Europe AF 2015

**Park Plaza Riverbank Hotel**

**Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th November**

Day 1: Monday 23rd November

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

**09:00 – 10:40 The Most Significant Discoveries in the Science of AF in 2015**

**Chairs: Albert Waldo & 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 & Visit the Exhibition*

**11:10 – 13:00 The Pathophysiology of Atrial Fibrillation – what are we learning?**

**Chairs: Nicholas Peters & 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

& 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 & why? Stanley Nattal

12:10 – 12:30 How much is AF a genetically determined disease? Patrick Ellinor ??

12:50 – 13:00 The Autonomic Nervous System: important for AF

initiation or also for evolution? Warren Jackman

*12:50 – 14:00 Lunch, Visit the Exhibition & Satellite Session*

**14:00 – 15:00 Current Concepts and Questions in AF Ablation**

**Doug Packer & Andrea Natale**

14:00 – 14:20 Paroxysmal AF: has contact force measurement

improved outcomes? Dipen Shah

14:20 – 14:40 Persistent AF: what sub-categories predict better

outcomes? Mark O’Neill

14:40 – 15:00 Long-standing Persistent AF: is ablation ever

justified? David Wilber

*15:00 – 15:30 Tea and visit the exhibition*

**15:30 – 17:30 Progress in thromboprophylaxis**

**Chairs: Samuel Levy & Hans-Christoph Diener**

15:30 – 15:50 An overview of the (not so) NOACs after 6 years Christian Ruff

15:50 – 16:10 Cardioversion and Ablation on NOACs Andrea Natale

16:10 – 16:30 What is the relationship between AF burden

and stroke risk? Geoffrey Weiz

16:30 – 16:50 ESUS: is there a future role for NOACs? Hans-Christoph Diener

16:50 – 17:10 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?**

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 Kottkampf

18:50 – 19:00 Discussion

20:00 – 23:00 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 & Prapa Kanagaratnam**

08:30 – 08:50 What new developments in the relevance of the G-I tract to AF? James Eisenberg

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 &

cognitive impairement Hans-Christoph Diener

09:40 – 10:00 Risk Stratification & Modification Prashanthan Sanders

10:00 – 10:45 **Developments in Mapping and Ablation of AF in 2015: part 1**

**Chairs: Richard Schilling & Hans Kottkampf**

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 & AT mapping Gerhard Hindricks

*10:45 – 11:00 Coffee Break & Visit the Exhibition*

11:00 - 13:00 **Developments in Mapping and Ablation of AF in 2015: part 2**

**Chairs: David Wilber & 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 ??

11:45 – 12:00 NavX??

12:00 – 12:15 Kardium Hans Kottkampf

12:15 – 12:30 Contact Force Dipen Shah/

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

The importance of the coronary sinus David Keane

*13:00 – 14:00 Lunch, Visit Exhibition & Satellite Symposium*

14:00 – 16:00 **Balloon based and Circumferential Antral RF Ablation for AF**

**Chairs: David Keane & Julian (Frankfurt)**

14:00 – 14:15 Second Generation CryoBalloon Therapy Wyn Davies

14:15 – 14:30 The Laser Balloon Julian (Frankfurt) or

Boris Schmidt

14:30 - 14:45 PVac David Haines

14:45 – 15:00 n-Marq ????

15:00 – 15:45 **How do I manage challenging cases of AF?**

**Chairs: Edward Rowland & Hugh Calkins**

15:00 – 15:15 A 76 year old hypertensive, diabetic woman with drug

resistant AF that has been persistent for 9 months George Klein

15:15 – 15:30 A 56 year old man with dilated cardiomyopathy and

persistent AF Albert Waldo

15:30 – 15:45 A patient with recurrent PAF after 3 PVI procedures David Haines

15:45 – 15:55 The Klein Conclusion George Klein

15:55 – 16:00 Concluding Remarks Riccardo Cappato &

Wyn Davies