



PRELIMINARY
PROGRAMME

Including a
Special Focus on
**INVASIVE
MANAGEMENT
OF VT/VF**

*Arrhythmias
for every Cardiologist*

9TH BELGIAN HEART RHYTHM MEETING

Thursday / Friday
8th and 9th October 2015

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BeHRA
Belgian Heart Rhythm Association

**Sheraton Brussels Airport
Hotel and Congress Centre**

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Belgian Heart Rhythm Association (BeHRA), we are pleased to announce the

9TH BELGIAN HEART RHYTHM MEETING
“Arrhythmias for every Cardiologist,,
in Brussels on Thursday 8th and Friday 9th October 2015

that will be held at the Sheraton Brussels Airport Hotel and Congress Center.

With this meeting gathering over 800 participants, we offer an annual opportunity for all cardiologists to update their knowledge with the most recent guidelines and innovations in clinical rhythmology.

The scientific programme, presented by a distinguished national and international faculty, will focus on daily management of cardiac arrhythmia's related issues and will include joint BeHRA-EHRA sessions, live case sessions, ECG courses for young cardiologists, teaching sessions for cardiovascular nurses and roundtables with experts offering you the opportunity to discuss practical day-to-day questions.

Abstracts will be selected for oral and poster presentation and the best abstracts will be highlighted during the congress cocktail and dinner on Thursday evening.

BHRM was designed as a dynamic platform where cardiologists can share expertise on the various diagnostic tools and therapeutic possibilities available when deciding upon which approach best serves patients suffering from cardiac arrhythmias.

We look forward to welcoming you at the 9th Belgian Heart Rhythm Meeting!

The Organising Committee,



Dr. Ivan Blankoff



Dr. Marnix Goethals



Dr. Georges H. Mairesse

The Belgian Heart Rhythm Meeting aims at sharing expertise on the various diagnostic tools and therapeutic possibilities available to practitioners when deciding upon which approach best serves arrhythmic patients.

Wednesday, 7th October 2015

EVENING SESSIONS FOR YOUNG CARDIOLOGISTS, TRAINEES AND FELLOWS

Sessions co-organised with the Young Cardiologists' Club

18:30 Dinner buffet

19:00 ECG Course

FR: Prof Christophe Scavée, *Brussels, B* and Prof Thierry Verbeet, *Brussels, B*.

NL: Dr Yves De Greef & Dr Bruno Schwagten, *Antwerp, B*
Dr Dieter Nuyens, *Genk, B*

21:00 Dessert buffet

Thursday, 8th October 2015

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07:45 **Registration and welcome coffee**

08:25 **Opening address**
Dr Yves Vandekerckhove, *Bruges, B*

SESSION 1 ABSTRACTS SESSION

08:30 **Best abstracts presentation**

SESSION 2 QUALITY AND TECHNOLOGY

Accreditation requested in ethics and economy

09:30 **Financing the future of medical technology and innovation**
Mr Brieuc Van Damme, *Cabinet of Ministry of Health, Brussels, B*

10:00 **Quality indicators in rhythmology**
Dr Yves Vandekerckhove, *Bruges, B*

10:30 Coffee break

BEHRA-EHRA JOINT SESSIONS

Special Focus on **Invasive Management of VT/VF**

SESSION 3 MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES

11:00 **Everything starts with an ICD**
Prof Christophe Leclercq, *Rennes, F*

11:30 **Everything could start with an ablation**
Prof Gerhard Hindricks, *Leipzig, D*



SESSION 4 STATE OF THE ART AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES

12:00 **In VT Ablation**
Dr Yves Van Belle, *Liège, B*

12:30 **In VF Ablation**
Prof Sébastien Knecht, *Bruges, B*



Thursday, 8th October 2015

13:00 Lunch

SESSION 5 ANTICOAGULATION FOR AF: THE CHALLENGE OF NOACs

14.00 **In renal patients**
Prof Raffaele De Caterina, *Chieti, I*

14.30 **Before and after cardioversion**
Prof Riccardo Cappato, *Milan, I*

SESSION 6 ICDs TO PREVENT SUDDEN CARDIAC DEATH

Accreditation requested in ethics and economy

15.00 **Patients and device selection:**
From international guidelines to Belgian indications
Dr Ivan Blankoff, *Charleroi, B*

15.15 **Subcutaneous ICD for specific patients or indications?**
Prof Reinoud E. Knops, *Amsterdam, NL*

15.30 **Optimal ICD programming to save lives and avoid complications**
Prof Haran Burri, *Geneva, CH*

16.00 Coffee break

SESSION 7 WHAT'S NEW IN PACEMAKERS?

