

Colorectal Liver Metastasis Consensus Conference in Houston, February 24–26, 2026



The Colorectal Liver Metastasis Consensus Conference held February 24–26, 2026 in Houston, USA and co-organized by University of Zurich as well as MD Anderson Cancer Center, represents a major international initiative aimed at establishing evidence-based recommendations for the management of colorectal liver metastases. The meeting brought together leading surgeons,

oncologists, radiologists, and researchers from across the world to review current evidence and develop consensus guidelines using the well-established panel and jury-based Danish–Zurich consensus model.

The final recommendations were formulated by an independent jury chaired by Prof. Gregory Gores (Mayo Clinic) and are intended to guide clinical practice and future research priorities. The outcomes will be published as a special article in *Nature Medicine*, thereby providing broad visibility to the conference recommendations.

Representing Zurich, Prof. Pierre-Alain Clavien, as the conference director, together with Dr. Matthias Pfister and Hannah Rasel as co-chairs, played a key role in the planning and scientific direction of the conference.

A central goal of the conference was to define best practices for the diagnosis, multidisciplinary management, and surgical treatment of colorectal liver metastases, a condition that remains a major cause of cancer-related mortality in colorectal cancer patients.

Ultimately, the conference contributes to improving outcomes

for patients with colorectal liver metastases by translating emerging evidence into practical clinical guidance. Its consensus statements are meant to influence international guidelines, inform surgical and oncologic decision-making, and shape future clinical trials, making the Houston meeting an influential forum for advancing the global management of this complex disease.

