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MONDAY, 20 OCTOBER, 2025

8:00

Opening Speech

Péter Hegyi
Director of the Centre for
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FIRST CANDIDATE

8:30



Supervisor(s)
Gábor Csukly

ZSOLT HUSZÁR

"Risk factors of cognitive decline in elderly population"

Publications

Huszár, Zs. et al. (2024) Risk of conversion to mild cognitive impairment or dementia among subjects with amyloid and tau pathology: a systematic review and meta-analysis.

Alzheimers Res Ther, D1, IF: 9.000

Huszár, Zs. et al. (2024) Association of modifiable risk factors with progression to dementia in relation to amyloid and tau pathology.

Alzheimers Res Ther, D1, IF: 7.900

Psychiatry

COMMITTEE

Martin Koltzenburg, László Szapáry, Bence Lázár, Gábor Varga

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SECOND CANDIDATE

9:30



Supervisor(s)
Zsolt Mezei

KATALIN LUGOSI

"Prevalence and influencing factors of domain-specific cognitive impairment in multiple sclerosis"

Publications

Lugosi, K. et al. (2024) Domain-specific cognitive impairment in multiple sclerosis: A systematic review and meta-analysis.

Ann Clin Transl Neurol, D1, IF: 5.300

Lugosi, K. et al. (2025) Cognitive Impairment in Multiple Sclerosis: The Role of Clinical and Sociodemographic Factors - A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis.

Ann Clin Transl Neurol, Q1, IF: 3.900

Neurology

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Supervisor(s)
Balázs Lintner

ISTVÁN LÁSZLÓ BARADÁCS

"Investigating the role of parp inhibitors in the treatment of ovarian cancer"

Publications

Baradács, I. et al. (2024) PARP inhibitor era in ovarian cancer treatment: a systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials.

J Ovarian Res, Q2, IF: 4.000

Baradács, I. et al. (2025) Efficacy and Safety of Combination Therapy with PARP Inhibitors and Anti-Angiogenic Agents in Ovarian Cancer: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis.

J Clin Med, Q1, IF: 3.000

Gynecology

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Bart Fauser, Tamás Marton, Dóra Koczka-Balogh, Gábor Varga

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ANNA EVELIN JUHÁSZ

Gynecology / Dietetics

"The role of dietary fibers and diet composition in the management of metabolic disorders"

Publications

Juhász, AE. et al. (2022) Galactomannans are the most effective soluble dietary fibers in type 2 diabetes: a systematic review and network meta-analysis.

Am J Clin Nutr, Q1, IF: 7.100

Juhász, AE. et al. (2023) Reply to Zurbau et al.

Am J Clin Nutr, D1, IF: 7.100

Juhász, AE. et al. (2024) Ranking the dietary interventions by their effectiveness in the management of polycystic ovary syndrome: a systematic review and network meta-analysis.

Reprod Health, D1, IF: 3.400

12:00

Supervisor(s)
Réka Hermanné
Juhász

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TAMÁS FAZEKAS

Urology

"Prostate cancer screening, molecular diagnostics, and therapy prediction: toward personalized care"

Publications

Fazekas, T. et al. (2024) Magnetic Resonance Imaging in Prostate Cancer Screening: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis.

JAMA Oncol, D1, IF: 28.400

Fazekas, T. et al. (2023) Poly (ADP-ribose) Polymerase Inhibitors Have Comparable Efficacy with Platinum Chemotherapy in Patients with BRCA-positive Metastatic Castration-resistant Prostate Cancer. A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis.

Eur Urol Oncol, D1, IF: 8.200

Fazekas, T. et al. (2024) Molecular Correlates of Prostate Cancer Visibility on Multiparametric Magnetic Resonance Imaging: A Systematic Review.

Eur Urol Oncol, D1, IF: 8.200

13:30

Supervisor(s)
Tibor Szarvas

István Király, Mátyás Benyó, Dániel Bányai, Zsolt Molnár

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ANETT SZABÓ

Urology

14:30

"Male infertility: the functional side of the spermatozoa"

Publications

Szabó, A. et al. (2023) Lifestyle-, environmental-, and additional health factors associated with an increased sperm DNA fragmentation: A systematic review and meta-analysis.

