, 25 May 2006**

**Friday, 26 May 2006**

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   in Advanced Medical Illness  Jay Thomas, San Diego USA

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   in Taiwan  Siew Tzuh Tang, Tao-Yuan Taiwan

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   Do we need new endpoints?  Raphael Catane, Tel Hashomer IL

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   Evidence and research agenda  Dirk Schrijvers, Antwerp B

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Gysel Marjolein, London UK

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Augusto Caraceni, Milan I

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Lukas Radbruch, Aachen D

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- **174** Interviews with relatives about physician-assisted death
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- **181** Enabling safety for relatives in palliative care – an evidence based theory
  - Birgitta Andershed, Örebro S

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- **183** Patient and family involvement in hospice interdisciplinary team meetings in the United States
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- **186** Talking to Strangers: An analysis of young people’s experiences of bereavement counselling
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- **187** Just as long as someone is there
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- **189** The lived experience of closeness in partners of cancer patients in palliative home care
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- **190** Gender Differences in Spousal Caregiving at the End-of-Life
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- **191** A Palliative home care service and the Couple
  - Lorenzo Ferrari, Lugano CH

- **192** Bereavement support - The Indian context
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Decision-making in end-of-life care: in search of a registration system. Marc Carsons, Ghent B

Prevalence of Pain and Other Symptoms in Patients with Cancer. Marieke Van den Beuken, Maastricht NL

The prevalence and predictive factors affecting the use of complementary alternative medicine in Turkish cancer patients. Mustafa Ozguroglu, Izmir TK

The Lived Experience of Lebanese Oncology Patients Receiving Palliative Care. Myrna A.A. Daoumi, Beirut IL

Palliative Care in Carinthia - Findings - Physicians, Directors of Nursing Home and Heads of Mobile Nursing Services Rudolf Likar, Klagenfurt, Carinthia A

The prevalence of depression and anxiety in Nottinghamshire cancer patients. Sarah Khan, Nottingham UK

Chronic pain in breast cancer survivors: An epidemiological study. Vera Peuckmann, Copenhagen DK

Methodology

It is not just about quality. A method for grading the strength of evidence in palliative care. Barbara Grimes, London UK

Development and validation of a scale for socio-economic level. Adel Mishriki, Ismatilla ET

Stakeholder input and marketing were important for the successful completion of the Palliative Care Trial (PCT). Amy Abernethy, Durham USA

Use of a factorial cluster randomised design in the Palliative Care Trial. Amy Abernethy, Durham USA

Development of the Palliative Care Trial: Pilot testing, an essential first step. Amy Abernethy, Durham USA

Living and Dying with Cancer: Sensitive Methods for Sensitive Research. Angela Armstrong-Coster, Southampton UK

Conducting a pivotal Phase III clinical trial with terminally ill patients: Advice for nursing. Ann Sturley, San Diego USA

Persistent involvement by the GP important for late stage cancer patients. “Looking back from date-of-death study” Birgit Aabum, Odense DK

Measuring fatigue in palliative care - using the “Multidimensional Fatigue Inventory” (MFI-20). Carina Lundb bagen, Stockholm S

Different methods, different findings. Comparing and contrasting research into how patients access community palliative care services. Catherine Walshe, Manchester UK


Using cognitive pre-testing to develop a ‘quality of end-of-life care’ questionnaire for use with bereaved relatives. Catriona R. Mayland, Liverpool UK

N-of-1 randomized controlled trials: exploration of its use in pediatric palliative care. Claude Cyr, Sherbrooke CDN

The Power of Interdisciplinary Collaboration in Hospice. Elaine Wittenberg-Lyles, San Antonio USA

Palliative Care for the Elderly living in Institutional Long Term Care: Methodological Reflections on the Research Process. Elisabeth Reitinger, Vienna A

Nurse’s perspectives on quality of care provided for dying patients in an acute hospital setting: questionnaire study. Olga Price, Dublin IRL

Experience of the Moment of Death at Home. Sinéad Donnelly, Limerick IRL

In what ways can the narratives of those caring for a person approaching death from cancer and other illnesses be used to inform policy and practice and provide support to patients and carers in the future? Thomas Lynch, Lancaster UK

