



FINAL PROGRAM GUIDE



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MESSAGE FROM THE ISHRS PRESIDENT

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to Rio de Janeiro and our World Congress. It is a pleasure to gather in this vibrant and beautiful city, renowned for its beaches, music, culture, and warm hospitality. Rio provides a wonderful setting to reconnect with colleagues, forge new friendships, and enjoy all that Brazil has to offer.



Conradin von Albertini, MD, FISHRS

First and foremost, I would like to congratulate and thank Dr. Maxim Chumak, Program Chair, for his vision, leadership, and dedication in shaping this World Congress. He has been well-supported by the World Congress Committee, whose commitment has helped create an exciting, relevant, and welcoming Congress for members at every career stage.

His program thoughtfully combines traditional Congress elements—such as General and Focused Sessions, Meet with the Experts table discussions, M&M Conference, Live Patient Viewing, and the Surgical Assistants Program—with innovative new features, including cutting-edge video sessions and a refreshed experience for Newcomers. I encourage you to explore the program fully and take advantage of this opportunity to learn from colleagues worldwide.

I also want to thank Melanie Stancampiano, ISHRS Programs Director, and her team for their invaluable support in bringing this Congress to life. Their behind-the-scenes efforts are vital for ensuring our meeting runs smoothly and provides an outstanding experience for everyone.

The World Congress is more than just an annual meeting; it is a forum for exchanging ideas, discovering new techniques, discussing challenging cases, and advancing patient care. It is also a valuable opportunity to strengthen friendships and professional connections across our global community.

The theme of this year's Congress, Where Integrity Meets Excellence, reflects a core principle of our profession. Excellence in hair restoration involves not only technical skill but also honesty with our patients, thoughtful decision-making, sound evidence, and respect for every individual. Integrity should guide us every day—in our practices, teaching, research, and representation of our specialty.

The ISHRS continues to thrive thanks to the dedication of its members, volunteers, faculty, committees, and staff. Our core values—education, research, and collegiality—remain central to our work, and this Congress offers an ideal opportunity to strengthen these principles together.

Whether this is your first World Congress or one of many, I hope you will fully engage in all it has to offer—learning, sharing ideas, and enjoying time with colleagues from around the world. I also hope you will savor our Gala evening, inspired by Rio Tropical Glamour, as a festive and memorable celebration in the warm spirit of this extraordinary city.

With warm personal regards,

Conradin von Albertini, MD, FISHRS
ISHRS President

MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAM CHAIR

It is difficult to believe that after many months of planning, the Rio World Congress is here.

From the beginning, our goal was to build a scientific program around the theme “Where Integrity Meets Excellence.” We wanted this Congress not only to present excellent science and surgical techniques, but also to create meaningful discussion about where our specialty is going and the standards we want to maintain as it continues to grow.

This year we received 196 abstracts, with many excellent submissions from around the world. Creating the final program from such a strong group was one of the most challenging parts of the process. We relied heavily on the World Congress Scientific Program Committee and tried to make the selection process as fair and objective as possible while creating opportunities for both established faculty and newer voices within the society.

The final program brings together traditional General Sessions with Focused Sessions, debates, Cases, Studies and Innovations (CSI) presentations, challenging complication cases, emerging technologies, regenerative therapies, surgical planning, ethics, safety, and practice management. We have also tried to create more opportunities for interaction—not simply lectures, but discussion, questions, debate, and direct exchange between faculty and attendees.

I also want to personally thank Dr. Conradin von Albertini, President of the ISHRS. Conradin was the person who offered me the opportunity to serve as Program Chair and trusted me with the responsibility of putting this Congress together. His confidence in me from the beginning, and his continued support and willingness to discuss new ideas throughout the process, have meant a great deal to me.

I am equally grateful to the Scientific Committee, our session chairs, moderators, faculty, and ISHRS staff. There have been countless meetings, emails, WhatsApp discussions, revisions, and ideas behind what will ultimately appear as three days on the program. I truly appreciate how much time everyone has contributed.

My hope is that people leave Rio not only with new techniques and ideas they can bring back to their practices, but also with renewed pride in our specialty and in the responsibility we have toward our patients and each other.

I look forward to meeting you here in Rio.



Maxim Chumak, MD, FISHRS
Program Chair
34th ISHRS World Congress



CME INFORMATION

The ISHRS is the leader in high quality education for hair restoration surgeons. The ISHRS has achieved the prestigious accreditation to organize education for physicians from the renowned Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education.

The 2026 ISHRS World Congress is not sanctioned for CME Credits.

However, the meeting will comply as much as possible with the policies and best practices of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education. All individuals in a position to control the content of the activity, including speakers and authors, moderators, and planning committee members, will properly disclose relevant financial relationships with any commercial interests pertinent to their talk or the subject of the meeting.

Learning Objective (Overall)

Evaluate evidence-based approaches to the diagnosis and management of hair loss, including surgical hair restoration, medical and regenerative therapies, emerging technologies, complication prevention and management, and ethical patient care, to optimize safe, individualized, long-term patient outcomes.

Speaker Disclosures of Conflicts of Interest

All presenters were required to disclose their relevant financial relationships. Such disclosures are published in the Abstract Book.

Certificate of Attendance

Attendees in Rio receive a personalized Certificate of Attendance in their registration packets. On-demand recorded meeting attendees will be emailed a Certificate of Attendance suitable for framing by November 17, 2026.

Evaluation Surveys

The CME Committee kindly requests that you complete the overall evaluation survey you will receive via email in the days following the in-person meeting. Your feedback is very valuable to us! We make changes to the program and faculty based on your comments so we may continually improve the World Congress. Thank you for your participation!

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MEETING INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official language of the meeting is English. Live translation will be provided via Wordly.AI. Individuals must use their own personal devices to access translation services. Please bring headphones if you plan to use live audio translation. English subtitles will be added to the presentation screens in the General Session room.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The ISHRS fully complies with the legal requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the rules and regulations thereof. If any participant in this educational activity is in need of support services, please notify the ISHRS Headquarters Office at +1-630-262-5399 or info@ishrs.org as soon as possible, and preferably before September 11, 2026.

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY

All registration fees, less a \$100.00 administration fee, will be refunded upon written notice of cancellation to the ISHRS office received on or before September 11, 2026.

There will be no refund of fees for cancellation or for lack of attendance without notification. It is your responsibility to ensure that your cancellation request has been received by the ISHRS headquarters office. All refund requests must be in writing. "No shows" who have not pre-paid will be invoiced for the total registration fee.

PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEO RECORDING POLICY

Photo Policy:

Conference attendees may take photographs during oral or poster presentations provided that the photographs are strictly for personal, noncommercial use, and not disruptive to the speaker or other learners.

Video Policy:

No video recording allowed.

CELLULAR PHONE POLICY

Keep phones on silent, vibrate, or do not disturb to avoid disrupting speakers and attendees. Be cognizant of not blocking the view of those around you if you are taking photos during a session. If you must answer an urgent call, quietly excuse yourself and leave the room before speaking.

CONGRESS HOTEL AND MEETING LOCATION

Windsor Convention Center & Hotels
R. Martinho de Mesquita
129 – Barra da Tijuca
Rio de Janeiro – RJ
20031-204, Brazil

Details about accommodations, rates, and reservations can be found at:
<https://34thannual.org/hotel/>

Check-in time is 3:00PM and check-out time is 12:00PM.

HOTEL PARKING

Parking is available at the Windsor Convention Center & Hotels at the prevailing rates.

AIRPORT & GROUND TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

The conference venue, the Windsor Convention Center & Hotels, is located 28.5 km (18 mi.) from Tom Jobim International Airport (GIG) and 25.2 km (16 mi) from Santos Dumont Airport (SDU). Traffic in Rio can be heavy, so pending your arrival or departure times you expect an approximately one-hour commute to/from either airport.

Blumar Pre-Arranged Airport Transfers

You may book your airport transportation through Blumar Congress & Events, the Official Travel Agency of the ISHRS 2026 World Congress.

Blumar can be reached via email at ishrs2026@blumar.com.br or WhatsApp at (+55 21) 99114 4780

WEATHER

October temperatures in Rio de Janeiro are generally between 70°F and 80°F (21°C and 27°C) with eight days of rain. It is generally a comfortable, moderately humid month with occasional rain showers.

MEETING ATTIRE

The attire for the in-person educational sessions is business.

The attire for the gala is formal tropical elegance with black tie optional. Ladies may wear a formal gown in a tropical pattern or color and men are encouraged to wear a tropical tuxedo or suit. Or as has been a tradition of the ISHRS, you may wear a costume reflective of your native country for the gala.

BADGES

An official ISHRS-issued badge for the 34th World Congress is required to enter the World Congress. Alterations and tampering with badges is prohibited and subject to the No Badge Swapping Policy.

Only those with a physician's badge will be permitted to attend education designated for physicians only.

BADGE REPRINT POLICY

A penalty fee of \$25 USD will be charged for the first reprint of lost or misplaced badges. A second reprint will incur a penalty fee of \$100 USD. Badges will not be printed a third time.

NO BADGE SWAPPING POLICY

You may not swap badges with other persons. Badges are issued to individuals for that individual's use, and only that individual's use. Replacement badges using another name or badge swapping is prohibited. Unauthorized use of Congress badges shall be subject to a \$2,000 USD fine per violation and punitive action by the Board of Governors, up to and including Congress ejection or possible forfeiture of ISHRS membership.

TICKETS

Tickets are required for the following events. For those in which you registered, the tickets will be included in your registration packet.

- Wednesday Basics Course
- Wednesday ABHRS Board Review Course
- Thursday WISHRS Luncheon
- Friday M&M Conference
- Saturday Gala & Awards Ceremony
- Family & Friends Tours

Taxi

Taxis are available at the airport but be sure to get your taxi from the airport's official taxi counter/booth to avoid complications. It is best to use authorized [official yellow taxis](#) found immediately outside the terminal arrivals area to avoid unlicensed drivers. Radio Taxi is also known to be reputable. Most taxis accept the payment by credit card, but it's best to ask the driver before you get in. Drivers might only speak Portuguese so have your hotel address written down or visible on your phone, ready to show the driver. Always make sure that the meter is running before starting the journey.

Ride Share

Uber is available in Rio de Janeiro.

FRIENDS & FAMILY TOURS

One of the pillars of the ISHRS is collegiality, and that extends to the spouses, partners, family members and friends of our members. This year we are excited to offer tours for our congress attendees' friends and family to explore our host city of Rio de Janeiro.

Visit the ISHRS registration desk to check on current tour availability.

TOUR #1: HALF DAY CORCOVADO WITH LUNCH

Date: Thursday, October 15, 2026
Departure Time: 9:30AM
Estimated Return Time: 3:30PM
Duration: 6 hours
Mode: Bus tour with lunch
Cost: \$235.00 USD per person

Tour Description:

Depart from the Windsor Barra Hotel for a visit to the iconic Christ the Redeemer statue, elected one of the Seven Modern Wonders of the World. Standing 2,300 feet above sea level atop Corcovado Mountain, the monument offers one of the most breathtaking views in Brazil.

Following a scenic drive along Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon, we will arrive at the base of the mountain, where guests will board the traditional train that climbs through the lush Tijuca Forest to the summit. Upon reaching the top, visitors will enjoy a spectacular panoramic view of Rio de Janeiro and discover why it is known as the "Marvelous City."

After the tour, enjoy a delicious lunch at Assador Rio's, one of the city's premier Brazilian steakhouses.

Lunch includes:

Assorted grilled meats served rodizio-style, salads and side dishes served at the table and dessert. Included beverages: mineral water, soft drinks, juice or coffee.

TOUR #2: BOTECA FOOD TOUR

Date: Friday, October 16, 2026
Departure Time: 6:30PM
Estimated Return Time: 11:30PM
Duration: 5 hours
Mode: Walking tour
Note: You will take an (estimated) 40-minute ride into the city, then proceed on foot. You will return to the Windsor hotel complex at the conclusion of the tour.
Cost: \$136.00 USD per person

Includes:

Bilingual guide and three bars visited during the experience.

- 3 drinks: bottled beer, draft beer, and caipirinha
- 5 traditional snacks (petiscos)
- Insider tips and stories from your local guide

Tour Description:

Discover an essential part of Rio's social life with our immersive Carioca Boteco Experience! Explore the bohemian heart of the city as we stroll through vibrant neighborhoods, home to some of Rio's most historic and beloved botecos the informal, lively pubs at the center of local culture.

Join us as we hop between three uniquely charming bars, soaking up their convivial atmosphere and the authentic hangout spirit of Cariocas. Along the way, you'll sample three classic Brazilian drinks, bottled beer, draft beer, and the world-famous caipirinha while savoring a selection of delicious petiscos, the traditional bar snacks that pair perfectly with your drinks.

Expect to mingle with locals, enjoy great conversation, and taste the flavors that make Rio's nightlife legendary, all in excellent company!

TOUR #3: AUTHENTIC IPANEMA

(A Shopping Tour of Brazilian Style & Sweet Flavors)

Date: Saturday, October 17, 2026
Departure Time: 10:00AM
Estimated Return Time: 4:00PM
Duration: 6 hours

Mode:

Walking tour
Note: You will take an (estimated) 40-minute bus ride into the Ipanema shopping area, then proceed on foot. You will return to the Windsor hotel at the conclusion of the tour.

Cost: \$100.00 USD per person

Includes:

Bilingual guide and visits to selected stores (food/beverage purchases are not included*)

Tour Description:

Get ready to experience Ipanema the local way, where fashion, flavor, and Rio's laid-back beach lifestyle come together perfectly. This walking tour takes you through the neighborhood's most charming streets, visiting iconic Brazilian brands, tasting local treats, and soaking up the unmistakable Carioca vibe.

We begin on Garcia D'Ávila Street, home to some of Brazil's most beloved brands. Visit Havaianas, the world-famous flip-flop store that embodies Brazilian fun and style; explore the colorful, tropical universe of Farm Rio; and step inside Granado, Brazil's oldest and most elegant apothecary.

Next, indulge your sweet tooth at Dengo, a boutique chocolate shop celebrating Brazil's finest cacao and coffee. Guests will have the opportunity to taste award-winning chocolates made from sustainable farms in Bahia and Pará a true taste of Brazil.

The tour continues along Visconde de Pirajá, the vibrant heart of Ipanema. Stops include Gilson Martins, known for playful bags and accessories inspired by Rio's beaches and skyline, and Hering, a Brazilian classic recognized for timeless comfort and simplicity.

And because no stroll through Rio is complete without a refreshing treat, we'll pause at Sorvetes Brasil, an artisan ice cream shop where you can sample tropical flavors such as cupuaçu, tapioca, and guava.

Finally, we'll end our experience on the elegant Maria Quitéria Street, visiting two icons of Brazilian fashion: Richards, with its relaxed beach-inspired style, and Osklen, a pioneer in sustainable luxury that perfectly blends nature, fashion, and design.

Enjoying Rio Safely

Rio de Janeiro is a vibrant, welcoming city, and we hope you'll take time to enjoy it during your stay. As in many large cities around the world, petty theft can occur, particularly in crowded areas, so a few simple precautions will help keep your visit trouble-free.

- Keep phones, cameras, and jewelry out of sight when walking in busy areas. Phone theft is common in Rio, do not use your phone when out and about. Step inside a store or restaurant if you need to use it.
- Order your taxi or rideshare from INSIDE of restaurants, before you step onto the street to wait.
- Do not wear your congress badge outside of the hotel, making it obvious that you are a tourist.
- Carry only what you need for the day. Leave your passport and extra cash in your

hotel safe. A photocopy or digital copy of your passport is usually sufficient.

- Use licensed taxis or ride-sharing apps, especially in the evening.
- Stay in well-lit, well-populated areas after dark, and avoid walking alone in unfamiliar neighborhoods.
- At the beach, don't leave belongings unattended.
- Ask the hotel staff if you're unsure about a particular area.

A little awareness goes a long way. With sensible precautions, we're confident you'll have a safe and memorable time in Rio.

TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION: CONGRESS APP & RECORDED MEETING WEBSITE

ISHRS CONGRESS MOBILE APP

1. **GO TO** your phone's app store
Download: **ISHRS Meetings**
2. **LAUNCH** the app. Click on the 2026 Meeting.
3. **ENTER YOUR DETAILS.** Enter your email address and the access key that was emailed to you. Click "Log in."



ISHRS RECORDED MEETING WEBSITE & MOBILE APP

App & Recorded Meeting Website Opens:
Tuesday/October 6, 2026

Recorded Session Viewing Begins:
Tuesday/November 3, 2026

App & Recorded Meeting Website Close:
Wednesday/February 3, 2027

LOGIN CREDENTIALS

Login credentials for the congress app and recorded meeting website are intended only for the registered attendee. Each attendee email address may only be logged into one device at a time. Any additional attempts to login will remove the attendee from other devices.

RECORDED MEETING WEBSITE

The recorded meeting website will be the web-based center for the 2026 World Congress. This site will utilize the same platform as the congress app. This website is where all meeting information may be accessed, and recorded sessions will be posted on November 3, 2026.

RECORDED MEETING WEBSITE:

<https://ishrs2026.eventscribe.net>

LOG IN

Repeat this each time you want to access the recorded meeting website.

1. Enter your e-mail address (the email address you registered for the congress with) and the access code emailed to you.
2. Click "Login".



Wifi is available in the meeting space at the Windsor Conference Center – Oceanico Wing

Network Name: **ISHRS**

Password: **ISHRSRIO2026**

ASKING QUESTIONS IN THE SESSIONS

Attendees are strongly encouraged to ask questions by submitting them via the Congress App. Questions submitted via app will be prioritized in the session over questions from the floor.

To submit your question:

- Open the Congress app
- Tap the "Schedule" tab
- Locate the session in which you wish to ask a question and tap the session name
- Tap "Q&A"
- Press the "Ask Question" button to add your question
- Press "Submit" to send your question to the moderators

LIVE TRANSLATION IN RIO

ACCESSING LIVE TRANSLATION DURING EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

- Scan the QR code on the session page in the Final Program Guide or when displayed on the screen in the room.
- Choose your preferred language from the dropdown menu.
- Click "Attend."
- You may read the copy on the screen or click the audio button to listen to the translated text.

(Please be sure to have headphones connected to your device prior to initiating audible translation.)

