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# YOU ARE **WELCOME** TO MILAN



*Dear Colleagues and Friends,*

It is with great enthusiasm and a true sense of honor that I welcome you to the **2026 European Plastic Surgery Research Council Congress (EPSRC)**, which will take place 20–22 August 2026 in Milan, Italy.

EPSRC has always been more than a meeting. It is a community driven by curiosity, ambition, and the desire to push the boundaries of plastic, reconstructive, and aesthetic surgery through research and collaboration. In 2026, we gather in Milan, a city where tradition meets innovation, where science and creativity naturally belong together to shape the next chapter of our field.

This congress will bring together a vibrant mix of young investigators, experienced researchers, and international leaders who share a common goal: advancing knowledge while building meaningful professional connections. Over three days, we will explore cutting-edge research, emerging technologies, evolving surgical concepts, and the new questions that will define the future of plastic surgery.

**Dr. Luigi Troisi, Captain EPSRC 2026**

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Thursday  
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13.30 - 14.00 **Registration**

14.00 - 14.15 **Opening**

Luigi Troisi, Christine Radtke, Giorgio Pajardi

14:15 - 14:30 **History of the EPSRC**

William Kuzon

14:30 - 16:00 **SESSION I**

## **LYMPHEDEMA**

**Chairman:** Stefano Gentileschi

**Compressing Lymphedema:  
Translational Strategies for Prevention**

Al Hassanein

**Results of the RCT comparing robotic versus hand-sewn  
LVA, 12 months follow up**

Shan Shan Qiu

**Lymphatic microsurgery for Alzheimer's disease: bench to  
bedside-are we ready?**

Dimitris Dionysiou

**Utilization of Recipient Veins with Reflux During  
Supermicrosurgical Lymphaticovenous Anastomosis for  
Lower Limb Lymphedema: A Retrospective Cohort  
Propensity-Score-Matched Outcome Analysis**

Luca Patané

**Long Abstracts**

**Panel Discussion**

16:00 - 16:30 **Coffee Break**

Thursday  
**AUGUST 20**

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16:30 - 19:00 **SESSION II**

## **HEAD & NECK**

**Chairman:** Emanuele Cigna

**Local flaps for head and neck reconstruction**

Gregory Evans

**Facial Gender-Affirming Surgery**

Justine Lee

**From Discovery to Gene Therapy and First-in-child  
Craniofacial Clinical Trials**

Eric Liao

**Long Abstracts**

**Panel Discussion**

20:00

**Pizza time**

Friday

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08:00 - 10:00 **SESSION III**

## **LOWER LIMB RECONSTRUCTION**

**Chairman:** Vittorio Ramella

**Strategies for bone loss**

Umraz Khan

**From evidence to practice: implementing ortho-plastic standards in an American Major Trauma Center**

Juan Enrique Berner

**Tranexamic Acid Use in Lower Limb Free flap**

Ahmed T. Emam

**Diabetic Foot Reconstruction. What don't we know?**

James Chan

**Indication and Controindication Regenerative Dermal Substitute in Lower Limb Reconstruction**

Michele Maruccia

**Long Abstracts**

**Panel Discussion**

10:00 - 10:30 **Coffee Break**

10:30 - 11:45 **SESSION IV**

## **SOFT TISSUE TUMOUR**

**Chairman:** Beniamino Brunetti

**Learning through complexity: evolution of a sarcoma reconstruction practice**

Eldon Mah

Friday

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**The role of the plastic surgeon in modern multidisciplinary sarcoma treatment**

Radu Olariu

**Managing extensive defects in sarcoma patients: my refined approach to flap selection**

Beniamino Brunetti

**Long Abstracts**

**Panel Discussion**

11:45 - 13:30

SESSION V

**HANDS & PERIPHERAL NERVE**

**Chairwoman:** Macarena Vizcay

**Molecular Imaging of Nerve Regeneration and Muscle Denervation**

Sami Tuffaha

**Collagen Nerve Conduits: Expanding the Reconstructive Options in Peripheral Nerve Surgery**

Macarena Vizcay

**Updates in Thoracic Outlet Syndrome**

Brian A. Mailey

**Intraoperative brief electrical stimulation of nerves to enhance nerve regeneration**

Gregory Borschel

**Long Abstracts**

**Panel Discussion**

13:30 - 14:30

**Lunch with Mentors**

Friday

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14:30 - 16:30

## SESSION VI

### **BREAST**

**Chairman:** Michele Maruccia

**How to decrease implant complications in prepectoral breast reconstruction: a step by step approach**

Marzia Salgarello

**Cosmetic Principles and Contemporary Techniques: Achieving Aesthetic Outcomes in DIEP Flap Breast Reconstruction**

David Mathes

**The Art and Science of Excellence in Bilateral Breast Augmentation**

Marzia Moio

**Long Abstracts**

**Panel Discussion**

16:30 - 17:00

**Coffee Break**

17:00 - 17:30

**Robotic in Plastic Surgery**

Michele Maruccia

**Panel Discussion**

17:30 - 19:00

**Talk Show (all the faculty on stage)**

Let's Talk Research

*Bring Your Questions. Share Your Experience. Shape the Future*

19:00 - 20:00

**Aperitivo with the Mentors**

20:00

**Dinner**

Saturday  
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08:30 - 10:00 **SESSION VII**

