

ECAS 2026



19th ANNUAL CONGRESS
of the European Cardiac Arrhythmia Society
May 10 - 12, 2026 | Munich, Germany



FINAL PROGRAM

CONGRESS VENUE

Leonardo Royal Hotel, Munich

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We are delighted to welcome you to the 19th Annual Scientific Congress of the European Cardiac Arrhythmia Society (ECAS).

The organisation was established with the primary objective of promoting excellence and parity in the care of patients with cardiac arrhythmias throughout Europe.

ECAS has experienced considerable growth in recent years, establishing a notable presence within the international academic community. This development can be attributed to the calibre of education it provides and its commitment to promoting values such as solidarity and friendship among professionals engaged in the care of arrhythmia patients.

The preceding editions of the ECAS Congress have been met with considerable success, and the scientific program has been highly appreciated by the participants. It is important to note that the informal and convivial atmosphere served to enhance the interaction between „Masters“ and younger participants.

ECAS congresses are indeed unparalleled. The program offers participants the opportunity to experience an authentic academy environment, where young, passionate colleagues engage in open, intimate and informal discussions with mentors who have provided inspiration along their professional path.

The 19th Edition will focus on the following subjects: Management of Atrial Fibrillation; Prevention of Sudden Cardiac Death; Pharmacological and Non-Pharmacological Treatment of Heart Failure; and Innovation in Technology for Arrhythmias Diagnosis and Therapy.

Furthermore, the third edition of the ECAS Educational course, which has proven to be successful in the past, will be taking place. The course will comprise two parts: one basic and one advanced. These programs will be organised, as before, by Professor Thorsten Lewalter.

Successful completion of the final course examination offers our younger colleagues to receive a substantial travel grant reimbursement.

The feedback received in previous years, particularly from the attending fellows in training, has consistently described the ECAS Congress as an exceptional educational opportunity.

ECAS is therefore delighted to welcome you to join us and contribute to the 19th ECAS Annual Scientific Congress in Munich.

Warm regards, Thorsten Lewalter
Congress president ECAS 2026

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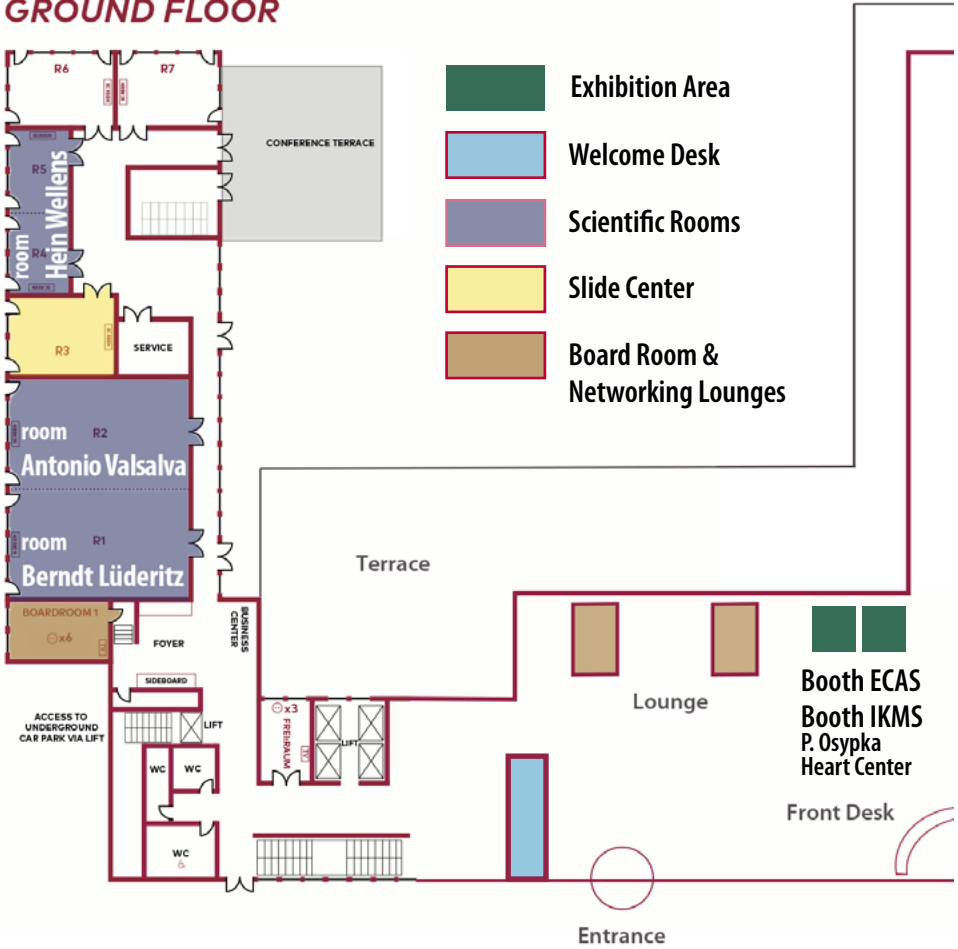


