

Bridges of PNEUMONOLOGY

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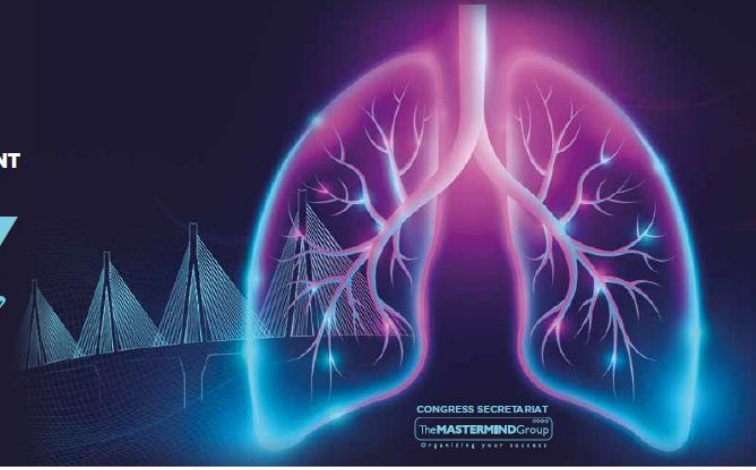
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Preliminary Scientific Program

Thursday 4th June 2026

12:00 - 14:00 Registration

Department of Respiratory Medicine | General University Hospital of Patras

12:00 - 14:00 Pre-congress workshops

12.00 – 13.00 Hands on thoracic ultrasound, **Ch. Varsamas**

13.00 – 14.00 Bronchoscopy – back to basics,
**N. Anagnostopoulos, I. Milivojevic, I. Sekulovic - Radovanovic,
F. Sampsonas**

14:00 - 15:50

Welcome Session

Bridges with society and primary care.

The transformative impact of medicine - insights from healthcare professionals, patients and volunteers

Chairpersons: **E. Albani, P. Kyriazis, Ch. Michalopoulou**

- Medical volunteering in action - The role of medical students, **E. Psarros**
- The role of primary care physician and pneumonologist in the screening and prevention of chronic lung diseases, **G. Apolonnatos, D. Grassos, S. Skliros, E. Symvoulakis (discussion)**
- The role of nurse in the management of the chronic respiratory patient, **G. Kipourgos**
- PF patient testimony, **E. Stamouli**
- PF patient testimony, **M. Thanou**
- Lung cancer patient and caregiver testimony, **V. Mytilinaiou**

10' per presentation

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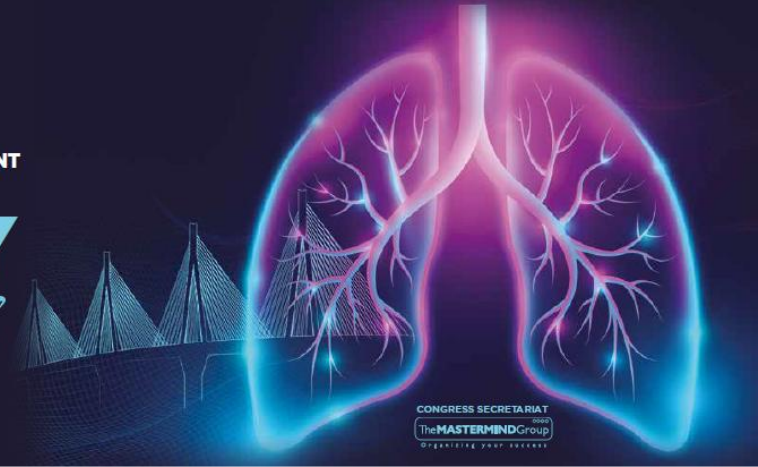
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14.50 – 15.50

Parallel session I

Management of emergencies in primary care – The scope of young physicians

Chairpersons: **A. Christopoulos, I. Koulousousa, D. Papalexatos**

Emergency Cases in Rural Primary Care

- Acute Coronary Syndrome, **A. Mavromati**
- Pulmonary Edema, **T. Paizis**
- Allergic Rhinitis | Allergic reactions and impeding airway obstruction, **G. Kalantzis**
- Exacerbations of obstructive pulmonary disease, **Ch. Chatzigrigoriadis**

