

2ND HEMATOLOGY ONCOLOGY BYBLOS FORUM



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Program

8:30 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 9:05 Welcome and Introduction

PALLIATIVE CARE

Moderators: Dr. Mona Ayoubi, Dr. Habib Barakat, Dr. Georges Farha

9:05 – 9:15 Pain Management and Palliative Care: Improving Quality of Life and Comfort Dr. Maroun Sadek

9:15 – 9:30 Management of Confusion and Palliative Care Dr. Abdallah Rahbani

9:30 – 9:45 Addressing Dyspnea in Palliative Care, Enhancing Symptom Relief and Patient Well Being Dr. Kabalan Saroufim

9:45 – 10:00 Strategies for Sedation Control and Palliative Care: Protocol Dr. Anthony Ghosn

10:00 – 10:15 Deep Venous Thrombosis in Cancer Patients Dr. Julien Sfeir

10:15 – 11:00 Navigating Difficult-to-Treat Depression: Spravato *Janssen Symposium* Dr. Antoine Karam

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break

UROLOGICAL CANCERS

Moderators: Prof. Raghdid El Khoury, Dr. Joseph Makdessi, Dr. Saba Mhanna, Dr. Rodrigue Saad

11:30 – 11:45 Pet-PSMA Indications and Pitfalls Dr. Eva Darazi

11:45 – 12:15 Personalized Treatment of mCRPC Prof. Joseph Kattan

12:15 – 13:00 Erleada in the Management of mHSPC *Janssen Symposium* Dr. Marcel Massoud

13:15 – 13:45 **Debate 1:** Neoadjuvant vs Adjuvant Treatment in Bladder Cancer Dr. Clemence Matta
Dr. Georges El Hachem

13:45 – 14:15 **Debate 2:** Navigating the Current Landscape of mMIBC, Starting with I-O or Consolidation with I-O *Merck symposium* Dr. Hampig Kourie
Dr. Marcel Massoud

14:15 – 14:30 Discussion

14:30 – 15:30 Lunch

ROOM 2 : PALLIATIVE CARE COMMITTEE SESSION

Moderator: Mrs. Rosette Badawi, RN

11:30 – 11:45	Implementation of Palliative Care at a University Hospital: CHU-NDS Experience	Mrs. Nada Akl, RN
11:45 – 12:00	End of life care, defining the role of the nurse	Mrs. Aida Abou Khalil, RN
12:00 – 12:15	Patient Testimony	Mrs. Nathalie Boutros
12:15 – 14:30	Communication Workshop	Dr. Tony Sawma Ms. Yara Sanjab



DR. MARCEL MASSOUD

*Head of the Hematology-Oncology Department
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Dr. Marcel Massoud is currently the head of the Hematology-Oncology Department at Notre Dame des Secours University Hospital, Lebanon. He is an Associate Professor at the School of Medicine and Medical Sciences of the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik, USEK, Lebanon, and coordinator of the oncology program. Dr. Massoud is the author and co-author of several scientific papers published in peer-reviewed journals, his main research interests include breast, colorectal cancer and lymphoma. He received his degree in Hematology and Oncology from the Lebanese University in 2004 and then acquired a degree in Clinical Oncology and Clinical Hematology respectively from the University of Paris Sud and Pierre et Marie Curie, France. Dr. Massoud completed his training in Oncology at the Institute Gustave-Roussy, France. He earned an MBA degree in the management of health and hospital administration in 2012 from the University Denis Diderot, France. Dr. Massoud served as an elected member of the board of the Lebanese Society of Medical Oncology. Currently, he is an active member of numerous national and international societies such as the American Society of Clinical Oncology, the European Society of Hematology, the European Society of Medical Oncology, and the Lebanese Society of Medical Oncology.

DR. MAROUN SADEK

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Dr. Maroun Sadek is currently the Head of the Hematology-Oncology Department at the Lebanese Hospital Geitaoui – UMC, Lebanon. He's a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine at the Division of Hematology-Oncology at Mount Lebanon Hospital-Balamand University Medical Center, Lebanon and a Lecturer at the Lebanese University-Faculty of Medical Sciences, Lebanon. Dr. Sadek completed his specialization in Hematology-Oncology at the Lebanese University, Lebanon, and "Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium, and his fellowship at "Institut Jules Bordet", Belgium. He is a Member of the European Society of Medical Oncology.

DR. ABDALLAH RAHBANI

*Chair of the Neurology Division
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Dr. Abdallah Rahbani is a professor of Neurology specialized in adult and Pediatric Epileptology and clinical Neurophysiology. He is currently the chair of the Neurology Division at the Lebanese University, Faculty of Medical Sciences, and chair of the Neurology Division at Lebanese Hospital Geitaoui – UMC, Lebanon. Dr. Rahbani is also a lecturer at the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik, Faculty of Medicine and Medical Sciences, and at the Faculty of Sciences - Lebanese University, as well as a clinical practitioner at the Notre Dame des Secours University Hospital. Dr. Rahbani had many publications in the field of neurology and epilepsy and had contributed largely to several local and international conferences. In addition to his work on the novel benefit of oral perampanel in the treatment of status epilepticus and the role of dedicated MRI in the diagnosis of focal epilepsies, his most recent work was on prevalence of pharmacoresistance in BECTS and prognostic values of interictal patterns in Juvenile myoclonic epilepsy. As past member of the “Neurology Drugs Committee” at the MOPH, he worked on updating the latest version of the national neurology drugs guidelines, following the latest international guidelines and recommendations.

