

Europe AF 2015

Park Plaza Riverbank Hotel, London

Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th November



PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME - UNCONFIRMED

Day 1: Monday 23rd November

08:55 – 09:00 Welcome Opening Remarks Riccardo Cappato and Wyn Davies

09:00 – 10:40 THE MOST SIGNIFICANT DISCOVERIES IN THE SCIENCE OF AF IN 2015

Chairs: Albert Waldo and George Klein

09:00 – 09:20	Basic Electrophysiology	Stanley Nattel
09:20 – 09:40	Antiarrhythmic Drugs prevention/treatment	George Wyse
09:40 – 10:00	Stroke prevention	Raffaele De Caterina
10:00 – 10:20	Catheter Ablation	Hugh Calkins
10:20 – 10:40	Lessons from AF trials	Douglas Packer

10:40 – 11:10 *Coffee Break and visit the Exhibition*

11:10 – 12:50 THE PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF ATRIAL FIBRILLATION – WHAT ARE WE LEARNING?

Chairs: Nicholas Peters and Mauritz Allessie

11:10 – 11:30	How does the substrate for AF evolve over time?	Prashanthan Sanders
11:30 – 11:50	How does understanding the substrate help guide and develop new interventional strategies to treat AF?	Mauritz Allessie
11:50 – 12:10	Which properties would I like to see in future anti AF drugs and why?	Stanley Nattel
12:10 – 12:30	How much is AF a genetically determined disease?	tbc
12:30 – 12:50	The Autonomic Nervous System: important for AF initiation or also for evolution?	Warren Jackman

12:50 – 14:20 *Lunch, visit the Exhibition and Satellite Session- BOSTON SCIENTIFIC*

14:20 – 15:20 CURRENT CONCEPTS AND QUESTIONS IN AF ABLATION

Doug Packer and Andrea Natale

14:20 – 14:40	Paroxysmal AF: has contact force measurement improved outcomes?	Dipen Shah
14:40 – 15:00	Persistent AF: what sub-categories predict better outcomes?	Mark O'Neill
15:00 – 15:20	Long-standing Persistent AF: is ablation ever justified?	David Wilber

15:20 – 15:50 *Tea and visit the Exhibition*

15:50 – 17:30 PROGRESS IN THROMBOPROPHYLAXIS

Chairs: Samuel Levy and Hans-Christoph Diener

15:50 – 16:10	An overview of the (not so) NOACs after 6 years	Christian Ruff
16:10 – 16:30	Cardioversion and Ablation on NOACs	Andrea Natale
16:30 – 16:50	What is the relationship between AF burden and stroke risk?	Jeffrey Weitz

16:50 – 17:10	ESUS: is there a future role for NOACs?	Hans-Christoph Diener
17:10 – 17:30	LAA occlusion: options and current experience	John Foran

17:30 – 19:00

MEDTRONIC SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM

CATHETER ABLATION OF PERSISTENT ATRIAL FIBRILLATION: HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?

Chairs: Wyn Davies and Riccardo Cappato

17:30 – 17:50	PVI only in initial persistent AF ablation – rationale and outcome	Frank Marchlinski
17:50 – 18:10	Is PVI failure the cause of recurrent AF? Lessons from re-do procedures.	Richard Schilling
18:10 – 18:30	Step wise approach – rationale and outcome	Michel Haissaguerre
18:30 – 18:50	What to do at the redo procedure?	Hans Kottkamp
18:50 – 19:00	Discussion	
20:00 – 22:30	Europe AF 2015 Conference Dinner	

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Day 2: Tuesday 24th November

08:30 – 10:00 THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO AF MANAGEMENT

Chairs: Gerhard Hindricks and Prapa Kanagaratnam

08:30 – 08:50	What new developments in the relevance of the G-I tract to AF?	James Aisenberg
08:50 – 09:20	Benefits to the AF patient of treating Sleep Apnoea	Virend Somers
09:20 – 09:40	Recent discoveries on the relationship between AF and cognitive impairment	Hans-Christoph Diener
09:40 – 10:00	Risk Stratification and Modification	Prashanthan Sanders

10:00 – 10:45 DEVELOPMENTS IN MAPPING AND ABLATION OF AF IN 2015: PART 1

Chairs: Richard Schilling and Hans Kottkamp

10:00 – 10:15	CardioInsight – identification of AF triggers in recurrent AF after PVIs	Wyn Davies
10:15 – 10:30	Ripple Mapping	Prapa Kanagaratnam
10:30 – 10:45	Rhythmia for AF and AT mapping	Gerhard Hindricks

10:45 – 11:00 *Coffee Break and visit the Exhibition*

11:00 – 13:00 DEVELOPMENTS IN MAPPING AND ABLATION OF AF IN 2015: PART 2

Chairs: David Wilber and Prashanthan Sanders

11:00 – 11:15	CardioInsight guides substrate ablation in persistent AF	Michel Haissaguerre
11:15 – 11:30	Finding and ablating Rotors with Topera	
11:30 – 11:45	Carto	tbc
11:45 – 12:00	NavX	tbc
12:00 – 12:15	Kardium	Hans Kottkamp
12:15 – 12:30	Contact Force	Richard Schilling
12:30 – 12:45	Ablation of the Ganglionated Plexi	Boon Lim
12:45 – 13:00	Has ablation of persistent AF been de-CFAEinated?	Matt Wright
13:00 – 13:15	The importance of the coronary sinus	David Keane

13:15 – 14:45 *Lunch, visit Exhibition and Satellite Symposium*

14:45 – 15:45 BALLOON BASED AND CIRCUMFERENTIAL ANTRAL RF ABLATION FOR AF

Chairs: David Keane and Julian Chung

14:45 – 15:00	Second Generation CryoBalloon Therapy	Wyn Davies
15:00 – 15:15	The Laser Balloon	Julian Chung
15:15 – 15:30	PVac	David Haines
15:30 – 15:45	n-Marq	tbc

15:45 – 16:45

HOW DO I MANAGE CHALLENGING CASES OF AF?

Chairs: Edward Rowland and Hugh Calkins

15:45 – 16:00

A 76 year old hypertensive, diabetic woman with drug resistant AF that has been persistent for 9 months

George Klein

16:00 – 16:15

A 56 year old man with dilated cardiomyopathy and persistent AF

Albert Waldo

16:15 – 16:30

A patient with recurrent PAF after 3 PVI procedures

David Haines

16:30 – 16:40

The Klein Conclusion

George Klein

16:40 – 16:45

Concluding Remarks

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