



**Ankara University Faculty of Dentistry
Ankara - Türkiye**



INTERCEPTOR WORKING GROUPS MEETING & WORKSHOP

***Hands-on Training School
17th September 2025***

**09.30 – 10.00: Registration, Welcome, Breakfast
10.00 – 10.30: Artificial Intelligence in Image Analysis:
Machine Learning and Deep Learning Basics
10.30 – 12.00: Hands-on: Digital analysis of clinical
pictures of OPMD
12.00 – 13.00: Lunch
13.00 – 16.00: Hands-on: Histopathological Images
Analysis in Digital Pathology**

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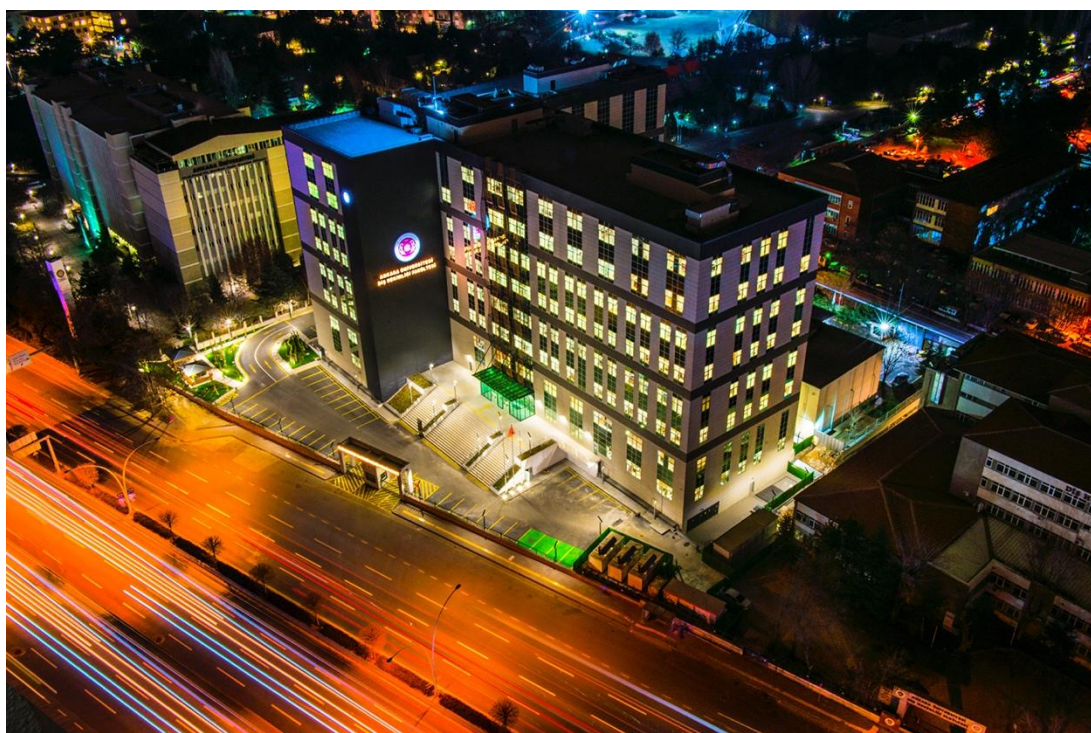


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INTERCEPTOR WGs Meeting

WG1 and WG2 on OPMD Trajectories and Disease Care Management

18th-19th September 2025



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Local Organization:

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Agenda DAY 1 – September 18th 2025 – WG Sessions

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8:30-9.30	Venue and Registration (Ankara University, Faculty of Dentistry, 5th floor, Hall 7)
9.30-10.00	Introduction and Welcome
10:00 – 11:30	
7th OPMDBOARD of INTERCEPTOR Moderated by Senada Koljenović, Merva Soluk Tekkeşin Presenters: Deren Sezgin, Ankara University Suzan Acar, Ankara University İpek Atak Seçen, Gazi University Gözde Haksayar, Ankara University	
11.30- 12.00	Coffee break
12.00 - 13.30	
WG1- Data science and medical informatics to understand OPMD Lead: Rui Amaral Mendes Co-leads: Dipak Sapkota, Vito Carlo Alberto Caponio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Diseases with oral malignant potential: Need for change to inform research, policy, and practice by Nicola Cirillo, University of Foggia, Italy - Future plans
13.30-15.00	

****lunch break and small group discussions at the lovely cafe****
(14.15-15.00- core group meeting at the hall)

15:00-15.45

<p>WG2- Disease care management of patients with OPMD</p> <p>Lead: Paolo Bossi Co-lead: Keith Hunter</p>	<p><u>Clinical Assessment Standardization</u></p> <p>15:00- 15:20: May we achieve a consensus about the essential clinical and pathological factors defining the risk of cancerization? by Bengu Yaldiz Cobanoglu Karadeniz Technical University, Türkiye</p> <p>15:20- 15:45 Results from trials aimed at immune interception and new perspectives. by Paolo Bossi, Humanitas University , Italy</p> <p>-Future plans</p>
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15.45-16.30

<p><u>WGs</u></p> <p>- Discussion WG1/WG2 together</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gaps, unresolved questions, or emerging needs - Proposals for joint activities or subgroup formation - Action plan before OPMDay (where? on June 12-13 2026?) - To discuss the potential for continuing science and cooperation after COST action
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16.30- 17.00