DR. KABALAN SAROUFIM

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Dr. Kabalan is a Pulmonologist at Notre Dame des Secours University Hospital based in Lebanon.

DR. ANTHONY GHOSN

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Dr. Anthony Ghosn is a full-time anesthesiologist and intensivist at Notre Dame des Secours University Hospital, Lebanon. He is also a teacher at the Faculty of Medicine and Medical Sciences of the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik, Lebanon, where he's been training medical interns and residents. Dr. Ghosn has more than 20 medical articles, posters, and oral communications for which he has been hosted at local and international congresses in Europe and the United States. He has graduated in 2005 from Saint Joseph University of Beirut in Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine with a subspecialty in cardio-thoracic and vascular anesthesia. Since then, he has been working and training in several university hospitals and reference centers in Lebanon France and UAE. Dr. Ghosn is a member of the Lebanese Society of Anesthesia and the Lebanese Society of critical care medicine and a member of the SFAR (French Society of Anesthesia and Critical Care).

DR. JULIEN SFEIR

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Dr. Julien Sfeir is an Associate Professor of Surgery. He is also the President of the Lebanese Society of Vascular Surgery.



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PROF. JOSEPH KATTAN

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Pr. Joseph Kattan is currently the Head of the Hematology-Oncology Department at The Faculty of Medicine, Saint-Joseph University, Lebanon and the former Head of the Hematology-Oncology Department at Hôtel-Dieu de France University Hospital (HDF), Lebanon from 2014 till 2022. He is a full professor, the president of the Continuous Medical Education office (CME) at Saint Joseph University-Faculty of medicine, and the secretary of the Cancer Research Group (CRG) in Lebanon. He is also responsible for many courses and programs in this field at Saint Joseph University, Lebanon and previously at Paris XI University, France. He is the founder of the teaching tool of “learning by debate” and of the “FRON” (the regional research competition in oncology). Pr. Kattan was formerly the Head of Hematology- Oncology Department of the Saint Joseph Hospital- Raymond and Aida Najjar Medical Center, Lebanon from 1994 till 2014. He is the author of more than 350 peer reviewed articles in many international journals focusing on pharmacology, drug development, genito-urinary, gastro-intestinal oncology, gynecology, intensified therapy, supportive and palliative care. Pr. Kattan earned his Medical Degree in 1986, and then started his five-year training in 1988 at Gustave-Roussy Institute, France. After which, He completed his specializations in Oncology (1989), Immunology (1991), and in Hematology (1993) from the University of Paris XI, France. Pr. Kattan is a member of many national and international societies (American Society of Clinical Oncology, European Society of Medical Oncology, Multinational Association of supporting care in Cancer, French Cancer Society, European Hematology Association, International society of Geriatric Oncology and Lebanese Society of Medical Oncology) and a principal investigator in numerous regional and multinational clinical trials. He is also a current or former member of the editorial board of many journals (Bulletin du Cancer, Cancer Letter, International Journal of Hematology and Oncology and the Lebanese Medical Journal).

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Dr. Clemence Matta is a Hematologist-Oncologist at Notre Dame des Secours University Hospital, Lebanon. She is also an instructor at the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik, Lebanon. Dr. Matta received her specialization from France. She participated in many communications, abstracts and case reports. Dr. Matta takes parts of national and international congresses and formations (EFEC, intensive courses, online course of genetics, cancer genomics and immuno-oncology with Harvard medical school). Dr. Matta is member of the FFCD (Federation Francaise de la Cancerologie Digestive) and of the EFEC (Ecole de Formation Europeenne de Cancerologie).

DR. GEORGES EL HACHEM

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Dr. Georges El Hachem is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine at the University of Balamand, Lebanon. He is engaged as a full-time oncologist at Saint George Hospital University Medical Center (SGHUMC), Lebanon. Dr. El Hachem has published around 90 articles on the most recent technology and research in hematology & medical oncology, treatment options, and the importance of the supportive care in the continuum of cancer care. He received his diplomas in Internal Medicine and in Hematology and Medical Oncology from the Saint George Hospital University Medical Center, Lebanon. Dr. El Hachem continued his training in medical oncology at Institut Jules Bordet and Erasme University Hospital at the Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB), Belgium, as well as at Paris Sud University, France. He sub-specialized in Breast Cancer and Gynecological Malignancies and was recognized as the Best Fellow in the year 2017-2018 at ULB. Dr. El Hachem graduated as ESMO Leader in November 2019 and is an active member in the ESMO Leader Generation Program. He is also a member of numerous national and international scientific organizations. Dr. El Hachem is the Ambassador of Belgium in the Society of Hematologic Oncology (SOHO) in collaboration with MD Anderson. He serves as an active editorial board member as well as a reviewer in several peer-reviewed international journals and is the Editor-in-chief of the Acta Scientific Cancer Biology Journal. Dr. El Hachem also organized the Continuum of Breast Care Academy (CBCA) and participated in the organization of Lebanese Lung Cancer Academy (LLCA).

