

# Speakers



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# Scientific & Social Programme

Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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| 9:00  | Introduction                                                              |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                |
|       | MRI SESSIONS                                                              | ULTRASOUND ABDOMINAL SESSIONS                                                                                                 | ULTRASOUND CARDIO SESSIONS                                                                     |
| 9:15  | MRI of inflammatory pathologies of the brain and the meninges - F. Lafuma | Ultrasound-guided interventional techniques and fusion imaging applications - F. Rossi                                        | Hands-On<br>M. Papa, A. Pelosi, G. Santarelli                                                  |
| 10:00 | Feline epilepsy: when MRI reveals more than expected - M. Brück           | Perineal region ultrasound: anatomy and clinical insights - G. Barella                                                        | Hands-On<br>M. Papa, A. Pelosi, G. Santarelli                                                  |
| 10:45 | Coffee Break                                                              |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                |
| 11:15 | Cerebral hemorrhages and related issues - M. Baroni                       | Ultrasound assessment of the neck: scanning technique and clinical case discussion: use of shear wave elastography - T. Liuti | Hands-On<br>M. Papa, A. Pelosi, G. Santarelli                                                  |
| 12:00 | Ear and surrounding structures: how the MRI can help - C. Falzone         | Ultrasound assessment of thigh and knee muscles - G. Barella                                                                  | Hands-On<br>M. Papa, A. Pelosi, G. Santarelli                                                  |
| 12:45 | Lunch Break                                                               |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                |
| 13:45 | O-Scan Vet: Transforming Care at Atlantia Veterinary Hospital - F. Lafuma | Hands-on<br>G. Barella, T. Liuti, F. Rossi, G. Spattini                                                                       | Systolic and diastolic ventricular function assessment - A. Pelosi                             |
| 14:30 | SA Clinical Cases - M. Brück                                              | Hands-on<br>G. Barella, T. Liuti, F. Rossi, G. Spattini                                                                       | Echocardiographic assessment of left atrial size and function in small animals - G. Santarelli |
| 15:15 | Coffee Break                                                              |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                |
| 15:45 | SA Clinical Cases - M. Brück                                              | Hands-on<br>G. Barella, T. Liuti, F. Rossi, G. Spattini                                                                       | Clinical and diagnostic tips to recognize congenital cardiac defects - A. Pelosi               |
| 16:30 | SA Clinical Cases - M. Konar                                              | Hands-on<br>G. Barella, T. Liuti, F. Rossi, G. Spattini                                                                       | Congenital heart diseases in cats: from the most common findings to the rarest cases - M. Papa |
| 17:15 | SA Clinical Cases - M. Konar                                              |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                |
| 18:00 | Adjourn                                                                   |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                |
| 19:30 | Welcome Reception                                                         |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                |

Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026

| MRI SESSIONS |                                                                                  | ULTRASOUND ABDOMINAL SESSIONS                                                                   | ULTRASOUND CARDIO SESSIONS                                                       |
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| 9:15         | Cysts and cyst like lesions in the vertebral canal<br>- M. Konar                 | Hands-on<br>G. Barella, T. Liuti, F. Rossi, G. Spattini                                         | Cardiomyopathy phenotypes in dogs<br>- G. Santarelli                             |
| 10:00        | Lumbosacral MRI imaging: an ordinary diagnosis?<br>- M. Baroni                   | Hands-on<br>G. Barella, T. Liuti, F. Rossi, G. Spattini                                         | The wide spectrum of pulmonary hypertension<br>- A. Pelosi                       |
| 10:45        | Coffee Break                                                                     |                                                                                                 |                                                                                  |
| 11:15        | Traumatic lesions of the spine<br>- M. Konar                                     | Hands-on<br>G. Barella, T. Liuti, F. Rossi, G. Spattini                                         | Cardiomyopathy phenotypes in cats<br>- G. Santarelli                             |
| 12:00        | Discospondylitis in dogs and cats: diagnostic challenges and pitfalls - M. Brück | Hands-on<br>G. Barella, T. Liuti, F. Rossi, G. Spattini                                         | Interventional procedure for RVOT obstruction: decision-making process - M. Papa |
| 12:45        | Lunch Break                                                                      |                                                                                                 |                                                                                  |
| 13:45        | PNS MRI: let's go slightly beyond the CNS!<br>- C. Falzone                       | Advanced vascular ultrasound with focus on portal hypertension - G. Spattini                    | Hands-On<br>M. Papa, A. Pelosi, G. Santarelli                                    |
| 14:30        | SA Clinical Cases<br>- C. Falzone                                                | Musculoskeletal ultrasound of the canine shoulder in athlete dogs - G. Spattini                 | Hands-On<br>M. Papa, A. Pelosi, G. Santarelli                                    |
| 15:15        | Coffee Break                                                                     |                                                                                                 |                                                                                  |
| 15:45        | SA Clinical Cases<br>- C. Falzone                                                | Ultrasound assessment of the eye: scanning technique and clinical case discussion - T. Liuti    | Hands-On<br>M. Papa, A. Pelosi, G. Santarelli                                    |
| 16:30        | SA Clinical Cases<br>- F. Lafuma                                                 | Systematic ultrasound approach for the detection of congenital porto-systemic shunts - F. Rossi | Hands-On<br>M. Papa, A. Pelosi, G. Santarelli                                    |
| 17:15        | SA Clinical Cases<br>- F. Lafuma                                                 |                                                                                                 |                                                                                  |
| 18:00        | Adjourn                                                                          |                                                                                                 |                                                                                  |
| 20:00        | Social Dinner                                                                    |                                                                                                 |                                                                                  |