

February 20-21, 2026

# Bariatric & Oncology Summit: Clinical Insights, Risk Pathways and Multidisciplinary Strategies

conference area  
Santa Maria Hospital, Bari



Course Director  
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# welcome address

Nowadays obesity is one of the main risk factors for a number of different neoplasms, with significant impact on diagnosis, response to treatments and clinical outcomes.

The metabolic, inflammatory and hormonal alterations related to a weight condition are relevant to carcinogenesis and tumor progression.

At the same time, bariatric surgery and new metabolic drugs medications are modifying the landscape of prevention and the management of the obese patient.

The Bariatric & Oncology Summit was created to explore, under a multidisciplinary key, the complex relationship between obesity and cancer, with the purpose to address clinical, diagnostic, and therapeutic aspects.

The conference will gather specialists from surgical, oncological, endoscopic, nutritional and anesthesiological areas to share updated evidence and to define integrated pathways.

The goal is to improve the management of obese and obese-oncological patients, to optimize prevention and treatment strategies, and to promote innovative standards of screening and personalized care.

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3.00 pm Welcome Address **Ettore Sansavini**

**GVM BARIATRIC AND ONCOLOGIC SURGERY: CLINICAL RESULTS, TRENDS AND NEW TARGETS**

3.15 pm GVM Strategic Plan for Bariatric and Oncologic Surgery  
**Giuseppe Speciale**

3.45 pm GVM Bariatric and Oncologic Surgery: clinical results, trends and new targets  
**Antonio Braun**

**BARIATRIC-ONCOLOGIC CONNECTION: FROM RISK ADJUSTMENT TO MULTIDISCIPLINARY CARE**

Presidents: **Antonio Ambrosi, Angela Pezzolla**

Moderators: **Giuseppe Manca, Massimo Buonfantino**

4.00 pm Pharmacokinetics of chemotherapeutics: differences between obese and normal-weight patients  
**Gennaro Palmiotti**

4.15 pm Anesthesiology management of the obese oncologic patient  
**Agostino Brizzi**

4.30 pm Nutritional and functional optimization in the sarcopenic patient  
**Nunzia Zagaria**

4.45 pm Bariatric surgery as technical training for oncologic surgery  
**Federico Perrone**

5.00 pm Nursing management of the obese oncologic patient: critical issues and perspectives  
**Loredana Castoro**

5.10 pm Discussion: **Giuselinda Cirone, Antonella Filoia, Michele Gerardi, Rita Laforgia, Valentina Murgolo, Daniele Paradies, Giovanna Pavone, Donatella Sabato, Erika Vorzillo**

5.25 pm Coffee Break

**COMPANY PERSPECTIVES PRESENT AND FUTURE**

5.40 pm Medtronic Speech

6.00 pm Discussion

6.20 pm Discussion and closing of the day

**OBESITY AND UPPER DIGESTIVE TRACT TUMORS: SURGICAL AND ENDOSCOPIC CHALLENGES**Presidents: **Nicola Tartaglia**Moderators: **Nicola D'Alessandro, Gennaro Martines**

- 9.00 am Obesity, gastroesophageal reflux, and esophageal adenocarcinoma  
**Francesca Maddalena**
- 9.15 am Sleeve gastrectomy and long-term oncologic risk  
**Angelo Centonze**
- 9.30 am Gastric carcinoma: risk factors and the role of obesity  
**Arianna Corvasce**
- 9.45 am Endoscopic diagnosis after gastric bypass: critical issues and solutions  
**Pasquale Ricci**
- 10.00 am Discussion: **Filippo Albanese, Sabino Capuzzolo, Ilir Dhojniku, Francesca Maddalena, Erica Natilla**
- 10.15 am Coffee Break

**OBESITY-RELATED TUMORS: RISK, DIAGNOSIS, AND SURGICAL IMPACT**Presidents: **Gabriele Anania, Riccardo Memeo**Moderators: **Pasquale Cianci, Alfredo Cirilli, Ignazio Massimo Civello, Alberto Fersini**

- 10.50 am Colon-Rectum - Obesity and risk of colorectal carcinoma  
**Antonio Matarangolo**
- 11.00 am Colon-Rectum - Surgical approach in the obese patient candidate for hemicolectomy  
**Gloria Giaracuni**
- 11.10 am The impact of metabolic surgery on the management of thyroid patients  
**Anna Maria Balice**
- 11.20 am GLP-1 agonists in NEN: From Metabolic to Oncologic perspectives  
**Dario Cassano**
- 11.30 am Hepato-Bilio-Pancreatic: Obesity, MASH, and hepatocellular carcinoma  
**Roberta Forlano**

- 11.40 am Hepato-Bilio-Pancreatic: Impact of bariatric surgery on pancreatic cancer risk  
**Libero Luca Giambavichio**
- 11.50 am Senology: The impact of obesity on breast cancer: diagnosis and treatment  
**Hong Than Santi**
- 12.00 pm Discussion: **Giuseppe Balducci, Attilio Corroccoli, Laura Lozupone, Mario Pacilli, Naomi Regini, Daniele Sacco, Francesco Sorino, Antongiulio Valenzano**
- 12.20 pm Round Table: The organization of personalized oncological screening in the obese patient  
Speaker: **Flavio Fiore, Gennaro Palmiotti, Angela Pezzolla**  
Discussant: **Antonio Ambrosi, Antonio Braun, Agostino Brizzi, Alberto Fersini, Giuseppe Manca, Gennaro Martines, Riccardo Memeo, Federico Perrone, Stefano Rinaldi, Giuseppe Speziale, Gianmarco Surico, Nicola Tartaglia**
- 1.00 am Conclusions and take home message  
**Antonio Braun, Giuseppe Speziale**

## faculty

**Filippo Albanese** Barletta, BAT  
**Antonio Ambrosi** Foggia  
**Gabriele Anania** Ferrara  
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## REGISTRATION

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## CME CREDITS

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