

27th Romanian Hungarian Pediatric Oncology Meeting
18th Regional Central-Eastern/South-Eastern European Pediatric
Onco-Hematology Meeting

30nd October-1st November 2026, Sofia

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Final Program

Registration:

Thursday, 29th October 2026

16,00 – 19,00

Friday, 30th October 2026

8,00 – 19,00

Saturday, 31st October 2026

8,00 – 19,00

Thursday, 29th October 2026

19,30 Dinner for all arrived participants

Friday, 30th October 2026

9,00 - 9,30

Opening Ceremony

9,30 - 13,15

Keynote Lectures Session: Meet the Expert

Chairs: Boryana Avramova, Maya Yordanova

9,30 - 10,15

Results from recent translational and clinical studies on Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia in the Netherlands

Prof. Dr. Rob Pieters (The Netherlands)

10,15 – 10,45

What's new – pediatric MDS and JMML

Prof. Dr. Charlotte Niemeyer (Germany)

10,45 – 11,15 Coffee Break



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Immunological approaches in pediatric malignancies

Prof. Dr. Paul - Gerhardt Schlegel (Germany)

11,45 – 12,15

From Science to Patient Benefit: Precision Oncology for Pediatric Brain Tumors

Prof. Dr. Johanesh Gojo (Austria)

12,15 - 12,45

Relapsed neuroblastoma- are we ready to propose treatment standards?

Prof. Dr. Al. Wiecezorek (Poland)

12,45 - 13,15

How I treat Langerhans cell Histiocytosis?

Prof. Dr. Milen Minkov (Austria)

13,15 – 14,00 Lunch

14,00 – 16,30

Session II: Non-malignant diseases

Chairs: Csongor Kiss, Atanas Banchev

14,00 – 14,05

Opening of the session

Chairs

14,05 - 14,25

100 years of von Willebrand disease: historical background, disease characteristics and diagnosis – results of the Hungarian VWD Registry

Csongor Kiss (Hungary)



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14,25 - 14,35

**Towards a collaborative CEE registry of VWD and rare bleeding disorders –
CSEE Pediatric VWD Mapping Initiative**

Atanas Banchev & Csongor Kiss abstract

14,35 – 14,55

**Round table: Available treatment opportunities for pediatric patients with VWD
in the participating countries**

National teams; moderators: Chairs

14,55 – 15,05

**Access to and disparities of dental treatment in patients with haemophilia – ini-
tiative for a joint CEE survey (PwH and dentists)**

Csongor Kiss (Hungary)

15,05 – 15,20

Contemporary hemophilia care in North Macedonia

Aleksandra Jovanovska (North Macedonia)

15,20 – 15,35

Report on the Advances in Treating Children with Hemophilia in Romania

Cristina Blag (Romania) abstract

15,35 – 15,50

**Diagnostic challenges and therapeutic management in refractory autoimmune
hemolytic anemia in infancy – case report**

*Mirela Xhafa, Denada Paja, Mirzana Kapllanaj, Enkeleda Duka, Besjana Dibra,
Donjeta Bali (Albania) abstract*

15,50 – 16,05

**Immune-Mediated Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Purpura in Children –
Fundeni Clinical Institute Experience**

*Sabina Gabriela Melțer, Letiția-Elena Radu, Andreea Nicoleta Șerbănică, Andra Dan-
iela Marcu, Ana-Maria Bică, Cristina Georgiana Jercan, Irina Avrămescu, Anda*



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Mocanu, Radu Obrișcă, Elisa Maria Bușescu, Ramona Ioan, Petruța Lazăr, Andreea-Iulia Ștefan-Hodorogea, Ana-Maria Marcu, Silvia Alexandru, Georgiana Gherghe, Anca Coliță (Romania) abstract

16,05 – 16,20

The Contribution of Next-Generation Sequencing in Chronic Thrombocytopenia: What It Solves and What It Leaves Open

Radu Obrișcă, Andreea Șerbănică, Cristina Jercan, Ana-Maria Bică, Letiția Elena Radu, Andra Daniela Marcu, Ana Maria Marcu^{1,2}, Petruța Lazăr², Ramona Ioan², Irina Avrămescu², Elisa Maria Bușescu^{1,2}, Anda Mocanu^{1,2}, Lavinia Cristea^{1,2}, Andreea Ștefan-Hodorogea^{1,2}, Silvia Alexandru², Sabina Melțer², Diana Vascul², Camelia Dobrea², Cerasela Jardan², Anca Coliță^{1,2} (Romania)