AVAILABLE LANGUAGES FOR TRANSLATION

Afrikaans	Chinese (Traditional)	French (CA)	Icelandic	Lithuanian	Romanian	Tamil
Albanian	Croatian	French (FR)	Indonesian	Macedonian	Russian	Thai
Arabic	Czech	Georgian	(Bahasa)	Malay	Serbian	Turkish
Armenian	Danish	German	Irish	Maltese	Slovak	Ukrainian
Bengali	Dutch	Greek	Italian	Norwegian	Slovenian	Urdu
Bosnian	English (AU)	Gujarati	Japanese	Persian	Spanish (ES)	Vietnamese
Bulgarian	English (US)	Haitian Creole	Kannada	Polish	Spanish (MX)	Welsh
Cantonese	English (UK)	Hebrew	Korean	Portuguese (BR)	Swahili	Zulu
Catalan	Estonian	Hindi	Lao	Portuguese (PT)	Swedish	
Chinese (Simplified)	Finnish	Hungarian	Latvian	Punjabi	Tagalog	

ANNOUNCING THE ISHRS PODCAST

The ISHRS is launching a new podcast focused primarily on consumer education. During the World Congress, look for the glass recording cube in the Exhibit Hall, where ISHRS physician members will be recording discussions on hair loss, hair restoration, patient safety, treatment options, and other topics important to patients and the public. Following post-production, full video episodes will be available on the ISHRS YouTube channel, with audio episodes distributed through leading podcast platforms, including Apple Podcasts and Spotify.



FISHRS LOUNGE IN EXHIBIT HALL

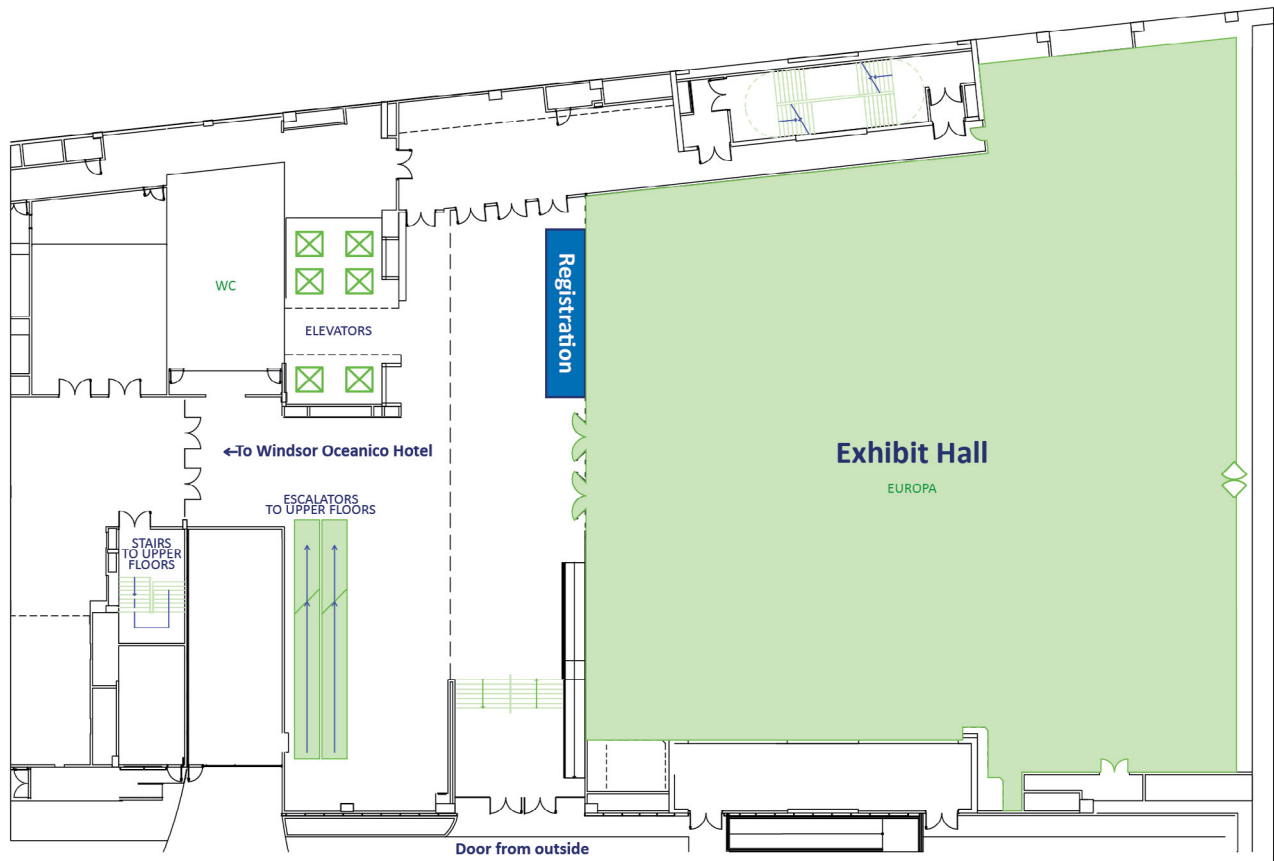
Location: Europa (Exhibit Hall) → Ground Floor

Take a break in this comfortable lounge, open exclusively to ISHRS Fellow members and their guests. You will find comfortable furniture, a place to gather with friends, and special snacks. As a benefit of your membership, this space to chat, work, or relax, will be open to you when the Exhibit Hall is open, Thursday through Saturday. Each Fellow Member is permitted to access this lounge with one guest.



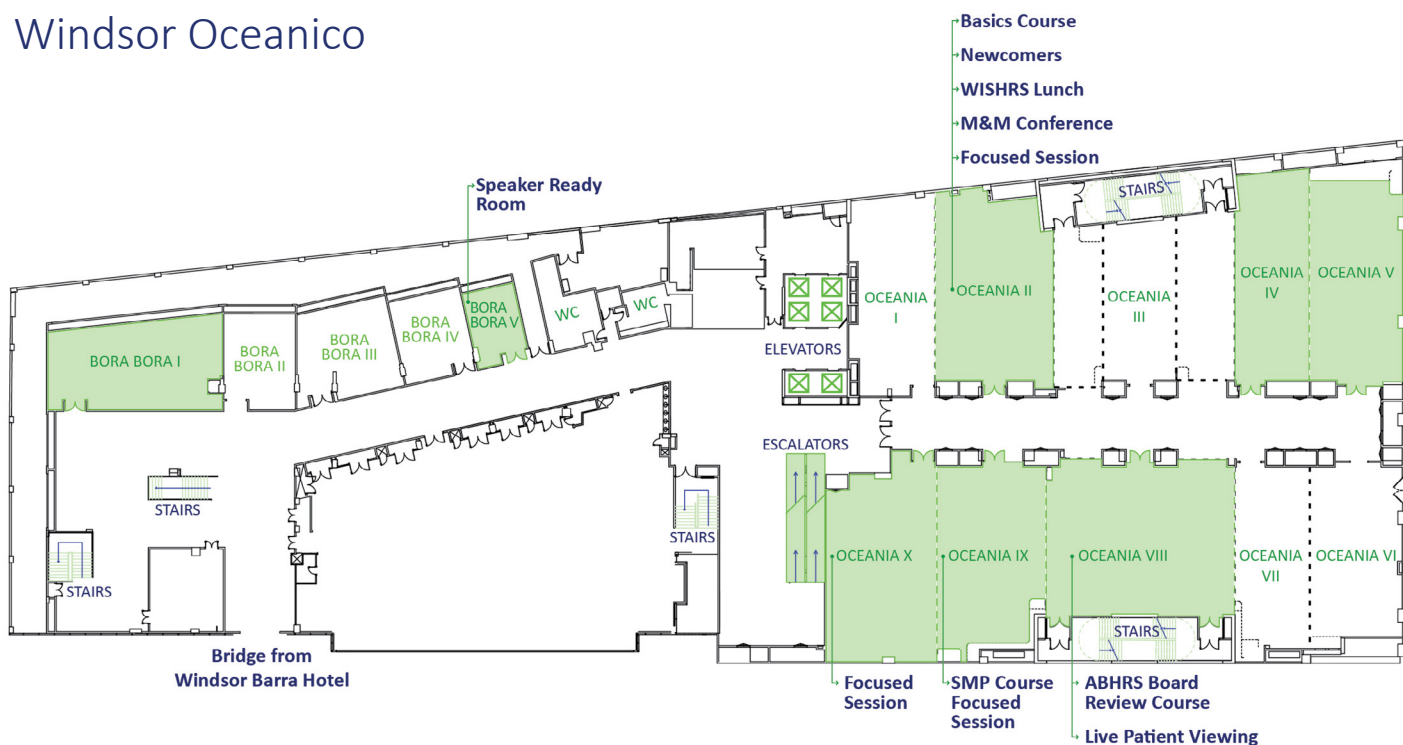
MEETING SPACE FLOOR PLAN

GROUND FLOOR Windsor Oceanico

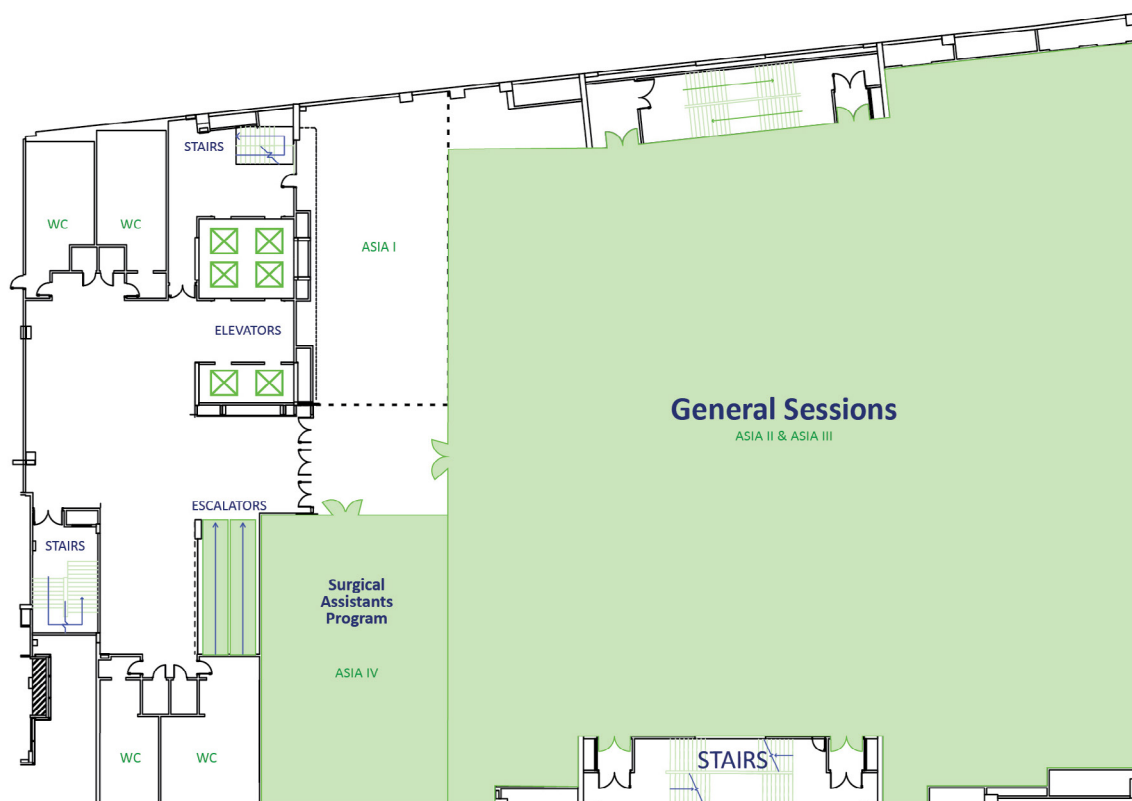


MEETING SPACE FLOOR PLAN

FLOOR 2 Windsor Oceanico



FLOOR 3 Windsor Oceanico



PROGRAM AT-A-GLANCE

TUESDAY OCTOBER 13, 2026	
7:30AM-5:00PM	Ancillary Meeting: ABCRC Live Surgery Workshop
3:00PM-7:00PM	Registration <i>Europa Foyer → Ground Floor</i>
3:00PM-7:00PM	Speaker Ready Room <i>Bora Bora V → Floor 2</i>
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 14, 2026	
6:00AM-10:30AM	Breakfast on Your Own <i>Windsor Convention Center Hotels</i> <i>Attendees should eat breakfast on their own before coming to sessions.</i>
7:00AM-6:00PM	Registration <i>Europa Foyer → Ground Floor</i>
7:00AM-6:00PM	Speaker Ready Room <i>Bora Bora V → Floor 2</i>
8:00AM-5:00PM	401: Basics Course <i>Oceania II → Floor 2</i>
8:30AM-3:30PM	ISHRS Board of Governors Meeting (invitation only) <i>Bora Bora I → Floor 2</i>
9:00AM-3:30PM	402: ABHRS Board Review Course <i>Oceania VIII → Floor 2</i>
2:00PM-7:00PM	Exhibitor Set-Up <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
1:00PM-5:00PM	403: SMP Half-Day Course <i>Oceania IX → Floor 2</i>
4:30PM-5:30PM	Global Council of Hair Restoration Surgery Societies Meeting (invitation only) <i>Oceania VIII → Floor 2</i>
6:00PM-6:30PM	Moderators Meeting <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
THURSDAY OCTOBER 15, 2026	
6:00AM-10:30AM	Breakfast on Your Own <i>Windsor Convention Center Hotels</i> <i>Attendees should eat breakfast on their own before coming to sessions.</i>
7:00AM-6:30PM	Registration <i>Europa Foyer → Ground Floor</i>
7:00AM-6:00PM	Speaker Ready Room <i>Bora Bora V → Floor 2</i>
7:15AM-8:15AM	101: Newcomers Orientation & Speed Networking (physicians only) <i>Oceania II → Floor 2</i>
8:00AM-7:30PM	Exhibits & CSI Viewing <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
8:45AM-10:30AM	GENERAL SESSION 1 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
8:30AM-9:55AM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 1 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
10:00AM-10:40AM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 2 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
10:30AM-11:15AM	Coffee Break / Visit Exhibits & CSIs <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
11:15AM-12:20PM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 3 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
11:25AM-12:35PM	GENERAL SESSION 2 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
12:35PM-12:40PM	Awards #1 – CSI Awards <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
12:40PM-2:00PM	Lunch <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
12:50PM-1:50PM	111: Women in Hair Restoration Surgery (WISHRS) Luncheon <i>Oceania II → Floor 2</i>
2:00PM-2:45PM	GENERAL SESSION 3 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
2:00PM-2:55PM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 4 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
2:45PM-2:50PM	Awards #2 – ISHRS Travel Grants <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>

2:50PM-3:35PM	GENERAL SESSION 4 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
3:00PM-3:45PM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 5 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
3:35PM-4:35PM	Meet the Experts & Visit Exhibits <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
4:15PM-5:45PM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 6 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
4:35PM-6:00PM	GENERAL SESSION 5 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
6:00PM-7:30PM	Welcome Reception <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
FRIDAY OCTOBER 16, 2026	
6:00AM-10:30AM	Breakfast on Your Own <i>Windsor Convention Center Hotels</i> <i>Attendees should eat breakfast on their own before coming to sessions.</i>
7:30AM-6:15PM	Registration <i>Europa Foyer → Ground Floor</i>
7:00AM-6:15PM	Speaker Ready Room <i>Bora Bora V → Floor 2</i>
8:00AM-9:30AM	FOCUSED SESSION BANK 1 FS 201: Regenerative Therapies: Evidence, Devices & Clinical Protocols <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i> FS 202: Long Hair FUE <i>Oceania II → Floor 2</i> FS 203: Practice Management & Clinic Operations <i>Oceania X → Floor 2</i> FS 204: Hairline Design & Donor Area Management <i>Oceania IX → Floor 2</i>
8:00AM-9:30AM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 7 <i>Asia IV → Floor 2</i>
9:00AM-5:00PM	Exhibits & CSI Viewing <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
9:30AM-10:00AM	Coffee Break / Visit Exhibits & CSIs <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
10:00AM-10:50AM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 8 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
10:10AM-11:45AM	GENERAL SESSION 6 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
10:55AM-12:30PM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 9 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
11:45AM-11:50AM	Awards #3 – Forum Awards <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
11:50AM-12:35PM	GENERAL SESSION 7 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
12:35PM-2:00PM	Lunch Available <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
1:00PM-1:35PM	ISHRS Annual Business Meeting <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
2:00PM-2:35PM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 10 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
2:00PM-3:30PM	FOCUSED SESSION BANK 2 FS 211: Large Graft-Number Procedures & Donor Preservation <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i> FS 212: AI, Digital Planning Clinical Technology <i>Oceania II → Floor 2</i> FS 213: Afro-Textured Hair Restoration <i>Oceania IX → Floor 2</i> FS 214: Corrective Cases, Scarring Alopecia & Repair Surgery <i>Oceania X → Floor 2</i>
2:40PM-3:45PM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 11 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
3:35PM-4:20PM	Meet the Experts & Visit Exhibits <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
4:00PM-4:45PM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 12 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
4:30PM-5:30PM	GENERAL SESSION 8 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>

6:00PM-8:00PM	221: ISHRS & ABHRS M&M Conference <i>Oceania II → Floor 2</i>
SATURDAY OCTOBER 17, 2026	
6:00AM-10:30AM	Breakfast on Your Own <i>Windsor Convention Center Hotels</i> <i>Attendees should eat breakfast on their own before coming to sessions.</i>
7:30AM-3:30PM	Registration <i>Europa Foyer → Ground Floor</i>
8:00AM-3:00PM	Speaker Ready Room <i>Bora Bora V → Floor 2</i>
9:30AM-2:00PM	Exhibits & CSI Viewing <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
7:45AM-8:45AM	Meet the Experts <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
9:00AM-10:15AM	GENERAL SESSION 9 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
9:00AM-9:40AM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 13 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
9:45AM-10:35AM	SA PROGRAM SESSION 14 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
10:15AM-10:20AM	Awards #4 – ISHRS Research Grants <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
10:20AM-11:05AM	Coffee Break / Visit Exhibits & CSI CSI Inquiry Session <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
11:15AM-12:20PM	GENERAL SESSION 10 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
11:10AM-12:30PM	SA PROGRAM SESSIONS 15 <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i>
12:20PM-1:30PM	Lunch Break <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
12:30PM-1:20PM	Live Patient Viewing <i>Oceania VIII, IX, X → Floor 2</i>
1:30PM-2:10PM	GENERAL SESSION 11 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
2:10PM-2:15PM	Awards #5 – World Congress Scientific Planning Committee <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
2:15PM-3:00PM	GENERAL SESSION 12 <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>
3:15PM-4:00PM	CME Committee Meeting (invitation only) <i>Oceania II → Floor 2</i>
2:00PM-7:00PM	Exhibitor Dismantle <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
7:00PM-12:00AM	Ritmos do Brasil Gala Dinner & Awards <i>Asia Ballroom → Floor 3</i>

DAY-BY-DAY PROGRAM PRE-CONGRESS

TUESDAY | OCTOBER 13, 2026

7:30AM-5:00PM	Ancillary Meeting: ABCRC Live Surgery Workshop
3:00PM-7:00PM	Registration <i>Europa Foyer → Ground Floor</i>
3:00PM-7:00PM	Speaker Ready Room <i>Bora Bora V → Floor 2</i>

WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 14, 2026

6:00AM-10:30AM	Breakfast on Your Own Windsor Convention Center Hotels Attendees should eat breakfast on their own before coming to sessions.
7:00AM-6:30PM	Registration <i>Europa Foyer → Ground Floor</i>
7:00AM-6:00PM	Speaker Ready Room <i>Bora Bora V → Floor 2</i>
8:00AM-5:00PM	401: Basics Course <i>Oceania II → Floor 2</i>
8:30AM-3:30PM	ISHRS Board of Governors Meeting (invitation only) <i>Bora Bora I → Floor 2</i>
9:00AM-3:30PM	402: ABHRS Board Review Course <i>Oceania VIII → Floor 2</i>
2:00PM-7:00PM	Exhibitor Set-Up <i>Europa → Ground Floor</i>
1:00PM-5:00PM	403: SMP Course <i>Oceania IV → Floor 2</i>
4:30PM-5:30PM	Global Council of Hair Restoration Surgery Societies Meeting (invitation only) <i>Oceania VIII → Floor 2</i>
6:00PM-6:30PM	Moderators Meeting <i>Asia II & III → Floor 3</i>

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THURSDAY | OCTOBER 15, 2026

6:00AM-10:30AM **Breakfast on Your Own** | Windsor Convention Center Hotels

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7:00AM-6:30PM **Registration** | Europa Foyer → Ground Floor

7:00AM-6:00PM **Speaker Ready Room** | Bora Bora V → Floor 2

7:15AM-8:15AM **101: Newcomers Orientation & Speed Networking** (physicians only)
| Oceania II → Floor 2

8:00AM-7:30PM **Exhibits & CSI Viewing** | Europa, Ground Floor

8:45AM-6:00PM **GENERAL SESSIONS** | Asia II & III → Floor 3

8:30AM-5:45PM **Surgical Assistants Program** | Asia IV → Floor 3

8:45AM-10:30AM **GENERAL SESSION 1: OPENING REMARKS / FUTURE DIRECTION & HIGH-IMPACT SCIENCE**

MODERATOR: Samuel M. Lam, MD, FISHRS | USA

CO-MODERATOR: Leila D. Bloch, MD, PhD, FISHRS | Brazil

8:45AM-9:00AM **15 Welcome & President's Address**
GS-001 Conradin von Albertini, MD, FISHRS | Switzerland

9:01AM-9:06AM **5 Tips for a Successful Congress Experience**
GS-002 Victoria Ceh, MPA, Executive Director
Melanie Stancampiano, Programs Director

9:07AM-9:17AM **10 Program Chair's Remarks**
GS-003 Maxim Chumak, MD, FISHRS | USA

9:18AM-9:28AM **10 When Hair Restoration Goes Wrong: A Patient's Journey Through Necrosis and Recovery**
GS-004 German Segura, MD | USA

9:28AM-9:30AM **2 Moderator Introduction**
Samuel M. Lam, MD, FISHRS | USA

9:30AM-9:35AM **5 Memorial Tribute to Dr. Carlos Uebel**
Marcelo Gandelman, MD | Brazil

9:35AM-9:40AM **5 Identification of Molecular Mechanisms Behind Dermal Papilla's Loss of Trichogenic Potential in Androgenetic Alopecia**
GS-005 Carlos Portinha, MD | Portugal

9:40AM-10:00AM **20 FEATURED GUEST SPEAKER: ADVANCES IN HAIR BIOLOGY LECTURE**
GS-006 Bridging Data and Tissue: Bioinformatics and 3D Bioengineering for Next-Generation Hair Follicle Research
Carolina Motter Catarino, PhD | Brazil

10:01AM-10:06AM **5 Hair Follicle Transplantation Reprograms Chronic Wounds Toward a Pro-Remodeling State via Paracrine Modulation**
GS-007 Xi Chu, MD | China

10:07AM-10:14AM **7 Multimodal Spatiotemporal Atlas of Human Hair Follicle in Aging and Androgenetic Alopecia**
GS-008 Yanwan Xu, MD, China

10:15AM-10:30AM **15 Questions & Answers**

10:30AM-11:15AM **Coffee Break & Visit Exhibits** | Europa

AND NOW A WORD FROM
OUR EXHIBITORS

Exhibiting companies at this year's congress were given the opportunity to provide a short video highlighting their products and services. Enjoy their videos in the main meeting room prior to General Sessions 2, 6, 8, 9, and 10.

THURSDAY | OCTOBER 15, 2026

11:25AM-12:35PM **GENERAL SESSION 2: EVIDENCE-BASED MEDICAL, NON-SURGICAL & DISEASE-SPECIFIC THERAPIES**

MODERATOR: Nina Otberg, MD | Germany

CO-MODERATOR: Maira R. Merlotto, MD, MSc | Brazil

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| 11:25AM-11:27AM | 2 | Moderator Introduction
Nina Otberg, MD Germany |
| 11:27AM-11:29AM | 2 | Short Video: Safety and Efficacy of a Botanically Derived Hair Loss Treatment Regimen in Patients with Androgenetic Alopecia: A Single-Arm, Before-and-After Study
Ronald L. Shapiro, MD, FISHRS USA
Zinaria Williams, MD USA |
| 11:30AM-11:50AM | 20 | FEATURED GUEST SPEAKER: STOUGH LECTURE
Phase 3 SCALP Clinical Trial Program Evaluating Topical Clascoterone 5% Solution for Androgenetic Alopecia
Maria Hordinsky, MD USA |
| 11:30AM-11:50AM | 7 | Not All Topicals Are Created Equal: Formulation Matters for Optimizing Therapy with Topical 5-ARIs
Simon Pimstone, MD, PhD, FRCPC Canada |
| 11:58AM-12:05PM | 7 | Evaluation of Serum IL-17, IL-21, IL-6, and TNF-alpha Levels in Patchy Alopecia Areata and Their Association with Disease Severity
Randa Erfan, MD, PhD Egypt |
| 12:05PM-12:12PM | 7 | Oral JAK Inhibitors for Treatment-resistant Lichen Planopilaris and Frontal Fibrosing Alopecia: A Prospective Real-world Study
Angelos Keramidas, MD Greece |
| 12:13PM-12:18PM | 5 | Hair Loss in the Era of GLP-1 and Metabolic Pharmacotherapy: What Hair Transplant Surgeons Need to Know
Malgorzata Kolenda, MD, PhD, FISHRS Poland |
| 12:18PM-12:35PM | 17 | Questions & Answers |

12:35PM-12:40PM **Awards #1 – CSI Awards**

PRESENTED BY: Luis Nader, MD, FISHRS, CSI Chair

Chiara Insalaco, MD, PhD, CSI Co-Chair

Vinicius Lima, MD, CSI Co-Chair

12:40PM-2:00PM **Lunch | Europa → Ground Floor**

12:50PM-1:50PM **111: WISHRS Luncheon | Oceania II → Floor 2**



WOMEN IN HAIR RESTORATION SURGERY LUNCHEON WEAR BURGUNDY!

Date: Thursday/October 15, 2026

Time: 12:50PM-1:50PM

12:30 PM Lunch Available | 12:50PM Program Begins

Location: Oceania II → Floor 2

Fee: \$50 USD

Chair: Marie A. Schambach, MD, FISHRS
| Guatemala

THIS IS NOT A NETWORKING LUNCH. THIS IS A MASTERCLASS.

Join WISHRS for one hour built entirely around the question every ambitious woman in this specialty should be asking: how do I get from here to the leadership table?

Featuring a virtual keynote by COL (ret.) Dr. Jessica Bunin — West Point graduate, 23-year US Army physician-leader, and co-founder

of All Levels Leadership — on assertive communication for women in male-dominated specialties. Followed by a candid senior panel, a leadership pipeline exercise, and a WISHRS emergency kit designed by female physicians, for female physicians.

Open to all women (and men) in the ISHRS - surgeons, technicians, researchers... Burgundy is the color.

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M. Gonzalez



S. Tringali



THURSDAY | OCTOBER 15, 2026

2:00PM-2:45PM

GENERAL SESSION 3: AI, ROBOTICS & QUANTITATIVE IMAGING

MODERATOR: Ricardo Mejia, MD, FISHRS | USA

CO-MODERATOR: Bruno Ferreira, MD, MSc | Portugal

2:00PM-2:02PM

2 Moderator Introduction

Ricardo Mejia, MD, FISHRS | USA

2:02PM-2:04PM

GS-015

2 Short Video: Hair Mass Variability in Women with FAGA: Relative Contributions of Hair Density and Shaft Thickness

Maria Gonzalez, MD, PhD | Norway

2:05PM-2:10PM

GS-016

5 AI-Guided Giga Sessions: A Novel Approach for Advanced Norwood 6-7 Cases Using Scalp and Body Hair Combinations

Gabriel Fachini, MD | Brazil

2:11PM-2:18PM

GS-017

7 Artificial Intelligence-Assisted Quantitative Trichoscopy: Benchmarking Multimodal Models Against Manual Analysis

Samuel Tringali, DO | USA

2:19PM-2:45PM

26 Discussion, Questions & Answers

2:45PM-2:50PM

Awards #2 – ISHRS Travel Grants

Sheldon Kabaker Scholarship Fund

PRESENTED BY: Conradin von Albertini, MD, FISHRS | President

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ABOUT THE SHELDON KABAKER SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. Sheldon S. Kabaker was one of the founding members of the ISHRS. As one of the ten original board members, he helped to shape the Society into what it stands for today. He was a leader, a teacher, and a man of great surgical talent from whom many of us learned about the hairline lowering technique with trichophytic closure. With his wife, Marcia, he travelled the world to join in our many meetings and social events. He passed away in December 2023, and it was a tremendous loss for the society and his many friends, mentees, and colleagues. Established in 2024 and generously funded by Marcia Kabaker, the Sheldon Kabaker Scholarship is dedicated to supporting physicians in the field of hair transplantation through education, research, and membership. Dr. Kabaker was a dedicated, long-standing member of the ISHRS who devoted himself to the three pillars of the ISHRS – education, research, and collegiality. Hence, this scholarship fund memorializes Dr. Kabaker's years of dedication and teaching by extending this gift to others.

THURSDAY | OCTOBER 15, 2026

2:50PM-3:35PM **GENERAL SESSION 4: DEBATE SESSION 1 – LARGE GRAFT-NUMBER PROCEDURES**

CHAIR: Greg Williams, MBBS, FISHRS | United Kingdom
CO-CHAIR: Sara M. Wasserbauer, MD, FISHRS | USA

Staged Procedures vs Single Large Graft Procedures – Which is Better for the Patient?

GS-18 Team Farjo

Bessam Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS | United Kingdom
Nilofer Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS | United Kingdom

GS-019 Team Oz

Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS | Australia
Russell Knudsen, MBBS, FISHRS | Australia

3:35PM-4:35PM **Coffee Break & Visit Exhibits** | *Europa → Ground Floor*

3:45PM-4:30PM **Meet the Experts** | *Europa → Ground Floor*



MEET THE EXPERTS

THURSDAY | OCTOBER 15, 2026

Meet the Experts Discussion Tables

3:45PM-4:30PM

Europa → Ground Floor

Open to all physician attendees on a first-come, first-served basis. This is an informal session for small groups to discuss a specific topic as noted on the list. The round tables will be labeled with a topic and table leaders' names. You may sit at any table you like and rotate to as many tables as you wish. Bring your questions! The idea is to have a dialogue among those interested in the topic – an interesting conversation. These are not formal presentations.



M. Bishara



T. Carman

Table Number	Subject	Table Leader #1	Table Leader #2
Table 1	PRP and Stem Cells	Alan Bauman, MD FISHRS USA	Jesus Diaz, MD Chile
Table 2	Injectable Therapies for Hair Growth	Ali Abbasi, MD, FISHRS Iran	Shady El-Maghraby, MD, MSc, FISHRS Egypt
Table 3	Supplements and Alternative Medicine for Hair Growth	Gorana Kuka Epstein, MD, FISHRS Serbia	Paul T. Rose, MD, JD, FISHRS USA
Table 4	Reconstruction and Repair	Sebastian Yriart, MD, FISHRS Argentina	Sara M. Wasserbauer, MD, FISHRS USA
Table 5	No Shave FUE	Guillermo Guerrero, MD Mexico	Luciana Takata, MD, PhD USA
Table 6	Growing Hair Without Surgery	Luis Nader, MD, FISHRS Mexico	
Table 7	Minoxidil & Dutasteride	Ken Washenik, MD, PhD, FISHRS USA	Aditya Gupta, MD, PhD, FISHRS Canada
Table 8	General Session 1: Future Direction & High-Impact Science	Session Moderators	Session Faculty
Table 9	General Session 2: Evidence-Based Medical, Non-Surgical & Disease-Specific Therapies	Session Moderators	Session Faculty
Table 10	General Session 3: AI, Robotics & Quantitative Imaging	Session Moderators	Session Faculty
Table 11	Debate 1: Large Graft-Number Procedures	Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS Australia	Bessam Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS United Kingdom



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G. Williams



S. Wasserbauer



B. Farjo



N. Farjo



V. Jayaprakash



R. Knudsen

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R. Haber



E. Karadeniz



R. Panchaprateep



J. Park



M. Singh



A. Ruston



M. Speranzini



E. Viana

THURSDAY | OCTOBER 15, 2026

4:35PM-6:00PM GENERAL SESSION 5: DONOR HARVESTING, HAIRLINE DESIGN, FUE WORKFLOW & EFFICIENCY

MODERATOR: Sebastian Yriart, MD, FISHRS | Argentina

CO-MODERATOR: Flavio Giardiello, MD | Brazil

- 4:35PM-4:37PM 2 **Moderator Introduction**
Sebastian Yriart, MD, FISHRS | Argentina
- 4:37PM-4:39PM 2 **Short Video: Designing the Undetectable Hairline in Patients with Coarse Asian Hair: Integrating Surgical Precision with Aesthetic Principles**
GS-020 Mayank Singh, MS, MCh, FISHRS | India
- 4:39PM-4:41PM 2 **Short Video: Punch Excision versus Microscopic Dissection in Strip Surgery**
GS-021 Emre Karadeniz, MD, FISHRS | Türkiye
- 4:41PM-4:43PM 2 **Short Video: Modern Reevaluation of Macro- and Micro-Irregularity in Frontal Hairline Design: A Systematic Quadrant-Based Approach**
GS-022 Elson Viana, MD | Brazil
- 4:44PM-4:46PM 2 **Short Video: When Facial Thirds Are Not Enough: Individualizing Hairline Design in Hair Transplantation**
GS-023 Christine Graf-Guimaraes, MD, MSc | Brazil
- 4:47PM-4:50PM 3 **The Critical Importance of Ergonomic Surgical Loupes in Hair Restoration Surgery**
GS-024 Robert S. Haber, MD, FISHRS | USA
- 4:50PM-4:55PM 5 **Systematization of Long Hair Follicular Unit Extraction: Surgical Protocol, Learning Curve, and Technical Error Analysis Across 960 Procedures and 102 Trained Physicians**
GS-025 Laura Caicedo, MD, FISHRS | Spain
- 4:56PM-5:01PM 5 **Extraction and Implantation Speeds in FUE Hair Transplantation: A Multicenter Retrospective Study of 612 Cases**
GS-026 Leo Chong, MBChB | New Zealand
- 5:01PM-5:08PM 7 **The Revolving Multi-Implanter – A True Game Changer**
GS-027 Conradin von Albertini, MD, FISHRS | Switzerland
- 5:09PM-5:16PM 7 **Female Hairline Correction for Facial Asymmetry: Design Principles and Clinical Outcomes in 78 Patients**
GS-028 Jae-Hyun Park, MD, PhD, FISHRS | South Korea
- 5:17PM-5:27PM 10 **DONOR IS the BOSS: What Coverage Can Be Achieved in the Great Majority of N 6/7 Patients?**
GS-029 Antonio S. Ruston, MD | Brazil
- 5:28PM-5:35PM 7 **The Hectographic Templates**
GS-030 Mauro Speranzini, MD, FISHRS | Brazil
- 5:35PM-5:40PM 5 **Donor Area Alterations After FUT Hair Transplantation: A Trichoscopic Analysis Above and Below the Scar**
GS-031 Leila Bloch, MD, PhD, FISHRS | Brazil
- 5:40PM-5:45PM 5 **Ethnic Variation in Lifetime Graft Harvesting Potential and Intermediate Zone of Donor Area in Hair Transplantation: A Comparative Study**
GS-031 Ratchathorn Panchaprateep, MD, PhD, FISHRS | Thailand
- 5:45PM-6:00PM 15 **Questions & Answers**



WELCOME RECEPTION

Date: Thursday | October 15, 2026

Time: 6:00PM-7:30PM

Fee: No extra fee required.

Location: Europa → Ground Floor

Join us in the Exhibit Hall after the first day of the meeting to celebrate with a feeling of the signature event of Rio de Janeiro, Carnival! Enjoy the sites, tastes, and sounds from Rio with your colleagues and friends. This event is open to all meeting attendees, their guests, and exhibitors.

The Welcome Reception is a great opportunity to spend time talking with exhibitors and reviewing their products and services in a relaxed atmosphere.

DAY-BY-DAY PROGRAM FRIDAY

FRIDAY | OCTOBER 16, 2026

6:00AM-10:30AM **Breakfast on Your Own** | Windsor Convention Center Hotels
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7:30AM-6:15PM **Registration** | Europa Foyer → Ground Floor

7:00AM-6:15PM **Speaker Ready Room** | Bora Bora V → Floor 2

8:00AM-9:30AM **Focused Session Bank 1** | Multiple Rooms

8:00AM-4:45PM **Surgical Assistants Program** | Asia IV → Floor 3

9:00AM-5:00PM **Exhibits & CSI Viewing** | Europa → Ground Floor

10:10AM-5:30PM **GENERAL SESSIONS** | Asia II & III → Floor 3

2:00PM-3:30PM **Focused Session Bank 2** | Multiple Rooms

6:00PM-8:00PM **ISHRS & ABHRS M&M Conference** | Oceania II → Floor 2

FOCUSED SESSION BANK 1



V. Jayaprakash

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the Focused Sessions at the 34th ISHRS World Congress in Rio de Janeiro. I am genuinely excited by the program we have put together. We have assembled a world-class group of speakers whose aim is not to skim the surface, but to drill down into each topic and explore the fine nuances that make the difference in real clinical practice. Whether your interest lies in regenerative therapies, surgical technique, practice management, or emerging technology, I am confident you will leave these sessions with a deeper understanding and fresh ideas to take home.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our amazing faculty, who have generously given their time and expertise to share their knowledge with colleagues from around the world. And an even bigger thank you to our even more amazing moderators, who will chair each session and guide the discussion. Their hard work in shaping these sessions is what brings the program to life. I look forward to seeing you there.

Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS | Australia
Chair, Focused Sessions

FRIDAY | OCTOBER 16, 2026



C. Insalaco



L. Nader

8:00AM-9:30AM



Focused Session 201: Regenerative Therapies: Evidence, Devices & Clinical Protocols | *Asia II & III → Floor 3*

LEVEL: Intermediate-Advanced

DESCRIPTION: Regenerative treatments are one of the fastest-growing areas of hair restoration, and also one of the most heavily marketed. This session separates what the evidence supports from what it doesn't. Attendees will leave with a clearer framework for evaluating biologics and devices, and practical guidance on building treatment protocols that are safe, reproducible, and honest with patients.

MODERATOR: Chiara Insalaco, MD, PhD | Italy

CO-MODERATOR: Luis Nader, MD, FISHRS | Mexico

FACULTY: Ali Abbasi, MD, FISHRS | Iran

Pablo Cirino, MD, PhD | Brazil

Gorana Kuka Epstein, MD, FISHRS | Serbia

Ratchathorn Panchaprateep, MD, PhD, FISHRS | Thailand

Marie A. Schambach, MD, FISHRS | Guatemala

Piero Tesauero, MD | Italy



M. Pitchon



L. Caicedo

8:00AM-9:30AM



Focused Session 202: Long Hair FUE | *Oceania II → Floor 2*

LEVEL: Intermediate-Advanced

DESCRIPTION: Long hair FUE lets patients see an immediate preview of their result and return to normal life with minimal visible signs of surgery. This session explores when the technique is worth its added complexity, how extraction and implantation workflows need to adapt, and how to integrate it efficiently into everyday practice.

MODERATOR: Marcelo Pitchon, MD | Brazil

CO-MODERATOR: Laura Caicedo, MD, FISHRS | Spain

FACULTY: Francisco Jimenez, MD, FISHRS | Spain

Kotchamol Manonukul, MD, FISHRS | Thailand

L. Roberto Trivellini, MD, FISHRS | Spain

Akaki Tsilosani, MD, PhD, FISHRS | Georgia

Sebastian Yriart, MD, FISHRS | Argentina

Georgios Zontos, MD, MSc, PhD, FISHRS | Greece

FRIDAY | OCTOBER 16, 2026

8:00AM-9:30AM

Focused Session 203: Practice Management & Clinic Operations

| Oceania X → Floor 2



LEVEL: All levels

DESCRIPTION: A successful hair restoration practice depends on much more than surgical skill. This session focuses on the business and operational side of the clinic, including team structure, patient flow, efficiency, and sustainable growth. Attendees will come away with practical ideas they can put to work in their own practices straight away.

MODERATOR: David S. Josephitis, DO, FISHRS | USA

CO-MODERATOR: Lorena Visentainer, MD | Brazil

FACULTY: Edward Ball, MBBS, FISHRS | United Kingdom

Thalita Carlesso, MD | Brazil

Robert S. Haber, MD, FISHRS | USA

Gary Linkov, MD | USA



D. Josephitis



L. Visentainer

8:00AM-9:30AM

Focused Session 204: Hairline Design & Donor Area Management

| Oceania IX → Floor 2



LEVEL: Beginner - Intermediate

DESCRIPTION: The hairline and the donor area are the two foundations of a lasting result. This session looks at how to design natural, age-appropriate hairlines that will still look right decades from now. It also covers how to manage the donor area so it remains a resource for the patient's lifetime. The emphasis is on long-term planning rather than short-term impact.

MODERATOR: Russell G. Knudsen, MBBS, FISHRS | Australia

CO-MODERATOR: Jennifer M. Krejci, MD, FISHRS | USA

FACULTY: Fernando T. Basto Jr., MD, FISHRS | Brazil

Vinicius Lima, MD | Brazil

Ted Miln, MBChB | United Kingdom

Mayank Singh, MS, MCh, FISHRS | India

Robin Unger, MD, FISHRS | USA

William Rassman, MD | USA



R. Knudsen



J. Krejci

9:30AM-10:00AM

Coffee Break & Visit Exhibits | Europa → Ground Floor



B. Farjo



A. Tykocinski



L. Caicedo



L. Chong



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K. Laorwong



R. Panchaprateep



C. Portinha



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J. Sonners



M. Zollinger



FRIDAY | OCTOBER 16, 2026

10:10AM-11:45AM GENERAL SESSION 6: GRAFT SURVIVAL, SURGICAL PLANNING & PERIOPERATIVE OPTIMIZATION

MODERATOR: Bessam K. Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS | United Kingdom

CO-MODERATOR: Arthur Tykocinski, MD, FISHRS | Brazil

- 10:10AM-10:12AM 2 **Moderator Introduction**
Bessam K. Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS | United Kingdom
- 10:12AM-10:14AM 2 **Short Video: A Tactical Approach to Long-hair Follicular Unit Extraction in Afro-textured Hair**
GS-033
Maria Marta Zollinger, MD | Brazil
- 10:14AM-10:16AM 2 **Short Video: Quick Donor Hair Preparation Using Modified Clippers in Donor Non-Shaven FUE**
GS-034
Kongkiat Laorwong, MD, FISHRS | Thailand
- 10:16AM-10:18AM 2 **Short Video: A Physiology-Based Postoperative Approach to Improve Scalp Perfusion and Lymphatic Drainage in FUE Hair Transplantation**
GS-035
Christine Graf-Guimaraes, MD, MSc | Brazil
- 10:19AM-10:39AM 20 **FEATURED GUEST SPEAKER: NORWOOD LECTURE**
GS-036
Emerging Hyperbaric Research and Implications on Clinical Practice: Inflammatory Control, Healing and Cell Regeneration
Jason Sonners, DC, PhD, FMHC | USA
- 10:40AM-10:47AM 7 **The Effect of Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy on the Graft Survival Rate and Donor Wound Healing After Hair Transplantation in Patients with Androgenetic Alopecia**
GS-037
Wich Sangsuwan, MD | Thailand
- 10:47AM-10:52AM 5 **The Survival Rate of Telogen and Miniaturized Hair Grafts in FUE Hair Transplantation**
GS-038
Ratchathorn Panchaprateep, MD, PhD, FISHRS | Thailand
- 10:53AM-10:58AM 5 **Exosome-Enriched Preservation Solution Enhances Follicular Survival in Hair Restoration Surgery: A Prospective Comparative Study of 100 Patients with Androgenetic Alopecia**
GS-039
Laura Caicedo, MD, FISHRS | Spain
- 10:58AM-11:05AM 7 **Local Infiltration of Tranexamic Acid After Anesthesia to Reduce Intraoperative Bleeding in Hair Transplant Recipient Sites: A Split-Scalp, Patient-Blinded Comparative Study**
GS-040
Pankhuri Dudani, MD | India
- 11:05AM-11:10AM 5 **Does Implantation Device Influence Follicular Unit Viability? Comparative Evaluation of a Novel Bothair Multi Implanter versus the Choi Implanter**
GS-041
Carlos Portinha, MD | Portugal
- 11:11AM-11:18AM 7 **The NATURAL Criteria Framework: A Conceptual Standardized Approach for Visual Assessment of Hair Transplantation Outcomes**
GS-042
Leo Chong, MBChB | New Zealand
- 11:18AM-11:23AM 5 **Combined Regenerative Technique to Enhance Donor Area Quality Pre-Transplant: A Trichometric Study**
GS-043
Pablo Cirino, MD, PhD | Brazil
- 11:24AM-11:45AM 21 **Questions & Answers**

11:45AM-11:50AM Awards #3 – Forum Awards

PRESENTED BY: Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS, Forum Co-Editor

Henrique N. Radwanski, MD, FISHRS, Forum Co-Editor

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11:50AM-12:35PM GENERAL SESSION 7: DEBATE 2: EXOSOMES — THE FUTURE OF EXOSOMES

CHAIR: Greg Williams, MBBS, FISHRS | United Kingdom

CO-CHAIR: Sara M. Wasserbauer, MD, FISHRS | USA

Exosomes - Is the Commercialization Based on Evidence or Hype?

GS-045

Team Unger

Mark Unger, MD | Canada

Robin Unger, MD, FISHRS | USA

GS-046

Team Shapiro Medical

David S. Josephitis, DO, FISHRS | USA

Ronald Shapiro, MD, FISHRS | USA

12:35PM-2:00PM Lunch Available & Visit Exhibits



G. Williams



S. Wasserbauer



M. Unger



R. Unger



D. Josephitis



R. Shapiro



OCTOBER 16, 2026
FRIDAY
DAY-BY-DAY PROGRAM

FRIDAY | OCTOBER 16, 2026

1:00PM-1:35PM ISHRS General Membership Business Meeting & Outgoing Board Recognition

PRESIDING: Conradin von Albertini, MD, FISHRS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Victoria Ceh, MPA

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes

President's Report

Vice President's Report

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Election & Installation of

New Officers

Service Awards

C. von Albertini, MD, FISHRS

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Greg Williams, MBBS, FISHRS

Mauro Speranzini, MD, FISHRS

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Outgoing Past-Presidents, 2025-2026

Ricardo Mejia, MD, FISHRS

Nilofer P. Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS

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Ken Washenik, MD, PhD, FISHRS

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Shady El-Maghraby, MD, MSc, FISHRS

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Gregory Williams, MBBS, FISHRS

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New Business

Adjournment

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G. Williams



R. Unger

FOCUSED SESSION BANK 2



J. Park



B. Ferreira



B. Pinto



M. Scheel

FRIDAY | OCTOBER 16, 2026

2:00PM-3:30PM



Focused Session 211: Large Graft-Number Procedures & Donor Preservation | Asia II & III → Floor 3

LEVEL: Advanced

DESCRIPTION: High-graft sessions can transform outcomes for patients with advanced loss, but they test the limits of the donor, the team, and graft survival. This session examines how to deliver large procedures safely and efficiently while protecting the donor area for the future. It includes where the sensible limits lie.

MODERATOR: Jae-Hyun Park, MD, PhD, FISHRS | South Korea

CO-MODERATOR: Bruno Ferreira, MD | Portugal

FACULTY: Marcio Crisostomo, MD, FISHRS | Brazil

Ted Miln, MBChB | United Kingdom

João Pedro Pereira, MD | Brazil

Felipe Pittella, MD | Brazil

2:00PM-3:30PM



Focused Session 212: AI, Digital Planning & Clinical Technology | Oceania II → Floor 2

LEVEL: All levels

DESCRIPTION: Artificial intelligence and digital tools are rapidly entering the consultation room and the operating theater. This session offers a grounded look at how these technologies can support assessment, planning, and patient communication, and at where the hype outpaces the reality. Attendees will leave better equipped to judge which tools genuinely add value to their practice.

MODERATOR: Bruno Pinto, MD, MSc | Portugal

CO-MODERATOR: Miriam Scheel, MD | Guatemala

FACULTY: Pankhuri Dudani, MD | India

Michal Kasprzak, PhD | Poland

Felipe Pittella, MD | Brazil

Rafael Reinert, MD | Brazil

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2:00PM-3:30PM



Focused Session 213: Afro-Textured Hair Restoration | Oceania IX → Floor 2

LEVEL: All levels

DESCRIPTION: Afro-textured hair presents distinct challenges, from curl and transection risk to scarring tendencies and hairline aesthetics. This session builds understanding of these unique characteristics and the adaptations they require. The aim is to help surgeons approach patients with Afro-textured hair with greater confidence and achieve better outcomes.

MODERATOR: Henrique Radwanski, MD, FISHRS | Brazil

CO-MODERATOR: Luciana Takata, MD, PhD | USA

FACULTY: Fernando Basto Jr., MD, FISHRS | Brazil

Brigitte Castillo, MD | Dominican Republic

Meena Singh, MD | USA

Maria Marta Zollinger, MD | Brazil



H. Radwanski



L. Takata

2:00PM-3:30PM



Focused Session 214: Corrective Cases, Scarring Alopecia & Repair Surgery | Oceania X → Floor 2

LEVEL: Intermediate – Advanced

DESCRIPTION: Some of the most demanding work in hair restoration involves repairing previous surgery or treating patients with scarring alopecia. This session addresses how to assess and plan these complex cases, when surgery is and isn't appropriate, and how to work with a limited donor supply. It also covers managing expectations so patients get the best achievable result.

MODERATOR: Mauro Speranzini, MD, FISHRS | Brazil

CO-MODERATOR: Thalita Carlesso, MD | Brazil

FACULTY: Felix Popescu, MD, PhD | Romania

Nicole E. Rogers, MD, FISHRS | USA

Solon Eduardo Gouveia Souza, MD | Brazil

Piero Tesauero, MD | Italy

Lorena Visentainer, MD | Brazil



M. Speranzini



T. Carlesso

MEET THE EXPERTS

FRIDAY | OCTOBER 16, 2026

Meet the Experts Discussion Tables

3:35PM-4:20PM

Europa → Ground Floor

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Table Number	Subject	Table Leader #1	Table Leader #2
Table 1	Ergonomics	Maria Muricy, MD Brazil	Leoncino Moncado, MD, FISHRS Venezuela
Table 2	Women's Hair Surgery	Nilofer P. Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS United Kingdom	Ronald L. Shapiro, MD, FISHRS USA
Table 3	Understanding and Operating on Grey Hair	Ricardo Mejia, MD, FISHRS USA	Rene Rodriguez, MD Colombia
Table 4	The Dead Hair Society (lotions shampoos and hair products)	William R. Rassman, MD USA	
Table 5	SMP - Artistry and Ease	Sara M. Wasserbauer, MD, FISHRS USA	Jae-Hyun Park, MD, PhD, FISHRS South Korea
Table 6	Dermoscopy and Scarring Alopecia Strategies	Nina Otberg, MD Germany	Nicole E. Rogers, MD, FISHRS USA
Table 7	Eyebrow and Facial Hair Transplant	Jose Rogerio Regis, Jr., MD Brazil	Alex Ginzburg, MD, FISHRS Israel
Table 8	FUE Harvesting Basics	Russell Knudsen, MBBS, FISHRS Australia	Joseph MacDonald, MD Canada
Table 9	Photobiomodulation	Randa Erfan, MD, PhD Egypt	Robert T. Leonard, DO, FISHRS USA
Table 10	General Session 5: Donors Harvesting, Hairline Design, FUE Workflow & Efficiency	Session Moderators	Session Faculty
Table 11	General Session 6: Graft Survival, Surgical Planning & Perioperative Optimization	Session Moderators	Session Faculty
Table 12	Debate 2: Exosomes	Mark Unger, MD Canada	David Josephitis, DO, FISHRS USA

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4:30PM-5:30PM GENERAL SESSION 8: COMPLICATIONS & CHALLENGING CASES

MODERATOR: Felix M. Popescu, MD | Romania

CO-MODERATOR: Maria Marta Zollinger, MD | Brazil

- 4:30PM-4:32PM 2 **Moderator Introduction**
Felix M. Popescu, MD | Romania
- 4:32PM-4:34PM 2 **Short Video: Partial Necrosis and Ischemia in the Frontal Hair Transplant Zone: Multi-Center Case Analysis and Preventive Protocol**
GS-047
Olfa Horchani, MD | France
- 4:34PM-4:36PM 2 **Short Video: Koebner's Phenomenon and Hair Transplantation: From the 1872 Description to the Current State of the Art on Mechanisms, Graft Survival, and Emerging Biomarkers**
GS-048
Vincenzo Masullo, MD | Italy
- 4:36PM-4:38PM 2 **Short Video: Camouflaging Scars with Hair Transplantation: Indications, Limitations, and Case-Based Results**
GS-049
Gary Linkov, MD | USA
- 4:38PM-4:40PM 2 **Short Video: A Novel Synergistic Approach Using Nanofat Grafting and FUE for Challenging Burn Scar Alopecia**
GS-050
Nuttorn Narupaves, MD | Thailand
- 4:40PM-4:42PM 2 **TBC**
GS-051
TBC
- 4:43PM-4:50PM 7 **Hair Restoration Using FUE in Scarring Alopecia Secondary to Thermal Burns: A Case Series**
GS-052
Jesus Diaz, MD | Chile
- 4:51PM-4:58PM 7 **A Geometric Model for Predicting Donor Area Thinning After FUE**
GS-053
Georgios Zontos, MD, MSc, PhD, FISHRS | Greece
- 4:58PM-5:05PM 7 **Hair Transplant Test as a Predictive Tool in Frontal Fibrosing Alopecia**
GS-054
Lorena Visentainer, MD | Brazil
- 5:05PM-5:15PM 10 **When to Transplant Scarring Alopecias: Surgical Timing and Combined Approach with Fat Grafting, Hairline Advancement, and Hair Transplantation**
GS-055
Gorana Kuka Epstein, MD, FISHRS | Serbia
- 5:15PM-5:30PM 15 **Questions & Answers**



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F. Popescu



M. Zollinger



J. Diaz



O. Horchani



G. Kuka



G. Linkov



V. Masullo



N. Narupaves



L. Visentainer



G. Zontos



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FRIDAY | OCTOBER 16, 2026

6:00PM-8:00PM **ISHRS & ABHRS Morbidity & Mortality Conference** | Oceania II → Floor 2

FEE: \$125 USD (*dinner included*)

LEVEL: Physicians Only, All Levels

CHAIR: Georgios Zontos, MD, MSc, PhD, FISHRS | Greece

CO-CHAIR: Asim Shahmalak, MBBS, FISHRS | United Kingdom

The Morbidity and Mortality (M&M) Conference provides a unique and invaluable opportunity for us to learn from each other by openly discussing complications and challenges in hair restoration surgery. This collegial and confidential forum allows us to share insights, refine our approaches, and ultimately improve patient outcomes.

Traditionally, M&M conferences are recurring meetings held by medical services at academic medical centers, most large private medical and surgical practices, and other medical centers. They are peer reviews of mistakes made or complications that occur during the care of patients. The objective of the conference is to provide recommendations on how to eliminate the likelihood of repeat occurrences. Information presented at the M&M Conference is protected and held in confidence.

Morbidity and mortality conferences are non-punitive and focus on the goal of improved patient care. The proceedings highlight recent cases and identify areas of improvement for clinicians involved in the case. Publicly presenting our complications takes tremendous courage but ultimately leads to the very best learning opportunities. Physicians will present their cases and then audience members will formulate and pose questions to the presenter to discuss how the case may have been managed differently.

Dinner will be served and is included in the course fee.

Registration is limited.

NO PHOTOS ALLOWED IN THIS SESSION



DAY-BY-DAY PROGRAM

SATURDAY

SATURDAY | OCTOBER 17, 2026

6:00AM-10:30AM **Breakfast on Your Own** | Windsor Convention Center Hotels

Attendees should eat breakfast on their own before coming to sessions.

