PALLIATIVE CARE AND RADIOTHERAPY
A course on prognosis, symptom control, re-irradiation, oligometastases
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TARGET GROUP
This basic course is aimed primarily at trainee radiation and medical oncologists and experienced radiation and medical oncologists who want an update of their clinical knowledge. Clinical physicists, palliative care physicians and specialist nurses are welcome to participate.

COURSE AIM
In this course, a comprehensive overview of the applicability and effectiveness of palliative radiotherapy schedules from an evidence based perspective will be provided in a multidisciplinary framework. Focus will be on both clinical-ethical aspects and more technical-physics related issues.

LEARNING OUTCOMES
By the end of this course participants should:
• Have knowledge of the principles of palliation, pain management, and indications for and effectiveness of palliative radiotherapy schedules
• Be able to discuss clinical cases on management, expected survival, clinical outcome in terms of quality of life and side effects using evidence based outcome tools.

COURSE CONTENT
• Principles of palliation, oligometastasis
• Nature of cancer pain, physiology of pain
• Principles of pharmacological management
• Radiotherapy for pain: bone pain, soft tissue pain
• Holistic pain therapy: integration of RT/CT/pharmacology and non-pharmacological approaches
• Neurological complications: brain metastases - introduction and pharmacological management
• Management of solitary brain metastases
• Management of multiple brain metastases
• Malignant spinal metastases, pathophysiology, diagnosis and initial management
• Management of malignant spinal canal compression
• Other neurological complications: spinal nerve root compression and neuropathic pain management
• Care of the dying: different models of care
• Lung - NSCLC: palliative management
• Oligometastases and ablative therapy
• Liver: role of radiotherapy in palliation
• Palliative brachytherapy
• Practical application of research data in palliation.

PREREQUISITES
Before commencing this course you should have a basic understanding of radiotherapy and pharmacology and experience of caring for patients with advanced cancer.

TEACHING METHODS
• Didactic lectures
• Case discussions
• Interactive session based on MCQ Turning Point exercise
• (E-learning module)

METHODS OF ASSESSMENT
Evaluation form.

KEY WORDS
Palliation, quality of life, evidence based radiation oncology, pain, metastases.

WORKING SCHEDULE
The course starts on Thursday 8 September at 09:00 and ends on Saturday 10 September at noon.

LANGUAGE
The course is conducted in English. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

PRACTICAL ORGANISATION
Course organisation
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Technical exhibition
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**REGISTRATION FEES**

**Please check the early deadline date on our website**

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*Radiation Therapist (RTT) members are eligible for the in-training fee

The fee includes the course material, coffees, lunches, and the social event.

**Reduced fees** are available for ESTRO members working in economically less competitive countries. Check the eligible countries and the selection criteria on the website of the ESTRO School.

**ESTRO goes green:** Please note that the course material will be available online. No course book will be provided during the courses.

**ADVANCE REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT ARE REQUIRED.**

**ON-SITE REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE.** Since the number of participants is limited, late registrants are advised to contact the ESTRO office before payment, to inquire about availability of places. Access to homework and/or course material will become available upon receipt of full payment.

**INSURANCE AND CANCELLATION**

The organiser does not accept liability for individual medical, travel or personal insurance. Participants are strongly advised to take out their own personal insurance policies.

In case an unforeseen event would force ESTRO to cancel the meeting, the Society will reimburse the full registration fees to the participants, ESTRO ESTRO will not be responsible for the refund of travel and accommodation costs.

In case of cancellation, full refund of the registration fee minus 15% for administrative costs may be obtained up to three months before the course and 50% of the fee up to one month before the course. No refund will be made if the cancellation request is postmarked less than one month before the start of the course.

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