

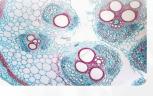
## 3<sup>rd</sup> WEBINAR

## Minimal Residual Disease

## **DECEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>**, 2022

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#### Welcome Letter

Dear Colleagues, Dear Friends,

The concept of minimal residual disease (MRD) has revolutionized the way we understand cancer recurrence and treatment resistance. MRD has been used to describe the small number of residual disseminated tumor cells, which evade treatment giving rise to metastases. A growing number of studies have verified the clinical value of MRD as a predictive indicator for disease recurrence and overall survival, serving as a useful marker of systemic disease. The foremost advantage of MRD is that it reflects more accurately cancer spatial and temporal heterogeneity and, thus, allows tracking of the metastatic burden.

In this context, liquid biopsy approaches enable MRD monitoring, thereby contributing towards the identification of those who face a higher risk of disease relapse. However, many technical issues remain in MRD detection and monitoring, especially in solid tumor patients. Isolation of circulating tumor cells (CTCs) or other factors that cancer cells extrude into the bloodstream, such as circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA), remains a challenging laboratory problem. Since 2016, ctDNA-based techniques have been approved by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and European Medicines Agency (EMA) for the identification and quantification of somatic epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) mutations that allows us to pinpoint patients with NSCLC who will benefit from targeted therapies, specifically in cases where we are not able to obtain a tissue biopsy. The unavailability of tissue samples for molecular profiling is a common problem in daily clinical practice and, thus, taking into account that tumor sampling is invasive, costly, and time consuming, non-invasive methods for MRD assessment represent an important paradigm shift in precision medicine.

On behalf of Hellenic Oncological Society of Diaspora (HeL.O.DI), we kindly invite you to attend the webinar entitled "*Minimal Residual Disease (MRD)*", which will be held on **December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022**. This webinar will cover all the aforementioned issues presenting the most recent advances by experts in the field.

With warm regards,

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## Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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	Moderators: D. Papadatos - Pastos (UK), F.I. Dimitrakopoulos (GR)	
18.30-18.50 GR Time <i>17.30-17.50 CET</i>	Liquid Biopsy as a tool for the detection of minimal residual disease <i>Q&amp;A</i>	E. Lianidou (GR)
18.55-19.15 GR Time <i>17.55-18.15 CET</i>	Circulating Tumor DNA and Minimal Residual Disease in Early-Stage Colorectal Cancer <i>Q&amp;A</i>	M. Giannakis (US)
19.20-19.40 GR Time 18.20-18.40 CET	MRD in oncology. The right technology for the right data $Q\&A$	N. Tsoulos (GR)
19.45-20.05 GR Time 18.45-19.05 CET	The emerging value of liquid biopsy for the monitoring of MRD in NSCLC <i>Q&amp;A</i>	P. Christopoulos (DE)
20.10-20.30 GR Time 19.10-19.30 CET	The importance of liquid biopsy for monitoring of oncogene driven non small cell lung cancer <i>Q&amp;A</i>	A. Dimou (US)

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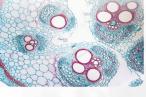
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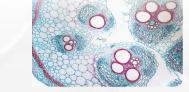
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