7:30AM-3:30PM **Registration** | Europa Foyer → Ground Floor

8:00AM-3:00PM **Speaker Ready Room** | Bora Bora V → Floor 2

9:30AM-2:00PM **Exhibits & CSI Viewing** | Europa → Ground Floor

7:45AM-8:45AM **Meet the Experts** | Asia II & III → Floor 3

9:00AM-3:00PM **GENERAL SESSIONS** | Asia II & III → Floor 3

9:00AM-12:30PM **Surgical Assistants Program** | Asia IV → Floor 3

7:45AM-8:45AM **Coffee with the Experts: Round Table Discussions** | Asia II & III → Floor 3

Open to all attendees on a first-come, first-served basis. This is an informal session for small groups to discuss a specific topic as noted on the list. The round tables will be labeled with a topic and table leaders' names. You may sit at any table you like and rotate to as many tables as you wish. Bring your questions! The idea is to have a dialogues among those interested in the topic – an interesting conversation. These are not formal presentations.

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Table 1	FUE from Body	Sanusi H. Umar, MD, FISHRS USA	Nilofer P. Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS United Kingdom
Table 2	Gut- Hair Axis (Biomes and Nutrition)	Gorana Kuka Epstein, MD, FISHRS Serbia	Rene Rodriguez, MD Colombia
Table 3	Micrografting	Shamila Rawal, MD USA	
Table 4	Operation Restore: The Best Hair Transplant You Will Perform	E. Antonio Mangubat, MD USA	David Perez-Meza, MD, FISHRS Mexico
Table 5	Donor Area Over-Harvesting	Matthew Lopresti, DO, FISHRS USA	Paul McAndrews, MD, FISHRS USA
Table 6	Mesotherapy and Drug Delivery Approaches for Hair Loss	Marie A. Schambach, MD, FISHRS Guatemala	Pablo Cirino, MD, PhD Brazil
Table 7	FUT Strip surgery	Marcelo Pitchon, MD Brazil	Timothy Carman, MD, FISHRS USA
Table 8	GS 8: Complications & Challenging Cases	Session Moderators	Session Faculty
Table 9	Innovations & Inventions	William R. Rassman, MD USA	Maxim Chumak, MD, FISHRS USA
Table 10	Regenerative Therapies: Evidence, Devices & Clinical Protocols	Chiara Insalaco, MD, PhD Italy	Dirlene Roth, MD Brazil
Table 11	Long Hair FUE	Kotchamol Manonukul, MD, FISHRS Thailand	Francisco Jimenez, MD, FISHRS Spain
Table 12	Practice Management & Clinic Operations	Parsa Mohebi, MD, FISHRS USA	Robert S. Haber, MD, FISHRS USA
Table 13	Hairline Design & Donor Area Management	Jennifer M. Krejci, MD, FISHRS USA	Fernando T. Basto Jr., MD, FISHRS Brazil
Table 14	Large Graft-Number Procedures & Donor Preservation	Jae-Hyun Park, MD, PhD, FISHRS South Korea	João Pedro Pereira, MD Brazil
Table 15	AI, Digital Planning & Clinical Technology	Bruno Pinto, MD, MSc Portugal	Felipe Pittella, MD Brazil
Table 16	Afro-Textured Hair Restoration	Henrique Radwanski, MD, FISHRS Brazil	Maria Marta Zollinger, MD Brazil
Table 17	Corrective Cases, Scarring Alopecia & Repair Surgery	Felix Popescu, MD, PhD Romania	

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R. Shapiro



C. Insalaco



A. Bauman



X. Chu



M. Gonzalez



G. Kuka



D. Roth

SATURDAY | OCTOBER 17, 2026

9:00AM-10:15AM GENERAL SESSION 9: REGENERATIVE THERAPIES & BASIC SCIENCE

MODERATOR: Ronald L. Shapiro, MD, FISHRS | USA

CO-MODERATOR: Chiara Insalaco, MD, PhD | Italy

9:00AM-9:02AM **2** **Moderator Introduction**
Ronald L. Shapiro, MD, FISHRS | USA

9:02AM-9:22AM **22** **FEATURED GUEST SPEAKER**
GS-057 **Regenerative Hair Microinfusion as a Strategy to Maximize Hair Transplant Results**
Dirlene Roth, MD | Brazil

9:22AM-9:29AM **7** **Questions & Answers**

9:30AM-9:35AM **5** **Autologous Hair Follicle Stem Cell-Derived Secretome (aHFS): Comparative Proteomic, Exosomal, & Functional Characterization vs Platelet-Rich Plasma (PRP) for Hair Regeneration & Skin Healing**
Alan Bauman, MD, FISHRS | USA

9:35AM-9:42AM **7** **Functional Regeneration Strategies of Hair Follicles: Advances and Challenges**
GS-059 Xi Chu, MD | China

9:43AM-9:48AM **5** **The Gut-Hair Axis in Clinical Practice: Why the Microbiome May Be the Missing Link in Hair Loss Treatment**
GS-060 Gorana Kuka Epstein, MD, FISHRS | Serbia

9:49AM-9:59AM **10** **Hair Growth Dynamics of Single Hair Follicles versus Intact Follicular Units: An Ex Vivo Organ Culture Study**
GS-061 Maria Gonzalez, MD, PhD | Norway

10:00AM-10:15AM **15** **Questions & Answers**

10:15AM-10:20AM Awards #4 – ISHRS Research Grants

PRESENTED BY: Nilofer Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS, Chair, Scientific Research, Grants & Awards Committee

10:20AM-11:05AM Coffee Break / Visit Exhibits & CSI Presentations | *Europa → Ground Floor*

CSI Inquiry Session

Visit the CSI digital presentations in the Exhibit Hall during this coffee break. CSI faculty are asked to stand near their screen to answer questions from congress attendees.



SATURDAY | OCTOBER 17, 2026

11:15AM-12:20PM **GENERAL SESSION 10: ETHICS, SAFETY, PRACTICE MANAGEMENT & SURGICAL TEAM INTEGRITY**

MODERATOR: Henrique N. Radwanski, MD, FISHRS | Brazil

CO-MODERATOR: Robin Unger, MD, FISHRS | USA

- 11:15AM-11:17AM **2** **Moderator Introduction**
Henrique N. Radwanski, MD, FISHRS | Brazil
- 11:17AM-11:19AM **2** **Short Video: Modified Method for Recipient and Donor Site Pain Reduction Using Dilute Botulinum Toxin**
GS-062 Samuel Lam, MD, FISHRS | USA
- 11:20AM-11:22AM **2** **Short Video: Acupressure Techniques to Immediately Reverse Vasovagal, Nausea, and Hiccups**
GS-063 Samuel Lam, MD, FISHRS | USA
- 11:23AM-11:25AM **2** **Short Video: Stop the Pop: The S.T.O.P. P.O.P. Pathway for Needle Implanter Graft Placement**
GS-064 Derick Mayorga, MD | Guatemala
- 11:25AM-11:35AM **10** **Operation Restore — ISHRS Mission, Repair Surgery, and Global Service Update**
GS-065 E. Antonio Mangubat, MD, FISHRS | USA
Antonio Ruston, MD | Brazil
- 11:36AM-11:43AM **7** **TBC**
TBC
- 11:43AM-11:50AM **7** **Hairline vs Heartline: The Cardiac Red Flag in Hair Transplant Surgery**
GS-066 Ashfaq Khan, MD | Pakistan
- 11:51AM-11:58AM **7** **Ethical Challenges in Modern Hair Transplantation: When Should We Say No to Surgery**
GS-067 Salome Vadachkoria, MD, MBA | Georgia
- 11:58AM-12:05PM **7** **CAPS-CLIPS-BRAID: A Standardized Mnemonic-Based Training Protocol Improves Graft Quality (Bob True GQI) and Reduces Transection in Long Hair FUE**
GS-068 Marie A. Schambach, MD, FISHRS | Guatemala
- 12:05PM-12:20PM **15** **Questions & Answers**

12:20PM-1:30PM **Lunch** | *Europa → Ground Floor*

12:30PM-1:20PM **Live Patient Viewing** | *Oceania VIII, IX, X → Floor 2*

CO-CHAIR: Otavio Boaventura, MD | Brazil

CO-CHAIR: Francisco Le Voci, MD | Brazil

The Live Patient Viewing is one of the most important sessions of the ISHRS World Congresses. It is an opportunity for attendees to see live results of hair restoration surgical procedures from a variety of surgeons. In the past, cases have included repair, eyebrow, body hair transplantation, HT in unusual indications, and also results from regular linear strip excision and FUE cases.

A poster is prepared for each patient that includes before photos and brief information about the case and techniques used.

Patients who agree to show their postoperative results, as well as the doctors who bring them, deserve our respect and support for their willingness to subject their results to scrutiny and contribute to our learning experience. Attendees are asked to be mindful of their comments during this session. Negative or disparaging comments about a patient's results to the patient are offensive, psychologically hurtful, and violate our ethical commitment to "do no harm."

NO PHOTOS ALLOWED IN THIS SESSION

Physicians Presenting Patients & Cases:

Fernando Basto Jr., MD, FISHRS | Brazil

Leila Bloch, MD, PhD, FISHRS | Brazil

Christine Graf-Guimaraes, MD, MSc | Brazil

Bhumik Shah, MD | USA

Ronald L. Shapiro, MD, FISHRS | USA

Janiele Vidal, MD | Brazil



O. Boaventura



F. Le Voci



GS10



H. Radwanski



R. Unger



A. Khan



S. Lam



E. Mangubat



D. Mayorga



A. Ruston



M. Schambach



S. Vadachkoria



GS11



J. Park



R. Panchaprateep



S. Arruda



J. Devroye



G. Souza



K. Wantavornprasert



K. Yamamoto

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1:30PM-2:10PM

GENERAL SESSION 11: HIGH-IMPACT SCIENCE, SURGICAL INNOVATION & FUTURE DIRECTIONS

MODERATOR: Jae-Hyun Park, MD, PhD, FISHRS | South Korea

CO-MODERATOR: Ratchathorn Panchaprateep, MD, PhD, FISHRS | Thailand

1:30PM-1:32PM 2

Moderator Introduction

Jae-Hyun Park, MD, PhD, FISHRS | South Korea

1:32PM-1:34PM 2

GS-069

Short Video: Optimizing Platelet-Rich Plasma Preparation: A Personalized Approach Powered by Artificial Intelligence

Kittipong Wantavornprasert, MD | Thailand

1:35PM-1:42PM 7

GS-070

Hair Whorl Reconstruction

Kazuhito Yamamoto, MD | Japan

1:43PM-1:48PM 5

GS-071

Cross-Trait Genomic Convergence Reveals Shared and Distinct Mechanisms Across Hair Loss Disorders

Gustavo Souza, PharmD, PhD | Spain

1:49PM-1:53PM 4

GS-072

New Trend: Numerous Extractions Using Small Punches—is This Reasonable?

Jean M. Devroye, MD, FISHRS | Belgium

1:54PM-1:59PM 5

GS-073

Efficacy and Mechanistic Insights of 1565 Nm Fractional Non-Ablative Laser Therapy in Androgenetic Alopecia: A Prospective, Randomized Clinical and Histologic Study

Suleima Arruda, MD | Brazil

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Questions & Answers

2:10PM-2:15PM

Awards #5 – World Congress Scientific Planning Committee

PRESENTED BY: Conradin von Albertini, MD, FISHRS, President



SATURDAY | OCTOBER 17, 2026

2:15PM-3:00PM	GENERAL SESSION 12: DEBATE 3 – DIGITAL PLANNING + CLOSING REMARKS CHAIR: Greg Williams, MBBS, FISHRS United Kingdom CO-CHAIR: Sara M. Wasserbauer, MD, FISHRS USA
	Digital Planning – For or Against?
GS-074	Mexican Muchachos Alejandro Garcia, MD Mexico Luis Nader, MD, FISHRS Mexico
GS-075	Team Guatemalan Girls Marie A. Schambach, MD, FISHRS Guatemala Miriam Scheel, MD Guatemala
2:58PM-3:00PM 2	Closing Remarks Maxim Chumak, MD, FISHRS USA
3:15PM-4:00PM	CME Committee Meeting (INVITATION ONLY) <i>Oceania II → Floor 2</i>
7:00PM-12:00AM	Ritmos do Brasil (Rhythms of Brazil) Gala Dinner & Awards <i>Asia Ballrooms → Floor 3</i>



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G. Williams



S. Wasserbauer



A. Garcia



L. Nader



M. Schambach



M. Scheel



Ritmos do Brasil

RHYTHMS OF BRAZIL

GALA DINNER & AWARDS

DATE: Saturday | October 17, 2026

TIME: 7:00PM-12:00AM

7:00PM Cocktail Reception | 8:00PM Dinner

FEE: \$200 USD per person

2 tickets included with the Trustee Circle AGF donation level.

Tickets are required for entry and must be purchased in advance.

LOCATION: Asia Ballroom → Floor 3

ATTIRE: The attire for the gala is formal tropical elegance with black tie optional.

Ladies may wear a formal gown in a tropical pattern or color and men are encouraged to wear a tropical tuxedo or suit. Or as has been a tradition of the ISHRS, you may wear a costume reflective of your native country for the gala.

Join us for an evening of immersion into the many rhythms of Brazil.

We will begin the evening with the soft music of Bossa Nova as you celebrate the conclusion of another ISHRS World Congress with your colleagues and friends. When we sit down to dinner we will enjoy performances that highlight some of Brazil's most famous forms of dance, interspersed between the presentation of the prestigious ISHRS Awards.

Following dinner and the awards presentation we will find our way to the dance floor to enjoy those Ritmos do Brasil while we dance the rest of the night away.



ISHRS EUROPE WORLD LIVE SURGERY WORKSHOP: VALENCIA



ADVANCED HAIR RESTORATION

📅 MAY 28-29, 2027

📍 VALENCIA, SPAIN



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SPAIN



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- **4 concurrent live operating theatres**, showcasing advanced surgical techniques in real time
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 - **Long Hair FUE**
 - **Afro Hair Transplantation**
 - **Megasession Concepts & Workflow**
 - **Advanced Regenerative Treatments**
 - **Eyebrow & Eyelash Transplantation**
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SURGICAL ASSISTANTS PROGRAM

LOCATION: Asia IV → Floor 3

CHAIR: Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

DESCRIPTION:

Welcome to the 2026 Surgical Assistants Program, created to reflect the expanding role, expertise, and global impact of surgical assistants and technicians in the field of hair restoration.

This engaging multi-day program brings together surgical assistants, technicians, nurses, and physicians from around the world for hands-on learning, live demonstrations, interactive discussions, and practical education designed specifically for today's hair restoration teams.

This year's program is chaired by Christine Turner, EEN, Head Nurse at the Knudsen Clinic in Sydney, Australia, and recipient of the 2025 ISHRS Distinguished Surgical Assistant Award. Her leadership and dedication to surgical assistant education continue to help shape the future of the specialty.

Sessions will explore the ideas, innovations, and practical challenges shaping hair restoration today, including advances in regenerative therapies and AI, evolving surgical techniques, patient safety, team communication, and the growing role of surgical assistants within modern practices.

The program places an even greater emphasis on interaction and shared learning, with procedural videos, hands-on device experiences, and discussion-driven sessions designed to encourage collaboration and provide attendees with practical ideas they can bring back to their own clinics.

Whether you are new to the field or an experienced member of a surgical team, the Surgical Assistants Program offers an opportunity to refine your skills, gain new perspectives, and connect with colleagues from around the world who share a commitment to advancing patient care and surgical excellence.

Note: Non-Physician and Physician attendees may attend the Surgical Assistant Program sessions.



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2026

8:30AM-9:00AM **Surgical Assistants Connect: Meet, Mingle & Build Community**

9:00AM-9:55AM **55 SA Session 1: Why We Reflect on and Evaluate Our Processes**

MODERATOR: Russell G. Knudsen, MBBS, FISHRS | Australia

- 9:00AM-9:05AM **5 Welcome & Introduction**
Christine Turner, EEN | Australia
- 9:05AM-9:13AM **8 The Evolution Of The Surgical Technician**
Russell G. Knudsen, MBBS, FISHRS | Australia
- 9:13AM-9:21AM **8 Postoperative Folliculitis After FUE: Associations with Hormone Therapy and Follicular Transection in a Retrospective Analysis of 143 Patients**
Garsing Roger Wong, MBChB | New Zealand
- 9:21AM-9:29 AM **8 The Importance of Hydration Throughout the Procedure: Post-Harvesting Graft Preservation**
Haitham Abdelhamid, MD | Egypt
- 9:29AM-9:36AM **5 Starting With the Perfect Sliver**
Christine Turner, EEN | Australia
- 9:36AM-9:41AM **5 My Responsibilities and Tasks in a Hair Restoration Center in Rio de Janeiro**
Cristiane Moraes Bispo de Maria | Brazil
- 9:41AM-9:55AM **14 Discussion**
Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2026

10:00AM-10:40AM **40 SA Session 2: The Continued Monitoring of Quality: Why We Must Question | Asia IV → Floor 3**

MODERATOR: Bessam K. Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS | United Kingdom

- 10:00AM-10:05AM **5 Introduction**
Bessam K. Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS | United Kingdom
- 10:05AM-10:12AM **7 Honest Communication With the Doctor To Monitor Quality**
June Pally | USA
- 10:12AM-10:20AM **8 Steps to Calm an Anxious Patient: A Technicians Approach**
Charlotte Bailey | Australia
- 10:20AM-10:25AM **5 Sterilization and the Importance of Infection Control**
Arthur Tykocinski, MD, FISHRS | Brazil
- 10:25AM-10:40AM **15 Discussion**
Bessam K. Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS | United Kingdom

10:40AM-11:45AM **Coffee Break**



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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2026

- 11:15AM-12:20PM 65 **SA Session 3: The Importance of Self-Care for Our Health and Our Longevity as Surgical Assistants** | *Asia IV → Floor 3*
MODERATOR: Jean M. Devroye, MD, FISHS | Belgium
- 11:15AM-11:20AM 5 **Introduction**
Jean M. Devroye, MD, FISHS | Belgium
- 11:20AM-11:30AM 10 **Posture for Preventing Neck and Back Strain During Extracting, Sorting and Placing**
Fernando Basto, MD, FISHS | Brazil
- 11:30AM-11:40AM 10 **What I see in the Theatre**
Christine Turner, EEN | Australia
- 11:40AM-11:50AM 10 **Transitioning After Work, How to Rest and Recover**
Bessam K. Farjo, MBChB, FISHS | United Kingdom
- 11:50 AM-12:20 PM 30 **Small Table Discussions on Self-Care and Quality**
Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