12' per presentation

15:50-16:00

Coffee break

16:00-17:20

Round Table

Bridges of Pulmonology with Infectious Diseases – A journey through time

Chairpersons: **A. Liapikou, M. Marangos, N. Rovina**

Keynote Lecture

New European Respiratory Society guidelines for the management of adult Bronchiectasis, **A. Dimakou**

- Management of hospital-acquired respiratory tract infections. The milestones of clinical research
S. Asimakopoulos
- Viral infections in severe asthma patients under biologic agents
N. Rovina
- Management of Tuberculosis. The milestones of clinical research
Ch. Moschos

Commentators: **V. Georgakopoulou, M. Lagadinou, L. Leonidou**

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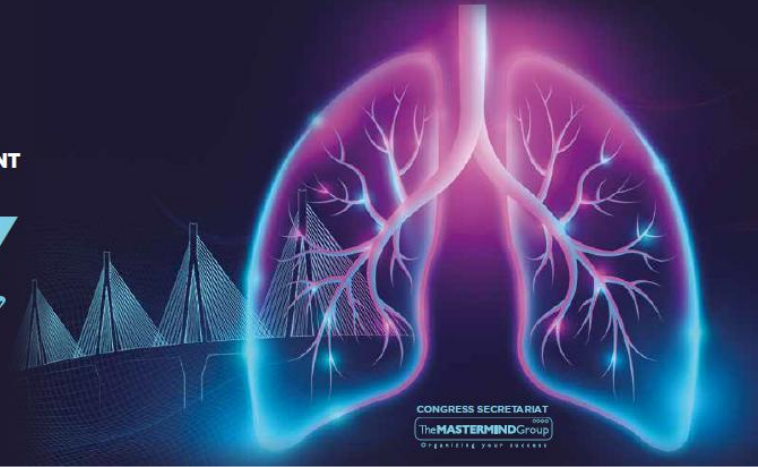
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16.00 – 17.00

Parallel session II

Pitfalls in diagnosis and management of common pulmonary disease

Chairpersons: **I. Papanikolaou, M. Stroumpou, I. Tselepis**

- Interstitial Lung Disease, **D. – E. Kakolyris**
- Tuberculosis, **G.- A. Petraki**
- Pulmonary Embolism, **G. Bakopoulos**
- Community acquired pneumonia with pleural effusion –
M. Tzouvelekis

12' per presentation

17:20-17:45

Coffee Break

17:45-19:45

Round Table

Current Trends and Future Perspectives in Interventional Pulmonology

Chairpersons: **G. Stratakos (GR), I. Titopoulos (GR),
F. Sampsonas (GR)**

Keynote Speakers

- Current trends and future perspectives in Robotic Bronchoscopy,
K. Lau (UK)
- The role of endosonography -guided fine needle aspiration in
preoperative restaging of lung cancer, **S. Bilaceroglu (TR)**
- Local treatment of peripheral nodules. When and how? What is the
role of microwaves, cryoablation & radiofrequencies?
N. Anagnostopoulos (GR)
- From ILAs to Early-IPF: When to move from observation to cryobiopsy,
S. Tomasseti (IT)
- Rigid Bronchoscopy in the era of modern Interventional
Pulmonology: When and why remains the golden standard,
S. Popevic (SRB)

