Introduction

The European Society of Oncology Pharmacy holds a three level Masterclass programme:
- Basic Masterclass and
- Intermediate Masterclass (held jointly also on 21-25 October in Dresden, Germany)
- Advanced Masterclass

The first two courses are organised by ESOP (further information available at www.esop.eu), whilst herewith the ESOP-ESO Advanced Masterclass is presented.

The Advanced Masterclass will be mainly based on clinical cases covering the majority of diseases and pharmaceutical cases which can occur in the clinical setting. Some cases will be focused on less common cancer entities such as haematological malignancies, paediatric cancer, cancer of geriatric patients, treatment of patients with organ dysfunctions (renal, liver, cardiac, etc.) and rare cancers.

The hematopoietic stem cell transplant patients shall be also covered. Clinical cases should familiarise the oncology pharmacist to complex situations where pharmaceutical expertise is required to improve the treatment (toxicities and their management, symptom management, drug interactions of anticancer agents, management of side-effects, etc.), oncological emergencies and patient counselling. Current practice, recent advances and emerging therapies as well as case studies highlighting pertinent issues shall be introduced. Pharmaceutical situation shall also refer to the content of prior levels like problems concerning drug stability, physico-chemical compatibility and their possible effects on the patient’s therapy.

Learning objectives

- To actively participate with the medical team to the initial management of a cancer patient whatever the tumor location, i.e. definition of the best chemotherapy and the appropriate support treatment, especially based on pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics and pharmacogenetics considerations
- To furnish to medical team and nurses all relevant information about new anticancer treatments, their administration and side-effects with a specific concern on pharmaceutical problems such as stability issues
- To manage the potential side-effects of the treatment by the definition of an appropriate prevention plan and their follow-up, especially for out-patients receiving oral anticancer therapies
- To propose a relevant educational plan for the patient (and its family), related to its treatment, with particular focus on the prevention of drug/drug and drug/food interactions

Main topics

- Clinical cases covering the majority of the diseases and pharmaceutical cases that can occur in the clinical setting
- The hematopoietic stem cell transplant patient and other complex situations
- Toxicities and symptom management
- Drug interactions of anticancer agents
- Oncological emergencies
- Patient counselling
- Clinical trials
- Research
- Collective prescription process
- Drug and therapeutic committee
- Pharmaco-economics
Participants profile

The Advanced Masterclass is tailored for experienced cancer service pharmacists who would like to enhance their knowledge in specific or specialized areas. It is highly recommended that participants have attended both the Basic and the Intermediate Masterclass and have already acquired substantial professional experience as a pharmacist specialized in oncology. In addition, a case report from their own practice is to be submitted, which will be discussed during the Advanced Masterclass. The involvement in scientific activities will be considered in the applications selection. Besides, fluency in English will be required.

Application

Admittance to the Advanced Masterclass is by competitive application only. Interested pharmacists should complete the application form available at [www.esop.eu](http://www.esop.eu) or [www.eso.net](http://www.eso.net) and provide:

- Letter describing motivation for attending
- Curriculum vitae with list of publications (if the list of publications is not provided, it will be assumed that no articles have been published)
- Certificates of attendance of the basic and intermediate masterclass in oncology pharmacy or equivalent (eg. BCOP, DGOP Weiterbildung Onkologische Pharmazie)
- Proof of at least 2 years’ experience in oncology pharmacy (job reference)
- Description of 2 cases of your own practice in oncology pharmacy (abstracts, see the application form)

The application deadline is 30 July 2013.

Participation fee

The organization of the ESOP-ESO Advanced Masterclass in Oncology Pharmacy is supported by grants provided jointly by the European Society of Oncology Pharmacy and the European School of Oncology. The participation fee represents a contribution to the costs related to the participant’s attendance.

The participation fee grants access to the scientific programme, meals during the course and participation in a networking evening.

Travel and accommodation costs shall be covered by the participants individually.

Successful applicants will be requested to contribute to their participation’s costs as follows:

- ESOP Member EUR 300
- ESOP Non-Member EUR 600

The payment of the fee will be requested upon notification of the application’s acceptance and the bank account details will be provided.

Accommodation

Rooms have been pre-booked at the Masterclass venue, Hotel Elbflorenz, Rosenstrasse 36, Dresden ([www.hotel-elbflorenz.de](http://www.hotel-elbflorenz.de)), from Sunday, 20 October to Friday, 25 October at discounted rates. The following rates are meant per room and per night, including VAT and buffet breakfast:

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