

2026 Diabesity & EuReCa-M joint CME course Obesity, Kidney Disease, and Cardiovascular Risk: From Knowledge to Action

Programme April 24-25, 2026

Venue: Hotel NH Collection Barcelona Constanza (C/ Deu i Mata 69-99, Barcelona, Spain)

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Friday, April 24, 2026

16:00 - 16:30 | Welcome and Opening Remarks

President of ERA: Roser Torra

Chairs of EuReCa-M and Diabesity Working Groups: José M. Valdivielso and Enrique Morales

16:30 - 17:30 | Session 1 - Obesity and Kidney Disease: A Complex Relationship

Chairs: Enrique Morales and Liffert Vogt

- Why do only some people with obesity develop CKD? Trond Geir Jenssen
- The role of obesity in other nephropathies. Matias Trillini
- Commentary on the KDIGO obesity guidelines. Morten Buus Jørgensen

17:30 - 18:30 | Session 2 - Pathophysiological Crosstalk: Obesity-Kidney-Heart

Chairs: Ana Elena Rodriguez-Rodriguez and Patrick Mark

- Renal bioenergetics in obesity. Esteban Porrini
- Cardiovascular consequences of metabolic disease in CKD. Liffert Vogt
- From animals to humans: renoprotection in diabetic nephropathy. Johannes Stegbauer

Saturday, April 25, 2026

09:00 - 10:00 | Session 3 - Cardiovascular Risk Assessment in CKD

Chairs: Charles J. Ferro and Fotini latridi

- Risk stratification beyond the Framingham model. José M. Valdivielso
- Vascular aging in diabetic CKD. Nejc Piko
- Dual Organ Defense: SGLT2i for Cardiovascular Protection in Diabetic CKD. Shanmugakumar Chinnappa

10:00 - 11:00 | Session 4 - Emerging Treatments in the Cardio-Renal-Metabolic Syndrome

Chairs: Beatriz Fernández-Fernández and Marieta Theodorakopoulou

- CKM syndrome: an American invention or a useful global concept? Sebastjan Bevc
- SGLT2i and beyond: A New Era for CKD, Heart Failure & Diabetes. Patrick Mark
- Cardioprotective antihypertensives in diabetic kidney disease. Fotini latridi

11:00 - 11:30 | Coffee Break

11:30 - 12:30 | Session 5 - Managing Obesity in CKD: What's New?

Chairs: Evangelia Ntounousi and Morten Buus Jørgensen

- Old and new therapies for obesity in CKD. Marieta Theodorakopoulou
- Do very low-calorie diets have a role? Manuela Abbate
- Knowns and unknowns of GLP-1 receptor antagonists' therapy in obesity-related CKD. Marius Miglinas

12:30 - 13:30 | Lunch



13:30 - 14:30 | Session 6 - Obesity in Dialysis and Transplant: New Perspectives

Chairs: Shanmugakumar Chinnappa and Matias Trillini

- Does reverse epidemiology of BMI in dialysis still hold true? Claudia Torino
- The role of GLP-1 receptor agonists in CKD in obese patients. Beatriz Fernández-Fernández
- Bariatric surgery vs GLP-1RA: pros and cons. Enrique Morales

14:30 - 15:30 | Session 7 - Non-Pharmacological Interventions: How Far Can They Go?

Chairs: Marius Miglinas and Johannes Stegbauer

- Lifestyle interventions: real impact. Evangelia Ntounousi
- Synergies between diet, exercise, and pharmacotherapy. Amaryllis Van Craenenbroeck
- Prevention of CKD: The Strong Kidney Taskforce. Charles J. Ferro

15:30 - 16:30 | Session 8 - Interactive Case Discussion

Chairs: Amaryllis Van Craenenbroeck and Trond Geir Jenssen

• Clinical cases-Complex patient with cardio-reno-metabolic syndrome. Justo Sandino, Marina López y Clara Barrios

16:30 - 17:30 | Session 9 - Closing Joint Roundtable: Integration and Controversies

Chairs: Sebastjan Bevc and Claudia Torino

- SEN, SLANH and SEEDO Consensus report on Obesity related kidney diseases. Maria José Soler
- Identifying knowledge gaps and future directions. Pantelis Sarafidis

17:30 - 18:00 | Closing Remarks. José M. Valdivielso and Enrique Morales

19:30 | Closing Dinner (Venue to be announced)

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Invited speakers

- Esteban Porrini. Faculty of Medicine, University of La Laguna, Tenerife, Spain
- Charles J. Ferro. Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences, University of Birmingham and Department of Renal Medicine, Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham, United Kingdom
- Pantelis Sarafidis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Thessaloniki, Greece
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