

UPCOMING WORKSHOP

Enhancing Preclinical Research: Advancements in Ultrasound and Photoacoustic Imaging



From Tuesday 24th to Thursday 26th of February 2026

24th February 2026, from 13:00 to 17:30

25th February 2026 from 9:00 to 16:30

26th February 2026 from 9:00 to 13:15



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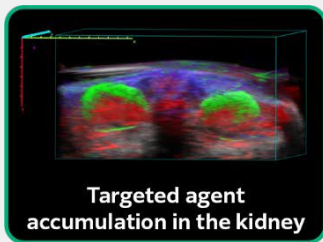
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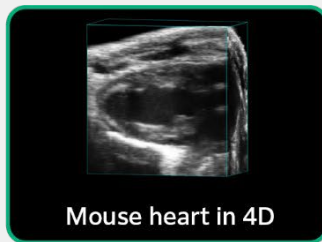
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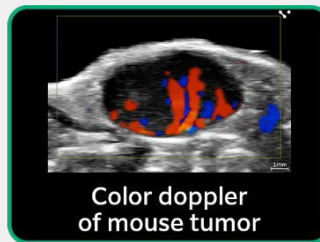
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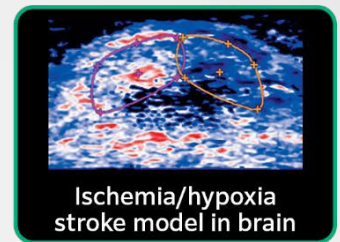
Targeted agent accumulation in the kidney



Mouse heart in 4D



Color doppler of mouse tumor



Ischemia/hypoxia stroke model in brain

TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED

- Seminar on ultra-high Frequency and Photoacoustic imaging
- Ultra-High-Frequency Ultrasound imaging

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Please send an email to Savino Lacerenza (savino.lacerenza@fujifilm.com) and Chris Carayon Torres (Christopher.c.torres@fujifilm.com) to register to the event

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Agenda

Day 1 | Tuesday 24th of February 2026 | Location

Afternoon: Location/ 13:00 – 17:30

13:00 – 13:15	Welcome
13:15 – 15:00	Imaging Session 1: Cardiovascular Imaging - Animal facility Introduction of the Vevo F2 imaging system and imaging infrastructure: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Standardization of systolic and diastolic function</i>• <i>Right ventricle and atria imaging of the mouse heart</i>• <i>4D Imaging of the mouse heart</i>• <i>Assessing aneurysms, Marfan syndrome, MI, hypertension</i>• <i>Assessing arterial vascular stiffness</i>
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 – 17:30	Data analysis and presentation: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Advanced Strain analysis including RV and atrial strain</i>• <i>AI-assisted 4D analysis</i>• <i>Innovation in cardiac research</i>• <i>Data management</i>• <i>Resources for Vevo owners</i>

Day 2 | Wednesday 25th of February 2026 | Location

Morning: Location/ 9:00 – 12:20 | Afternoon: Location/ 13:30 – 16h30

9:00 – 9:30	Registration
9:30 – 9:45	Welcome <i>Prof. Manuela Iezzi, CAST, University of Chieti</i>
9:45 – 10:45	Imaging pancreatic cancer <i>Dr. Tiziano Lottini, University of Florence (15min + 5)</i> Theragnostic in bladder cancer <i>Dr. Massimo Alfano, San Raffaele, Milano (15min + 5)</i> The use of echocardiography in experimental cardiology: lessons learned and future perspectives <i>Dr. Serena Zacchigna – ICGEB, Trieste (15min + 5)</i>
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:20	Echocardiographic Assessment in Experimental Rat Models of Pulmonary Hypertension <i>Dr. Silvia Cantoni PhD, R&D CHIESI FARMACEUTICI S.p.A, Parma (15min + 5)</i> Cardiometabolic disorders models: a holistic approach by ultra-high-frequency ultrasound <i>Ing. Francesco Faita, CNR Pisa (15 min + 5)</i> Innovation in PAUS imaging <i>Philippe Trochet, FUJIFILM VisualSonics (25 min)</i>
12:20 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 16:30	Imaging Session 2: Imaging for liver disease CAST Animal facility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anatomical landmarks and main abdominal blood vessels • Imaging the liver including shear wave elastography • Image guided manipulation of the liver • The vascular system in 3D • Hemodynamic and capillary function in real time • Other structures: Intestine, Stomach, Pancreas, Spleen, Kidney, Reproductive Organs, etc

Day 3 | Thursday 26th of February 2026 | Location

Morning: Location/ 9:00 – 13:15

9:00 – 9:15 Welcome**9:15 – 11:15****Imaging Session 3: Neurology – CAST Animal facility**

- *Brain Vascularity in 2D and 3D*
- *Contrast enhanced imaging*
- *Sciatic nerve*

11:15 – 11:45 Coffee break**11:45 – 12:45****Imaging Session 4: Elastography and Image Guided Needle Injections**

CAST Animal facility

- *Liver stiffness – with shear wave elastography*
- *Image guided needle injection into the spleen (or any other organ requested)*
- *Liver perfusion*

12:45 – 13:15 Data analysis and presentation