



# 香港耳鼻喉科醫學院

THE HONG KONG COLLEGE OF OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGISTS

## *Annual Visiting Professorship Programme 2025*

### *Journey to an International Referral Centre for Skull Base Surgery*

20 - 22 June, 2025

#### VISITING PROFESSOR



**Professor Mario SANNA**

Founder and Director of the Gruppo Otologico  
Otolaryngologist and Otoneurosurgeon

**KEYNOTE LECTURE**

**20 June** Journey to Excellence:  
Lessons from a Neuro-otologist

#### SPEAKERS



**Dr Lorenzo LAUDA**

ENT and Head and Neck Surgeon  
of the Gruppo Otologico – Italy



**Dr Gianluca PIRAS**

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Professor Mario Sanna, Professor of Audiology and Otolaryngology at the University of Sassari, University of Parma and University of Chieti.

Founder and Director of the Gruppo Otologico, a world-recognised centre for Otology, Auditory Implantology and Skull Base Surgery and an internationally recognised reference point in his field.

He is a founding member of the European Skull Base Society and the Italian Skull Base Society and an honorary member of the French, Spanish, Hungarian and Romanian Otolaryngological Societies. He is a member of the NASBS (North American Skull Base Society).

He organised the Tenth Congress of the Politzer Society (Controversies in Otology and Otoneurosurgery) in 1986, Fifth International Conference on Cholesteatoma in 1996 (Fifth International Conference on Cholesteatoma and Mastoid Surgery) and the Third International Congress on Acoustic Neurinoma in 1999 (Third International Conference on Acoustic Neurinoma and Other CPA Tumors).

Prof. Sanna is the author of 18 books in English (translated into Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Polish and Spanish) and more than 450 articles in scientific journals.

His books are extremely popular and some of them have received international recognition. He has been on the organising committee of over 200 congresses and academic meetings. Over 200 students and 1000 visitors have been trained in the Gruppo Otologico. Prof. Mario Sanna has operated on more than 5000 tumours of the skull base, including 3800 Neurinomas and more than 30,000 Middle Ear operations.

At the Gruppo Otologico, 157 courses were held based on the 'Middle Ear and Skull Base'.

Prof. Sanna has incredibly contributed to the knowledge of Otological and Skull Base Surgery and is considered by his colleagues as one of the pioneers of modern Skull Base Surgery.

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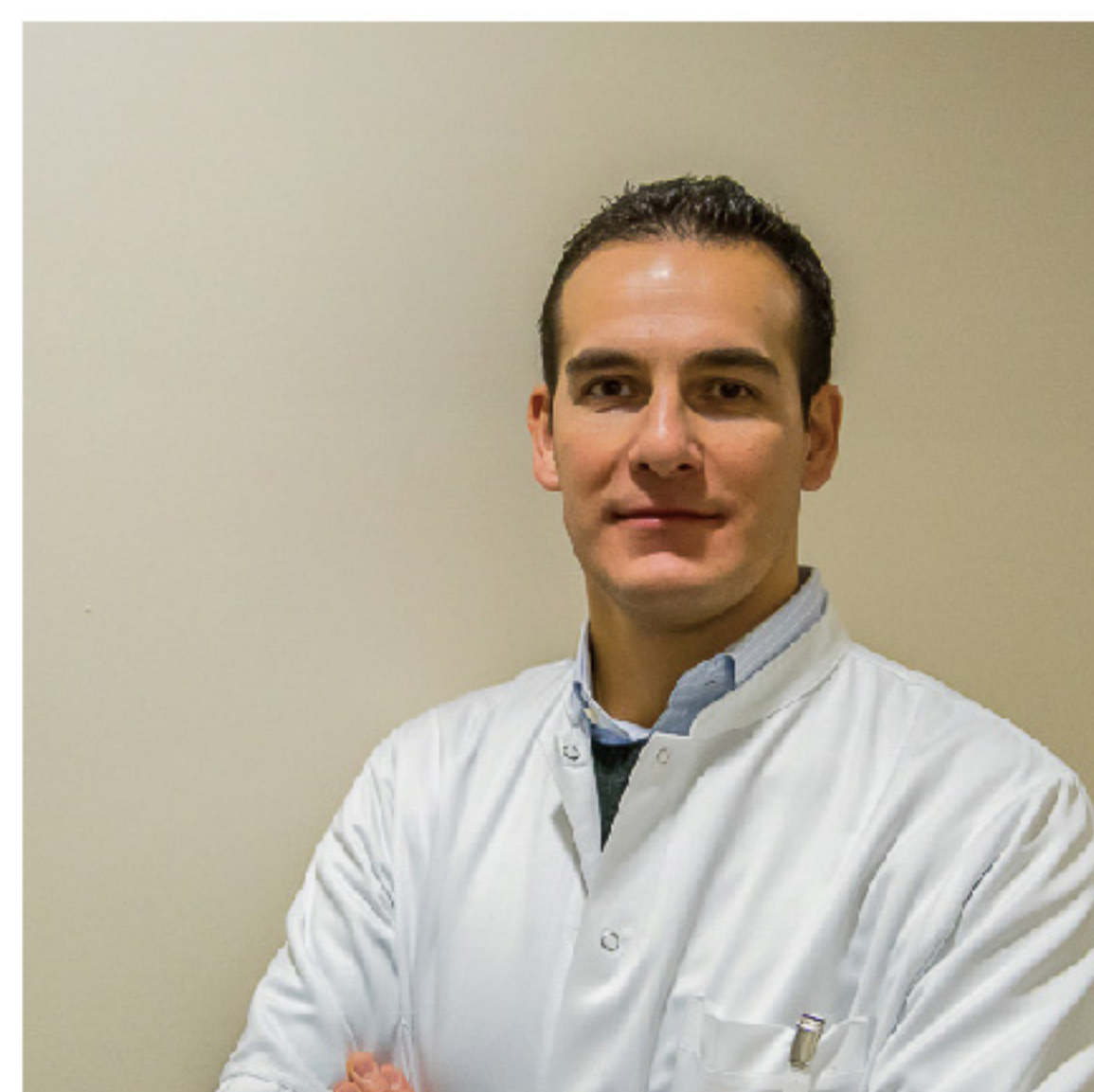
ENT and Head and Neck Surgeon  
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Degree in Medicine and Surgery at the University of Naples,  
Qualification to practice the profession of physician-surgeon at the University of Naples  
Specialization in Otorhinolaryngology and Cervicofacial Pathology at the University of Parma  
Consultant at the Otoneurosurgery and Skull Base Surgery Unit Otologic Group Piacenza in Rome

