



PROGRAMME

**EBJIS Pre-conference
Course on**

SPINAL INFECTIONS

**10 September 2025
Bologna • Italy**



Welcome

Dear participants,

Welcome to this full-day pre-conference course, held on 10 September at the Bologna Congress Centre.

Together with leading international experts, we will explore the essential aspects of spinal infections – from epidemiology, imaging and medical treatment to surgical strategies, prevention, and new developments.

Through lectures, case discussions, and interactive Q&A sessions, the course offers both fundamental knowledge and practical insights to support clinical decision-making.

We encourage your active participation and look forward to an engaging and fruitful day.

Programme

9.00 – 9.15	Introduction	Alessandro Gasbarrini
What you need to know before treating spinal infections		
9.15 – 9.45	Classification and epidemiology	Pierluigi Viale
9.45 - 10.00	PK/PD of antibiotics in spine	Federico Pea
10.00 - 10.15	Questions and answers	
Native vertebral osteomyelitis		
10.15 - 10.25	Spine infection imaging	Paolo Spinnato
10.25 - 10.35	Nuclear imaging in spine infection	Cristina Nanni
10.35 - 10.45	Spine infection management algorithm	Luca Boriani

10.45 - 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.00 - 11.15	Medical treatment	Andy Miller
11.15 - 11.30	Surgical management	Alessandro Gasbarrini
11.30 - 12.00	TB diagnosis and therapy	Marina Tadolini
12.00 - 12.15	Questions and answers	
12.15 - 13.00	Cases from the audience	
13.00 - 14.00	<i>Lunch break</i>	
Surgical site spine infections		
14.00 - 14.15	Epidemiology	Giacomo Fornaro
14.15 - 14.30	How long to treat with antibiotics?	Marjan Wouthuyzen-Bakker
14.30 - 14.45	Surgery: In favor of keeping instrumentation	Ricardo Rodrigues-Pinto
14.45 - 15.00	Surgery: In favor of removing instrumentation	Alessandro Gasbarrini
15.00 - 15.15	Basic rules	Luca Boriani
15.15 - 15.30	Can we prevent surgical site spine infection? How?	Andrew Sama
15.30 - 15.45	Questions and answers	
15.45 - 16.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	

What is new in spinal infections

16.00 - 16.15	Instrumentation	Alessandro Gasbarrini
16.15 - 16.30	Antibiotics long acting?	Sara Tedeschi
16.30 - 16.45	Local Antibiotics Delivery	Pier Giorgio Cojutti
16.45 - 17.00	Questions and answers	
17.00 - 17.30	Take home messages	

General Information

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