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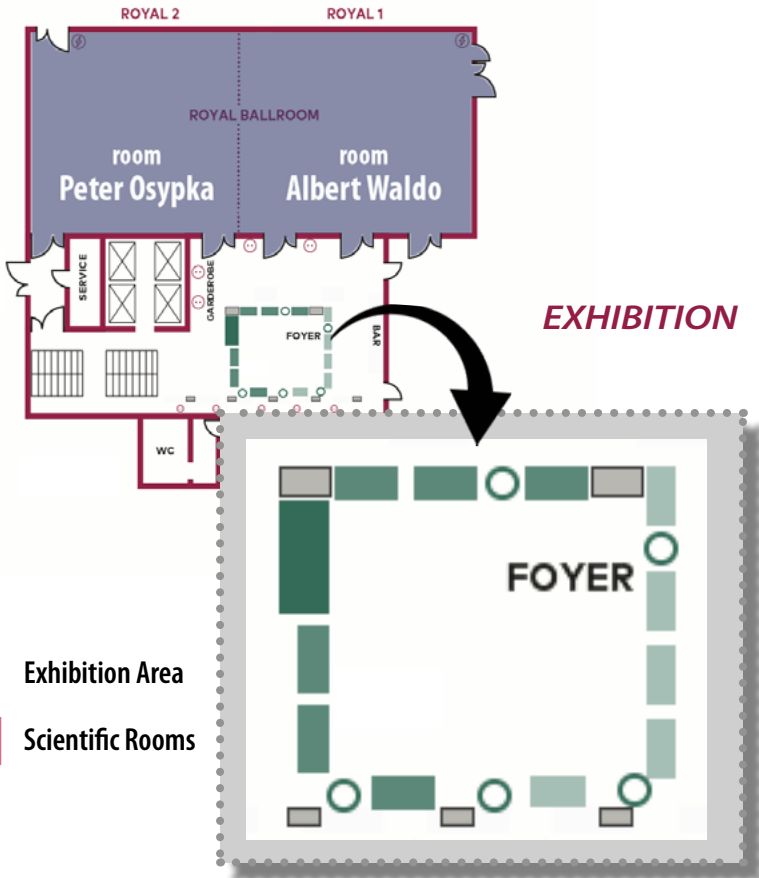
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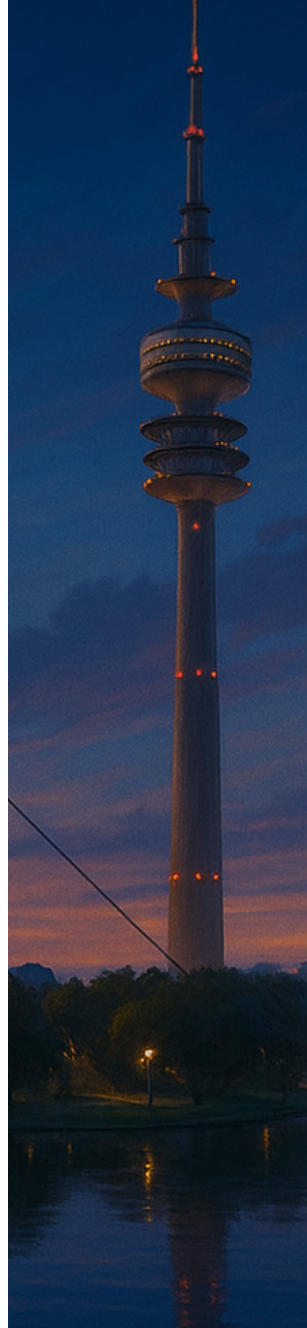
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PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, May 10

MONDAY, May 11

TUESDAY, May 12

Royal 1 - ALBERT WALDO	R 1 - BERNDT LÜDERITZ
ARRHYTHMIAS IN THE CONTEXT OF STRUCTURAL HEART DISEASE	AF, PROGRESS IN MAPPING & ABLATION, TELEMEDICINE & AI IN ARRHYTHMOLOGY
09.00 - 10.30 am	
Pharmacotherapy & Ablation for Atrial Fibrillation with HFPEF in 2026: COMPILING THE EVIDENCE	PFA – Durability, Safety & Next Levels of Innovation
10.30 - 11.00 am SYMPOSIUM PFA „Case in the box“ from Peking	COFFEE BREAK
11.00 - 12.30 pm	
Understanding the arrhythmogenic substrate and innovative treatment approaches	AF ablation beyond PVI: rationale and strategies
12.30 - 02.00 pm	
LUNCH SYMPOSIUM: Late Breaking Clinical Science	LUNCH SYMPOSIUM: Conduction System Pacing
02.00 - 03.30 pm	
Rethink ICD Therapy Indication	Spotlight on next Generation PFA Systems
COFFEE BREAK	
04.00 - 05.30 pm	
HOCM and Myosin-Inhibition; Prognosis and Arrhythmias	From Early Ablation to AI-Guided Follow-up: Redefining Atrial Fibrillation Care in Structural Heart Disease
05.30 - 07.15 pm	
RECEPTION - ROOM ROYAL 1: OPENING CEREMONY & PHILIPPE COUMEL LECTURE	

