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DAY 1 | Tuesday 16th June

13:00-13:30h	Welcoming The VHIO Colorectal Cancer Program. Dr. Elena Élez, medical oncology, head GI group.
13:30h-13:50h	Session 1: Precision Strategies in Early-Stage Colon Cancer Neoadjuvant Treatment in Colon Cancer. Dr. Javier Ros, medical oncology, senior clinical researcher.
13:50-14:10h	New Targets, New Therapies in Early-Stage Colorectal Cancer. Dr. Iosune Baraibar, medical oncology, senior clinical researcher.
14:10-14:30h	Redefining Risk: Liquid Biopsy for Adjuvant Selection. Dr. Joana Vidal, medical oncology, senior clinical researcher, Hospital del Mar.
14:30-14:50h	Session 2: Beyond Pharmacotherapy: Expanding the Therapeutic Strategy Beyond Chemotherapy: Modulating Adjuvant Benefit with Exercise, Lifestyle and Aspirin in Localized Colon Cancer. Dr. Ramón Salazar, head of medical oncology department, ICO L'Hospitalet.
14:50-15:10h	Diet as an Adjuvant Strategy in Early-Stage Colon Cancer. Adriana Alcaraz, research nutritionist.
15:10-15:30h	Coffee break
15:30-15:50h	Session 3: Localized Rectal Cancer TNT in Rectal Cancer: Lessons Learned and Future Directions. Dr. Iosune Baraibar, medical oncology, doctoral fellowship.
15:50-16:10h	MTB: Sharing Experiences*. Surgery, radiology, medical oncology representatives.
16:10-16:30h	Precision Oncology in VHIO Pre-Screening Program: New Technologies, New Opportunities. Dr. Ana Vivancos, biologist, head Genomics lab.
16:30-16:50h	Discussion
16:50-17:10h	Session 4: Redefining Diagnostic and Research Approaches in Colon Cancer Imaging Optimization in Early-Stage Colon Cancer. Dr. Raquel Pérez, radiologist, radiomics group leader.
17:10-17:30h	Artificial Intelligence in Colorectal Cancer: Opportunities and Challenges. Dr. Rodrigo Dientsmann, medical oncologist, oncology data science group leader.
17:30-17:50h	Discussion
17:50h	End of day 1

DAY 2 | Wednesday 17th June

9:00-9:30h	Wrap-up Day 1. Dr. Elena Élez, medical oncologist, head GI group.
9:30h-09:50h	Session 5: Projects, Grants and Publications in CRC Tricks and Treats of GCPs, Surviving Regulatory Quality Evaluations. Dr. Cristian Rosales, translational study coordinator.
9:50-10:10h	How to Succeed in a Grant Application Process. Dr. Javier Gonzalo, head of clinical research scientific management.
10:10-10:30h	Publish or Perish. The Importance of Publishing Academic Research and How to Declare COIs. Dr. Javier Carmona, director of scientific strategy, VHIO.
10:30-10:50h	Session 6: Early-Onset CRC Young Onset Colorectal Cancer: A Call for Action. Dr. Iosune Baraibar, medical oncology, senior clinical researcher.
10:50-11:10h	The Role of Microbiome to Boost Therapeutic Efficacy. Dr. Nuciforo, pathologist, molecular oncology group leader.
11:10-11:30h	Coffee break
11:30-12:00h	Session 7: From the Protocol Draft to the First Patient Included: Real-World Facts of Academic Trials Optimizing Clinical Trial Design in Early-Stage Colon Cancer. Dr. Guillermo Villacampa, biostatistics group leader.
12:00-12:45h	Workshop by Groups: Difficulties and Barriers when Moving Forward Academic Trials. Dr. Javier Ros, Dr. Iosune Baraibar, and Dr. Guillermo Villacampa.
12:45-13:15h	Summary and conclusions
13:15-13:30h	Farewell
13:30-14:00h	Lunch
14:00-14:45h	VHIO Tour. Ariadna García, Research Nurse.