**Venue**
Sala della Protomoteca in Campidoglio
Piazza del Campidoglio

**Registration Fees**
- Physicians: euro 80.00 + VAT 20%
- Students & Trainees: euro 50.00 (VAT 20% included)

Students and trainees registration must be accompanied by a valid student card or a letter signed by supervisor confirming status.

Because of limited availability of seats, registrations will be accepted until February 10. On site registrations will not be accepted.

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Highlights of Thyroid Cancer Pathology and Molecular Biology

Scientific Program

8:30-9:15 Welcome addresses

9:15-9:55 Overview on thyroid cancer diagnosis (pre-operative and histological diagnosis)
Virginia LiVolsi (USA)

9:55-10:35 Diagnostic Variability in Thyroid Cancer among "Thyroid Experts": The follicular tumor of uncertain malignant potential (FT-UMP)
Juan Rosai (ITALY)

10:35-11:15 Hürthle (oncocytic) cell tumors of thyroid: etiopathogenesis, diagnosis and clinical significance
Manuel Sobrinho-Simões (PORTUGAL)

11:15-11:35 Coffee break

11:35-12:15 Poorly differentiated thyroid carcinoma: the Turin proposal for the use of uniform diagnostic criteria and an algorithmic diagnostic approach
Marco Volante (ITALY)

12:15-12:55 Galectin-3 test-method in the preoperative characterization of thyroid nodules. Results from a prospective multicentre study and new potential applications in thyroid cancer diagnosis
Armando Bartolazzi (ITALY)

12:55-13:30 Discussion

13:30-14:30 Lunch

Molecular Biology Session

Moderators: S. Sciacchitano - A. Bartolazzi

14:30-15:10 Molecular genetics of thyroid cancer and microRNA expression profiling: implications for diagnosis, treatment and prognosis
Yuri Nikiforov (USA)

15:10-15:50 Galectin-3, p53 mutations and chemoresistence in anaplastic thyroid carcinomas
Salvatore Sciacchitano (ITALY)

15:50-16:30 RET/PTC rearrangement in papillary thyroid carcinoma and hashimoto's thyroiditis: established facts and controversial issues
Giovanni Tallini (ITALY)

16:30-16:50 Coffee break

16:50-17:30 Molecular mechanisms of neoplastic progression in thyroid cancer
Alfredo Fusco (ITALY)

17:30-18:10 Targeting ret kinases in thyroid cancer
Massimo Santoro (ITALY)

18:10-18:30 Discussion

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