



# ERS Copenhagen 2005: educational opportunities

On Saturday September 17th, 2005, The European Respiratory Society (ERS) Annual Congress will offer an outstanding educational programme to all its attendees. A total of 22 half-day courses will be organised by the ERS School to meet the varied needs of the congress participants.

## Core Curriculum Courses

The Core Curriculum Courses, which were designed in 2003 for clinicians and allied respiratory professionals, are broad-based basic educational courses covering major essential topics in respiratory medicine. Seven courses have been selected to be taught over 3–4 years, with one half-day session at each ERS Congress. Each annual module is designed to cover a different aspect of the topic, and participants can choose to attend a single module or can obtain comprehensive training by attending all the modules. The seven topics include: Basics in imaging, Lung cancer, Asthma, Respiratory physiology, Paediatrics, Sleep-related problems and COPD.

## Postgraduate Courses

The individual Postgraduate Courses have been specially designed for clinicians and allied respiratory professionals who need to be updated on more specialised topics and new developments that can help improve their daily practice. The courses run for half a day and participants can register for up to two courses.

## Registration

Details on how to register for the Core Curriculum or Postgraduate Courses can be found in the Advance Programme for the Congress, along with a registration form. More information is available on the ERS website [www.ersnet.org](http://www.ersnet.org).

## Meet the Professor Seminars

As clinicians and researchers often appreciate a more personal approach to learning, Meet the

Professor Seminars are limited to 30 participants. You can register in advance for these seminars (see above). Alternatively, you will be able to register each day, from Sunday through to Tuesday. Registration will be on a "first come, first served" basis.

## Core Curriculum Courses

### Basics in imaging

> Last chapter: PG1 - Basics in chest imaging: pulmonary vasculature

### Lung cancer

> Third chapter: PG2 - Lung cancer: non-small cell lung cancer treatment

> Last chapter in 2006: Small cell lung cancer management, supportive care and new therapeutic approaches

### Asthma

> Last chapter: PG3 - Asthma: natural history, risk factors and overall management

### Respiratory physiology

> Last chapter: PG4 - Exercise in clinical practice

### Paediatrics

> Last chapter: PG5 - Respiratory infections in children

### Sleep-related problems

> Last chapter: PG12 - Treatment of obstructive sleep apnoea: current concepts and perspectives

### COPD

> Last chapter: PG13 - COPD: Genetic and environmental factors, epidemiology, socioeconomic impact and preventative measures

## Learning support

All of the educational courses come with a complete study pack, which is delivered to participants on site. This comprises of a printed version of the full course in an easy-to-follow format.

### Postgraduate Courses

#### Saturday, September 17, 09:30–13:00

- PG1 Basics in chest imaging: pulmonary vasculature
- PG2 Lung cancer: non-small cell lung cancer treatment
- PG3 Asthma: natural history, risk factors and overall management
- PG4 Respiratory physiology: exercise in clinical practice
- PG5 Paediatrics: respiratory infections in children
- PG6 New and old methodologies to assess pathobiological markers in the lung and airways: from research into clinical practice
- PG7 New treatment strategies in pulmonary rehabilitation
- PG8 Vocal cord dysfunction
- PG9 Long-term follow-up of lung transplant recipients
- PG10 The management of tuberculosis: tradition and novelties
- PG11 Experimental models for COPD and asthma

#### Saturday, September 17, 14:00 – 17:30

- PG12 Sleep-related problems: treatment of obstructive sleep apnoea - current concepts and perspectives
- PG13 COPD: genetic and environmental factors, epidemiology, socioeconomic impact and preventative measures
- PG14 Moving on from the millennium: developing trends in respiratory medicine
- PG15 Therapeutic options for interstitial lung diseases in 2005
- PG16 Detection of very early lesions in lung cancer: is this important and should they be treated?
- PG17 The present and future of noninvasive ventilation: technical and practical aspects
- PG18 Interrelationships between upper and lower airway diseases
- PG19 Diet and pulmonary diseases: benefits and risks
- PG20 Endstage lung disease in children
- PG21 Newly emerging pathogens of lower respiratory tract infections
- PG22 Improving physician-patient communication

### Meet the Professor Seminars

#### Sunday, September 18, 13:00–14:00

- MP1 What more can we learn from body-box measurements compared to spirometry?  
H. Matthys (Freiburg, Germany)
- MP2 Ventilator-induced lung injury  
S. Uhlig (Borstel, Germany) – to be confirmed
- MP3 Allergen avoidance and allergic sensitisation: current views and controversies  
A. Custovic (Manchester, UK)
- MP4 Clinical applications of infant lung function  
U. Frey (Bern, Switzerland)
- MP5 ACCP (title to be confirmed)
- MP6 Breathlessness as a presenting symptom  
G. South (Chesterfield, UK)

#### Monday, September 19, 13:00–14:00

- MP7 Management of a chest tube with prolonged air leak in a respiratory unit  
E. Canalis (Barcelona, Spain)
- MP8 Lung involvement in connective tissue disease  
A. Wells (London, UK)
- MP9 Cardiopulmonary drug interaction  
T. Bauer (Bochum, Germany)
- MP10 Agriculture and lung disease: an update  
D. Nowak (Munich, Germany)
- MP11 Non-cystic fibrosis bronchiectasis in children  
D.A. Spencer (Newcastle-upon-Tyne, UK)
- MP12 Concepts of repair in ARDS  
A.B. Millar (Bristol, UK)

#### Tuesday, September 20, 13:00–14:00

- MP13 Diaphragm strength measurement: current concepts  
M. Polkey (London, UK)
- MP14 Treatment of acute cardiogenic pulmonary oedema  
G. Domenighetti (Locarno, Switzerland)
- MP15 Pharmacogenetics  
I.P. Hall (Nottingham, UK)
- MP16 Harm reduction in difficult to stop smokers  
P. Van Spiegel (Amsterdam, The Netherlands)
- MP17 Legionella pneumonia  
M.A. Woodhead (Manchester, UK) – to be confirmed
- MP18 ACCP (title to be confirmed)



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