12:30PM-2:00PM **Lunch** | *Europa → Floor 2*

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2026

- 2:00PM-2:55PM 55 **SA Session 4: How We Manage Patient Situations When They Arise: — Can We Avoid Them?** | *Asia IV → Floor 3*
MODERATOR: Piotr Turkowski, MD | Poland
- 2:00PM-2:05PM 5 **Introduction**
Piotr Turkowski, MD | Poland
- 2:05PM-2:15PM 10 **Emergency Situations**
Ashfaq Ahmad Khan, MBBS | Pakistan
- 2:15PM-2:25PM 10 **Managing Complications**
Bessam K. Farjo, MBChB, FISHS | United Kingdom
- 2:25PM-2:35PM 10 **Tricky Cases and How To Control Common Issues**
Tina M. Lardner | USA
- Team Work in the Operating Room: How Technicians Work Efficiently**
- 2:35PM-2:45PM 10 **Work Efficiently**
Shiwei Han, MD, PhD | USA
- 2:45PM-2:55PM 10 **Discussion**
Piotr Turkowski, MD | Poland

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3:00PM-3:45PM	45	SA Session 5: Therapies and Treatments for Alopecia <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i> MODERATOR: Haitham Abdelhamid, MD Egypt
3:00PM-3:05PM	5	Introduction Haitham Abdelhamid, MD Egypt
3:05PM-3:12PM	7	Management of Challenging Cases of Secondary Cicatricial Alopecia Using a New, Innovative Laser-assisted Scanner Ahmed A. Youssef Ibrahim, MD, MSc, PhD, FISHRS Kuwait
3:12PM-3:19PM	7	Efficacy of Ultrasound-Mediated Transdermal Growth Factor Administration in Androgenetic Alopecia: A Retrospective Cohort Study Shiwei Han, MD, PhD USA
3:19PM-3:26PM	7	A Tecnicians Approach To HRS In a Stable FFA Patient Zayn Sattar, MD, MBChB United Kingdom
3:26PM-3:33PM	7	Comprehensive Post-FUE Protocol with Low-Dose Topical Finasteride (0.05%), Sex-Specific Minoxidil Dosing, and Nutritional Optimization: 98% Graft Survival Without Sexual Side Effects Nana Korkia, MD Georgia
3:33PM-3:45PM	12	Discussion Haitham Abdelhamid, MD Egypt
3:45PM-4:15PM		Coffee Break

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2026

4:15PM-5:45PM	90	SA Session 6: Let's Talk Implanters and Forceps <i>Asia IV → Floor 3</i> MODERATOR: Christine Turner, EEN Australia
4:15PM-4:20PM	5	Introduction Christine Turner, EEN Australia
4:20PM-4:30PM	10	Survey Results On Forceps and Implanters Christine Turner, EEN Australia
4:30PM-4:40PM	10	Using Combined KEEP and WAW Implanters Charlotte Bailey Australia
4:40PM-4:50PM	10	Forceps, When Done Well Huay Shan Lee Singapore
4:50PM-5:00PM	10	Implanting Demos, Both Forceps and Implanters: Video Demos Charlotte Bailey Australia
5:00PM-5:10PM	10	Different Ways to Load Different Implanters: Short Videos from Different Clinics, What Implanter Is Used, How It Is Loaded, How Many Per Hour Charlotte Bailey Australia
5:10PM-5:30PM	20	Live Polling: Multiple Choice on Forceps and Implanters Christine Turner, EEN Australia
5:30PM-5:45PM	15	Discussion Christine Turner, EEN Australia
6:00PM-7:30PM		Welcome Reception



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H. Abdelhamid



A. Ibrahim



S. Han



Z. Sattar



N. Korkia



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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026

8:00AM-9:30AM 90 **SA Session 7: Hands-On and Exhibitors** | Asia IV → Floor 3

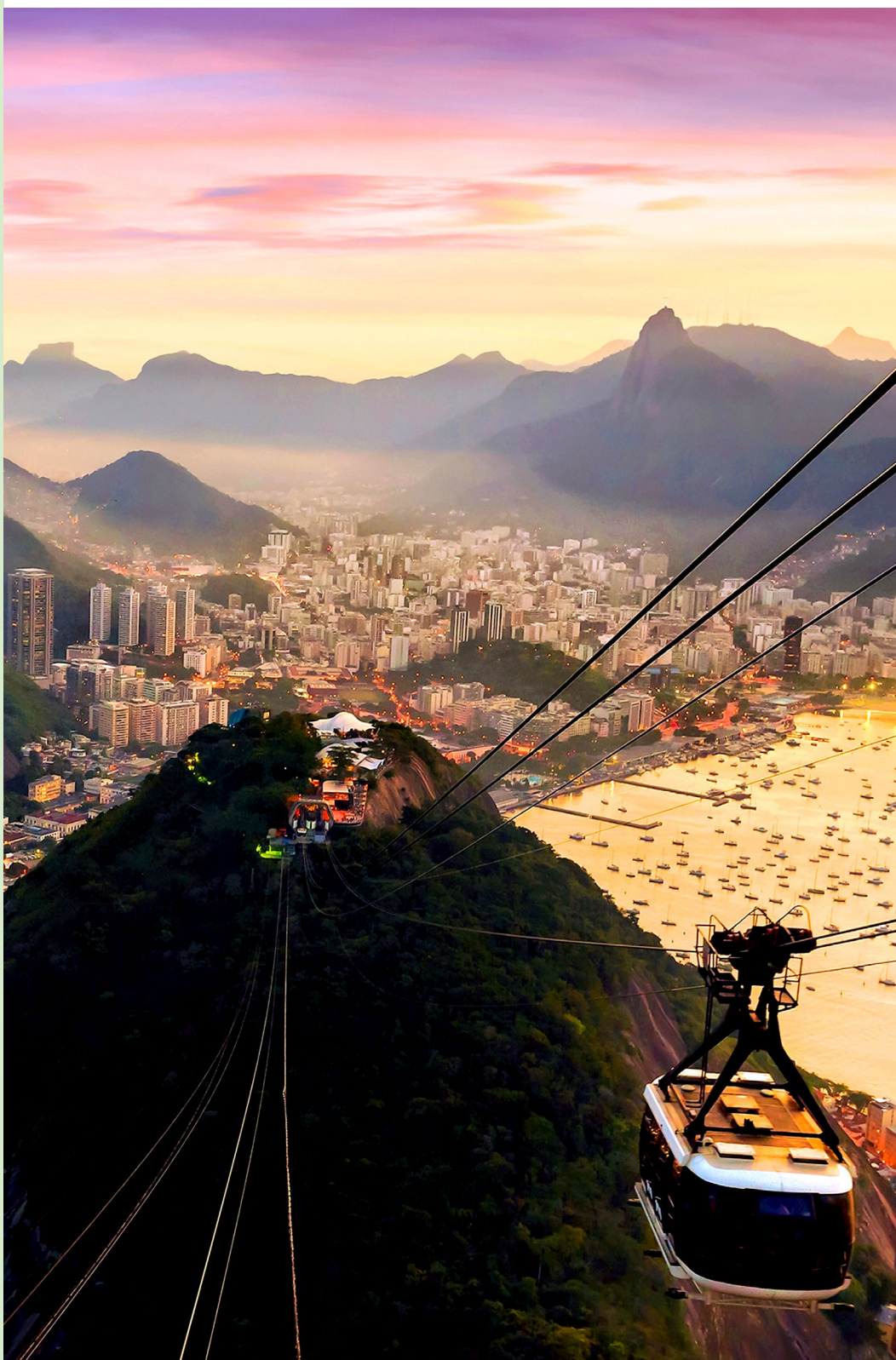
MODERATOR: Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

An informal, interactive session with exhibitors and instruments. In Part 1, small groups rotate among exhibitors for brief product overviews and Q&A. In Part 2, experienced technicians demonstrate instruments at hands-on stations and guide attendees as they try them.

Participating Exhibitors Include: Devroye Instruments SRL, Laser Cap Company, Scharf Instruments, TrichoLAB

9:30AM-10:00AM

Coffee Break



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026

10:00AM-10:50AM 50 **SA Session 8: Complex and Interesting Cases** | *Asia IV → Floor 3*
MODERATOR: Piotr Turkowski, MD | Poland

- 10:00AM-10:05AM 5 **Introduction**
Piotr Turkowski, MD | Poland
- 10:05AM-10:15AM 10 **The Patient Journey and The Role Of The Surgical Technician**
Piotr Turkowski, MD | Poland
- 10:15AM-10:25AM 10 **Scalp Burn Reconstruction Using Tissue Expanders and Multiple Hair Transplants: A Case Report**
Solon Eduardo Gouveia Souza, MD | Brazil
- 10:25AM-10:35AM 10 **Hair Transplantation for Lichen Planopilaris: A Case Series of Five Patients**
Katarzyna Osipowicz, MD | Poland
- 10:35AM-10:50AM 15 **Discussion**
Piotr Turkowski, MD | Poland

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026

10:55AM-12:30PM 95 **SA Session 9: The Rising Role of Regenerative Therapies**
| *Asia IV → Floor 3*
MODERATOR: Haitham Abdelhamid, MD | Egypt

- 10:55AM-11:00AM 5 **Introduction**
Haitham Abdelhamid, MD | Egypt
- 11:00AM-11:10AM 10 **Clinical Precision and Technical Skill, A Technicians Contribution**
Zayn Sattar, MD, MBChB | United Kingdom
- 11:10AM-11:20AM 10 **Career Pathways for Surgical Technicians, How Clinics Have Created Roles to Adapt**
Charlotte Bailey | Australia
- 11:20AM-11:30AM 10 **ARTAS, The Technician's Role During an ARTAS Procedure**
Mark A. Bishara, MD, FISHRS | USA
- 11:30AM-11:40AM 10 **Developing a Standardized Quality Framework for Hair Restoration Surgery**
Nino Amazashvili, MPH | Georgia
- 11:40AM-11:50AM 10 **How Surgical Technicians Contributed to My Training as a Hair Restoration Doctor**
Mark G. Chernoff, BSc, MBBS | Australia
- 11:50AM-12:00PM 10 **Journey from a Surgical Technician to a Hair Restoration Doctor**
Ramona Kelemen, MD, ND | Romania
- 12:00PM-12:30PM 30 **Discussion**
Haitham Abdelhamid, MD | Egypt

12:30PM-2:00PM **Lunch** | *Europa → Floor 2*



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P. Turkowski



K. Osipowicz



S. Souza



SA9



H. Abdelhamid



N. Amazashvili



C. Bailey



M. Bishara



M. Chernoff



R. Kelemen



Z. Sattar

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V. Jayaprakash



C. Bailey



M. Schambach

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P. Cirino



I. Bottura



H. Abdelhamid



T. Lardner



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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026

2:00PM-2:35PM 35 **SA Session 10: The Rising Role of Regenerative Therapies**

| Asia IV → Floor 3

MODERATOR: Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS | Australia

2:00PM-2:05PM 5 **Introduction**
Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS | Australia

2:05PM-2:15PM 10 **Tricopat and the Role of the Technician**
Charlotte Bailey | Australia

2:15PM-2:25PM 10 **Dutasteride Mesotherapy: The Controversy of Its Efficacy**
Marie A. Schambach, MD, FISHRS | USA

2:25PM-2:35PM 5 **Discussion**
Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS | Australia

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026

2:40PM-3:45PM 65 **SA Session 11: The Evidence That Guides Us** | Asia IV → Floor 3

MODERATOR: Pablo Cirino, MD, PhD | Brazil

2:40PM-2:45PM 5 **Introduction**
Pablo Cirino, MD, PhD | Brazil

2:45PM-2:55PM 10 **Androgenetic Alopecia and Pathology, Male and Female**
Igor Bottura, MD | Brazil

2:55PM-3:05PM 10 **Patient Selection: When to & When Not to do a Surgery**
Haitham Abdelhamid, MD | Egypt

3:05PM-3:15PM 10 **The Protocols Our Technicians Follow to Ensure Positive Results**
Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

3:15PM-3:25PM 10 **How We Implement Change and How It Benefits Both Patient and Team**
Tina M. Lardner | USA

3:25PM-3:45PM 20 **Discussion**
Pablo Cirino, MD, PhD | Brazil

3:45PM-4:00PM **Coffee Break**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026

4:00PM-4:45PM 45 **SA Session 12: What Would You Do? Interactive Cases and Audience Polling** | Asia IV → Floor 3

MODERATOR: Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

4:00PM-4:45PM 45 **Small Table Discussions**
Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026

9:00AM-9:40AM 40 **SA Session 13: Specialized Skills, Long Hair and Afro**
 | Asia IV → Floor 3
 MODERATOR: Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

- 9:00AM-9:05AM 5 **Introduction**
 Christine Turner, EEN | Australia
- 9:05AM-9:15AM 10 **Long Hair Transplant, A Special Skill for a Technician**
 Igor Bottura, MD | Brazil
- 9:15AM-9:25AM 10 **Special Considerations When Working With Afro Hair**
 Maria Marta Zollinger, MD | Brazil
- 9:25AM-9:40AM 15 **Discussion**
 Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026

9:45AM-10:35AM 50 **SA Session 14: Strength, Skill, and Support During Large Sessions**
 | Asia IV → Floor 3
 MODERATOR: Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

- 9:45AM-9:50AM 5 **Introduction**
 Christine Turner, EEN | Australia
- 9:50AM-10:00AM 10 **Efficiency and Endurance: The Technician's Role During Long, Large Sessions**
 Ashfaq Ahmad Khan, MBBS | Pakistan
- 10:00AM-10:10AM 10 **How My Team Manages Fatigue During Large Sessions**
 Fernando Basto, MD, FISHRS | Brazil
- 10:10AM-10:20AM 10 **Clinical Skills and A Calm Presence During Vulnerable Moments**
 Jennifer Krejci, MD, FISHRS | USA
- 10:20AM-10:35AM 15 **Discussion**
 Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

10:35AM-11:10AM **Coffee Break**



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I. Bottura



M. Zollinger



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A. Khan



F. Basto



J. Krejci



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V. Jayaprakash



M. Kasprzak



R. Knudsen



C. Turner



S. Wasserbauer

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026

11:10AM-12:30PM 80 **SA Session 11: Social Media and AI and Its Emerging Role in Hair Restoration Practices** | *Asia IV → Floor 3*

MODERATOR: Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS | Australia

- 11:10AM-11:15AM 5 **Introduction**
Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS | Australia
- 11:15AM-11:25AM 10 **The Benefits Of Implementing AI Into Practice**
Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS | Australia
- 11:25AM-11:35AM 10 **Application of Artificial Intelligence in Hair Transplant Planning**
Michal Kasprzak, PhD | Poland
- 11:35AM-11:45AM 10 **How To Use Social Media To Educate**
Russell Graham Knudsen, MBBS, FISHRS | Australia
- 11:45AM-11:55AM 10 **Advising Your Patients in a World of Influencers: An Overview of the Supplements**
Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS | Australia
- 11:55AM-12:05PM 10 **Digital Graft Counting in FUE: How Technology and AI Are Supporting the Surgical Team**
Sara W. Wasserbauer, MD, FISHRS | USA
- 12:05PM-12:20PM 15 **Discussion**
Vikram Jayaprakash, BM, FISHRS | Australia
- 12:20PM-12:30PM 10 **Closing Remarks**
Christine Turner, EEN | Australia

12:30PM-2:00PM **Lunch** | *Europa → Floor 3*

12:30PM-1:20PM **Live Patient Viewing** | *Oceania 8, 9, 10 → Floor 2*



FEATURED GUEST SPEAKERS

STOUGH LECTURER

Maria Hordinsky, MD

Vice Chair of Research, R.W. Goltz Professor, Department of Dermatology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA

Maria K. Hordinsky, M.D. is the R. W. Goltz Professor in the Department of Dermatology at the University of Minnesota. She is a tenured faculty member, Vice Chair of Research, and Immediate Past Chair of the Department, a position she supported for 23 years. Dr. Maria Hordinsky is recognized for her expertise and research in hair diseases and the peripheral nervous system as it relates to hair follicle biology. She recently completed a five year term as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Dermatology and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Scarring Alopecia Foundation. She is also a Past President of the American Hair Research Society (North, South, Central) and the Association of Professors of Dermatology.

Dr. Hordinsky was a recipient of the Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award and has over 200 publications. She regularly lectures and teaches on hair diseases and divides her time between seeing patients with residents and medical students in her clinical practice associated with University of Minnesota Physicians, doing clinical research, teaching, and administration.

Dr. Hordinsky will speak on, “Phase 3 SCALP Clinical Trial Program Evaluating Topical Clascoterone 5% Solution for Androgenetic Alopecia”



M. Hordinsky

NORWOOD LECTURER

Jason Sonners, DC, PhD, FMHC

Private Practice

Dr. Jason Sonners is the founder of NJ HBOT, PA HBOT, and HBOT USA and has nearly 20 years of experience in the field of hyperbaric oxygen therapy. A Certified Hyperbaric and functional medicine Practitioner, researcher, and educator, he integrates hyperbaric oxygen therapy with nutrition, exercise physiology, detoxification strategies, and comprehensive functional health approaches to support complex clinical cases.

Dr. Sonners earned his Doctor of Chiropractic and holds advanced diplomate certifications in clinical nutrition (DCBCN) and applied kinesiology (DIBAK). He also completed his PhD in Molecular Biology with a concentration in regenerative medicine at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, where his research focused on hyperbaric oxygen mechanisms and applications.

He has authored 5 books including the Amazon best-selling book *Oxygen Under Pressure* and co-author of the professional textbook *The Art and Science of Hyperbaric Medicine*. Dr. Sonners lectures internationally on hyperbaric medicine and serves on the board and faculty of the International Hyperbaric Association (IHA) and the International Board of Undersea Medicine (IBUM), where he helps train and certify clinicians and hyperbaric technicians worldwide.

Dr. Sonners and his wife, Dr. Melissa Sonners, co-own Core Therapies Family Wellness Center, a multidisciplinary clinic in Northern New Jersey. Through HBOT USA, he works to expand patient access to hyperbaric medicine by helping practitioners safely integrate hyperbaric technology while advancing best practices in protocols, education, and safety standards.

Dr. Sonners will speak on, “Emerging Hyperbaric Research and Implications on Clinical Practice: Inflammatory Control, Healing and Cell Regeneration”



J. Sonners

About the Stough Lectureship:

The Stough Lectureship recognizes an individual with vision and a demonstrated passion for education. Established in 2019, the Stough Lecture honors ISHRS Co-founder Dow Stough, MD, who in the early 1990's recognized that the fractured, chaotic, and often secretive world of hair restoration needed an anchor. The founding of the ISHRS in 1993 brought order to chaos, turned competitors into colleagues, and created an educational organization that has changed the face and improved the outcomes of hair restoration throughout the world. A very well-respected dermatologist from Hot Springs, Arkansas, USA, Dr. Stough was one of the earliest proponents of follicular unit transplantation and natural looking hairlines, and his focus on innovation and teaching is evidenced by Dow being the youngest President, Program Chair, Golden Follicle Award winner, and Manfred Lucas Award winner in ISHRS history. He is a true leader and his contagious enthusiasm has inspired and motivated many hair transplant surgeons. His knack for encouraging colleagues – newcomers and old-timers alike – to get involved, share knowledge, and ask questions, is perhaps his greatest legacy.



