Academic Year 2012-2013
MASTER’S DEGREE IN HEADACHE MEDICINE
10th Edition

The Master in Headache Medicine is aimed at developing excellence among experts in this field of clinical medicine. Its purpose is to promote and disseminate epidemiological, nosographic, genetic, pathophysiologogical, diagnostic, social-health, clinical and therapeutic knowledge of headache, a disease that has a considerable impact on the general population. This high-level post-graduate course will provide successful applicants with the instruments necessary to make a modern evaluation of headaches that will allow the correct management of affected patients. Course participants will be able to acquire multidisciplinary competences that will enable them to relate to the problems of headache patients by means of the most wide-ranging, inter-cultural skills. The Master is included in the Global Campaign against Headache (GC), an initiative in formal collaboration with WHO, and is endorsed by Lifting The Burden and the European Headache Federation.

Admission
The Master in Headache Medicine is a one-year course of training in permanent excellence divided into two terms. Applicants must already have a specialist degree on either one of the following disciplines: Medicine and Surgery; Otolaryngology, Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Technologies, Biotechnologies or Psychology.

Cost
The cost of the Master is € 4,500, which must be paid in a single instalment at the time of registration and not later than 28 February 2013. The application form for the Master must be accompanied by a registration fee of € 3,500 and a bank duty of € 142. In case of delayed payment there is an extra cost of € 100 (within 30 days after due date amount of € 1200) for payment after the 60th day. A fee of € 70,00 is foreseen for final examination. The payment on the whole can be performed online at the website http://www.uniroma1.it/studenti/iscriversi.php. The Teaching-Scientific Council may assign study grants, which may also be obtained from private or public companies, or other bodies. Scholarships for GC will be available.

Applications
Applications for admission must be sent to: Prof. Paolo Martelletti, Master in Headache Medicine, II School of Medicine, Sapienza University of Rome, Via Vitorchiano 81, I-00189 Rome, Italy in such a way as to arrive by 15 December 2012. The application, which must contain the personal data of the candidate (surname, name, date and place of birth) and bear his/her handwritten signature, is to be accompanied by the following documents:

- a curriculum vitae et studiorum containing: the title of the degree thesis, the skills necessary to allow complete autonomy in terms of patient management, and the design and performance of research protocols involving patients affected by headache and/or cranio-facial disorders. The course is planned to start on 31 January 2013.

Registration
One week after the deadline for the presentation of applications, the classification of the successful candidates will be displayed on the premises of the Master’s Scientific Secretariat and publicised on the website http://www.uniroma1.it/headache. The registration must be completed by the successful candidates in accordance with the instructions that can be found on the website of the University www.infostud.uniroma1.it.

Duration and objectives
During the one-year course, the participants will be expected to acquire:
- a profound scientific and cultural understanding of headache medicine ranging from a detailed knowledge of the disability caused by the disease and its socio-demographic impact, to its pathogenetic mechanisms, clinical aspects, diagnosis and treatment;
- a good knowledge of the instrumental investigations supporting diagnosis;
- the skills necessary to allow complete autonomy in terms of patient management, and the design and performance of research protocols involving patients affected by headache and/or cranio-facial disorders.

Training activities
The indispensable activities required cover the following disciplines:

Diploma
In order to be awarded the Diploma of Master, a student must have passed the tests relating to the individual modules, passed the final examination, and discussed the thesis.

Site
The teaching activities will take place on the teaching premises of II School of Medicine of Sapienza University of Rome, as well as in the clinical structures referring to the Regional Referral Headache Centre at Sant’Andrea Hospital in Rome.