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EXPERT MEETING

**“Genetic, epigenetic and molecular risk factors
for endometrial cancer: a new algorithm”**

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15th- 16th October 2026

Auditorium Fondazione Menarini, Fiesole (FI)

WHO WE ARE

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The “**Fondazione Menarini**” was established in the spring of **1976** to promote research and knowledge in the fields of biology, pharmacology and medicine as well as economy and human sciences.

One of the main tools the Foundation uses to achieve its goals is the organization of **international congresses** with a specific focus on medical disciplines.



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The logo the **Fondazione Menarini** adopted at the time of its establishment derives from a famous seventeenth-century treatise, the **Novissima Iconologia del Ripa** (Ripas’ New Iconology), rich in symbolic meanings from Parmenides to Plato’s Myth of the Soul.

The image, which depicts a man leading a horse while firmly gripping the bridle, was chosen as it effectively represents the Foundation’s goals and topics based on its **balanced interests in humanistic and biological sciences**.



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INTRO SPEECH

Endometrial cancer is the most common gynecological cancer worldwide (WHO 2024). Improved diagnostic procedures and changes in lifestyle (diet, obesity, environment) are the main explanations. Since a screening test is not yet available, the right strategy is a new definition of women at risk of developing endometrial cancer.

With the goal of generating a modern algorithm, the present expert meeting will update on:

1. Genetic and epigenetic studies;
2. Estrogen receptors and environmental endocrine disruptors;
3. Menstrual cycle and menopause;
4. Metabolism;
5. Microbiota;
6. Imaging (ultrasound and MRI) or minimally invasive technologies (hysteroscopy);
7. Endometrial disorders;
8. Surgical strategies;
9. Pharmacogenomics;
10. Lifestyle.

The great atmosphere of Fiesole, founded in the 4th Century BC, located on top of a wonderful hill overlooking Florence, rich in archaeological sites (such as the Roman Theatre) and medieval sites (the Cathedral), will foster great presentations and a very productive discussion. The hospitality offered by the Fondazione Menarini will be the perfect venue.

Thanks to the great contribution of speakers and moderators, the Meeting will result in a real and updated contribution to improve women's health.

Welcome,

L. Chiva
M. Fambrini
F. Petraglia
R. Tozzi

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08.30 a.m. - 08.45 a.m. Welcome address and Introduction
L. Chiva (Madrid, ES), **M. Fambrini** (Florence, IT),
F. Petraglia (Florence, IT), **R. Tozzi** (Padua, IT)

08.45 a.m. - 09.00 a.m. Institutional greetings: Fondazione Menarini
P. Donda (Florence, IT)

SESSION I - EPIDEMIOLOGY AND CLASSIC RISK FACTORS

Chairpersons: **L. Chiva** (Madrid, ES)

09.00 a.m. - 09.30 a.m. Epidemiology: An increasing trend
L. Chiva (Madrid, ES)

09.30 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. The role of estrogens
A. Romano (Maastricht, NL)

10.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. Endocrine milieu, endocrine disruptors
F. Petraglia (Florence, IT)

10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. Menopause and risk factors
L. Kiesel (Munster, DE)

11.00 a.m. - 11.15 a.m. *Coffee break*

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SESSION II - GENETIC RISK FACTORS

Chairpersons: **F. Ghezzi** (Varese, IT)

- 11.15 a.m. - 11.45 a.m. Germline and somatic genetics
D. Church (Oxford, UK)
- 11.45 a.m. - 12.15 p.m. Lynch syndrome and DNA repair genes
L. Della Corte (Naples, IT)
- 12.15 p.m. - 12.45 p.m. BRCA mutations
 **A. Fagotti** (Rome, IT)
- 12.45 p.m. - 01.00 p.m. Q&A
- 01.00 p.m. - 02.00 p.m. *Lunch*

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SESSION III - EPIGENETIC RISK FACTORS

Chairpersons: **G. Amunni** (Florence, IT)

- 02.00 p.m. - 02.30 p.m. The role of epigenetic factors
 **G F. Zannoni** (Rome, IT)
- 02.30 p.m. - 03.00 p.m. Infertility markers
 **F. Fanfani** (Rome, IT)
- 03.00 p.m. - 03.30 p.m. Obesity
R. T. Fortner (Heidelberg, GE)
- 03.30 p.m. - 04.00 p.m. Microbiome
M. Kyrgiou (London, UK)
- 04.00 p.m. - 04.15 p.m. *Coffee break*
- 04.15 p.m. - 05.00 p.m. General discussion
- 05.00 p.m. - 05.15 p.m. Survey Event: Satisfaction survey with certificate

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SESSION IV - UTERINE RISK FACTORS

Chairperson: **P. De Iaco** (Bologna, IT)