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About the Norwood Lectureship:

The Norwood Lectureship pays tribute to O'Tar Norwood, MD, an Oklahoma physician who had a long and successful career in dermatology. At the time of writing his first book on Hair Transplant Surgery in 1973, he was Clinical Assistant Professor of Dermatology at the University of Oklahoma Medical School, USA. Amongst other things he was a Founding Member of the American Society for Dermatologic Surgery and with Dr. Dow Stough he was instrumental in gathering like-minded doctors in 1992 to form the ISHRS. O'Tar was a restless thinker who brought together people and ideas to explain the MPHL process. His letters and communications were so numerous that he started a magazine called the Hair Transplant Forum International. It grew very quickly and became so popular that everyone wanted to read it and contribute articles. Soon after, O'Tar donated the magazine to the ISHRS. Its descendant is the ever-popular Forum we read today. O'Tar continued to publish and teach at our conferences for many years. His name is etched in our history. Those who knew O'Tar fondly remember the informal moments after lectures where his wit and joy for life were wonderful to share. He would welcome all with his cheeky warm smile.



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FEATURED GUEST SPEAKERS

ADVANCES IN HAIR BIOLOGY LECTURER

Carolina Motter Catarino, PhD

Preclinical Center Coordinator, Grupo Boticário, Curitiba, Brazil

Carolina Motter Catarino, PhD, is an expert in bioengineering and toxicology, currently serving as the Preclinical Center Coordinator at Grupo Boticário in Brazil. She earned her Master's degree in Clinical Analysis from the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of São Paulo (USP), where her research focused on the biology of the skin. She subsequently earned her PhD in Chemical Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, pioneering the use of 3D bioprinting to construct physiologically relevant human skin models.

Dr. Catarino's research includes the successful incorporation of hair follicles into 3D bioprinted skin models, a critical advancement for regenerative therapies and studying the hair cycle. Her clinical research interests comprise alternative in vitro methodologies, advanced computational modeling, and Next Generation Risk Assessment (NGRA). She leads a multidisciplinary team driving the development and implementation of new methodologies for studying the hair cycle and evaluating cosmetic active ingredients.

She has authored several scientific publications in prestigious journals, including Science Advances, Trends in Biotechnology, and Tissue Engineering. Dr. Catarino is an active member of the International Cooperation on Cosmetics Regulation (ICCR) Joint Working Group on "Integrated Strategies for Safety Assessment of Cosmetic Ingredients". An award-winning researcher, she is a recipient of the Lush Prize for Young Researchers in the Americas for her work on animal-free approaches.

Dr. Motter Catarino will speak on, "Bridging Data and Tissue: Bioinformatics and 3D Bioengineering for Next-Generation Hair Follicle Research"

The Advances in Hair Biology Lecture is generously supported by a grant from BOSLEY. The ISHRS is grateful to Bosley for more than 20 years of support.



C. Motter Catarino

FEATURED GUEST SPEAKER

Dirlene Roth, MD

Clinical and Surgical Dermatologist

Dr. Dirlene Roth is a trichologist, clinical and surgical dermatologist, with over 30 years of clinical experience, 25 of which as a surgeon. She is a member of the Brazilian Society of Dermatology – SBD, Brazilian Association of Hair Restoration Surgery – ABCRC, International Society of Hair Restoration Surgery – ISHRS, and the World FUE Institute – WFI. Dr. Dirlene also has an extensive career in education, having worked as a mentor and professor at various medical facilities in Brazil for over 15 years. Together with Dr. Samir Arbache, she is one of the mentors of the Microinfusion of Medication into the Skin (MMP®) technique, having trained more than 3000 dermatologists across Latin America on this procedure.

Dr. Roth will speak on, "Regenerative Hair Microinfusion as a Strategy to Maximize Hair Transplant Results"



D. Roth



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401: BASICS COURSE



G. Guerrero



B. Pinto

Date: Wednesday/October 14, 2026

Time: 8:00AM-5:00PM

Location: Oceania II → Floor 2

Fee: \$695 USD

Level: Beginner (Physician Only)

Notes: Attendees should eat breakfast before coming to the course.
Lunch and coffee breaks are included.

CHAIR: Guillermo Guerrero, MD | Mexico

CO-CHAIR: Bruno Pinto, MD, MSc | Portugal

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Ximena Vila, MD | Spain

Maria Marta Zollinger, MD | Brazil

Course Description:

The Basic Course is an intensive one-day program specifically developed for physicians with minimal or no prior experience in hair restoration surgery. The curriculum is organized into three focused lecture blocks, each addressing foundational topics including hair and scalp anatomy, patient assessment and selection, medical management, procedural planning and design, anesthesia techniques, donor harvesting, and graft implantation methods.

Following each lecture block, participants will engage in hands-on practical sessions at designated workstations, allowing for direct application of the concepts and techniques introduced.

The course features instruction and mentorship from internationally recognized experts and emerging leaders in the field, who will provide individualized guidance and be available for discussion throughout the day.

Registration for this course includes access to the ISHRS Basics Bundle.

PRECAUTION NOTE: This workshop will utilize sharps.

COURSE OUTLINE:

SESSION 1: BASICS & HAIRLINE

MODERATOR: Guillermo Guerrero, MD | Mexico

8:00AM-8:08AM	8	Introduction and Overview Guillermo Guerrero, MD Mexico
8:08AM-8:23AM	15	History of Hair Restoration Surgery David Perez-Meza, MD, FISHRS Mexico
8:23AM-8:31AM	8	Anatomy: Key Surgical Aspects Ximena Vila, MD Spain
8:31AM-8:43AM	12	Consultation: Who Is and Is Not a Good Candidate for Hair Restoration Surgery Miriam Scheel, MD Guatemala
8:43AM-8:55AM	12	Trichoscopy: Why Is It Important? Ratchathorn Panchaprateep, MD, PhD, FISHRS Thailand
8:55AM-9:10AM	15	Androgenetic Alopecia: Pathophysiology, Medical Treatment, and Surgery Timing Giselle Rodriguez, MD Mexico
9:10AM-9:21AM	11	The Basics of the Hairline Evolution and the Maturing Hairline William R. Rassman, MD USA
9:21AM-9:29AM	8	Male Hairline Design: Practical Aspects Ronald L. Shapiro, MD, FISHRS USA
9:29AM-9:37AM	8	Female Hairline Design Kotchamol Manonukul, MD, FISHRS Thailand
9:37AM-9:42AM	5	Q&A discussion
9:42AM-9:54AM	12	Coffee break & transition to workstations

SESSION 1 WORKSTATIONS

9:54AM-10:22AM	28	Station 1: Hairline Design (starts with group A) TABLE LEADER: Ronald L. Shapiro, MD, FISHRS USA Miriam Scheel, MD Guatemala Station 2: Hairline Design (group B) TABLE LEADER: Kotchamol Manonukul, MD, FISHRS Thailand William R. Rassman, MD USA Ximena Vila, MD Spain
10:22AM-10:24AM	2	<i>Rotate stations (Group A moves to Station 3, B moves to Station 4, C moves to Station 1, D moves to Station 2)</i>
10:24AM-10:52AM	28	Station 3: Trichoscopy Using Different Devices (group C) TABLE LEADER: Ratchathorn Panchaprateep, MD, PhD, FISHRS Thailand Giselle Rodriguez, MD Mexico Station 4: Trichoscopy Using Different Devices (group D) TABLE LEADER: Maira Merlotto, MD, MSc Brazil Guillermo Guerrero, MD Mexico
10:52AM-10:54AM	2	<i>Return to classroom</i>



401: BASICS COURSE

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SESSION 2: FUE, DONOR AREA & ANESTHESIA

MODERATOR: Bruno Pinto, MD | Portugal

10:54AM-11:06AM	12	Donor Area Assessment and Limits Bruno Pinto, MD, MSc Portugal
11:06AM-11:14AM	8	Safe Anesthesia for Hair Transplant Surgery Maira Merlotto, MD, MSc Brazil
11:14AM-11:26AM	12	FUE Basics and Mechanical Devices Bruno Ferreira, MD Portugal
11:26AM-11:34AM	8	Choosing FUE Device and Punch Type Otavio Boaventura, MD, MSc Brazil
11:34AM-11:39AM	5	Q&A Discussion
11:39AM-12:14PM	35	<i>Lunch with faculty</i>
12:14PM-12:22PM	8	<i>Group photo & return to workstations</i>

SESSION 2 WORKSTATIONS

12:22PM-12:42PM	20	Station 5: FUE Harvesting Mamba (starts with group A) TABLE LEADER: Maira Merlotto, MD, MSc Brazil Otavio Boaventura, MD Brazil
12:42PM-12:44PM	2	<i>Rotate stations</i>
12:44PM-1:04PM	20	Station 6: FUE Harvesting Zeus (group B) TABLE LEADER: Freddy Bravo Crisostomo, MD Chile Maria Marta Zollinger, MD Brazil Francisco Le Voci, MD Brazil
1:04PM-1:06PM	2	<i>Rotate stations</i>
1:06PM-1:26PM	20	Station 7: FUE Harvesting WAW (group C) TABLE LEADER: Giselle Rodriguez, MD Mexico Ratchathorn Panchaprateep, MD, PhD, FISHS Thailand
1:26PM-1:28PM	2	<i>Rotate stations</i>
1:28PM-1:48PM	20	Station 8: FUE Harvesting Other (group D) TABLE LEADER: Elson Marques Viana, Jr., MD Brazil Solon Eduardo Gouveia Souza, MD Brazil João Sodré, MD Brazil
1:48PM-1:52PM	4	<i>Return to classroom</i>

SESSION 3: FUT, GRAFT PLACEMENT & COMPLICATIONS

MODERATOR: Guillermo Guerrero, MD | Mexico

1:52PM-2:07PM	15	FUT: OVERVIEW Indications, Contraindications, Strip Harvesting Henrique Radwanski, MD, FISHS Brazil
2:07PM-2:15PM	8	How Many Grafts Does a Patient Need? Surgical Planning Anastasios Vekris, MD Greece
2:15PM-2:23PM	8	Graft Placement Techniques Using Pre-made Slits Luciana Takata, MD, PhD USA
2:23PM-2:31PM	8	Graft Placement Techniques Using Stick-and-Place Elson Marques Viana, Jr., MD Brazil
2:31PM-2:36PM	5	Q&A Discussion
2:36PM-2:48PM	12	<i>Coffee break & transition to workstations</i>

SESSION 3 WORKSTATIONS

2:48PM-3:13PM	25	Station 9: Strip Harvesting (starts with group A) TABLE LEADER: Henrique Radwanski, MD, FISHS Brazil Fernando T. Basto Jr., MD, FISHS Brazil
3:13PM-3:15PM	2	<i>Rotate stations</i>
3:15PM-3:40PM	25	Station 10: Graft Preparation (group B) TABLE LEADER: Maria Marta Zollinger, MD Brazil Francisco Le Voci, MD Brazil
3:40PM-3:42PM	2	<i>Rotate stations</i>
3:42PM-4:07PM	25	Station 11: Pre-made Slits & Graft Placement (group C) TABLE LEADER: Luciana Takata, MD, PhD USA Solon Eduardo Gouveia Souza, MD Brazil
4:07PM-4:09PM	2	<i>Rotate stations</i>
4:09PM-4:34PM	25	Station 12: Different Types of Implanters (group D) TABLE LEADER: Anastasios Vekris, MD Greece Elson Marques Viana, Jr., MD Brazil
4:34PM-4:36PM	2	<i>Return to classroom</i>
4:36PM-4:48PM	12	What's Next? The Hair Transplant Surgeon Career Guillermo Guerrero, MD Mexico
4:48PM-4:58PM	10	Q&A Discussion
4:58PM-5:00PM	2	<i>Final considerations</i>



402: ABHRS BOARD REVIEW COURSE



M. Singh



G. Wong

Date: Wednesday/October 14, 2026

Time: 9:00AM-3:30PM

**8:30AM coffee available; 9:00AM course begins*

Location: Oceania VIII → Floor 2

Fee: \$495 USD

Level: Intermediate & Advanced (Physician Only)

CHAIR: Mayank Singh, MBBS, MS, MCh, FISHRS | India

CO-CHAIR: Garsing Wong, MBChB, FISHRS | New Zealand

FACULTY:

Waris Anwar, MD, FISHRS | Pakistan

Gorana Kuka Epstein, MD, FISHRS | Serbia

Bessam Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS | United Kingdom

Luis A. Nader, MD, FISHRS | Mexico

Radha Rani Palakurthi, MD | India

Georgios Zontos, MD, MSc, PhD, FISHRS | Greece

Course Description:

The ABHRS Board Review Course by the ISHRS is designed to assist aspiring candidates seeking certification by the American Board of Hair Restoration Surgery in focusing their studies for the written and oral examinations which lead to certification. In addition, candidates will be exposed, via mock oral exams, to the screening criteria utilized by the ABHRS in assessing for the presence of those behavioral clinical skills that embrace the highest quality ethical standards patients are seeking in choosing their surgeon.

Faculty will cover the latest standards of care in the assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of hair loss disorders, examining scarring and non-scarring alopecias, and medical and surgical management, including FUE and Strip Excision (SE) donor harvesting and conservative hair transplant surgery design. In-person lectures ensure direct personal discussion and instruction.

Registration for this course includes access to the ISHRS Advanced/Board Review Course Bundle.

COURSE OUTLINE:

8:30AM-9:00AM 30 **Coffee**

Students will sit at assigned tables with faculty as follows:

TABLE 1: Radha Rani Palakurthi, MBBS | India

TABLE 2: Bessam Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS | United Kingdom

TABLE 3: Georgios Zontos, MD, FISHRS | Greece

TABLE 4: Gorana Kuka Epstein, MD, FISHRS | Serbia

TABLE 5: Waris Anwar, MD, FISHRS | Pakistan

TABLE 6: Luis A. Nader, MD, FISHRS | Mexico

SESSION 1: WELCOME & SHORT PRESENTATIONS

9:00AM-9:03AM 3 **Welcome and Introduction**

CHAIR: Mayank Singh, MBBS, MS, MCh, FISHRS | India

CO-CHAIR: Garsing Wong, MBChB, FISHRS | New Zealand

9:03AM-9:10AM 7 **Differential Diagnosis of MPHL**

Georgios Zontos, MD, MSc, PhD, FISHRS | Greece

9:10AM-9:13AM 3 **Discussion**

9:13AM-9:20AM 7 **Local Anesthetic and Nerve Blocks / Local Anesthetic Toxicity**

Garsing Wong, MBChB, FISHRS | New Zealand

9:20AM-9:23AM 3 **Discussion**

9:23AM-9:30AM 7 **Topical and Oral Treatments Male Pattern Hair Loss – Pros and Cons**

Radha Rani Palakurthi, MBBS | India

9:30AM-9:33AM 3 **Discussion**

9:33AM-9:40AM 7 **Hair Transplantation in Scarring Alopecia**

Luis A. Nader, MD, FISHRS | Mexico

9:40AM-9:43AM 3 **Discussion**

9:43AM-9:50AM 7 **Management of Difficult Cases**

Bessam Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS | United Kingdom

9:50AM-9:53AM 3 **Discussion**

9:53AM-10:00AM 7 **Complications During and Post Hair Transplantation – Management**

Mayank Singh, MBBS, MS, MCh, FISHRS | India

10:00AM-10:03AM 3 **Discussion**

10:03AM-10:18AM 15 **Coffee Break**



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SESSION 2: MOCK ORAL EXAM

Each student has a turn answering an oral exam question at their table.

10:18AM-10:25AM	7	Mock Oral Exam Overview Waris Anwar, MD, FISHRS Pakistan
10:25AM-10:40AM	15	Mock Oral Exam Demonstration Bessam Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS United Kingdom Radha Rani Palakurthi, MD India
10:40AM-10:45AM	5	Tips and Hints for the Exam Garsing Wong, MBChB, FISHRS New Zealand
10:45AM-11:00AM	15	Mock Oral Exam Question 1
11:00AM-11:05AM	5	Discussion
11:05AM-11:20AM	15	Mock Oral Exam Question 2
11:20AM-11:25AM	5	Discussion
11:25AM-11:40AM	15	Mock Oral Exam Question 3
11:40AM-11:45AM	5	Discussion
11:45AM-12:00PM	15	Mock Oral Exam Question 4
12:00PM-12:05PM	5	Discussion
12:05PM-12:20PM	15	Mock Oral Exam Question 5
12:20PM-12:25PM	5	Discussion
12:25PM-12:40PM	15	Mock Oral Exam Question 6
12:40PM-12:45PM	5	Discussion
12:45PM-12:50PM	5	<i>Group Photo</i>
12:50PM-1:25PM	35	<i>Lunch with Faculty</i>

SESSION 3: MOCK WRITTEN EXAM

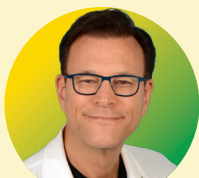
1:25PM – 1:30PM	5	Mock Written Exam Orientation Gorana Kuka Epstein, MD, FISHRS Serbia
1:30PM – 2:15PM	45	Mock Written Exam Gorana Kuka Epstein, MD, FISHRS Serbia Georgios Zontos, MD, MSc, PhD, FISHRS Greece
2:15PM – 2:35PM	20	Discussion

SESSION 4: FACULTY LIVE Q&A

All students will have the opportunity to ask questions of faculty in two groups.

2:35PM-2:55PM	20	Faculty Group 1: Waris Anwar, MD, FISHRS Pakistan Luis A. Nader, MD, FISHRS Mexico Georgios Zontos, MD, MSc, PhD, FISHRS Greece
2:55PM-3:15PM	20	Faculty Group 2: Gorana Kuka Epstein, MD, FISHRS Serbia Bessam Farjo, MBChB, FISHRS United Kingdom Radha Rani Palakurthi, MD India Garsing Wong, MBChB, FISHRS New Zealand
3:15PM-3:30PM	15	Final Considerations



403: SMP HALF-DAY COURSE. 

R. Haber



P. Cirino

Date: Wednesday/October 14, 2026**Time:** 1:00PM-5:00PM**Location:** Oceania IX → Floor 2**Fee:** There is no registration fee for this course. Seating is available on a first come, first served basis, subject to room capacity.**Level:** All Levels**CHAIR:** Robert S. Haber, MD, FISHRS | USA**CO-CHAIR:** Pablo Cirino, MD, PhD | Brazil**FACULTY:**

Cristiane Moraes Bispo de Maria | Brazil

Anna Yampolsky | USA

Nicole Large | USA

Mary Matsuda | Brazil/Greece

William R. Rassman, MD | USA

Antonio S. Ruston, MD | Brazil

Sara M. Wasserbauer, MD, FISHRS | USA

Course Description:

Scalp Micropigmentation (SMP) is a powerful adjunctive therapy to complement any hair transplantation practice. It is a subtle tool which can be used in aiding cosmesis related to low follicular density or scarring from previous surgery. It accomplishes this by decreasing the appearance of color contrast between the hair and scalp. This workshop will address the basics of the science behind the different types of available pigments and how they interact with dermal tissue, the available systems and techniques for delivering these pigments, patient selection and indications, and how to deliver this care in a safe, responsible manner.