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Otologist and Lateral Skull Base Surgeon, Gruppo Otologico,  
Casa di Cura “Piacenza” Hospital, Piacenza, Italy

# PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

## DAY 1 - 20 JUNE 2025, FRIDAY

Sung Room I & II on the 4th Floor, Sheraton Hong Kong Hotel & Towers, 20 Nathan Road, Kowloon

KEYNOTE LECTURE AND WELCOME DINNER	
TIME	PROGRAM
18:30 – 19:00	Registration
19:00 – 19:45	Keynote Lecture (45 minutes) Journey to Excellence: Lessons from a Neuro-otologist (M. Sanna)
19:45 – 20:00	Question & Answer Session
20:00 – 22:00	Welcome Dinner

## DAY 2 - 21 JUNE 2025, SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Lecture Theatre, G/F, Block M, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, 30 Gascoigne Road, Kowloon

THE CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION LECTURE SERIES	
TIME	PROGRAM
13:30 – 14:00	Registration
14:00 – 15:30	Lecture series (1, 2, 3) 1. Management of class A and B paraganglioma (G. Piras) <i>Experience in over than 300 cases</i> 2. Management of the class C paragangliomas (M. Sanna) 3. Surgery of the “so-called” inoperable paraganglioma (M. Sanna)
15:30 – 16:00	Question & Answer Session / Coffee/tea Break
16:00 – 17:00	Lecture series (4,5) 4. Classification and Management of petrous bone cholesteatoma. <i>Experience in more than 300 cases (L. Lauda)</i> 5. Management of the intrapetrous ICA with and without stenting (M. Sanna)
17:00 – 17:30	Question & Answer Session

## DAY 3 - 22 JUNE 2025, SUNDAY MORNING

Lecture Theatre, G/F, Block M, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, 30 Gascoigne Road, Kowloon

THE CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION LECTURE SERIES	
TIME	PROGRAM
08:30 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 10:30	Lecture series (6,7) 6. Management of intrinsic tumors of the facial nerve (L. Lauda) 7. Non vascular tumors of the Jugular Foramen (G. Piras)
10:30 – 11:00	Question & Answer Session + Coffee/Tea Break
11:00 – 12:30	Lecture series (8,9) 8. Management of large and giant vestibular schwannomas (L. Lauda) 9. Auditory brainstem implants: surgical techniques and results (M. Sanna)
	Question & Answer Session

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**CME/CPD (for specialist) or Training points (for trainees) accredited by  
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Day 1 (20 <sup>th</sup> June 2025, Friday Evening)	1.5 points (Cat 2)
Day 2 (21 <sup>st</sup> June 2025, Saturday Afternoon)	3.5 points (CAT 2)
Day 3 (22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025, Sunday Morning)	3.5 points (CAT 2)



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