16,20 – 16,30

Closing remarks

Chairs

16,30 - 17,00 Coffee break

17,00 – 18,55

Session II: ALLIC 2022

Chairs: Csongor Kiss, Gabor Kovacs

17,00 - 17,20

ALLIC 2022 - current situation. Randomizations, numbers, treatment outline, stratification and register

Csongor Kiss (Hungary) Attila Nagy (Hungary), Gábor Kovács (Hungary) on behalf of ALLIC Trial Management Committee

17,20 – 17,35

SAE report – ALLIC 2022

Gabor Kovacs (Hungary)

17,35 – 17,50



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Blinatumomab - update in Hungary. New data

Gabor Kovacs (Hungary)

17,50 – 18,00

Blinatumomab – Update in Romania. New Data

Anca Colita (Romania)

18,00 – 18,15

Genomic Landscape and Risk Stratification in Pediatric ALL: The Role of RAS Pathway Mutations in Early Treatment Response

Letiția-Elena Radu, Andreea-Iulia Ștefan-Hodorogea, Andreea Nicoleta Șerbănică, Andra Daniela Marcu, Ana-Maria Bică, Cristina Georgiana Jercan, Irina Avrămescu, Anda Mocanu, Radu Obrișcă, Elisa Maria Bușescu, Ramona Ioan, Petruța Lazăr, Ana-Maria Marcu, Silvia Alexandru, Sabina Gabriela Melțer, Dumitru Jardan, Cerasela Jardan, Onda Călugaru, Codruța Pop, Karina Vihta, Anca Coliță (Romania)

abstract

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Short state-of-the-art presentation on de novo ALL treatment results in different countries:

18,15 – 18,30

Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia in Bulgaria (2023–2026): Management, Results, and Challenges

N. Yurukova, Yordanova M., Hristova T., Hristozova Hr., Belcheva M., Peteva E., Spasova M., Spassov N., Burnusuzov H., Balatzenko G., Avramova B. (Bulgaria)

abstract

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Clinical Experience with Blinatumomab in Pediatric B-cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia: A Single-Center Analysis



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*P. Tocheva, N. Yurukova, M. Yordanova, T. Hristova, K. Bachvarov, I. Boronsuzov
I. Stharbanov, E. Minova, L. Georgiev, B. Avramova (Bulgaria) abstract*

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Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia in Romania

Anca Colita (Romania)

18,55 – 19,55

Session III: AML, Diagnostic of leukemia

Chair: Anca Colita, Istvan Szegedi, Maya Yordanova

18,55 – 19,10

Germline RUNX1 Predisposition versus Somatic Mutation in Pediatric Mixed Phenotype Acute Leukemia: Insights from Fundeni Clinical Institute

Andra Daniela Marcu, Cristina Jercan, Ana-Maria Bică, Letiția-Elena Radu, Andreea Șerbănică, Ramona Ioan, Irina Avrănescu, Anda Mocanu, Radu Obrișcă, Elisa Maria Bușescu, Lavinia Cristea, Mirela Asan, Dumitru Jardan, Onda Călugăru, Cerasela Jardan, Codruța Popa, Anca Coliță (Romania)

19,10 – 19,25

Genomic insights in AML

Ana-Maria Bică, Cristina Jercan, Letiția Elena Radu, Andreea Șerbănică, Andra Daniela Marcu, Ana Maria Marcu, Ramona Ioan, Irina Avrănescu, Anda Mocanu, Radu Obrișcă, Elisa Maria Bușescu, Lavinia Cristea, Georgiana Teodorescu, Silvia Alexandru, Andreea Ștefan-Hodorogea, Sabina Melțer, Mirela Asan, Dumitru Jardan, Onda Călugăru, Cerasela Jardan, Codruța Popa, Anca Gheorghe, Anca Coliță (Romania)

19,25 - 19,40

Acute Myeloid Leukemia in Children: Diagnosis and Treatment in Bulgaria 2020–2026

Yordanova Maya, M. Spasova, N. Yurukova, N. Spasov, T. Hristova, K. Batschvarov, M. Genova, G. Balazenko, B. Avramova (Bulgaria) abstract



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Overview on current diagnostics and therapy of pediatric AML and initiate a collaboration in pediatric AML among ALLIC team members

Istvan Szegedi (Hungary)

