

Announcement & Programme

# THNO

8<sup>th</sup> Trends in Head & Neck Oncology

November 11-13, 2021

Novotel Amsterdam, The Netherlands & Online



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# Important Dates & Venue & Online

29 June 2021

16 September 2021

23 September 2021

14 October 2021

Deadline early registration fee

Abstract deadline

Confirmation of abstract acceptance

Deadline regular registration fee

## Venue

Novotel Amsterdam City

Europaboulevard 10

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**THNO-8 will be broadcasted online!**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Trends in Head & Neck Oncology is endorsed by:



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**[www.THNO2021.org](http://www.THNO2021.org)**

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# Invitation

**Dear colleagues and friends,**

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to the 8th Trends in Head & Neck Oncology (THNO-8) to be held face to face in Amsterdam, The Netherlands and Online on November 11 - 13, 2021.

This meeting will offer you up-to-date information on many aspects of head & neck cancer translated to daily practice.

With a wealth of exciting data emerging in this rapidly evolving field the THNO-8 meeting will review the state-of-the-art knowledge with emphasis on multidisciplinary decision and management of head and neck cancer, with at the same time giving ample time to discuss: the role of the microbiome, new targets for treatment, immunotherapy, resistance mechanisms, standardizing molecular profiling programs, new methods to guide therapeutic approaches, the different treatment approaches in primary disease and in recurrent a/o metastatic disease, new developments in pathology, surgery and reconstruction techniques, new systemic therapies in salivary gland cancer, supportive care and follow-up.

All disciplines involved in the treatment of head & neck cancer will be represented in integrated sessions. The translation to daily practice will be highlighted by interactive clinical case discussions facilitated by panels. The 8<sup>th</sup>-THNO is designed for medical oncologists, head and neck surgeons, radiation oncologists, otolaryngologists, and other medical professionals involved in the treatment of patients with head and neck cancer.

The 8<sup>th</sup>-THNO will offer excellent science and medicine online and f2f in the beautiful city of Amsterdam.

We look forward to welcoming you Online or in Amsterdam !

Meeting chairs & scientific committee

*Volker Budach, Berlin, Germany*

*René Leemans, Amsterdam, The Netherlands*

*Jean-Pascal Machiels, Brussels, Belgium*

*Piero Nicolai, Brescia, Italy*

*Brian O'Sullivan, Toronto, Canada*

*Jan B. Vermorken, Edegem, Belgium*

# Scientific Programme

Thursday, November 11, 2021

**12.30 Welcome**

**Session 1: From basic science to clinical application**

*Chair: Jan B. Vermorken (BE)*

13:00 The gut microbiota and anticancer immunotherapy  
*Laurence Zitvogel (F)*

13:25 The bidirectional communication between tumor cells and other components of the tumor microenvironment  
*Phil Sloan (UK)*

13:50 Resistance mechanisms in immune checkpoint inhibitors and radiotherapy and how to overcome this  
*Kirsten Lauber (DE)*

14:15 DNA repair mechanisms as a new target in head and neck cancer  
*Kevin Harrington (UK)*

**14:40 Break**

15:10 How to standardize molecular profiling programs for routine patient care  
*Ingeborg Tinhofer (DE)*

15:35 Novel immune oncology targets beyond PD-1/PD-L1 in head and neck cancer  
*Christophe Le Tourneau (F)*

16:00 Analytic methods to understand head and neck cancer evolution to guide therapeutic approaches  
*Ben O'Leary (UK)*

16:25 Proffered paper session  
*Chair: René Leemans*

17:30 Clinical cases: Panel discussion  
*Chair: Jean-Pascal Machiels*  
*Panel: René Leemans, Remco de Bree, Volker Budach, Marije Vergeer, Amanda Psyrri, Jan Buter, Pim de Graaf, Phil Sloan*

**19:00 Welcome reception**

# Scientific Programme

## Friday, November 12, 2021

### Session 2: Primary disease

Chair: Piero Nicolai (I)

- 09:00 Sensitivity and specificity of extranodal extension in SCCHN: unlocking the strongest prognostic factor in head and neck cancer  
*Brian O'Sullivan (CA)*
- 09:25 From photon to proton: what's in it for head and neck cancer patients?  
*Volker Budach (DE)*
- 09:50 Lessons learned from RTOG 1016 and DE-ESCALaTE: what's next?  
*Hisham Mehanna (UK)*