Commentators: **M. Aggelidis, E. Georgiannakis, L. Papastavrou**

15' per presentation

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Friday 5th June 2026

10:00 – 11:00

Round Table

Sleep disorders – A journey through time

Chairpersons: **G. Efraimidis, K. Karkoulas, P. Steiropoulos**

State of the Art Lecture

Classification of sleep disorders beyond the conventional criteria,

D. Georgopoulos

Keynote Lecture

Chronotypes in obstructive sleep apnea

G. Trakada

- Hypoxic burden in obstructive sleep apnea

K. Cholidou

- Polysomnography – Back to Basics,

N. Athanasiou

Commentators: **D. Akrivakis, M. Katsaras, D. Lykouras**

Parallel session

09:00 – 11:00

Young investigator session – From bench to bedside

Chairpersons: **J. Khoury, M. Mukherjee, V. Sotiropoulou**

Keynote lecture

GPR87 as a novel therapeutic target in IPF, **J. Khoury**

- Pulmonary adipocyte deposits in lung fibrosis: *a novel fibrotic Regulator*, **P. Tsiri**
- The role of monocytes and eosinophils as prognosticators of clinical outcomes in COPD, **A. Assioura**
- Prognostic Biomarkers in fibrotic ILDs, **I. Nakou**
- Biologics in severe asthma-The role of biomarkers, **M. Blizou**
- Pulmonary Hypertension Associated With Interstitial Lung Diseases: a case-based presentation, **I. Fofinaki**
- Beyond HRCT: Transthoracic U/S and Oscillometry for the Diagnosis of CTD-ILDs, **D. Milopoulou**

11:00 – 11:15

Coffee Break

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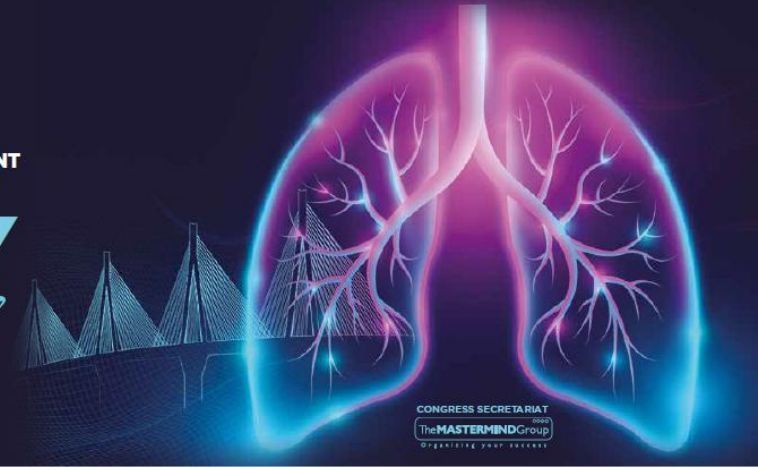
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11:15 – 11:45 **Satellite Lecture | Sanofi**
COPD with Type 2 Inflammation: Latest Evidence and Contemporary Therapeutic Approaches
Chair: **S. Loukides**
Speaker: **A. Papaioannou**

11:45 - 12:15 **Satellite Lecture | Chiesi**
Extrafine Triple Therapy in Asthma and COPD
Chairperson: **E. Zervas**

- The role of LAMA in Asthma Management: In which patients and why? **Ch. Kontogianni**
- The importance of Timely intervention in COPD management: Real-world data from Greece, **I. Voulgareli**

12:15 – 12:45 **Satellite Lecture | GSK**

12:45 – 13:15 **Satellite Lecture | AstraZeneca**

13:15 - 16.15 *Lunch break*

16.15 – 17.30 **Round Table**
Bridges of Pulmonology with Oncology – A journey through time
Chairpersons: **A. Christopoulou, I. Gkiozos, A. Koutras**

Keynote Lecture
Lung Cancer Screening – Unmet needs and current status
G. Hardavela

- Targeted Therapy and Immunotherapy Propel 10 years of progress in NSCLC,
G. Gomatou
- Lung cancer molecular profiling- Advances and challenges
V. Tzelepi
- Smoking pandemic and smoking cessation. Where do we stand?
P. Katsaounou