- 09.00 a.m. - 09.30 a.m. Hysteroscopy
A. Di Spiezio Sardo (Naples, IT)
- 09.30 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. AI enhanced pathology
E. Guerini Rocco (Milan, IT)
- 10.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. Imaging and AI
M. Leonardi (Toronto, CA)
- 10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. The role of endometrial disorders
M. Fambrini (Florence, IT)
- 11.00 a.m. - 11.15 a.m. *Coffee break*

**SESSION V - FROM RISK FACTORS TO TREATMENT
OPTIONS?**

Chairpersons: **F. Raspagliesi** (Milan, IT)

- 11.15 a.m. - 11.45 a.m. Status and future of molecularly integrated risk group
stratification
N. Concin (Vienna, AU)
- 11.45 a.m. - 12.15 p.m. Primary surgery in the molecular era
R. Tozzi (Padua, IT)
- 12.15 p.m. - 12.45 p.m. Sentinel lymph node or LVSI
E. Chacon (Madrid, ES)
- 12.45 p.m. - 01.15 p.m. What to do for the recurrence?
L. Chiva (Madrid, ES)
- 01.15 p.m. - 01.30 p.m. Q&A
- 01.30 p.m. - 02.30 p.m. *Lunch*

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- 02.30 p.m. - 03.00 p.m. Pharmacogenomics: who and how to treat
G. Caruso (Milan, IT)
- 03.00 p.m. - 03.30 p.m. Life style
M. C. Petrella (Florence, IT)
- 03.30 p.m. - 04.15 p.m. Final Discussion
- 04.15 p.m. - 04.30 p.m. *Coffee break*
- 04.30 p.m. - 04.45 p.m. Survey Event: Satisfaction survey with certificate
- 04.45 p.m. - 06.45 p.m. Publication Committee

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Auditorium Fondazione Menarini, Fiesole
Piazza G. Garibaldi, 30 / Fiesole (FI)

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SECRETARIAT DURING THE MEETING

The Secretariat will be open at the following times:
Thursday, 15th October from 08.45 am to 05.15 pm
Friday, 16th October from 9.00 am to 06.45 pm

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official language of the Meeting will be English.

REGISTRATION

The meeting is free to attend.
For more information and to register please visit the following website:
www.fondazione-menarini.com

TECHNICAL FACILITIES

Facilities will be available for computer presentations and overhead projections.
A business center with PC (Powerpoint for Windows) will be available for check and preview of presentations. It is essential that speakers take their presentation to the business center at least one hour before the session starts.

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LUNCHES AND COFFEE BREAKS

Lunches and coffee breaks will be served near the Meeting area.

ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATE AND SURVEY

At the end of each day, faculty members and participants will have the possibility to answer a short appreciation questionnaire accessible using the QR code projected on the screen. After completing the survey it will immediately be possible to download the Attendance Certificate which can be kept, printed and shared.

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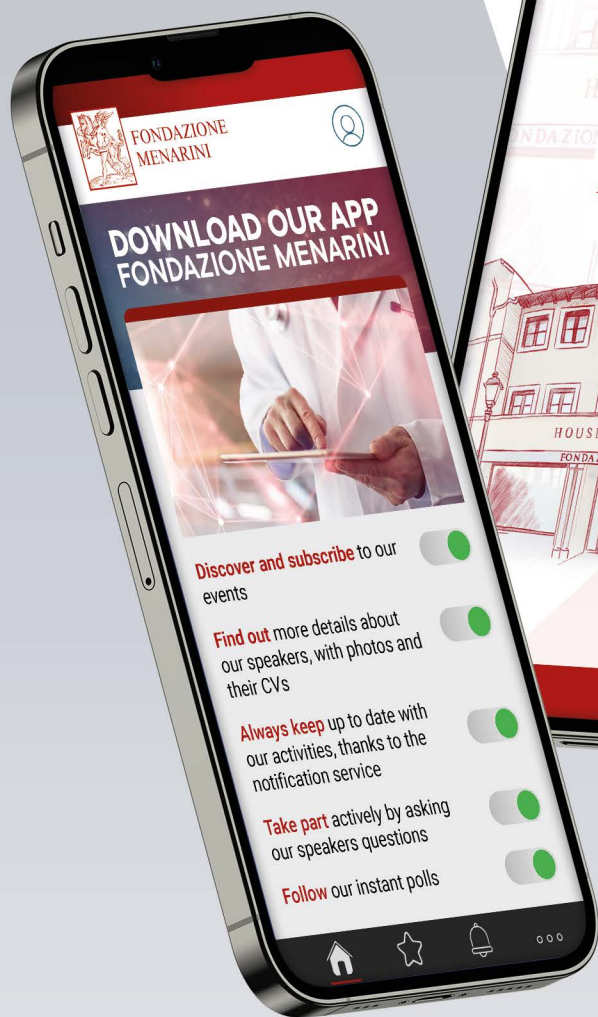
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