



# XII NATIONAL CONGRESS ITALIAN GROUP OF FORENSIC PATHOLOGY

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**16<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**02:00 pm – 03:00 pm**

***Welcome and Opening remarks***

**The GIPF in the Land of the Magister  
Forensic autopsy: recommendations for good practice  
Chairmen: Giovanni Cecchetto – Margherita Neri – Antonio Oliva**

- 03:00 pm** Forensic autopsy: past, present, and future  
*Francesco Introna - Giovanni Cecchetto*
- 03:20 pm** Beyond “Recommendation No. R (99) 3 and harmonisation of medico-legal autopsy rules”. The key coordinating role of the ECLFM  
*Antti Sajantila*
- 03:40 pm** Good clinical-assistive practice (RBPCA) for correct execution of the heart examination in judicial autopsy  
*Biagio Solarino*
- 04:00 pm** Good laboratory practices in post-mortem forensic toxicology  
*Federica Bortolotti*
- 04:20 pm** *Coffee break*
- 04:40 pm** Traceability, collection, transport, preservation, and archiving of autopsy samples for forensic purposes: Is there a need for ministerial guidelines?  
*Carlo Previderè*
- 05:00 pm** Guidelines, recommendations, and best practices. The essential role of scientific journals  
*Cristina Cattaneo - Tony Fracasso - Toshikazu Kondo*
- 05:20 pm** The forensic autopsy. The Public Prosecutor’s point of view  
*Fabio Napoleone*
- 05:40 pm** Discussion
- 06:00 pm** Ceremony in memory of Magister Prof. Pierucci, Founder and Emeritus President of the GIPF  
*Disciples and Family*
- 06:30 pm** *Welcome cocktail*
- 08:00 pm** From the postmortem table to the screen: the representation of autopsy in cinema. Special screening of iconic scenes and discussion among forensic pathologists, film directors, and film critics.  
*(event open to the public)*



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**17<sup>th</sup> April 2026**  
**Morning session**

**The complexity of medico-legal autopsy in minors.  
The importance of a multidisciplinary approach**  
*Chairmen: Anna Aprile, Cristoforo Pomara*

- 09:00 am** Homicide of newborns, infants, children, and adolescents: forensic pathological patterns  
*Annette Thierauf-Emberger and Giorgia Franchetti*
- 09:20 am** Suspected paediatric non accidental head trauma. Autopsy findings and cervical spine dissection techniques  
*Lorenzo Gitto and Enrica Macorano*
- 09:40 am** Suicide in the context of revenge porn, social media, bullying and the “Blue Whale” phenomenon  
*Fabrizio Pavone*
- 10:00 am** Accidental dynamics in the death of minors: the preventive role of forensic pathology  
*Toshikazu Kondo*
- 10:20 am** SIDS and the Liguria protocol  
*Francesco Ventura*
- 10:40 am** Professional liability in infant deaths  
*Caterina Offidani*
- 11:00 am** Coffee break
- 11.20 am – 12.40 pm** Oral presentations  
*Chairmen: Cristian D’Ovidio, Giacomo Fassina, Rosa Maria Martinez*
- 12:40 pm** Lunch break



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**Afternoon session**

**The complexity of medico-legal autopsy in minors.  
The importance of a multidisciplinary approach**  
**Chairmen: Carlo Campobasso, Laura Filograna, Luca Morini**

- 02:30 pm**      **Drug-related deaths in drug-naive adolescents**  
***Sabina Strano Rossi***
- 02:50 pm**      **Molecular autopsy and juvenile sudden death: from morphological findings to molecular data**  
***Loredana Buscemi***
- 03:10 pm**      **Pros and cons of post-mortem radiological studies in infants**  
***Chandra Bortolotto and Maria Sole Prevedoni Gorone***
- 03:30 pm**      **Beyond the classical triad of post-mortem changes: challenges and innovative approaches to the estimation of the time since death**  
***Noemi Procopio***
- 03:50 pm**      ***Coffee break***

**04.20 pm – 05.40 pm**  
**Oral presentations**

**Chairmen: Giorgio Bolino, Elena Giovannini, Elvira Ventura Spagnolo,**

- 05:40 pm**      **Discussion**
- 06:00 pm**      **GIPF General Assembly**
- 08:00 pm**      **Social Dinner**



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**18<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

## **Back to the future Forensic pathology in the era of Artificial Intelligence**

***Chairmen: Rossana Cecchi, Andrea Verzeletti, Guido Viel***

- 09:00 am**      **Artificial Intelligence: Findings and Perspectives**  
***Claudio Cusano***
- 09:30 am**      **AI and time-of-death estimation: precision, accuracy, and limits**  
***Ernesto D'Aloja***
- 09:50 am**      **The Role of artificial intelligence in cardiovascular pathology**  
***Cristina Basso***
- 10:10 am**      **The pathologist's virtual eye: AI and forensic imaging in the 21st century**  
***Thomas Ruder***
- 10:30 am**      **Automation of the autopsy report: risks, potential, and application prospects in the use of AI**  
***Nico Curti and Paolo Fais***
- 10:50 am**      ***Coffee break***
- 11.10 am – 12.30 pm**  
**Oral presentations**  
***Chairmen: Roberto Demontis, Mariagrazia Marisei, Silvia D. Visonà***
- 12:50 pm**      **Discussion**
- 13:00 pm**      **Prizes and closing remarks**