Commentators: **D. Ganetsou, D. Komninos, M. Pandi, E. Theochari**

17.30 - 18.00 **Satellite Lecture | GSK**

18:00 – 18:15 *Coffee Break*

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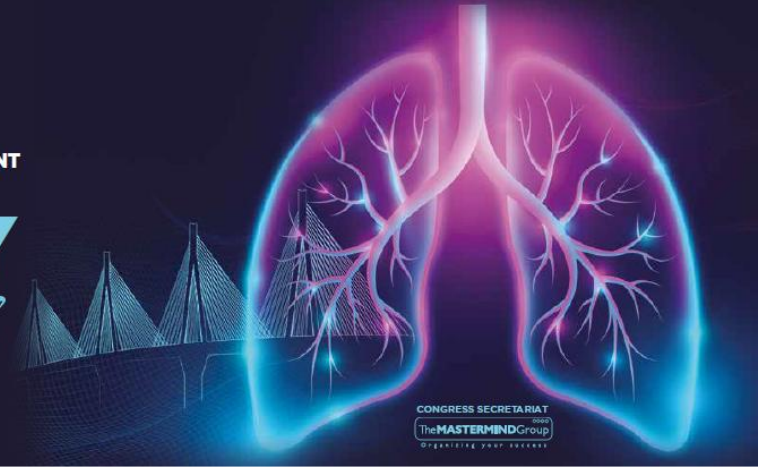
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18.15 – 18.45

Keynote Lecture

Ethical dilemmas and end-life decisions – A critical challenge for modern medicine

Chairpersons: **D. Bouros, G. Kolios, I. Patrikios**

Lecturer: **I. Pnevmatikos**

18.45 – 19.10

Lecture

Chairpersons: **G. Tsoukalas, A. Tzouvelekis**

What Thucydides teaches us about great power rivalry

Lecturer: **A. Platias**

19.10

Opening ceremony | Salutations

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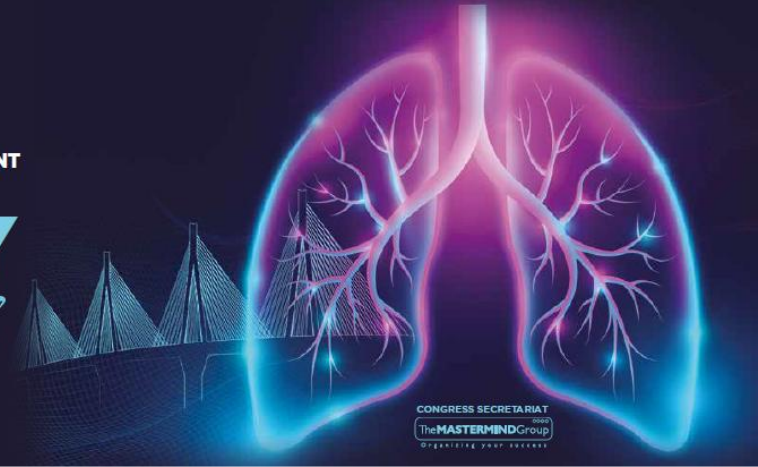
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Saturday 6th June 2026

09:00 - 10:15

Round Table

Bridges of Pulmonology with Cardiovascular diseases. A journey through time

Chairpersons: **G. Chatzantonis, P. Davlouros, Th. Raptakis**

State of the art lecture

Insights from the HI-PEITHO trial

S. Konstantinides

- Challenges and opportunities in the management of post pulmonary embolism impairment
- Management Heart Failure with preserved EF (HFpEF)
- Challenges and opportunities in the management of Group 3 Pulmonary Hypertension – Milestones of clinical research

