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# OSTEO International RHEUMATOLOGY Congress 2015

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June 25<sup>th</sup> – Thursday afternoon

13.30 Welcome

**FIRST SESSION**  
GENERAL LECTURES

Chairmen: Antonio Brucato, Massimiliano Limonta

14.00 **Cardiovascular risk in rheumatic diseases**  
Michele Senni

14.30 **Infections in Rheumatoid Arthritis**  
Massimo Puoti

15.00 **Bone involvement in Arthritides**  
Steven Goldring

**SECOND SESSION**  
OSTEOPOROSIS

Chairmen: Luigi Sinigaglia, Matteo Longhi

15.30 **Glucocorticoids-induced Osteoporosis**  
Andrea Giustina

16.00 **New data on fracture healing**  
Piet Geusens

16.30 **Biologic therapies in Osteoporosis**  
Socrates Papapoulos

17.00 Coffee break

**THIRD SESSION**  
SPONDYLARTHROSIS

Chairmen: Oscar Massimiliano Epis, Piet Geusens

17.30 **Ultrasound in the management of SPA**  
Carlo Perricone

18.00 **The role of imaging in the management of SPA**  
Susan Pedersen

18.30 **Drug holidays in the management of SPA**  
Denis Poddubnyy

June 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday

**FOURTH SESSION**  
THERAPEUTIC OPTIONS

Chairmen: Gerolamo Bianchi, Massimiliano Limonta

08.30 **Low-dose glucocorticoids in the treatment of RA**  
Carlo Scirè

09.00 **Methotrexate: news and views**  
Ombretta Viapiana

09.30 **Biologic treatments: real world data**  
Ennio Giulio Favalli

10.00 **Cobra light strategy in RA**  
Willem Lems

10.30 Coffee break

11.00 **Practical guidance on managing extra-articular features to improve patient's daily lives**  
Donatella Ventura

11.30 **Comprehensive disease control: the ultimate goal for the T2T approach**  
Marcello Govoni

12.00 **Early aggressive RA: how to choose the right treatment according to patient baseline characteristics**  
Rosario Foti

12.30 **Targeting IL6 in RA: from bench to bedside**  
Fabiola Atzeni

13.00 Lunch

**FIFTH SESSION**  
OSTEOARTHRITIS

Chairmen: Steven Goldring, Flavio Fantini

14.00 **Pathogenesis of Osteoarthritis**  
Mary Goldring

14.30 **Erosive Osteoarthritis**  
Roberta Ramonda

15.00 **Early Osteoarthritis**  
Alberto Migliore

15.30 **Osteoarthritis & Osteoporosis**  
Andrea Giusti

16.00 Coffee break

**SIXTH SESSION**  
RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

Chairmen: Willem Lems, Carlomaurizio Montecucco

16.30 **Ultrasound in RA: state of the art**  
Andrea Delle Sedie

17.00 **The impact of RF and ACPA on bone erosions in RA**  
Georg Schett

17.30 **New treatments for RA**  
Carlo Selmi

18.00 Closing Remarks

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