Reprod Biol Endocrinol, Q1, IF: 4.400

Szabó, A. et al. (2025) Assessing the efficacy of varicocele, antioxidants, FSH treatment, and lifestyle modifications on sperm DNA fragmentation: a systematic review and meta-analysis.

Sci Rep, D1, IF: 3.800

Szabó, A. et al. (2025) Impact of lifestyle and environmental factors on fertility.

Curr Opin Urol, Q2, IF: 2.200

Supervisor(s)
Zsolt Kopa

Csaba Berczi, Miklós Damásdi, István Király, Zsolt Molnár

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ÁDÁM DÁNIEL SZÉLES

Urology

15:30

"Prognostic and predictive biomarkers in urothelial cancer"

Publications

Széles, ÁD. et al. (2022) High Pretreatment Serum PD-L1 Levels Are Associated with Muscle Invasion and Shorter Survival in Upper Tract Urothelial Carcinoma.

Biomedicines, Q1, IF: 4.700

Széles, ÁD. et al. (2022) Pre-treatment soluble PD-L1 as a predictor of overall survival for immune checkpoint inhibitor therapy: a systematic review and meta-analysis.

Cancer Immunol Immunother, Q1, IF: 5.800

Széles, ÁD. et al. (2025) Prognostic and predictive value of pre-treatment blood-based inflammatory biomarkers in patients with urothelial carcinoma treated with immune checkpoint inhibitors: a systematic review and meta-analysis.

Front Immunol, Q1, IF: 5.700

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TUESDAY, 21 OCTOBER, 2025

8:00

Opening Speech

Péter Hegyi
Director of the Centre for
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FIRST CANDIDATE

8:30



Supervisor(s)
Bálint Eröss

MAHMOUD OBEIDAT

Gastroenterology

"Hemodynamic instability and refeeding in patients with gastrointestinal bleeding"

Publications

Obeidat, M. et al. (2023) One in four patients with gastrointestinal bleeding develops shock or hemodynamic instability: A systematic review and meta-analysis.

World J Gastroenterol, Q1, IF: 4.300

Obeidat, M. et al. (2024) Early nutrition is safe and does not increase complications after upper gastrointestinal bleeding- A systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials.

Sci Rep, D1, IF: 4.600

Obeidat, M. et al. (2025) Hemodynamic Status as a Determinant Factor of Optimal Endoscopy Timing in Upper Gastrointestinal Bleeding: Results from an International Survey of 533 Clinicians

Gastroenterology, D1, IF: 25.100

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Andrea Harnos

SECOND CANDIDATE

9:30



Supervisor(s)
Emese Mihály

ANETT RANCZ

Gastroenterology

"The invisible presence of microscopic colitis"

Publications

Rancz, A. et al. (2023) Microscopic colitis is a risk factor for low bone density: A systematic review and meta-analysis.

Therap Adv Gastroenterol, Q1, IF: 4.802

Rancz, A. et al. (2025) Risk Factors for Microscopic Colitis: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis.

J Gastroenterol Hepatol, Q1, IF: 3.400

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THIRD CANDIDATE

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Supervisor(s)
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MARIE ANNE ENGH

Gastroenterology

"Equipment and techniques for optimizing diagnostic efficacy after endoscopic ultrasound-guided tissue acquisition from solid pancreatic and abdominal masses"

Publications

Engh, MA et al. (2024) Contrast-enhanced endoscopic ultrasound likely does not improve diagnostic adequacy during endoscopic ultrasound guided tissue acquisition: A systematic review and meta-analysis.

Pancreatology, Q1, IF: 3.600

Engh, MA et al. (2025) Combined Liquid-Based Cytology and Conventional Smear Provides Better Sensitivity and Adequacy Rates After Endoscopic Ultrasound-Guided Tissue Acquisition of Abdominal Masses: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis.

J Clin Med, Q1, IF: 2.900

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FOURTH CANDIDATE

12:00



Supervisor(s)
István Ferenc Édes

PÉTER MÁRTON KULYASSA

Critical care-Cardio

"Optimizing outcomes in percutaneous coronary procedures"

Publications

Kulyassa, PM. et al. (2022) The Design and Feasibility of the: Radial Artery Puncture Hemostasis Evaluation - RAPHE Study, a Prospective, Randomized, Multicenter Clinical Trial.