I. Mitrouska

Commentators: **M. Doumani, R. Koros, E. Tsoni**

10:15-10:45

Satellite Lecture | Menarini

10:45-11:00

Coffee Break

11:00-12:00

Round Table

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

Chairpersons: **G. Hillas, S. Loukides, A. Papaioannou**

Keynote Lecture

Mortality trends in COPD

T. Vassilakopoulos

A. COPD

- Towards a unified approach for the management of COPD and asthma

K. Kostikas

- Impact of climate changes in COPD

A. Gaga (10min)

Commentators: **E. Vrouvakis, G. Zacharis**

12:00 – 13:00

Satellite Symposium | Pfizer

13:00 – 13:30

Satellite Lecture | Guidotti

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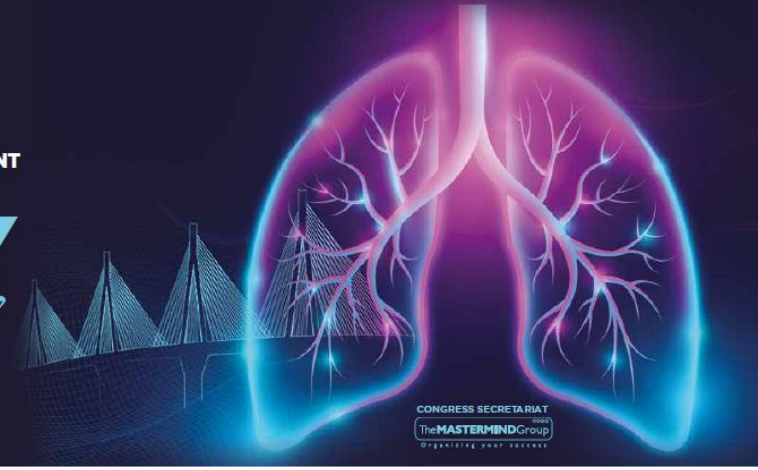
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13:30 – 14:45

Round Table

Severe asthma – From phenotypes to phenotypes

Chairpersons: **E. Fouka, F. Psarros, K. Samitas**

Keynote Lecture:

Eosinophils as potentiators of autoimmunity – (anti)-bodies of evidence

M. Mukherjee

B. Asthma

- Unmet needs in severe asthma,
K. Samitas
- Remodeling in asthma – Diagnostic tools and therapeutic challenges,
K. Dpmvri
- Chronic rhinosinusitis unmet needs and future perspectives
M. Makris
- The role of surgery in nasal polyps in the era of biologic agents
S. Ligeros

Commentators: **I. Christopoulos, A. Georgolios, Ch. Kontogianni**

14.45 – 15.15

Satellite Lecture | AstraZeneca

15.15 - 17:30

Lunch Break

17:30 - 18:00

Satellite Lecture | Boehringer Ingelheim

18:00 – 18:30

Keynote Lecture

IPF-From A to Z

Chairperson: **A. Tzouvelekis**

Lecturer: **D. Bouros**

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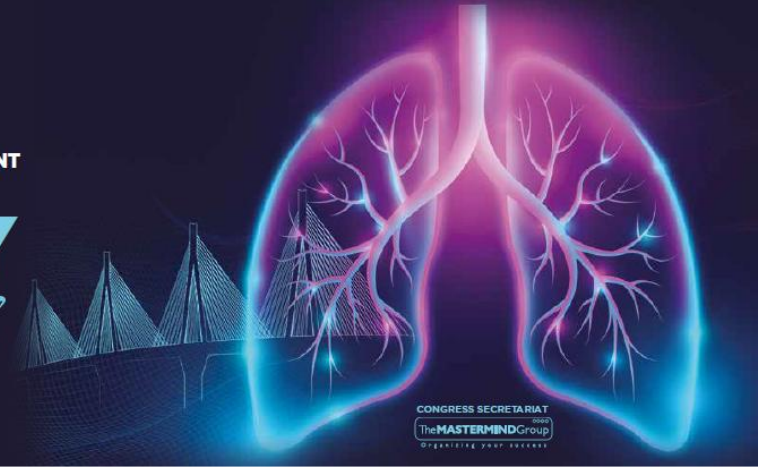
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Round Table Interstitial Lung Diseases

Chairpersons: **Z. Daniil, E. Manali, V. Tzilas**

Keynote Lecture

Fibrosis across organ systems – From passive comorbidities to active fibrotic mediators

G. Jenkins

- Management of CTD-ILDs – From guidelines to every clinical practice
Aik. Antoniou
- ERS/EULAR CTD-ILD GUIDELINES:
The rheumatologist perspective, **S.- N. Liossis**
- Management of sarcoidosis – Milestones of clinical research
M. Man
- Managing the comorbidome in fibrotic lung diseases,
G. Margaritopoulos
- Management of Interstitial Lung Abnormalities.
A. Gogali
- Drug induced ILDs – Novel concepts for old ideas,
F. Drakopanagiotakis

Commentators: **A. Bounas, V. Sotiropoulou, P. Tsiri**

20:30 – 21:00

Closing Ceremony - Concluding Remarks