

# 2025 Annual Report

### Mission and goals

AFTI was founded in 1982 and is the leading association of professionals working in the pharmaceutical and allied industries of the Canton Ticino, the largest Italian speaking part of Switzerland.

The affiliates to AFTI are doctors in the scientific disciplines (Chemistry, Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Technology, Pharmacy, Biological and Medical Science, or others playing a significant role in the pharmaceutical industry) or technicians operating since at least three years in the pharmaceutical industry.

The main goals of AFTI are:

- To promote the scientific and professional development of the affiliates, encouraging high standards of education at undergraduate and postgraduate level;
- To organise courses, symposia, and in general events on scientific and technical aspects regarding the pharmaceutical field;
- To support initiatives for the promotion of the knowledge in the pharmaceutical environment
- To maintain strict contacts with the Health Authorities, being one of the reference bodies representing the affiliates on legislation matters

In 2024 the Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) between FDA and SwissMedic, the health regulatory agency of Switzerland, was approved. In 2025 the MRA went practically into force and works excellently. All the inspection reports by SwissMedic are shared with FDA and EMA

From June 2024 to May 2025 AFTI organised conferences, courses, and presentations for the continuous professional development of the affiliates, in agreement with the objectives of the Association.

#### July 2024 – June 2025 Main Activities

"Fundamentals of the cGMPs: Basic GMP for professionals in the Pharmaceutical Sector, in the Production of Finished Products, APIs and in Quality Control Laboratories" – Course – Lugano, Switzerland, 12 September 2024

"Innovative Automation for Pharma – From production line analysis to technology implementation: methods and experiences of technological innovation in pharmaceuticals" – Conference – Lugano, Switzerland, 19 September 2024

"The Unified Patent Court" – Webinar, 24 October 2024

"Genetics applied to manufacturing chains: innovation and sustainability with FEM2-Environment" – Webinar, 26 November 2024

"2024 AFTI Christmas Dinner" – Lugano, Switzerland, 10 December 2024

"2025 AFTI General Assembly" - Lugano, Switzerland, 29 April 2025

"Here and now: act in the present for the safety, the health, and the environment" – Conference – Mendrisio, Switzerland, 12-13 March 2025



### Associazione Farmaceutici Ticinese

"Awarding of the High School Graduation Works 2025" – Conference – Lugano, Switzerland, 6 May 2025

"Artificial Intelligence for the Pharmaceutical Industry" - Webinar, 27 May and 10 June 2025

### July 2024 – June 2025 Special Events and Working Groups

"TOGETHER FOR A LEAN, DIGITAL, GREEN LABORATORY and... ...projected into the future with AI and Robotics!" – Lean Lab – XIV Edition – Milan, Italy, 19 September 2024 – Sponsored by AFTI

"The GMP for medicinal products: base course – 10<sup>th</sup> edition" – Milan, Italy, 26-27 February 2025 – Sponsored by AFTI

Swiss Biotech Day 2025, organised by the Swiss Biotech Association – Basel, Switzerland, 5-6 May 2025 – Sponsored by AFTI

2025 AFI Simposium, organised by AFI with the participation of AFTI – Rimini, Italy, 11-13 June 2025

## **Organisation**

Member total count: 369

Members with degree in Pharmacy: 96

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