



The Third Pancreatic Cancer Symposium 2026

Recent Innovations in Early Detection, Translational Science, Treatment, and Patient-Centered Care

 **Date:** 5 November 2026  **Location:** Main Auditorium, Herlev Hospital
Borgmester Ib Juuls Vej 1, 2730 Herlev, Denmark

Target Audience

Oncologists, Surgeons, Gastroenterologists, Radiologists, Pathologists, Palliative Care Professionals, Researchers, Nurses, Clinical Specialists, Dietitians, Allied Health Professionals, as well as Patients and their Advocates.

08:00–08:30 | Registration & Welcome Coffee

 **08:30–08:40 | Opening Remarks**
Chairs: Peter Vilmann & Inna Chen

Session I: Smart Scans & Liquid Clues – The Future of Pancreatic Cancer Screening and Diagnostics

Chairs: Peter Vilmann & Julia Sidenius Johansen

08:40–09:00 | *Screening High-Risk Populations: State of the Art* – Matthias Löhr, Sweden

09:00–09:20 | *Liquid Biopsies and Non-Invasive Biomarkers: What Lies Ahead* – Sidsel Christy Lindgaard, Denmark

09:20–09:40 | *From EUS to AI: Building a Diagnostic Trinity* – Adrian Săftoiu, Romania

09:40–10:00 | *Photon-Counting CT: A Leap in Imaging Precision* – Erik G. S. Brandt, Denmark

10:00–10:20 | *Next-Gen PET Imaging: New Tracers for Better Outcomes* – Annika Loft, Denmark

10:20–10:40 | Q&A and Discussion

10:40–11:00 | Coffee Break & Networking

Session II: The Future Starts Now – Translational Science & AI

Chairs: Mads Hald Andersen and Søren Brunak

11:00–11:20 | *Tumor Microenvironment and Immune Escape* – Neuzillet Cindy, France

11:20–11:40 | *Cachexia as a Target in Pancreatic Cancer: From Mouse Models to Human Translation* – Teresa Zimmers, USA

11:40–12:00 | *Starved but Surviving: Metabolism as a Driver and Target* – Lykke Sylow, Denmark

12:00–12:20 | *AI in Pancreatic Cancer: Is AI Finally Seeing the Unseen – From Early Detection to Clinical Action* – Søren Brunak, Denmark

12:20–12:40 | Q&A and Discussion

12:40–13:40 | Lunch & Networking

Session III: Rethinking Treatment – Innovations in Multimodal Approaches

Chairs: Carsten Palnæs Hansen & Inna Chen

13:40–14:00 | *How and why a neoadjuvant approach to PDAC might change the surgical outcomes* – Massimo Falconi, Italy

14:00–14:20 | *Systemic Therapy in 2026: Are We Getting Closer?* – Per Pfeiffer, Denmark

14:20–14:40 | *Targeted Therapies in Pancreatic Cancer: Hope or Hype?* – Thomas Seufferlein, Germany

14:40–15:00 | *Cancer Vaccines: Where Do We Stand?* – Morten Orebo Holmström, Denmark

15:00–15:20 | Q&A and Discussion

15:20–15:40 | Coffee Break & Networking

Session IV: Patient-Centered Care – Palliative Strategies That Matter

Chairs: Geana Kurita & Jutta Dierkes

15:40–16:00 | *Understanding and Treating Pain in Pancreatic Cancer* – Asbjørn Drewes, Denmark

16:00–16:20 | *Palliative Techniques: Endoscopic and Radiological Interventions* – John Gásdal Karstensen, Denmark

16:20–16:40 | *Personalized Palliative Care: From Protocol to Practice* – Jonas Sørensen,

Denmark

16:40–17:00 | *Nutrition and Cachexia: A Multidisciplinary Challenge* – Stein Kaasa, Norway

17:00–17:15 | Q&A and Final Reflections

 **17:15–17:30** | **Closing Remarks & Farewell**

Chairs: Peter Vilmann & Inna Chen