NEOCUP

Neonatal and Perinatal
Intensive Care Update

INTERNATIONAL MEETING

7TH EDITION



DATE
9 DECEMBER 2026

LOCATION
Sapienza University City,
University Theatre Complex,
Conference Room, 1st floor | (E01 P01-L007)

TARGET AUDIENCE
Neonatologists, Obstetricians,
Researchers and Healthcare Professionals

SCIENCE
Latest evidence in neonatology and perinatology.

EXCHANGE
International and multidisciplinary experts.

CARE
Innovation, quality and family-centered care.

INFO
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Union of European Neonatal & Perinatal Societies

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DESCRIPTION

The NeoCUP Perinatal Meeting (Neonatal and Perinatal Intensive Care Update) is an international scientific congress aimed at neonatologists, perinatologists, and healthcare professionals involved in maternal-fetal medicine and neonatal intensive care.
The 2026 edition is dedicated to the relationship between nutricion and and neonatal outcomes. The congress aims to:

- Explore the biological mechanisms through which human milk protects the immature intestine
- Analyze the pathophysiology of NEC in light of the most recent scientific evidence
- Discuss evidence-based strategies for prevention and clinical management
- Promote the translation of research findings into daily clinical practice

The congress encourages critical discussion of clinical uncertainties, review of international literature, and improvement of maternal and neonatal outcomes through continuous education and scientific collaboration.

INVESTIGATORS SESSION

A session dedicated to researchers is planned, featuring presentations of original scientific contributions selected according to the Abstract Submission Guidelines.
The best work will be awarded the Sapienza University, supporting innovation and excellence in perinatal research.
The NeoCUP Perinatal Meeting represents a unique opportunity for professional development, scientific exchange, and international collaboration, bringing together world renowned experts in a dynamic and collaborative environment.

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

09:00 – 09:30 | OPENING REMARKS AND WELCOME

INSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITIES and SCIENTIFIC CHAIRS:
MASSIMO AGOSTI, FABIO MOSCA, CORRADO MORETTI, LUIGI ORFEO

09:30 – 11:30 | SESSION 1

HUMAN MILK, MICROBIOTA AND IMMUNITY IN PRETERM

Liquid Gold or Liquid Complexity: Maximizing the Benefits of Human Milk in the NICU

- **ENRICO BERTINO**
  President
- **SERTAC ARSLANOGLU**
  Speaker
- **ANDREA DOTTA, GUGLIELMO SALVATORI**
  Interviewer
- **VALENTINA BOZZETTI**
  Researcher insight

THREE DILEMMAS TO RESOLVE

1. *Own mother's milk vs. donor human milk: equally protective?*
2. *Fortify to grow, or fortify to harm?*
3. *Engineer the microbiome or interfere with nature?*



11:30 – 12:00 | Coffee Break

12:00 - 13:30 | SESSION 2

OPTIMIZE ARTIFICIAL NUTRITION FOR PRETERM NEWBORN

Feeding the Immature Gut: Navigating the Evidence in the NICU Acute Phase

- CARLO DANI
  President
- NICHOLAS EMBLETON
  Speaker
- LUCA MAGGIO, SIMONETTA COSTA
  Interviewers
- MARIA DI CHIARA
  Researcher insight

THREE DILEMMAS TO RESOLVE

1. *How much nutrients are too much?*
2. *Lipid quality matters: which fats, when, and how much?*
3. *Minimal enteral nutrition: protector or risk?*



15:00 - 16:30 | SESSION 3

PRENATAL NUTRITION AND PERINATAL OUTCOME

From Womb to World: How Maternal Nutrition Shapes the Newborn's Future

TULLIO GHI
President

FRANCESCA CROVETTO
Speaker

ILENIA MAPPA, GIOVANNI VENTO
Interviewers

SARA GRECO
Researcher insight

THREE DILEMMAS TO RESOLVE

1. *Supplement more or risk more?*
2. *One guideline for all?*
3. *Save now or program for later?*



16:30 - 17:00

ROUND TABLE AND AWARD CEREMONY | BEST INVESTIGATOR |

Italian Society of Neonatology (SIN) *and* Italian Society of Pediatrics (SIP)
LAZIO, Italy

- Dario Alario
- Maria Concetta Alecci
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- Katia Fares
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- Camilla Gizzi
- Laura Guadalupi
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- Riccardo Lubrano
- Alessandra Marciano
- Giovanna Marigliano
- Maria Grazia Marzano
- Teresa Mazzone
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- Cristina Ossicini
- Sabrina Palamides
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The world most important university rankings place Sapienza at the national top for quality of research, education and international dimension; moreover, Sapienza excels and leads as a benchmark in many subject areas.
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CME INFORMATION

CME PROVIDER: MGM CONGRESS
CME EVENT ID: 497076
CME CREDITS: 6
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVE: Clinical Documentation. Diagnostic, Therapeutic and Rehabilitation Care Pathways, Care and Treatment Profiles.

CME-ACCREDITED HEALTHCARE PROFESSION

Medical Doctor

CME-ACCREDITED SPECIALTIES

Neonatology, Paediatrics, Child Neuropsychiatry, Obstetricians

PARTICIPANTS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR CME CREDITS

Developmental Neuro and Psychomotor Therapists, Researchers, PhD Students.

CME CERTIFICATE

CME credits will be awarded to eligible participants upon fulfilment of the following requirements:

- Attendance at a minimum of 90% of the scheduled educational activities.
- Completion of the Perceived Quality Evaluation Questionnaire.
- Successful completion of the learning assessment test, with at least 75% correct answers.

Please note that, in accordance with Italian CME regulations, credits obtained through direct recruitment may not exceed one-third of the total CME credits required for the three-year reference period.

REGISTRATION

To attend the Congress, participants are required to complete the online registration procedure.
Please visit the dedicated event page at www.mgmcongress.org, click on "Buy Now", and follow the registration instructions.

REGISTRATION INCLUDES

- Access to all scientific sessions
- Conference kit
- Certificate of attendance
- CME certificate for eligible participants who fulfil the accreditation requirements

CONGRESS VENUE

Sapienza University City,
University Theatre Complex,
Conference Room, 1st floor | room code (E01 P01-L007) Rome, Italy

Entrance 1: Viale delle Scienze, 1
Entrance 2: Viale dell'Università
Entrance 3: Piazzale Aldo Moro, 5



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