



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

Programme

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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 Diabetes 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: William Martin and Fotini Iatridi

- 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 to the Rescue: A New Era for CKD, Heart Failure & Diabetes. *Patrick Mark*
- Cardioprotective antihypertensives in diabetic kidney disease. *Fotini Iatridi*

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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