



Palliative and Supportive Care Service

Symposium

Resource-oriented palliative care

An interprofessional approach

Tuesday 13th June 2023
09:00 - 17:30

Auditorium César Roux, CHUV – Lausanne
and webcast



Presentations will be given in English,
with simultaneous translation into French
in the auditorium only.
The symposium will be relayed
by video conference in English only.

Theme

As with most medical specialties, the WHO definition of palliative care emphasizes the identification and treatment of health problems and suffering in the physical, psychosocial and spiritual domains. However, recent research shows that patients' quality of life improves more significantly and sustainably if it also builds on patients' and relatives' identified resources. This scientific symposium highlights research on the diverse array of resources in palliative care, as a necessary complementary perspective to the classical deficit-oriented approach.

Resources can be classified into four levels: internal (e.g. spirituality, gratitude), external (e.g. family, friends, finances), community (e.g. caring communities, hospice volunteers), and societal (e.g. health care policies, palliative care availability). In order to detect and foster these resources, it is necessary to look in depth at interactions between patients, their loved ones, and health professionals, as well as the efforts undertaken at the community and societal levels. A resource-based approach also underlines the importance of interprofessionality in palliative care and could represent a paradigm worthy of being valued more widely in healthcare.

What would a consistent implementation of resource-oriented palliative care look like? Esteemed international experts from diverse disciplines will address this question during the symposium.

Speakers

Dr Julian Abel	Physician, Director of Compassionate Communities, Cornwall, UK
Prof. Maria Arantzamendi	Nurse, Institute for Culture and Society (ICS), ATLANTES Global Observatory of Palliative Care, University of Navarra, Spain
Prof. Mathieu Bernard	Psychologist, Chair in palliative psychology, Palliative and Supportive Care Service, Lausanne University Hospital, Switzerland
Prof. Gian Domenico Borasio	Physician, Chair in palliative medicine, Head of the Palliative and Supportive Care Service, Lausanne University Hospital, Switzerland
Prof. William Breitbart	Psychiatrist, Head of the Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences and Jimmie C. Holland Chair in Psychiatric Oncology at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, USA
Prof. Sara Carmel	Social psychologist, Head of the Center for Multidisciplinary Research in Aging at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel
Prof. Monika Führer	Physician, Head of the Center for Pediatric Palliative Care, Munich University Children's Hospital and Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich, Germany
PD Dr Claudia Gamondi	Physician, Head of the Palliative and Supportive Care Service, IOSI, Lugano and Senior Consultant, Palliative and Supportive Care Service, Lausanne University Hospital, Switzerland
Prof. Ralf J. Jox	Physician and ethicist, Co-Director of the Chair of Geriatric Palliative Care and Director of the Institute of Humanities in Medicine, Lausanne University Hospital, Switzerland
Prof. Philip Larkin	Nurse, Chair in Palliative Care Nursing, Palliative and Supportive Care Service, Lausanne University Hospital, Switzerland
Dr Anca Sterie	Sociologist, researcher, Palliative and Supportive Care Service and Chair of Geriatric Palliative Care, Lausanne University Hospital, Switzerland
Prof. Daniel Sulmasy	Physician and philosopher, Director of the Kennedy Institute of Ethics and Andre Hellegers Professor of Biomedical Ethics, Departments of Medicine & Philosophy, Georgetown University, Washington D.C., USA

Program

9:00 [Welcome and introduction](#)
G.D. Borasio, Lausanne

9:15 Keynote
[Spirituality as a resource at the end of life](#)
D. Sulmasy, Washington

INTERNAL RESOURCES

10:00 [Gratitude as a resource for professionals and patients in palliative care](#)
M. Arantzamendi, Navarra

10:30 [Understanding patient altruism at the end of life](#)
M. Bernard, Lausanne

11:00 [Will to live at the end of life](#)
S. Carmel, Beer-Sheva

11:30 **Coffee break**

EXTERNAL RESOURCES

11:45 [Social networks in pediatric palliative care](#)
M. Führer, Munich

12:15 [Communication as a resource at the end of life](#)
A. Sterie, Lausanne

12:45 [Caregivers as a resource for patients in assisted suicide](#)
C. Gamondi, Lugano

13:15 **Lunch break**

COMMUNITY AND SOCIETAL RESOURCES

14:30 [Advance Care Planning as a resource for patients and families](#)
R.J. Jox, Lausanne

15:00 [Compassion in clinical palliative care](#)
P. Larkin, Lausanne

15:30 [Compassionate communities](#)
J. Abel, Cornwall

16:00 **Coffee break**

16:30 Keynote
[Meaning-centered psychotherapy: Treating despair at the end of life](#)
B. Breitbart, New York

17:15 [Conclusion et perspectives](#)
G.D. Borasio, Lausanne

17:30 **Aperitif**

Scientific committee

Prof. Mathieu Bernard (chairperson)
Prof. Gian Domenico Borasio
PD Dr Claudia Gamondi
Prof. Ralf Jox
Prof. Phil Larkin
Dr Eve Rubli Truchard
Dr Anca Sterie

Registration and information

Attendance is free of charge.
For the presence in the auditorium,
please register no later than Friday, June 2, 2023
at the following address: cspg@chuv.ch

Webcast

The symposium can be followed online:
[Link for the webcast](#)



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CHUV underground car park (limited availability)

By public transport: Metro M2 (station «CHUV»), from the Vennes and Ouchy park-and-ride facilities

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