COURSE OUTLINE

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| 1:00PM-1:02PM | 2 | Welcome and Introduction
Robert S. Haber, MD, FISHRS USA |
| 1:02PM-1:12PM | 10 | Dermatologic Consequences and Psychological Impact of SMP
Robert S. Haber, MD, FISHRS USA |
| 1:13PM-1:28PM | 15 | Explanation of SMP and Patient Selection
Mary Matsuda Brazil/Greece |
| 1:29PM-1:41PM | 12 | Pigments, Needles, Devices and Proper SMP technique
Robert S. Haber, MD, FISHRS USA |
| 1:42PM-1:54PM | 12 | SMP as a Density Amplifier and How it Can Complement Hair Transplantation
Nicole Large USA |
| 1:55PM-2:07PM | 12 | SMP for FUT and FUE Scar Camouflage and Repair of Overharvested/Depleted Donor Areas
Antonio S. Ruston, MD Brazil |
| 2:08PM-2:20PM | 12 | Complications, Bad SMP and When Not to Treat
Sara M. Wasserbauer, MD, FISHRS USA (Video) |
| 2:21PM-2:33PM | 12 | Brief Introduction of CRT
Pablo Cirino, MD, PhD Brazil |
| 2:34PM-2:49PM | 15 | Questions & Answers
All faculty |
| 2:50PM-3:10PM | 20 | Coffee Break |
| 3:10PM-4:45PM | 12 | Hands-On Learning
Cristiane Moraes Bispo de Maria Brazil
Anna Yampolsky USA
Nicole Large USA
Mary Matsuda Brazil/Greece
William R. Rassman, MD USA
Antonio S. Ruston, MD Brazil |
| 4:45PM-5:00PM | 12 | Final Wrap-up |



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Location: Europa → Ground Floor

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CSI Inquiry Session:

Saturday/October 17, 2026	10:20AM-11:05AM
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ANESTHESIA, SEDATION AND PAIN MANAGEMENT

CSI-001	Crescent Field Block: A Modified Two-Step Technique for Beard Donor Area Anesthesia in Follicular Unit Extraction Prakash Khute, MD India
CSI-002	Oral Sedation Strategy for Hair Transplantation

BASIC SCIENCE

CSI-003	How to Safely Use Wigs After Hair Transplantation: A Timeline Based Wig Protocol Nancy Echefu, MD USA
CSI-004	Relative Efficacy of Oral and Topical 5-alpha Reductase Inhibitors in Reducing Dihydrotestosterone Levels in Men with Androgenetic Alopecia: A Network Meta-analysis with Post-hoc Regression Analyses Aditya Gupta, MD, FISHRS Canada
CSI-005	Efficacy and Safety of Topical Finasteride 0.25% Monotherapy in Postmenopausal Women with Female Pattern Hair Loss: A 52-week Observational Study Bianca Maria Piraccini, MD, PhD Italy

BODY HAIR

CSI-006	Morphological Classification of the Cervical Beard Solon Eduardo Gouveia Souza, MD Brazil
CSI-007	Beard Extraction for a Second Hair Transplantation Surgery in East Asian Men

COMPLICATIONS AND CHALLENGING CASES

CSI-008	Hair Transplantation as a Primary Treatment for Cutis Verticis Gyrata: A Case Report Leila Bloch, MD, PhD, FISHRS Brazil
CSI-009	Efficacy of Diluted Povidone-Iodine in the Management of Early Signs of Post-Transplant Scalp Infection: A Comparative Case Series Josep Fortuny, MD Spain
CSI-010	Repair of the Hairline Using FUE Extraction of Follicular Units: A Retrospective Descriptive Multicenter Study Alba Gomez-Zubiaur, MD Spain
CSI-011	Persistent Forehead Oedema & Haematoma Following Follicular Unit Excision Surgery Rahmanullah Hayat, MD United Kingdom
CSI-012	Short & Long Term Complications of over Harvesting in the Donor Area in Large FUE Sessions Ahmad Ishtiaq, MBBS Pakistan
CSI-013	Hair Transplantation in Sickle Cell Disease: Recipient Area Necrosis, Absence of Literature, and Successful Outcomes Using Modified Techniques in Sickle Cell Trait Prakash Khute, MD India
CSI-014	Dissecting Cellulitis Following Hair Transplantation, an Unexpected Complication Gerardo Rodriguez Martinez, MD Mexico
CSI-015	Scarring Alopecia Secondary to Leprosy Maria Sandoval, MD Argentina
CSI-016	Scarring Alopecia Hidden in Plain Sight: Diagnostic Pitfalls in Hair Transplantation Practice Wich Sangsuwan, MD Thailand
CSI-017	Hair Transplantation and Identity Reconstruction in Secondary Alopecia Following Brain Neoplasia Valeria Silva Garzon, MD Colombia
CSI-018	A New Anesthetic Technique: Preventing Scalp Necrosis After Hair Transplant Elson Viana, MD Brazil

CONSULTATION, EVALUATION AND PLANNING

CSI-019	Fibrosing Alopecia in a Pattern Distribution and the Perils of Remote Hair Transplantation Consultations Blake Brooks, MD, MS USA
CSI-020	Eyebrow Transplant Planning Using 3D Models: A Quantitative Approach Felipe Pittella, MD Brazil
CSI-021	Comparative Value of Medical and Procedural Treatments for Androgenetic Alopecia: A Cost-Effectiveness Analysis to Inform Clinical Decision-Making Samuel Tringali, DO USA

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY, IMAGING, AND AI IN HAIR RESTORATION

- CSI-022 **Integrating Predictive Modeling into Hair Transplant Planning: Clinical Perspectives Toward a Digital Twin Approach**
Olfa Horchani, MD | France
- CSI-023 **Improving Hair Transplant Planning: Same Degree in Norwood-Hamilton but Different Degree in PRECISE Scale?**
Felipe Pittella, PhD | Brazil
- CSI-024 **Two Surgeries with Distinct Norwood-Hamilton Class but Same Amount of Grafts? PRECISE Scale Answers**
Felipe Pittella, PhD | Brazil

DONOR HARVESTING (FUE, FUT, SCAR CORRECTION)

- CSI-025 **FUT Is Not Obsolete: Proper Patient Selection and Surgical Technique Preserve Its Value in Modern Hair Transplantation**
Jesus Diaz, MD | Chile
- CSI-026 **Comprehensive Comparative Evaluation of Long Hair FUE vs Long Hair FUT: Clinical Efficiency, Cost-Effectiveness, Donor Preservation & Social Continuity in Modern Hair Restoration**
- CSI-027 **A Regenerative Approach to “Impossible” Corrective Scars: Utilizing Nanofat Pre-conditioning Protocol for Successful BHT and FUE**
Nuttorn Narupaves, MD | Thailand
- CSI-028 **Follicular Unit Extraction in Chronic Traction Alopecia Mimicking an Ophiasis Pattern: A Case Report**
Diana Papaskiri, MD, PhD | Georgia
- CSI-029 **FUE in Challenging Cases**
Mauro Speranzini, MD, FISHRS | Brazil

ETHICAL ISSUES

- CSI-030 **Ethical Boundaries in Hair Transplantation: When Should the Surgeon Refuse Surgery?**
Burhan Ashraf, MBBS | Pakistan
- CSI-031 **Medico-Legal Risk Patterns in Hair Transplantation: A Cross-Jurisdictional Analysis**

HAIRLINE, TEMPLE, AND CROWN DESIGN (ARTISTRY AND AESTHETICS)

- CSI-032 **Association Between Crown Hair Whorl Orientation and Hair Styling Direction: Implications for Surgical Planning**
Rahmanullah Hayat, MD | United Kingdom
- CSI-033 **Frontal Hairline Transplantation Using a Hair System Combination Approach**
Ahmad Ishtiaq, MBBS | Pakistan
- CSI-034 **Importance of Hairline Design in Achieving an Undetectable and Natural-Looking Outcome in Hair Transplantation**
Sheraz Maik Moin, MD | Pakistan

INNOVATIONS, INVENTIONS, ROBOTICS & AUTOMATION

- CSI-035 **Intraoperative Micro-Coring for Cutis Verticis Gyrata During FUE: A Novel Application of Fractional Tissue Reduction Principles with Adjunctive Hyaluronidase**
- CSI-036 **Automated Graft Counting via Machine Vision: A Technological Solution to the Hair Restoration Industry's Data Integrity Crisis**
Nino Vadachkoria, MD, MSc | Georgia
- CSI-037 **Randomized, Inpatient-Controlled, Single-Center Clinical Trial Comparing FT-002B-Assisted FUE with Traditional FUE for Hair Follicle Harvesting in Androgenetic Alopecia Patients**
Wenyu Wu, MD | China

NON-SURGICAL OR MEDICAL THERAPIES

- CSI-038 **Risk of Depression and Suicidality Associated with Finasteride Use for Alopecia: Confrontation Between Pharmacovigilance Signals and Causality Studies**
Byron Brandao, MSc | Brazil
- CSI-039 **Metabolic, Nutritional, and Mental Health Characteristics of an Androgenetic Alopecia Proxy Cohort in NHANES 1999–2018: A Complex Survey-Weighted Analysis**
Shiwei Han, MD, PhD | USA
- CSI-040 **Androgenetic Alopecia in Monozygotic Twins: Clinical Evolution with and Without Treatment. a Case Report**
Maria Herrera Luna, MD, MSc | Colombia

RECIPIENT SITE CREATION, DENSITY, AND ORGANIZATION

- CSI-041 **Hair Transplantation in Burn Scar Alopecia in Young Female: Surgical Challenges and Long-Term Outcomes**
- CSI-042 **Importance of Injecting Tumescence at Right Depth & How to Ensure It**
Muhammad Rashid, MD, FISHRS | Pakistan
- CSI-043 **Overview of Contemporary Micropunch Hair Transplantation**
Kazuhito Yamamoto, MD | Japan

REGENERATIVE MEDICINE

- CSI-044 **Nanofat Grafting as Preparation for Hair Transplantation in Primary Scarring Alopecias**
Flávia Basilio Silva, MD | Brazil
- CSI-045 **Restoring Hair in Scarred Scalp: Nanofat Preconditioning and FUE Hair Transplantation in an Immunosuppressed Patient**
Josep Fortuny, MD | Spain

STAFFING, ORGANIZATION AND EFFICIENCY

- CSI-046 **Organizational Model Based on Dynamic Clinical Team Allocation for Optimizing Surgical Workflow in Hair Transplantation Using Simultaneous Operating Rooms**
Karina Fritz | Chile

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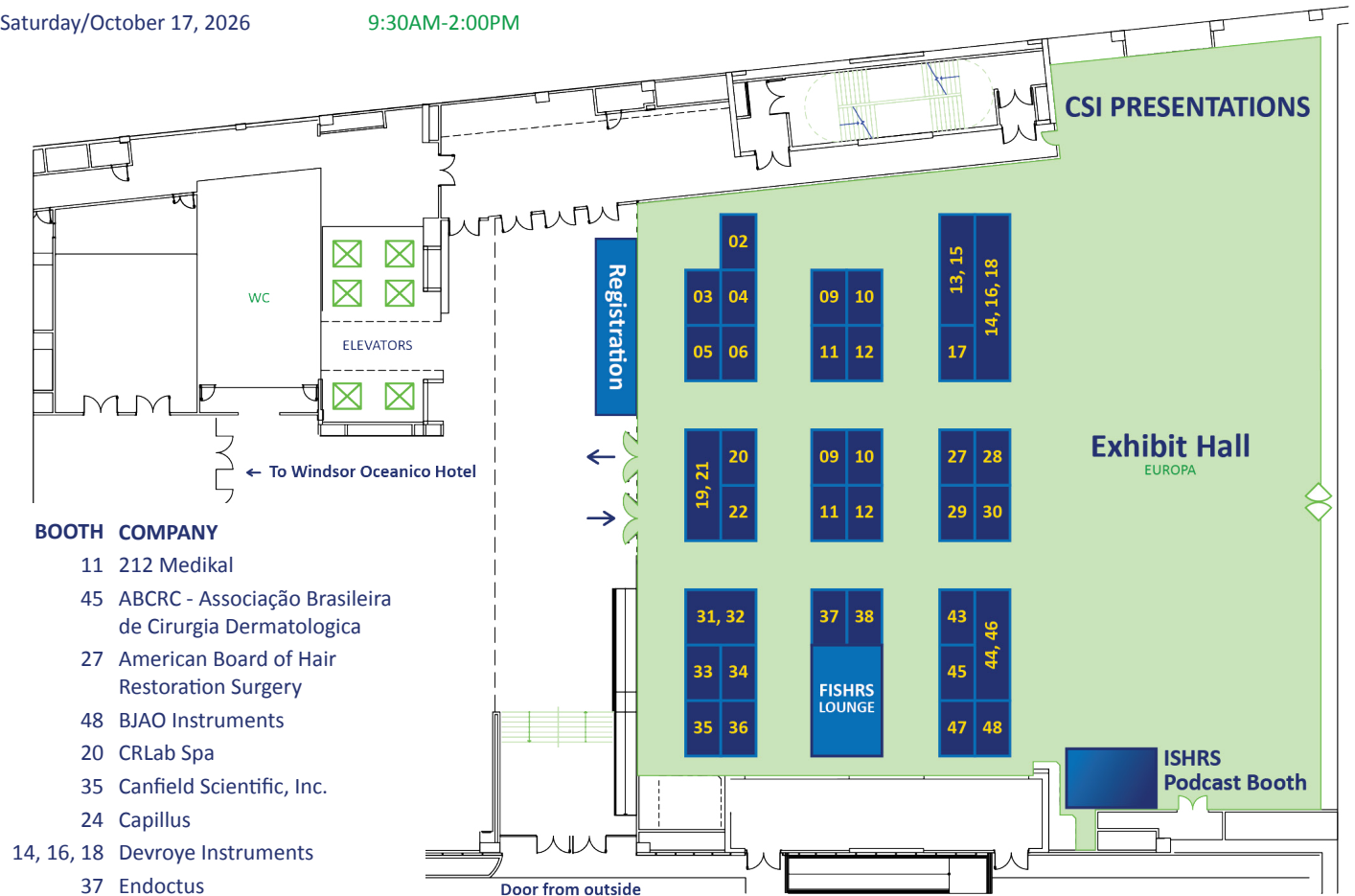
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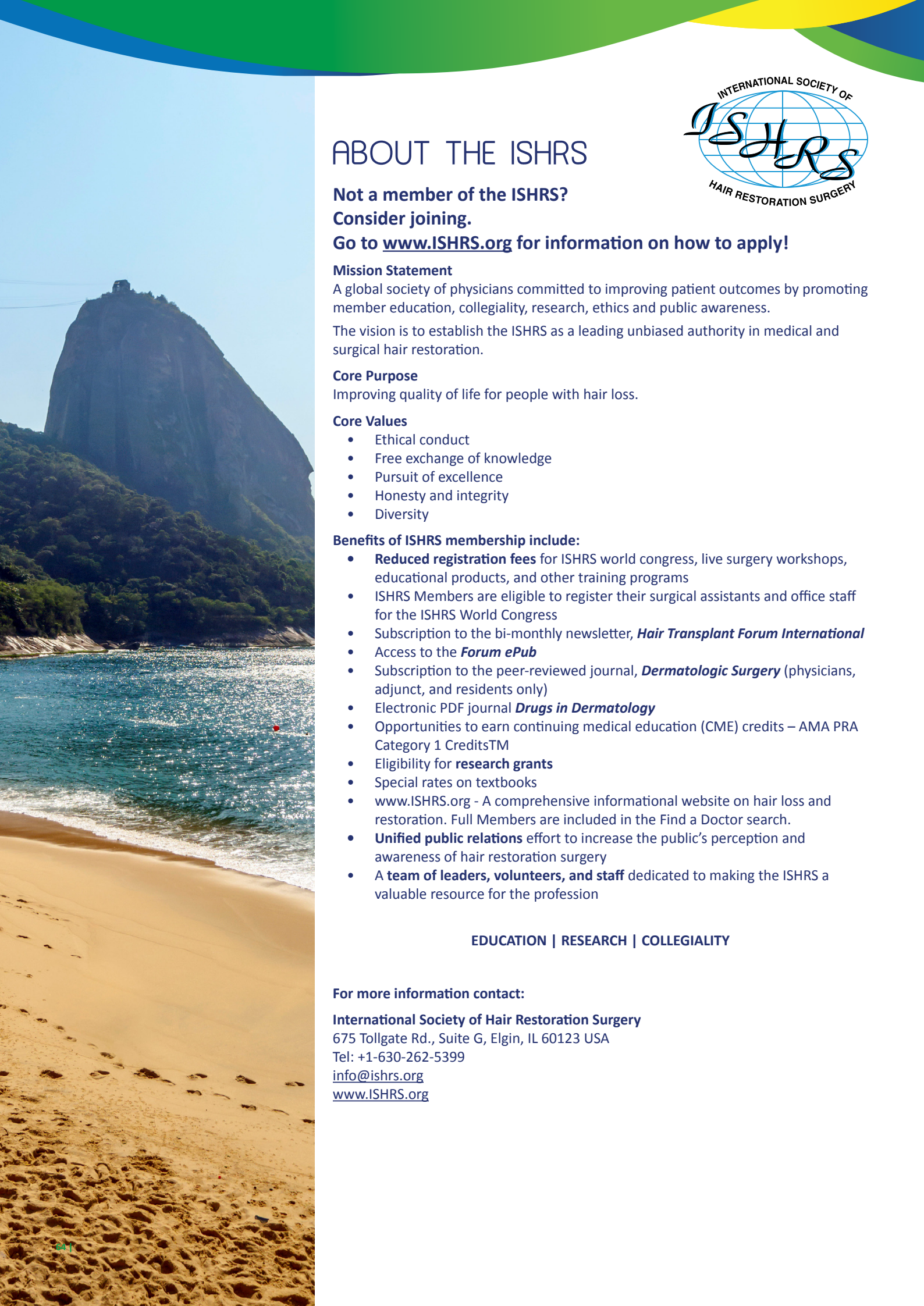
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The International Society of Hair Restoration Surgery (ISHRS) is a global non-profit medical association and a leading, unbiased authority in medical and surgical hair restoration with more than 1,200 members throughout 80 countries. Founded in 1993, it was the first, and is now the largest, international society to promote continuing quality improvement and education for professionals in the field of hair restoration surgery. Members have backgrounds in varying medical specialties including dermatology, plastic surgery, general surgery, and more.

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