



# UNIVERSITY OF FERRARA

# Ophthalmology

# Course

For Residents and Fellows

September 8-10, 2026

Palazzo di Varignana, Varignana, Italy

Course Directors: Massimo Busin | Marco Mura



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### Day 1 - Orbit and Oculoplasty

Session Director: Francesco Quaranta-Leoni

	Welcome and Course Overview
08:30-09:10	Eyelid tumours: Diagnosis, Management, Medical Treatment Principles of Eyelid Reconstruction <b>Dion Paridaens (The Netherlands)</b>
09:10-09:30	Congenital Ptosis <b>Francesco Quaranta-Leoni (Italy)</b>
09:30-10:10	Involitional, Myogenic, Neurogenic Ptosis Lower Eyelid Malpositions <b>Miguel Gonzales Candial (Spain)</b>
10:10-10:30	Thyroid Eye Disease: Diagnosis, Management, Surgery <b>Peerooz Saeed (The Netherlands)</b>
10:30-10:50	Thyroid Eye Disease: New Perspectives Management of Eyelid Retraction <b>Francesco Quaranta-Leoni (Italy)</b>
10:50-11:10	Enucleation, Evisceration, Socket Management <b>Dion Paridaens (The Netherlands)</b>
11:10-11:30	Orbital Disease: Diagnosis and Surgical Approaches <b>Peerooz Saeed (The Netherlands)</b>
11:30-11:50	Lacrimal Surgery <b>Francesco Quaranta Leoni (Italy)</b>
11:50-12:10	Upper Blepharoplasty and Brow Lifting <b>Peerooz Saeed (The Netherlands)</b>
12:10-12:30	Lower Blepharoplasty <b>Miguel Gonzales Candial (Spain)</b>



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### Day 1 – Pediatric Ophthalmology

Session Director: Paolo Nucci

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| 14:30-14:50 | Modern Management of Refractive Errors in Children<br><b>Carla Lança (Portugal)</b> |
| 14:50-15:10 | Congenital Nasolacrimal Duct Obstruction<br><b>Massimiliano Serafino (Italy)</b>    |
| 15:10-15:30 | Congenital Cataract Surgery<br><b>Paolo Nucci (Italy)</b>                           |
| 15:30-15:50 | Infantile Glaucoma Surgery<br><b>Roberto Caputo (Italy)</b>                         |
| 15:50-16:10 | Nystagmus Fundamentals and Treatment<br><b>Paolo Nucci (Italy)</b>                  |
| 16:10-16:30 | Genetic Eye Disease<br><b>Dominique Bremond Gignac (France)</b>                     |
| 16:30-16:50 | Strabismus<br><b>Andrea Molinari (Ecuador)</b>                                      |
| 16:50-17:10 | Uveitis in Children<br><b>Elisabetta Miserochi (Italy)</b>                          |
| 17:10-17:30 | Pediatric Keratoplasty<br><b>Massimo Busin (Italy)</b>                              |
| 17:30-17:50 | Pediatric Retinal Surgery<br><b>Marco Mura (Italy)</b>                              |



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### Day 2 - Cataract

Session Directors: Jacqueline Beltz, Vincenzo Scordia

08:30-08:40 Welcome and Course Overview

*Session 1: Surgical Readiness & Pre-Operative Judgment*

08:40-08:50 Surgical Excellence: The Power of Mental Rehearsal, Preparation and Simulation  
**Jacqueline Beltz (Australia)**

08:50-09:10 Astigmatism Correction: When, Why, and How Much  
**Ben La Hood (Australia)**

09:10-09:40 IOL Calculation: Choosing the Right Formula for the Right Eye  
**Graham Barrett (Australia)**

09:40-09:55 Moderated Discussion 1: Borderline Biometry & Premium Decision-Making  
**Moderator: Jacqueline Beltz (Australia)**

*Session 2 – Technology, Cornea & Patient Selection*

09:55-10:15 Presbyopia-Correcting IOLs: Matching Technology to the Right Patient  
**Andrea Ang (Australia)**

10:15-10:45 Cataract Surgery in Decompensated Corneas  
**Vincenzo Maurino (UK)**

10:45-11:00 Moderated Discussion 2: When the Cornea Changes the Plan  
**Moderator: Ben La Hood (Australia)**

*Session 3 – Complication Readiness & Advanced Case Strategy*

11:00-11:20 Complication Readiness: Anterior Vitrectomy Without Panic  
**Vincenzo Scordia (Italy)**

11:20-11:40 Challenging Cataract Cases: Small Pupils, Weak Zonules & Dense Lenses  
**Cathleen McCabe (USA)**

11:40-12:00 Post-Operative Problem Solving & Refractive Surprises  
**Moderator: Andrea Ang (Australia)**

*Session 4 – Innovation & Surgical Leadership (Panel Discussion)*

12:00-12:30 The Innovator's Mindset: Leading Change in Ophthalmic Surgery



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### Day 2 – Cornea

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14:00-14:30	Congenital Corneal Opacities <b>Ken Nischal (USA)</b>
14:30-15:00	Corneal Dystrophy, Degeneration, Ectasia <b>Berthold Seitz (Germany)</b>
15:00-15:30	Corneal Trauma <b>Jacqueline Beltz (Australia)</b>
15:30-16:00	Corneal Infections <b>Frank Larkin (UK)</b>
16:00-16:30	Ocular Surface Disease <b>Vishal Jhanji (USA)</b>
16:30-17:00	Eye Banking <b>Diego Ponzin (Italy)</b>
17:00-17:30	Corneal Surgery (I) DALK, PK <b>Massimo Busin (Italy)</b>
17:30-18:00	Corneal Surgery (II) DSAEK, DMEK <b>Vincent Borderie (France)</b>



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### Day 3 – Retina

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08:30-09:00	Pediatric Vitreoretinal Disease <b>Ehab El Rayes (Egypt)</b>
09:00-09:30	Retinal Vascular Disease <b>Reinier Schlingemann (The Netherlands)</b>
09:30-10:00	Retinal Gene Therapy <b>Siegfried Priglinger (Germany)</b>
10:00-10:30	Macular Hole and Macular Pucker <b>Tamer Mahmoud (USA)</b>
10:30-11:00	Proliferative Vitreoretinopathy <b>Koorosh Faridpooya (The Netherlands)</b>
11:00-11:30	Surgical Management of Diabetic Retinopathy <b>Marco Mura (Italy)</b>
11:30-12:00	Retinal Surgery and Updates <b>Kourous A. Rezaei (USA)</b>
12:00-12:30	Retinal Detachment Surgery <b>Robert Rejdak (Poland)</b>
14:00-17:00	Live Surgery - Cataract, Cornea, Retina



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