16.30 **ESC guidelines in cardiac pacing**
Prof Cecilia Linde, *Stockholm, SE*

17.00 **Quality indicators and feedback on Belgian practice**
Prof René Tavernier, *Bruges, B*

SESSION 8 ROUND TABLES WITH EXPERTS

17.30 **All you always wanted to know about ventricular arrhythmias management**
Prof Haran Burri, *Geneva, CH*
Moderator: Dr Yves Vandekerckhove, Bruges, B

All you always wanted to know about atrial fibrillation management
Prof Riccardo Cappato, *Milan, I*
Moderator: Dr Georges H. Mairesse, Arlon, B

18.30 End of Day 1

19.00 Meet in the lobby for transfer by coach to the dinner venue

19.30 **Cocktail and dinner**

SESSION 9 ECG READING FOR FUN

08.30 **ECGs from emergency to sports: your vote counts**

Prof Hein Heidbüchel, *Hasselt, B*

Dr Pieter Koopman, *Hasselt, B*

SESSION 10 CHANNELOPATHIES

09.30 **The symptomatic patient**

Prof Ramon Brugada, *Girona, E*

10.00 **The asymptomatic patient**

Prof Arthur A.M. Wilde, *Amsterdam, NL*

10.30 Coffee Break

**SESSION 11 CAN SURGEONS DEAL WITH AF?
RATIONALE, TECHNIQUES AND RESULTS IN BELGIUM**

11.00 **Concomitant AF ablation during open heart surgery**

Prof Filip Rega, *Leuven, B*

11.30 **Stand-alone AF surgery**

Dr Bart Maesen, *Maastricht, NL*

SESSION 12 REAL LIFE WITH NOACs

Accreditation requested in ethics and economy

12.00 **The right dose for the right patient: long-term results**

Prof Jan Beyer-Westendorf, *Dresden, D*

12.30 **Do we need antidotes? When will they be available?**

Prof John Eikelboom, *Hamilton, CA*

13.00 Lunch

SESSION 13 AF ABLATION LIVE

- 14.00 **Live case 1: Cryoablation for paroxysmal AF**
Prof Jean-Benoit Le Polain de Waroux, *Brussels, B*
- 14.20 **Live case 2: Radiofrequency ablation for persistent AF**
Prof Sébastien Knecht, *Bruges, B*
- 14.40 **Standard and new energy sources in catheter ablation**
Dr Johan Vijgen, *Hasselt, B*
- 14.50 **Patient selection for paroxysmal AF**
Prof Mattias Duytschaever, *Bruges, B*
- 15.10 **Patient selection for persistent AF**
Prof Pierre Jaïs, *Bordeaux, F*
- 15.40 **Live case 1: back to the lab**
Prof Jean-Benoit Le Polain de Waroux, *Brussels, B*
- 16.00 **Live case 2: back to the lab**
Prof Sébastien Knecht, *Bruges, B*
- 16.20 **Panel discussion**
Dr Olivier Deceuninck, *Yvoir, B*
Dr Tom De Potter, *Aalst, B*
Dr Marko Gujic, *Charleroi, B*
Prof Gian-Battista Chierchia, *Brussels, B*
- 16.50 **Concluding remarks**
Dr Ivan Blankoff, *Charleroi, B*

ACCREDITATION

CME credit points are requested for cardiology and economy / ethics.





PARALLEL MORNING SESSIONS FOR CARDIOVASCULAR NURSES

Session pour les infirmier(ère)s cardiovasculaires

08.30 Accueil et inscription

SESSION 1 NURSING POUR LE PATIENT RYTHMOLOGIQUE

09.00 Nouveaux anticoagulants: quels conseils donner avec 4 ans de recul?

09.45 Quoi de neuf dans le traitement par ablation des arythmies?

10.30 Coffee break

SESSION 2 NURSING POUR LE PATIENT PORTEUR DE STIMULATEUR CARDIAQUE

11.00 Pacemaker: détection et prise en charge des arythmies

11.45 Défibrillateur: suivi et télé-suivi

12.30 Lunch

Sessie voor cardiovasculaire verpleegkundigen

08.30 Welkom en registratie

SESSIE 1 VERPLEEGKUNDIGE ASPECTEN BIJ DE PATIËNT MET HARTRITMESTOORNISSEN.

