

The 7th UMOs Conference was an ESMO supported meeting held in Belgrade on 5-6 October 2013. The Conference was dedicated to breast cancer, and a comprehensive programme was divided in two days so that the most important topics regarding breast cancer treatment were completely covered.

We were very pleased that Dr. Giuseppe Curigliani, as ESMO lecturer, accepted to be our dear guest and presenter.

The lecture from Dr. Curigliani was excellent, comprehensive, clearly presented, and the audience was completely satisfied. His comments about not only his topic, but also about all other topics, were extremely valuable. Dr. Curigliani actively participated during the whole meeting, increasing the scientific level of the Conference.

Afterwards, our eminent experts covered early breast cancer, adjuvant chemo and hormonal treatment, and all dilemmas related to that topic, including the influence of age - both advanced and young.

Surgery was also discussed as well as radiotherapy, and all new data from new guidelines were presented.

Furthermore, for the first time we had two lectures regarding palliative surgery in breast cancer summarising literature evidences and experience from Institutes of oncology and radiology in Serbia.

As it has already become a tradition; during our second day Young Medical Oncologists actively participated by presenting patient cases. Each case was first shortly covered by literature data, and then by patient case, completely covering topics about inflammatory breast cancer, triple negative breast cancer, pregnancy during and after breast cancer, and finally occult breast cancer.

During the second day; two molecular biologists, experienced in BRCA testing at the Institute for oncology and radiology of Serbia, presented the literature data and the results about BRCA testing in Serbia.

The programme ended with a session dedicated to supportive care in oncology – this is also a well-established tradition during our UMOs Conferences.

We are very pleased that the meeting was a great success with 150 participants from all over Serbia who attended the presentations during both days. Most of the participants were medical oncologists (80%) and the others were predominantly surgeons and radiotherapist.

The discussion was very lively, and some important questions were raised regarding the current local practise and financial constraints.

All participants were satisfied with the whole Conference, and especially with Dr. Curigliani's participation and valuable comments.

Once again, UMOS thanks ESMO for their support and choice of Dr. Curigliani as ESMO lecturer.

We hope that the cooperation with UMOS, which is the only Medical Oncologist Society, not only in Serbia, but also in the nearest region, will continue.

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