20,00 Welcome Dinner

Saturday, 31st October

8,30 – 10,30

Session IV: ALLIC Rel

Chairs: Daniel Erdelyi, Tomaz Prelog, Koray Yalcin

8,30 – 8,45

Overview of the ALL-IC REL Project

Bence Hőbör, Monica Makiya, Juan Tordecilla, Goran Milosevic, Myriam Gutter, Ernest Bilić, Anca Colita, Natalia Batmanova, Konul Baghirova, Sophia Polychronopoulou, Marko Kavčič, Volkan Hazar, Boryana Avramova, Daniel J Erdélyi

abstract

8,45 – 9,00

Experience with ALL-IC REL protocols in Bulgaria

Tanya Hristova, Nadeghda Yurukova, Maya Yordanova, Konstantin Bachvarov, Eleonora Minova, Plamena Tocheva, Lubomir Georgiev, Boryana Avramova (Bulgaria)

abstract

9,00 - 9,15

Relapsed Philadelphia-Positive ALL in Children: CNS Status and Clinical Outcomes

Tomaž Prelog, Marko Kavčič, Neža Salobir, Catalina Ignacia Diaz Moreno, Juan Tordecilla, Ernest Bilić, Goran Milošević, Mirella Ampatzidou, Tanya Hristova, Letitia Radu, Bence Hőbör, Daniel Erdélyi, Volkan Hazar and Janez Jazbec **abstract**



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Real World Experience with Blinatumomab for ALL 1st Relapse (ALL-IC REL Consortium)

Bence Hőbör, Violetta Ewing, Cristina Ferraro, Volkan Hazar, Boryana Avramova, Goran Milosevic, Myriam Gutter, Virág Pahola, Aida Zeckanovic, Konul Baghirova, Ernest Bilić, Timur Valiev, Andrea Reyes, Anca Colita, Daniel Erdelyi **abstract**

9,30 - 9,45

Outcome of allogeneic HSCT in second complete remission after a first relapse of childhood ALL: the ALL-IC REL experience

Anca Coliță, Letiția Radu, Cristina Jercan, Federico Manni, Myriam Gutter³, Konul Baghirova, Boryana Avramova, Juan Tordecilla, David Zima, Sophia Polychronopoulou, Bence Hőbör, Veronika Enzsöl, Natalia Batmanova, Goran Milošević, Janez Jazbec, Marko Kavčič, Volkan Hazar **abstract**

9,45 - 10,00

Access to Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-Cell Therapy for Childhood Relapsed Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia Across ALL-IC Relapse Study Group Countries

K. Yalcin, A. Colita, M. Makiya, C. Diaz, B. Hobor, G. Milosevic, M. Ampatzidou, T. Prelog, E. Bilic, K. Baghirova, T. Hristova, R. Farah, A. Reyes, S. Polychronopoulou, M. Kavcic, J. Tordecilla, V. Hazar, D. J. Erdelyi, ALL-IC Relapse Study Group **abstract**

10,00 - 10,15

Testicular Relapse in Pediatric Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia: Clinical Characteristics, Risk Stratification, and Outcomes from the ALL-IC REL Group

Goran Milošević, Andrea Reyes, Catalina Díaz, Volkan Hazar, Koray Yalçin, Monica Makiya, Federico Manni, Cristina Ferraro, Marko Kavčič, Tomaž Prelog, Janez Jazbec, Bence Hőbör, Dániel Erdélyi, Juan Tordecilla **abstract**

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Second Relapse of Pediatric ALL - Survival and Prognostic Factors in the ALL-IC REL Registry

Virág Pahola, Bence Höbör, Federico Manni, Catalina Díaz, Koray Yalcin, Danijela Jovancic, Letitia Elena Radu, Zrinko Šalek, Konul Baghirova, Tomaz Prelog, Tanya Dimitrova Hristova, Carla Pennella, Mirella Ampatzidou, Dániel J Erdélyi **abstract**

10,30 - 11,00 Coffee break

11,00 - 12,30

Session IV: Stem cell transplantation

Chairs: Gergely Krivan, Anca Colica, Boryana Avramova

11,00 – 11,15

Donor Lymphocyte infusion and Azacitidine: A Combined Strategy for Relapse Prevention and Treatment in Pediatric AML Patients Post-HSCT

Ana-Maria Bică, Cristina Jercan, Letiția Elena Radu, Andreea Șerbănică, Andra Daniela Marcu, Ana Maria Marcu, Ramona Ioan, Irina Avrămescu, Anda Mocanu, Radu Obrișcă, Elisa Bușescu, Lavinia Cristea, Georgiana Teodorescu, Silvia Alexandru, Andreea Ștefan-Hodorogea, Sabina Melțer, Alexandra Ichim, Codruța Popa, Anca Gheorghe, Ileana Constantinescu, Anca Coliță (Romania)

