

6th Course in Hereditary Cancer Genetics

22 – 25 September 2026

University Residential Centre of Bertinoro, Italy

This course aims at delivering up-to-date knowledge on hereditary cancer to clinical and molecular geneticists in training or certified. It creates the best opportunity for interaction and discussion with experts from all over Europe, in the fabulous environment of Bertinoro, one of the headquarters of the ESHG sponsored courses.

The faculty combines experts from many fields of cancer genetics known for their didactic skills.

Participants are encouraged to present their research works as well as a clinical or genetic case in a poster format for on-site discussion. Prizes will be awarded for best presentations.

Organising committee:

Carla Oliveira, Hildegunn Vetti, Daniela Turchetti, Barbara Klink and Marjolijn Ligtenberg

21 interactive plenary lectures and **12** concurrent specialized lectures
4 workshops in small groups and **2** poster discussion sessions

Teachers

Marjolijn Ligtenberg (the Netherlands)

Daniela Turchetti (Italy)

Carla Oliveira (Portugal)

Maurizio Genuardi (Italy)

Marc Tischkowitz (United Kingdom)

Svetlana Lagercrantz (Sweden)

Eva Trevisson (Italy)

Marleen Kets (the Netherlands)

Hildegunn Høberg Vetti (Norway)

Marjolijn Jongmans (the Netherlands)

Verena Steinke-Lange (Germany)

Bev Speight (United Kingdom)

Kathleen Claes (Belgium)

Barbara Klink (Germany)

Stefan Aretz (Germany)

Filipa Carvalho (Portugal)

Judith Balmaña (Spain)

Tanya Bisseling (the Netherlands)

Lectures

Genetic mechanisms of cancer / Precision oncology

Heritability of cancer and life-time risk

Variant classification / Gastric Cancer / Animal models and more

Clinical variant interpretation

Breast and ovarian cancer / Moderate risk genes

Li-Fraumeni syndrome / Psycho-oncology

Neurofibromatosis & schwannomatosis / Tumour syndromes you can see

PTEN hamartoma tumour syndrome / CanRisk and PRS

Melanoma & pancreatic cancer / Genetic testing in mainstream

Pediatric cancer / Renal cancer & von Hippel Lindau syndrome

Lynch syndrome / Prostate cancer

Genetic counselling / Leukemia

Tumour vs. germline genetics / Liquid biopsy

Panels, exomes and genomes / Pheo, para & MEN / New technologies

Polyposis / How to identify patients with genturis

Preimplantation genetic testing

Germline pathogenic variants as a therapeutic target

Gastric cancer / Patient's personal experience

REGISTRATION FEE: € 850,- including tuition, lunches, coffee breaks, dinners, transportation to and from Bologna airport and 3 nights of accommodation in a double room.

Registration will open on **April 1st, 2026**

ESHG-ERN GENTURIS fellowships are available: deadline for applying **May 1st, 2026**

More information on the full program, registration forms and deadlines, fellowship applications, accommodation and venue, available at: <https://www.eshg.org/courses>

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