Front Cardiovasc Med, Q1, IF: 2.900

Kulyassa, PM. et al. (2023) Drug-coated balloon therapy is more effective in treating late drug-eluting stent in-stent restenosis than the early occurring one — a systematic review and meta-analysis.

Front Cardiovasc Med, Q1, IF: 5.846

Kulyassa, PM. et al. (2025) The Design and Feasibility of Optimal Treatment for Coronary Drug-Eluting Stent In-Stent Restenosis (OPEN-ISR)-A Prospective, Randomised, Multicentre Clinical Trial.

J Pers Med, Q2, IF: 3.000

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FIFTH CANDIDATE

13:00



Supervisor(s)
Zsolt Molnár,
Zoltán Ruszkai

CSENGE ERZSÉBET SZIGETVÁRY

Critical care-Cardio

"Advanced strategies in improving outcomes during mechanical ventilation"

Publications

Szigetváry, CSE. et al. (2023) Hemoadsorption as Adjuvant Therapy in Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS): A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis.

Biomedicines, Q1, IF: 4.700

Szigetváry, CSE. et al. (2024) Individualised Positive End-Expiratory Pressure Settings Reduce the Incidence of Postoperative Pulmonary Complications: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis.

J Clin Med, Q1, IF: 3.900

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SIXTH CANDIDATE

15:00



KINGA KOVÁCS

Pediatrics

"Placenta – fetal lung in utero"

Publications

Kovács, K. et al. (2023) The histologic fetal inflammatory response and neonatal outcomes: systematic review and meta-analysis.

Am J Obstet Gynecol, D1, IF: 9.800

Kovács, K. et al. (2025) The effect of an additional pre-extubational loading dose of caffeine citrate on mechanically ventilated preterm infants (NEOKOFF trial): Study protocol for a multicenter randomized clinical trial.

PLoS One, Q1, IF: 2.900

Supervisor(s)
Ákos Gasparics

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Prem Puri, Anikó Görbe, Zoltán Zádori

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Tamás Marton

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Gergely Balázs

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Amir Makolli

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Bence Szabó

SEVENTH CANDIDATE

16:00



ESZTER BAKÓ

Pharmacology

"Volatile organic compounds and essential oils: distribution in conifers and their applications in pain management"

Publications

Bakó, E. et al. (2023) Efficacy of Topical Essential Oils in Musculoskeletal Disorders: Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Randomized Controlled Trials.

Pharmaceuticals (Basel), Q1, IF: 4.800

Bakó, E. et al. (2024) Chemometric analysis of monoterpenes and sesquiterpenes of conifers.

J Frontiers in Planet Science, Q1, IF: 5.600

Supervisor(s)
Dezső Csupor,
Attila Ványolos

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Bence Szabó

EIGHTH CANDIDATE

17:00



DOROTTYA BASTIDAS-GERGŐ

Pharmacology

"Assessment of efficacy and safety of natural products in evidence-based medicine"

Publications

Gergő, D. et al. (2025) Efficacy and Safety of L-Menthol During Gastrointestinal Endoscopy-A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Randomized Clinical Trials.

J Clin Med, Q1, IF: 2.900

gergő, D. et al. (2025) Inhaling Peppermint Essential Oil as a Promising Complementary Therapy in the Treatment of Nausea and Vomiting.

J Clin Med, Q1, IF: 2.900

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WEDNESDAY, 22 OCTOBER, 2025

8:00

Opening Speech

Péter Hegyi
Director of the Centre for
Translational Medicine



FIRST CANDIDATE

8:30



Supervisor(s)
Tamás Terebessy

ORSOLYA ZSUZSANNA GRESITS

Orthopaedics

"Functional effects of common cerebral palsy treatment methods"

Publications

Gresits, OZS. (2025) Limited Evidence of Functional Benefit After Upper Limb Botulinum Toxin Treatment in Children With Cerebral Palsy: Systematic Review and Meta-analysis.

Am J Phys Med Rehabil, Q1, 2.200

Gresits, OZS. (2025) Impact of femoral derotation osteotomy on gait in ambulatory children with cerebral palsy: A systematic review and meta-analysis.