11,15 – 11,30

Longitudinal Dynamics of the Gut Microbiota in Pediatric Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation: A Single-Center Experience

Irina Avrămescu, Cristina Georgiana Jercan, Ana-Maria Bică, Andra-Daniela-Marcu, Andreea Șerbănică, Letiția-Elena Radu, Ana-Maria Marcu, Radu Obrișcă, Ramona Ioan, Andreea-Iulia Ștefan-Hodorogea, Elisa Maria Bușescu, Anda Mocanu, Lavinia Cristea, Silvia Alexandru, Sabina Gabriela Melțer Karina Vihta, Lavinia Lipan, Dumitru Jardan, Simona Dima, Anca Coliță (Romania)

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Improving Outcomes of Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation for Acute Leukemias in Children and the AYA Population

Gergely Kriván (Hungary) **abstract**



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AIA program

Krisztián Kállay (Hungary)

12,00 - 12,15

Transplantation of HPC in Bulgaria after restart of activity (June 2025)

Boryana Avramova, Tanya Hristova, Trayana Kamenska, Ivan Boronsuzov (Bulgaria)
abstract

12,15 - 13,00 Lunch

13,00 – 15,15

Session V: Solid tumors

Chairs: Jelena Roganovic, Maya Yordanova, Ivan Boronsuzov

13,00 – 13,15

Combined Approach to Refractory/Relapsed Neuroblastoma: Haploidentical Stem Cell Transplantation and Anti-GD2 Immunotherapy – Romanian Experience

Cristina Jercan, Ana-Maria Bică, Irina Avrănescu, Andra Daniela Marcu, Andreea Șerbănică^{1,2}, Radu Obrișcă, Ramona Ioan, Elisa Maria Bușescu, Anda Mocanu, Lavinia Cristea, Cerasela Jardan, Alexandra Ichim, Carmen Călugăroiu, Oana Otilia Niculiță, Ileana Constantinescu, Daniela Vodă, Ruxandra Vidlescu, Mădălina Bota, Codruța Comșa, Cristina Blag, Monica Dragomir, Anca Coliță (Romania)

13,15 – 13,30

The Bulgarian Experience with Immunotherapy for Neuroblastoma for the Period 2017–2023

Ivan Boronsuzov, Maya Yordanova, Neophit Spasov, Marya Spasova, Milena Belcheva (Bulgaria) **abstract**

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Treatment results in patients with Ewing sarcoma and Osteosarcoma



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*Marya Spasova, Lilia Ivanova, Dimitar Ristov, Bianka Mitova, Neofit Spasov
(Bulgaria)*

13,45 – 14,00

Implementation of a Diagnostic and Therapeutic Algorithm for Pediatric Thoracic and Abdominal Neoplasms: A Six-Year Single-Center Experience and Case Series

Moutaftchieva P., Y. Pahnev, Z. Antonova, N. Tolekova, N. Kartulev, E. Rangelov, L. Taneva, Z. Pesheva, V. Nansenova, D. Kofinova, R. Radushev, N. Valtchev, M. Emilova, R. Plachkova, G. Ivanov, St. Lilov, Tz. Georgiev, Hr. Shivachev (Bulgaria)
abstract

14,00 – 14,15

Complex treatment of two children with lung carcinoma

*Yanko Pahnev, Kartulev N, Antonova Z, Oparanova V, Tolekova N, Shivachev H
(Bulgaria)* **abstract**

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Cardiotoxicity Assessment for Optimizing Perioperative Risk in Pediatric Oncology Patients

Lyudmil Simeonov, Dimitar Pechilkov, Bogdan Mladenov (Bulgaria) **abstract**

14,30 – 14,45

Paediatric very rare tumours registration and management in European countries with low health expenditure average rates

Roganovic J, Virgone C, Ben-Ami T, Reguerre Y, Ferrari A, Orbach D, Godzinski J, Bisogno G, Farinha NJ, Krawczyk M, Schneider DT, Brecht IB, Bien E (Croatia)
abstract

14,45 – 15,00

Isolated mediastinal relapse of metastatic alveolar rhabdomyosarcoma presenting with superior vena cava syndrome during maintenance therapy

Toni Krnić, Maja Pavlović, Vedran Rajevac (Croatia) **abstract**



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Selumetinib alleviates refractory headache related to neurofibromatosis type 1 (NF1): a case report and a summary of pharmacological treatment options for neurofibromatosis