Coffee break

17.00 – 18.30

<p>WG2- Disease care management of patients with OPMD- Histopathology</p>	<p>Key milestones achieved since OPMDBOARD setup</p> <p>Senada Koljenović, Merva Soluk Tekkeşin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feedback from pathology team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Antwerp Training School *September Webinar with IAOP *Ankara Training School by Young members of INTERCEPTOR - Future plans
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19.00 Dinner

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Agenda DAY 2 – September 19th 2025

	Topic	Who
08:00-08:45	Venue and Registration (Ankara University, Faculty of Dentistry, -1th floor, Conference Hall)	
08.45-09.00	Introduction and Welcome	
	Data Science and Medical informatics Session- WG1 Moderators: Rui Amaral Mendes (Portugal), Kaan Orhan (Türkiye)	
09.00-09.30	AI and Blockchain applications in Health and Dentistry	Kaan Orhan, Ankara University, Ankara, Türkiye
09.30-9.50	The HEADSpace dataset	Shama Virani, Scientific lead of HEADSpace Data Centre, WHO (online)
9:50-10:10	Minimum database for clinical investigation of OPMD: the INTERCEPTOR e-Delphi consensus	Vito Carlo Alberto Caponio, Link Campus University, Rome, Italy
10.10- 10.30	Discussion	
10.30-11.00	**coffee break**	
	OPMD Treatment Session - WG2 Moderators: Vladimir Pavićević (Montenegro), Pierre Saintigny (France)	

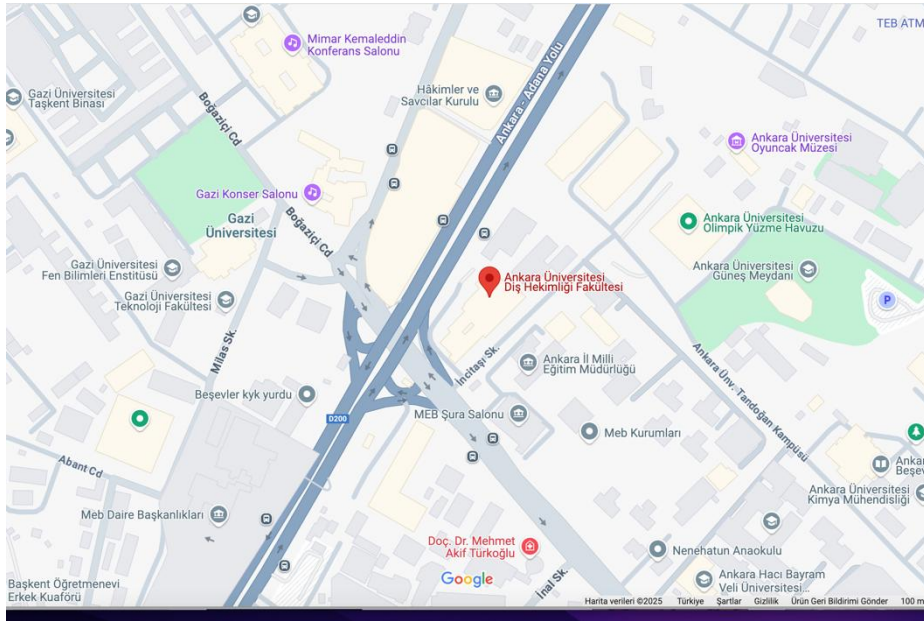
11.00-11.15	Detection and Management of OPMD in Clinical Practice: Challenges and Evolving Strategies	Alper Sinanoglu, Kocaeli University, Kocaeli, Türkiye
11:15-11:30	The immune microenvironment role in premalignant diseases: insights from different fields	Licia Rivoltini, Fondazione IRCCS Istituto Nazionale Tumori, Milan, Italy (online)
11:30-11:45	Understanding the biology of oral dysplasia to better prevent transformation	Pierre Saintigny, Centre Léon Bérard, Lyon, France
11:45-12.00	EHNS The Art of the First Cut: Key Strategies in Oral Cavity Cancer Treatment	Şefik Hoşal, Atılım University, Ankara, Türkiye
12.00-12.15	Discussion	
12:15-13:30	**lunch break**	
	Pathology Session - WG2 Moderator: Senada Koljenović (Belgium)/ Merva Soluk Tekkesin (Türkiye)	
13.30-13.55	Histopathological evaluation of dysplasia in OPMDs	Ömer Günhan, TOBB University, Ankara, Türkiye
13.55-14.15	Still an Unfinished Story: Will It Turn Malignant? - Molecular Clues from Head and Neck Dysplasia	Burcu Toközlü, Gazi University, Ankara, Türkiye
14.15-14.35	Overcoming Early Diagnosis Barriers: Interprofessional Collaboration Lessons & Primary Care Integration	Ivan Alajbeg, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
14.35-14.55	3D Patient-Derived Models of Oral Potentially Malignant Disorders	Daniela Elena Costea, University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway
15.00- 15.30	**coffee break**	
15.30- 16.00	Turkish patients' experiences – Bengu Yaldiz Cobanoglu, Karadeniz Technical University, Trabzon, Türkiye	
16.00-16.30	Wrap-up and closing remarks	Organizers

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Venue

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