Braz J Phys Ther, Q1, 3.200

COMMITTEE

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Boglárka Szentes

SECOND CANDIDATE

9:30



Supervisor(s)
Judit Réka
Hethéssy

LUCA HERGÁR

Orthopaedics

"Translational key points between radiology, physical examination and hand surgery"

Publications

Hergár, L. et al. (2024) No evidence for the superiority of 3 T MRI over 1.5 T MRI for diagnosing wrist ligamentous lesions: a systematic review and meta-analysis.

Arthroscopy, D1, IF: 4.700

Hergár, L. et al. (2024) Assessing the severity of carpal tunnel syndrome during physical examination by measuring two-point discrimination: Post-hoc analysis of prospectively collected data.

Injury, Q1, IF: 2.500

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THIRD CANDIDATE

11:00



Supervisor(s)
György Kocsis

KRISZTIÁN BALÁZS KOVÁCS

Orthopaedics

"Aspects of Orthopaedic Biomechanics"

Publications

Kovács, KB. et al. (2023) Anisotropy, Anatomical Region, and Additional Variables Influence Young's Modulus of Bone: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis.

JBMR Plus, Q1, IF: 3.800

Kovács, KB. et al. (2025) Acromioclavicular Reconstruction Using the Lockdown Technique: A Case Series and Systematic Review.

J Clin Med, Q1, IF: 2.900

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FOURTH CANDIDATE

12:00



Supervisor(s)
Gábor Skaliczki

VIKTOR WENINGER

Orthopaedics

"Evidence-based strategies for optimizing shoulder treatment outcomes: from injections to antimicrobials"

Publications

Weninger, V. et al. (2024) Hyaluronate acid plus platelet-rich plasma is superior to steroids for pain relief less than 6 months using injection therapy of partial rotator cuff tears: A systematic review and network meta-analysis.

Arthroscopy, D1, IF: 4.700

Weninger, V. et al. (2025) 5% benzoyl peroxide is the most efficient in reducing the cutibacterium flora of the shoulder skin: a network meta-analysis.

EFORT Open Rev, D1, IF: 4.000

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FIFTH CANDIDATE

14:00



Supervisor(s)
András Bánvölgyi

ISTVÁN SZONDY

Dermatology

"New frontiers in the prevention of sexually transmitted infections"

Publications

Szondy I. et al. (2024) Doxycycline prophylaxis for the prevention of sexually transmitted infections: a systematic review and meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials.

Int J Infect Dis, Q1, IF: 8.400

Szondy, I. et al. (2025) Evaluating cross-protection: Meningococcal vaccines show effectiveness in gonorrhoea prevention - A systematic review and meta-analysis.

Vaccine, D1, IF: 4.500

Carmen Cantisani, Rita Nagy, Gábor Varga

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SIXTH CANDIDATE

15:00



Supervisor(s)
Péter Holló,
András Bánvölgyi

NOÉMI ÁGNES VÁMOSI-GALAJDA

Dermatology

"The effects of tumour necrosis factor inhibitors on cardiovascular risk in immune-mediated inflammatory diseases"

Publications

Galajda, NÁ. et al. (2024) Reducing cardiovascular risk in immune-mediated inflammatory diseases: Tumour necrosis factor inhibitors compared to conventional therapies-A systematic review and meta-analysis.

J Eur Acad Dermatol Venereol, Q1, IF: 9.200

Galajda, NÁ. et al. (2025) Evaluation of the risk of heart failure with tumour necrosis factor inhibitors: A large-scale meta-analysis in immune-mediated inflammatory diseases.

J Eur Acad Dermatol Venereol, D1, IF: 8.500

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SEVENTH CANDIDATE

16:00



NOÉMI NÓRA VARGA

Dermatology

"Innovative multimodal imaging techniques in dermatology"

Publications

Varga, NN. et al. (2023) Optically Guided High-Frequency Ultrasound Shows Superior Efficacy for Preoperative Estimation of Breslow Thickness in Comparison with Multispectral Imaging: A Single-Center Prospective Validation Study.

Int J Dermatol, Q1, IF: 3.500

Varga, NN. et al. (2025) Diagnostic Accuracy of Novel Optical Imaging Techniques for Melanoma Detection: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis.

Cancers (Basel), Q1, IF: 4.400

Supervisor(s)

Norbert Kiss,
Márta Medvecz

Carmen Cantisani, Rita Nagy, Gábor Varga

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