



2026 GAVeCeLT
Rome, December 1st, 2nd, 3rd

5th Conference on PICC-port (December 1st)
14th GAVeCeLT Congress (December 2nd)
19th PICC Day (December 3rd)



In collaboration with WoCoVA (World Congress on Vascular Access) and with IVAS (Italian Vascular Access Society - Società Italiana Accessi Vascolari)



**A scientific event organized by GAVeCeLT - The Italian Group
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The 2026 GAVeCeLT will take place at the 'Auditorium del Massimo', Rome (Roma EUR) and the official languages will be Italian and English. The event will include scientific sessions, panel discussions, lectures, poster discussions, educational courses, satellite symposia, and hands-on workshops. In all scientific sessions, a simultaneous translation English/Italian and Italian/English will be provided.

Further details about the scientific program and the registration will soon be available on the websites www.gavecelt.it and www.gaveceltconnection.it ; for additional information, please contact GAVeCeLT at the email address mauropittiruti@me.com .



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5th Conference on PICC-port

December 1st

2 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

Choosing Between External Catheters and Ports: A Comparison of GAVeCeLT-IVAS Recommendations and International Guidelines

PICC port as the first-line device for chemotherapy in cancer patients

Alternative options to the PICC port: chest port, chest-to-arm port, FICC port

The GAVeCeLT protocol for PICC-port implantation

The GAVeCeLT protocol for chest-port and chest-to-arm implantation

The GAVeCeLT protocol for FICC-port implantation

A New WoCoVA-GAVeCeLT-IVAS Algorithm for Safe Port Access

Device Flushing and Maintenance of Patency

Prevention and Treatment of Port Infections

Catheter-related thrombosis and fibroblastic sheath: diagnosis and treatment

Chemotherapy extravasation: strategies for effective prevention

Operator training as a fundamental strategy for preventing all complications related to implantation and management

Closing remarks - The Future of Totally Implanted Venous Access Devices

Speakers

Maria Giuseppina Annetta, Stefano Benvenuti, Roberto Biffi, Fabrizio Brescia, Laura Dolcetti, Christian Dupont, Bruno Marche, Domenico Merlicco, Rafael Angel Moron Cobos, Andrea Musarò, Alessandro Nasone, Gloria Ortiz-Miluy, Matthew Ostroff, Edoardo Piervincenzi, Fulvio Pinelli, Mauro Pittiruti, Giancarlo Scoppettuolo





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14th GAVeCeLT Congress

December 2nd, 9 a.m. - 1 p. m.



WoCoVA-GAVeCeLT Special Session

Updates from the 9th WoCoVA (Valencia 2026), as told by the key players

9:00 –10:00 a.m.

Updates from WoCoVA 2026 (1)

Moderated by Victor Rosenthal and Tim Spencer

Long-Term Venous Access – Fulvio Pinelli

Catheter-Related Infections – Marcia Ryder

The Lock – Giancarlo Scoppettuolo

Discussion

10:00–11:00 a.m.

Updates from WoCoVA 2026 (2)

Moderated by Matt Ostroff and Mauro Pittiruti

The femoral approach – Maria Giuseppina Annetta

Tunneling – Davide Giustivi

Arterial Catheters – Tim Spencer

Discussion

11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Updates from WoCoVA 2026 (3)

Moderated by Gloria Ortiz Miluy and Giancarlo Scoppettuolo

Peripheral Access – Adam Fabiani

Access in the Newborn – Vito D'Andrea

Device Stabilization – Fabrizio Brescia

Discussion

12:00–1:00 p.m.

Updates from WoCoVA 2026 (4)

Moderated by Marcia Ryder and Fulvio Pinelli

Cyanoacrylate Adhesive – Antonio Gidaro

Pediatric Access – Alessandro Crocoli

Thrombotic Complications – Mauro Pittiruti

Discussion



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Lecture - Catheter-Related Infections Around the World Today

Three New GAVeCeLT-IVAS 2026 Documents and Their Potential Impact at the National Level

Position papers: on informed consent - on skin antisepsis - on power injectability

Lecture - Training of Healthcare Professionals in Venous Access Management: A Global, Still Unresolved Problem

The New GAVeCeLT-IVAS 2026 Recommendations for Home Venous Access

Selection of Venous Access for Out-of-Hospital Use

Home placement of PICC, FICC, and midline catheters

Management of home venous access

GAVeCeLT Recommendations for Best Practices in Venous Access: A Comparison with International Recommendations

GAVeCeLT recommendations on venous access in critically ill patients

The GAVeCeLT-IVAS 2026 Consensus Document on Tip Location

The new DAV Expert 2026 algorithm (DAV Expert 2.0)

From Evidence to Clinical Practice: GAVeCeLT Protocols for the Placement of External Central Venous Accesses

The SIP Protocol - The SIC Protocol - The SIF protocol

Lecture - The WoCoVA NAVIGATE document: the importance of internationally agreed-upon terminology

Speakers

Stefano Benvenuti, Roberto Biffi, Giuseppe Capozzoli, Filippo Carlucci, Antonio Dell'Anna, Elisa Deganello, Pietro Dormio, Christian Dupont, Daniele Elisei, Vincenzo Faraone, Antonio Gidaro, Emanuele Iacobone, Bruno Marche, Fulvio Pinelli, Mauro Pittiruti, Victor Rosenthal, Giancarlo Scoppettuolo, Timothy Spencer



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Introductory Lecture - PICCs in Italy today

GAVeCeLT-IVAS Special Session - The Vascular Access Team

The New GAVeCeLT-IVAS 2026 Protocols for the Placement of Peripheral Venous Access Devices

Lecture - Virtual/Immersive Reality in Vascular Access Training

GAVeCeLT and IVAS Collaborations with the Istituto Superiore di Sanità and Other Scientific Societies

Lecture - Selection and Use of Needleless Connectors and Disinfectant Caps: The State of the Art

GAVeCeLT-IVAS Special Session - Multidisciplinary Collaboration as a Guarantee of Quality Care

Lecture - Prevention, Diagnosis, and Treatment of PICC and Midline Infections

Thrombosis Associated with PICC and Midline Catheters

Skin Complications of Venous Access (CASI)

Mechanical Complications of PICC and Midline Catheters

Lecture - The Present and Future of PICC and Midline Catheters

Speakers

Maria Giuseppina Annetta, Renata Bastos, Daniele G. Biasucci, Roberto Biffi, Fabrizio Brescia, Laura Dolcetti, Daniele Elisei, Stefano Elli, Adam Fabiani, Antonio Gidaro, Davide Giustivi, Bruno Marche, Giada Maspero, Matrona Oliva, Gloria Ortiz Miluy, Matthew Ostroff, Giovanna Passaro, Edoardo Piervincenzi, Fulvio Pinelli, Mauro Pittiruti, Marcia Ryder, Giancarlo Scoppettuolo