Krisztina Mita Gabor, Balázs Szenci-Kaszás (Hungary) abstract

15,15-15,45 Coffee Break

15,45 – 17,00

Session VI: Supportive care, Palliative Care

Chairs: Maria Spasova, Nadehzda Yurukova

15,45 – 16,00

Toward Functional Independence: Nutrition, Rehabilitation and Supportive Care in Pediatric Onco-Hematology

Irina Avrănescu, Mariana-Cristina Fărcășanu, Liliana Vlădăreanu, Mihaela Apostu, Silvia-Violeta Teodorescu, Andra Daniela Marcu, Letiția-Elena Radu, Cristina Jercan, Ana-Maria Bică, Andreea Șerbănică, Radu Obrișcă, Ramona Ioan, Elisa Maria Bușescu, Anda Mocanu, Lavinia Cristea, Oana Otilia Niculiță, Steluța Boroghina, Horațiu Albu, Anca Coliță (Romania)

16,00 – 16,15

Beyond Chemotherapy: Tackling Infectious Complications in Pediatric ALL

Elisa Maria Bușescu, Letiția-Elena Radu, Andreea Șerbănică, Ana Maria Bică, Cristina Jercan, Andra Daniela Marcu, Ana Maria Marcu, Ramona Ioan, Radu Obrișcă, Irina Avrănescu, Andreea Ștefan-Hodorogea, Silvia Alexandru, Petruța Lazăr, Anda Mocanu, Sabina Melțer, Lavinia Cristea, Lorena Ștefan, Cristina Negulescu, Vasile Năstase, Anca Coliță (Romania)

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End-of-life psychological care in pediatric oncology: the therapeutic stance and the human dimension of care

Kameliya Stoyanova-Enchev, Ivayla Georgieva (Bulgaria) abstract



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16,30 - 19,00 Walking city tour, free time

20,00 Dinner

Sunday, 1st November

9,00 – 9,30

Session VI: Varia

Chairs: Tanya Hristova, Anca Colita

9,00 – 9,15

BRAF V600E-Mutated Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis in Children: Single-Centre Experience

Andreea Șerbănică, Andra Marcu, Ana Bica, Cristina Jercan, Radu Obrișcă, Irina Avramescu, Elisa Busescu, Ramona Ioan, Anda Mocanu, Letiția Elena Radu, Ana Marcu, Andreea Ștefan, Sabina Mihai, Cerasela Jardan, Dima Jardan, Anca Coliță (Romania)

9,15 – 9,30

Clinical Characteristics and Treatment Outcomes in Children with Hodgkin Lymphoma (the Bulgarian Experience Over the past Five Years: 2022-2026)

Hristozova H, Georgiev L, Hristova T, Yurukova N, Tocheva P, Ivanova L, Spasov N, Atanasova D, Petrova K, Peteva E, Avramova B, Spasova M, Belcheva M (Bulgaria)
abstract

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The immune system as a double-edged sword: MAS in the setting of a primary immune deficiency

Bianca Mitova, Neofit Spasov, Boyan Ristov, Marya Spasova



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Recombinant ADAMTS13 in Pediatric Congenital TTP: Bridging Long-Term Prophylaxis and Acute Episode Management

Anca Ivanov (Romania)

10,00 – 10,30 Coffee Break

10,30 – 12,30

Session VII Psychosocial Support

Chairs: Kamelia Stoyanova, Theodora Armenkova

10,30 - 10,45

Beyond Medical Treatment: The Role of Patient Organization in Providing Comprehensive Support for Children with Cancer and Their Families

Teodora Armenkova, Vanessa Karaivanova, Simona Karaivanova (Bulgaria)

abstract

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Late Psychosocial Effects in Childhood Cancer Survivors

Vanesa Karaivanova (Bulgaria) **abstract**

11,00-11,15

The Power of Belonging: Why a Survivor Community Matters

Ivan Stankov, Vanesa Karaivanova (Bulgaria) **abstract**

11,15 – 11,30

BELIEVE! Life Beyond Childhood Cancer: A Survivor's Story of Loss, Adaptation and New Beginnings

Gergana Petrova (Bulgaria) **abstract**

11,30 - 11,45

Caring for the child's soul: history and tradition in clinical psychology for



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children with cancer

Ivaila Georgieva, Kameliya Stoyanova-Enchev (Bulgaria) abstract

11,45 - 12,00

Education, Support and Well-being: The Importance of Educational, Recreational and Psychosocial Activities for Children with Oncohematological Diseases During Hospital Treatment

Zlatina Staykova, Association Education and health (Bulgaria) abstract

12,00 – 12,15 Closing Remark

Boryana Avramova, Anca Colita, Gergely Krivan

12,30 – 13,30 Lunch



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