09.00 De Nieuwe Orale Anticoagulantia: wat hebben we geleerd na 4 jaar?

09.45 Nieuwe ablatie-technieken

10.30 Coffee break

SESSIE 2 VERPLEEGKUNDIGE ASPECTEN BIJ DE PATIËNT MET EEN GEÏMPLANTEERDE PACEMAKER/DEFIBRILLATOR

11.00 De pacemaker patiënt: aritmie detectie en patiënten management

11.45 De defibrillator-patiënt: klassieke opvolging en telemonitoring

12.30 Lunch

ABSTRACTS

Only online submission will be considered.
Upon submission of your abstract, please make sure you receive an acknowledgment of receipt.

ABSTRACTS SUBMISSION

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Deadline Tuesday
30th June 2015

GUIDELINES

- Abstracts must be written in English
- The title should be brief, clearly indicating the nature of the study
- Abbreviations are allowed but must be clearly defined
- Organise the abstract as follows:
 - Objectives
 - Methods
 - Results
 - Conclusions

TYPING INSTRUCTIONS

- The abstract must be submitted in Word. Use typeface "Times New Roman", font size 12
- Names of authors (initial of first name and surname, underline presenting author's name only) and Institution or Hospital, City and Country must be in small letters
- Do not repeat names of authors and institution in your text
- Do not include degrees or titles
- The rest of the text should contain no more than 400 words
- Do not leave blank lines
- Single space all typing
- Use generic names of drugs
- Write numbers as numerals rather than words
- Avoid references

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A number of abstracts will be selected for oral presentation during the Scientific Programme. The best selected abstract will be awarded the "BeHRA-MEDA Award for the best abstract 2015".

POSTERS

Abstracts may also be accepted for poster presentation. *The best selected poster will be awarded the "BeHRA-MEDA Award for the best poster 2015"*

Panels of **130 cm width** on **90 cm height** will be available in the exhibition hall for display.

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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

VENUE

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ACCESS

By train - The airport train station is located on level -1 of the airport terminal. Up to 4 trains per hour connect the airport with Brussels North, Brussels Central and Brussels South (Midi) stations (journey time approx. 20 minutes). Info: www.b-rail.be

By car - On the Brussels ring-road, follow the signs for "Zaventem - Airport". Once you arrive at the airport, follow the signs for "Departures". The hotel is located on your left, opposite the Departures Hall.

PARKING

You can park your car in one of the car parks near the airport terminal. You can choose between Front Park 1, 2 or 3. They are open 24h/24h. All payment machines in the car parks accept cash or credit cards (Visa, Eurocard, American Express, Diners Club). Info & rates: www.interparking.be/brusselsairport

WELCOME AND REGISTRATION

The welcome desk will be open from 6 p.m. on Wednesday 7th October and from 7.45 a.m. on Thursday 8th and Friday 9th October 2015.

LANGUAGE

Plenary sessions will be in English. ECG Courses for young cardiologists and parallel sessions for nurses will be in French and Dutch.

REGISTRATION FEE The following rates apply (in Euros):

Congress registration fee	Until 07/09/2015	From 08/09/2015
BeHRA Members	€ 195	€ 295
BeHRA non Members	€ 265	€ 365
Nurses, Allied Professionals	€ 135	€ 185
Trainee, Students	€ 95	€ 145
Nursing session only (including lunch)	€ 95	€ 145
Dinner on Thursday evening 8 th October 2015	€ 75 / person	

ACCOMMODATION

Special rates are negotiated at the Sheraton Brussels Airport Hotel for the nights of 7th and 8th October 2015: Single room € 225 - Double room € 245 (price per night including buffet breakfast). To benefit from these rates, reservation must be made with the BHRM Organising Secretariat before Monday 7th September 2015. Prepayment is required upon reservation.

Info & Registration: www.bhrm.be

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