## **REGENERATIVE**

**Chairman:** Gabriele Delia

**From Volume Restoration to Regeneration: The Evolving Role of Fat Grafting**

Iselin Saltvig

**Novel Technique to Harmonise Liposuction and Lipofilling to Construct Abdominal Aesthetics in Transmen**

Shivangi Saha

**More Than Skin Deep: Soft Tissue Regeneration in Mouse and Human**

Sashank Reddy

**Long Abstracts**

**Panel Discussion**

10:00 - 10:30 **Coffee Break**

10:30 - 12:30 **SESSION VIII**

## **NEW TECHNOLOGIES & EDUCATION**

**Chairman:** Mario Cherubino

**Innovation in Microtia: Overcoming Challenges Through New Technologies**

Angelo Leto Barone

**Advancing Surgical Proficiency: The Role of Simulation-Based Training**

Gregory Nicolas

**Panel Discussion**

Saturday  
**AUGUST 22**

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12:30 - 13:30 **SESSION IX**

## **BURNS**

**Chairman:** Alfio Luca Costa

**From Scalpel to Enzymes: The Minimally Invasive Shift in Modern Burn Care**

Lior Rosenberg

**Enzymatic Debridement and Meek Micrografting: A Sequential Strategy for Accelerated Wound Closure**

Antonella Marisa Citterio

**Guided Neodermis Formation in Burns: Dermal Regeneration Templates for Improved Scar Pliability and Reduced Contracture**

Alfio Luca Costa

**Panel Discussion**

13:30 - 14:30 **Lunch with Mentors**

14:30 - 17:45 **Short Abstracts**

17:45 -18:30 **Business Meeting**

19:30 **Dinner**

# General INFORMATION



## VENUE - CONFERENCE SITE

### Fondazione Riccardo Catella

Via Gaetano de Castiglia, 28 - 20124 Milano - [www.fondazionericcardocatella.org](http://www.fondazionericcardocatella.org)

## TRAVELLING TO ITALY

Visit: <https://epsrc.eu/general-information/>

## SUGGESTED HOTELS

More information is available on the EPSRC website:

<https://epsrc.eu/accommodation/>

\*\*\***Hotel Bernina (Breakfast rate)** Address: *Via Napo Torriani, 27 - 20124 Milano*

Located about a 10-minute walk from the Fondazione Riccardo Catella, this hotel is known for its cleanliness, minimalist rooms, and excellent value for money among 3-star properties in the area.

[www.hotelbernina.com](http://www.hotelbernina.com)

\*\*\***Hotel Sempione** Address: *Via Camillo Finocchiaro Aprile, 11 - 20124 Milano MI*

It is a renovated historic hotel in a modern urban style, located about a 7-minute walk from the Fondazione Riccardo Catella, between Porta Nuova and Milano Centrale.

Best rates are available on: [www.hotelsempione.it](http://www.hotelsempione.it)

\*\*\*\***Milano Verticale** Address: *Via Melchiorre Gioia, 6 - 20124 Milano*

Located just a 5-minute walk (400m) from the Fondazione Riccardo Catella, Milano Verticale is a premier urban resort in the heart of Porta Nuova. This sophisticated hotel blends contemporary design with high-end hospitality, featuring a private garden, a luxury wellness center, and gourmet dining. It is the perfect gateway to Milan's modern district and the nearby BAM park.

[www.unaitalianhospitality.com](http://www.unaitalianhospitality.com)

\*\*\*\***NH Collection Porta Nuova** Address: *Via Melchiorre Gioia, 6 - 20124 Milano*

A pleasant 8-minute walk away (550m) from the Riccardo Catella Foundation. The hotel is an elegant, modern retreat featuring bright, designer rooms in the heart of Milan's green and high-tech Porta Nuova district.

[www.nh-collection.com](http://www.nh-collection.com)

\*\*\*\*\***Hotel Principe di Savoia** Address: *Piazza della Repubblica, 17 - 20124 Milano*

Just a 10-minute walk (900 m) from Fondazione Riccardo Catella, through the BAM park and Porta Nuova district, Hotel Principe di Savoia has embodied Milanese luxury since 1927. This iconic five-star hotel combines timeless neoclassical elegance, exceptional service, and a prime location between historic Milan and its most contemporary neighborhoods.

[www.dorchestercollection.com](http://www.dorchestercollection.com)



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THANK  
**YOU** FOR BEING  
PART OF THE  
**EPSRC 2026**

Together, we shared knowledge, built connections, and  
advanced our field. We hope to see you again soon.

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