

# General Information

## Congress Venue

Aula Magna, Scuola Medica  
Via Roma 55  
56126 Pisa

## Registration fee

€ 80,00 (VAT 21% included)

Registration fee includes:

- Admission to scientific sessions
- Congress kit
- Certificate of attendance
- CME certificate (only for Italian physicians)
- Coffee break
- Light lunch

*Congress has 130 spaces available and they will be distributed on a first come first served basis.*

*Registration will be confirmed, in writing, by the Organizing Secretariat.*

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*Reserved to the following categories:*

- Audiology and Phoniatrics
- Otolaryngology
- Audiometrist
- Hearing aid specialist
- Speech Therapist
- Pediatrics

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## Topics in Audiology, Otology and Vestibology Pisa University Hospital meets Karolinska University Hospital

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**9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>, May 2013**

## Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>, May 2013

**13.30** Registration

**14.00** Welcome message

### FIRST SESSION: AUDIOLOGY AND OTOLOGY

*Chairmen: Sten Hellström, Stefano Berrettini*

**14.30** The universal newborn hearing screening in Stockholm region  
*Sten Hellström*

**15.00** The universal newborn hearing screening in Tuscany region  
*Stefano Berrettini*

**15.30** Hearing impairment developing after passing neonatal hearing screening  
*Inger Uhlen*

**16.00** Clinical effectiveness and cost/efficacy of cochlear implantation according to Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Italian guidelines  
*Francesca Forli*

**16.30** Discussion

**16.45** Coffee Break

**17.00** Early bilateral cochlear implantation  
*Eva Karltorp*

**17.30** Cochlear Implant in inner ear malformations  
*Stefano Berrettini*

**17.50** Cochlear Implant in prelingually deafened adults  
*Francesca Forli*

**18.10** Discussion

## Friday 10<sup>th</sup>, May 2013

*Chairmen: Ulf Rosenhall, Stefano Sellari Franceschini*

**08.30** Intrinsic and extrinsic factors in hearing loss  
*Ulf Rosenhall*

**09.00** Challenge of sensorineural hearing loss: gene/stem cells therapy  
*Maoli Duan*

**09.30** Tissue bank products in middle ear reconstruction  
*Stefano Berrettini, Andrea De Vito*

**10.00** Tissue engineering of the middle ear  
*Serena Danti, Delfo D'Alessandro*

**10.30** Discussion

**10.45** Coffee Break

**11.00** Plasminogen and healing of tympanic membrane perforations  
*Sten Hellström*

**11.30** Experience and revisited indications to the middle ear implantable prosthesis  
*Luca Bruschini*

**12.00** Discussion

**12.30** Light Lunch

### SECOND SESSION: VESTIBOLOGY

*Chairmen: Krister Brantberg, Augusto Pietro Casani*

**14.30** Hyperbaric and alternobaric oxygen therapy in treatment of Menière's disease  
*Andrea Nacci, Bruno Fattori*

**15.00** Intratympanic treatment of Menière's disease  
*Augusto Pietro Casani*

**15.30** VEMPs in SCDS  
*Krister Brantberg*

**16.00** Positional nystagmus in SCDS  
*Luca Verrecchia*

**16.30** Discussion

**17.00** Apogeotropic variants of canalolithiasis  
*Paolo Vannucchi, Paolo Pagnini*

**17.30** Heavy and light cupula  
*Tatjana Tomanovic*

**18.00** Positional down beating nystagmus of peripheral origin  
*Daniele Nuti*

**18.30** Discussion

**19.00** CME Questionnaire

**19.30** Final Conclusion