### 10:15 Break and poster viewing

- 10:45 Treatment intensification in LA-SCCHN: what are the options and for who?  
*Jan Vermorcken (BE)*
- 11:10 Immune checkpoint inhibitors in the curative setting: preclinical and clinical data  
*Jean-Pascal Machiels (BE)*
- 11:35 Targeting molecular/minimal residual disease using novel technologies and clinical trials design  
*Lillian Siu (CA)*
- 12:00 Clinical cases: Panel discussion  
Chair: *Volker Budach*  
Panel: *René Leemans, Piero Nicolai, Jean-Pascal Machiels, Jan Buter, Brian O'Sullivan, Marije Vergeer, Pim de Graaf, Phil Sloan*

### 13:30 Lunch and sponsored symposium

### Session 3: Recurrent and/or metastatic (R/M) SCCHN

Chair: René Leemans

- 14:30 Individualized therapy in 1-line R/M-SCCHN: what selection criteria should we use?  
*Petr Szturz (CH)*
- 14:55 Patterns of response to immune oncology drugs: how relevant are they in SCCHN?  
*Amanda Psyrrri (GR)*
- 15:20 The role of radiotherapy in oligometastatic or oligoprogressive disease in R/M-SCCHN  
*Daan Nevens (BE)*
- ### 15:45 Break and poster viewing
- 16:15 Proffered paper session  
Chair: *Jean-Pascal Machiels*
- 17:15 Keynote lecture: Real world evidence in head and neck cancer  
*Anil D'Cruz (UICC president)*

# Scientific Programme

**Saturday, November 13, 2021**

**Session 4: Special topics**

*Chair: Brian O'Sullivan (CA)*

- 09:00 Pathology driven treatment of skull base tumors  
*Piero Nicolai (I)*
- 09:25 Modern day reconstruction of facial bones  
*Sat Parmar (UK)*
- 09:50 Carcinoma of unknown primary: diagnostics and the potential of transoral surgery  
*René Leemans (NL)*

**10:15 Break**

- 10:45 New developments in surgery for malignant salivary gland tumors  
*Jeroen Meulemans (BE)*
- 11:10 New systemic therapies in salivary gland cancer  
*Ethan Argiris (GR)*
- 11:35 Exercise and nutrition interventions in head and neck cancer  
*Paolo Bossi (I)*
- 12:00 Telehealth intervention in head and neck cancer patients: a promise?  
*Irma Verdonck-de Leeuw (NL)*

- 12:25 General discussion

**13:00 Adjourn**

**Accreditation**

Accreditation will be applied for at the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME). This accreditation will be endorsed by the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) ensuring that the CME credits awarded to the participants are recognized by the national medical authorities who have agreed to co-operate in this European system. EACCME credits are recognized by the American Medical Association towards the Physician's Recognition Award (PRA).

The previous THNO edition was granted with 16 European CME credits

# General Information

## Call for abstracts

The scientific committee would like to encourage authors to submit their abstracts through the website [www.thno2021.org](http://www.thno2021.org). Abstracts can be submitted for oral or poster presentations.

**Abstract submission deadline: 16 September 2021**  
**Letters of acceptance will be mailed by 23 September 2021**

## Registration & Hotel accommodation

The 8<sup>th</sup> Trends in Head & Neck Oncology (THNO-8) will be held face to face in Amsterdam, The Netherlands and Online.

### Registration fees

Until 29 June 2021:	29 June - 14 October 2021	After 14 October and on-site
F2F EUR 295	EUR 395	EUR 495
Online EUR 125	EUR 175	EUR 225

### What is included in the F2F registration fee?

Admission to the meeting, welcome reception, program and abstract book, certificate of attendance, lunch and coffee breaks.

### What is included in the Online registration fee?

A link to the live stream of the scientific programme; possibility to ask questions and participate in the interactive clinical cases; certificate of attendance; possibility to present your accepted abstract online as oral or poster.

### How to register and pay

Please register online, online payment is possible (Mastercard, Visa, American Express).

### Group registrations

For group registrations; please contact the congress secretariat via: [info@congresscare.com](mailto:info@congresscare.com), before starting your group registration.

### COVID clause

Your registration will be converted from face to face to online participation in case you are not able to join in Amsterdam due to any COVID travel restrictions. The registration fee difference will be credited.

### Cancellation

Cancellations and refund requests must be submitted in writing to the congress secretariat. Cancellations made before 1 September 2021 will be refunded, less 30% to cover administration costs. After this date no refunds will be given. All refunds will be made after the congress.

### Hotel accommodation

The Organization of THNO 2021 has secured a number of rooms in the THNO congress venue: Novotel Amsterdam City, The Netherlands. You can book your hotel accommodation upon registration.

Single room	EUR 165 p.n
Double room	EUR 195 p.n

\*Including breakfast, VAT and city tax

### Exhibition & sponsored symposia

A targeted group of biotechnical and pharmaceutical will be invited to organize a sponsored symposium and or exhibit their products and services.



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