Support for the family in the hospice: do they have unmet needs? Tracy Smith, Edinburgh UK

“We didn’t know where to turn”. A study of family experiences of services when a parent has cancer. Vida Kennedy, Liverpool UK

Evaluation of the Palliative Care needs of families which have lost a child. Patricia Fabrini-Nater, Lausanne CH

Children

Pediatric Palliative Care: review of practice and need in the county of vau d through a questionnaire completed by pediatrics and pediatric nurses. Patricia Fabrini-Nater, Lausanne CH

Qualitative research with children in Palliative Care: Forgotten or Feared? Vida Kennedy, Liverpool UK

Online communication and pediatric Palliative Care: a needs assessment for the Canadian virtual hospice. Carla Ems, Winnipeg CDN

‘On the cusp of chaos’; collaborative inquiry with children living with parental illness. Gillian Crowns, Hants UK

UK Childhood Bereavement Services: Containing the Grief of Bereaved Children and their Families. Liz Rolls, Cheltenham UK

Collaborative Relationships: Supporting the Researcher in Palliative Care and Bereavement. Liz Rolls, Cheltenham UK

Prevalence of symptoms among children with brain tumors and sarcomas at the end of life. Sergey Postovsky, Haifa IL

Management of refractory symptoms in pediatric cancer patients: the experience of the Mri Shitrit Pediatric Oncology/Hematology Department, Rambam Medical Center, Haifa, Israel. Sergey Postovsky, Haifa IL

Palliative service in Pediatric Oncology/Hematology department. Sergey Postovsky, Haifa IL

Epidemiology

How to estimate the need of home palliative care programs? A study in pediatric population in Veneto region. Massimo Melo, Padua I

Characteristics of Hospitalizing Dying Patients in a Tertiary Cancer Hospital in Brazil. Gisio Brandan, San Paulo BR

Is there a relation between type of cancer and requests for euthanasia? Ebun Abarshi, Amsterdam NL

Epidemiology of end-of-life care: patients, family members and patient care setting. Emanuela Porta, Milan I

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**Classical Venice walking tour:** This is an introductory sightseeing tour of Venice visiting St. Mark’s Square, the Basilica and the Doge’s Palace; St. Mark’s square was the political and religious center of the Republic of Venice; the Bridge of Sighs, the Procuratie palaces and the Napoleonic Wing, the Clock Tower, the Campanile and the Marciana National Library.

**Unknown Venice walking tour:** Guided tour of the most charming quarter of Venice, the magnificent Church of San Giovanni e Paolo, Venice’s unofficial pantheon since it houses the tombs of many dogs, the Marco Polo Houses and the Rialto Bridge.

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**The islands of the lagoon. Murano, Burano and Torcello:** Excursion by private GT boat and English speaking escort/guide, sailing on the Northern part of the Lagoon of Venice. You will visit three of the most charming and romantic islands around Venice. Murano, where you will have the chance to visit a glass blowing factory and admire a glass masters’ demonstration. Burano, which is probably the most unique of the three with its multicoloured houses and famous for its lace school, where the art of making lace is still taught by the last artisans. Torcello, the wild and green island, which was the most ancient village of Venice and where in 639 the magnificent Byzantine Cathedral has been built.

**Treasure Hunt in Venice:** A light competition around Venice following an itinerary. Each team will have a different name and will have to fill up a questionnaire which will prepare on purpose with some questions about Venice. Special prizes will be given to the “most funny group picture” or the “nicest draw of Venice” etc. A couple of stops in a Venetian tavernas (called “bacari”) will be arranged along the way where guests will enjoy an “ombra” (nice glass of wine) and a “cicheto” (Venetian word to call “tapas”).

**Bacari Tour:** This is a nice and relaxing walking tour accompanied by our escort through Venice, discovering the real Venetian atmosphere by stopping in different “Bacari” (historical Venetian Wine bars) where you will mix with the other Venetians for a glass of wine and some “chichetti” (Venetian appetizers).

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