DR. HAMPIG RAPHAEL KOURIE

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Dr. Hampig Raphael Kourie gained his medical doctor degree from the Faculty of Medicine of Saint Joseph University in Beirut Lebanon in 2010. He started his fellowship in Hôtel-Dieu de France, Saint Joseph University hospital in Beirut, Lebanon and he continued his medical oncology fellowship in Jules Bordet Institute in Brussels, Belgium from 2014 to 2016. Since September 2016, he worked in the digestive oncology department in Hôpital Européen Georges Pompidou (HEGP) in Paris as a researcher in the Association des Gastro-entérologues Oncologues en France (AGEO). He is also certified from Paris Diderot and Paris Descartes universities in hereditary cancers and digestive oncology. He gained his PhD in genetics from Saint Joseph University of Beirut in 2023 and his MEMS from ESA business school in 2023. He is practicing as a hematologist-oncologist in Hôtel Dieu de France, Hôpital Saint Joseph des Soeurs de la Croix, and Bellevue Medical Center. He is actually an ESMO Faculty in the colorectal cancer group. He founded and directed the Middle East Biomarkers course and the Middle East and North Africa GI Oncology Summit. He has more than 180 peer-reviewed articles, mainly in immunotherapy, oncogenomics, and digestive oncology fields.

MRS. NADA AKL, RN

ICU Head Nurse

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Mrs. Nada Akl is the ICU Head Nurse at Notre Dame des Secours University Hospital, Lebanon. She is also a member of the palliative care committee. Mrs Akl has more than 10 years of experience in mechanical ventilation management and bedsores and wound care management. She received her bachelor's degree in nursing from the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik, Lebanon and a Master's Degree in chronic disease clinical nursing from the Faculty of Public Health, Lebanese University, Lebanon.

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Mrs Aida Abou Khalil nurse supervisor of hemato-oncology department at Notre Dame De Secours university hospital since 2018 till present. She received her Bachelor Degree in Nursing Sciences from the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik-Lebanon. Mrs Bou Khalil completed a Diploma in oncology Nursing at Saint Joseph University-Lebanon, a Diploma in health Management at the Holy Family University-Lebanon and a professional Master in Hospital Management of Hospitals and Institutions of Care at Lebanese University public health faculty.

Aida had participated as a speaker in many symposiums (CEOP, PACE...). She has also attended several specialized nursing trainings and workshops.

DR. TONY SAWMA

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Dr. Toni Sawma is an Assistant Professor of Practice /Clinical Psychology in the Department of Social and Education Sciences at LAU.

Dr. Sawma practiced as a psychotherapist in private clinics since 2013. He founded the Psychology Unit at Notre Dame Des Secours University Hospital (CHU NDS) – Lebanon (2014-2021). He played an active role to integrate psychosocial care – dealing with the emotional and supportive aspects of cancer –into mainstream cancer care in Lebanon. In addition to offering mental health services to medical and surgical patients (inpatient and outpatient care) as the Head of Psychology Unit in CHU-NDS, he served as a consultant / clinician in different psychiatric units and mental health institutions in Lebanon. Dr. Sawma was involved in corporate training on stress management, communication skills, ergonomics and leadership since 2013.

Academically, Dr. Sawma was involved in teaching and supervising master studies in different educational programs (Clinical Psychology, Industrial Psychology, and Medical Education Programs). He was an Assistant Professor of Psychology at Effat University (Jeddah-KSA) and a lecturer in the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik (USEK), the Department of Business and Commercial Sciences in Le Conservatoire National des Arts et des Métiers (Le CNAM) and the École Nationale d'Administration (ÉNA).

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Yara Sanjab is a psychologist and psychotherapist. She holds a bachelor degree in industrial psychology from USEK- Lebanon and a master's degree in clinical psychology from the same university. Aside from the private practice, Yara is currently teaching psychology at LAU- Lebanon while practicing health psychology at NDS University Hospital- Lebanon especially in oncology, pediatrics and dialysis departments. She works with patients, families and health professionals for the past 7 years. She used to be also a school psychologist at College Notre Dame de Lourdes. She has a university diploma in addictology from USJ- Lebanon, and another one in systemic therapy approach, families and couples from USEK- Lebanon. She holds many other certificates and diplomas such as Biodicodage- France, CBT- Beck institute USA, Child protection- Harvard, Psycho oncology- France, Music therapy/Euterpe method- Italy along with other trauma related techniques diplomas. She's a speaker in many interviews related to mental health and conferences related to psycho oncology.

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