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R 2 - ANTONIO VALSALVA	Royal 2 - PETER OSYPKA	R 4+5 - HEIN WELLENS
ECAS SYNCOPE SUMMIT 2026	3^o ECAS INTERNATIONAL EP EDUCATIONAL COURSE	JOINT SESSIONS INT. SOCIETIES, ABSTRACTS, AND BEYOND
09.00 - 10.30 am	! 08.45 - 10.30 am !	09.00 - 10.30 am
DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE	Basics in Cardiac Electrophysiology	Rehabilitation Potential of Patients with Implanted Devices, PMK & ICD
COFFEE BREAK		
11.00 - 12.30 pm		
DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE: Carotid Sinus Massage / Syndrome	Diagnostics in SVT and Ablation of AVNRT and AVRT	IHRS - ECAS JOINT SESSION I Accessory Pathway Ablation - Something Unique!
12.30 - 02.00 pm		
LUNCH SYMPOSIUM: Physician - Industry Interaction in Cardiac Electrophysiology	ECG COURSE, LUNCH BOX	
02.00 - 03.30 pm		
DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE: Clinical Challenges	Understanding Mechanisms & Ablation Treatment of AF	Abstract Presentation I Advances in mapping & Ablation
COFFEE BREAK		
04.00 - 05.30 pm		
DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE: related Conditions	Chanellopathies and "Idiopathic" Ventricular Tachycardia	JOINT SESSION SOBRAC-ECAS: Impact of Cardiac Arrhythmias on Heart Failure
05.30 - 07.15 pm		
RECEPTION - ROOM ROYAL 1: OPENING CEREMONY & PHILIPPE COUMEL LECTURE		

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**SUNDAY
May 10, 2026**

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09.00 - 10.30 am	
Advances in Mechanisms and Management of Cardiometabolic Diseases and Arrhythmias	Redo Reloaded: Mapping & Ablation Strategies for the 2° (and 3°) Round
10.30 - 11.00 am SYMPOSIUM "Early Anchorman LAAC experience in Europe"	COFFEE BREAK
11.00 - 12.30 pm	
Abstract Presentation II Novel strategies & findings in device therapies	HOT TOPIC: Concomitant PVI + LAAC
12.30 - 02.00 pm	
Pacemaker-ECG Workshop	
02.00 - 03.30 pm	
CT, MRI and VT Mapping in structural heart disease: How to integrate for successful Ablation?	AI in Electrophysiology (EP-AI)
COFFEE BREAK	
04.00 - 05.30 pm	
Cardiomyopathies - Genetics and Basic Mechanisms	A Cardiologist rarely comes alone - When Teamwork makes Dreamwork
05.45 - 06.30 pm	
KEY NOTE - ROOM ROYAL 1: MARK JOSEPHSON LECTURE	

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09.00 - 10.30 am		
DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE AND RELATED CONDITIONS: Long Covid and POTS	“DEEP DIVE” into Cardiac Electrophysiology	JOINT SESSION HRS - ECAS „Great Debates“ - The Ryder Cup in Arrhythmology
COFFEE BREAK		
11.00 - 12.30 pm		
DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE	“Organised” Atrial Tachyarrhythmias	CIED Therapy: Evolving Leadless and Extravascular Technologies
12.30 - 02.00 pm		
LUNCH SYMPOSIUM: History of Cardiac Electrophysiology	LUNCH SYMPOSIUM: Cardiac Anatomy for the Electrophysiologist - an interactive seminar	JOINT SESSION HRS - ECAS The Hereditary Arrhythmogenic Cardiomyopathy (ACM) Subcategories
02.00 - 03.30 pm		
DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE: What role has AI?	Leadless and Conduction System Pacing	WSA - ECAS JOINT SESSION Dead Ends or Real Opportunities in Contemporary Cardiac Electrophysiology
COFFEE BREAK		
04.00 - 05.30 pm		
DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE: CNA and Pacemakers	“Masterclass on AF Ablation”	JHRS/ECAS JOINT SESSION Reconsidering ICD Impl. Methods
05.45 - 06.30 pm		
KEY NOTE - ROOM ROYAL 1: MARK JOSEPHSON LECTURE		

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**MONDAY
May 11, 2026**

Royal 1 - ALBERT WALDO	R 1 - BERNDT LÜDERITZ
ARRHYTHMIAS IN THE CONTEXT OF STRUCTURAL HEART DISEASE	AF, PROGRESS IN MAPPING & ABLATION, TELEMEDICINE & AI IN ARRHYTHMOLOGY
09.00 - 10.30 am	
Cardiac Amyloidosis: Arrhythmias, Sudden Death and New Therapy Options	Adoption of PFA in the United States
COFFEE BREAK	
11.00 - 12.30 pm	
Tachycardiomyopathy - How to prevent and how to handle	Abstract Presentation III Diagnostics and therapies of arrhythmias
END OF CONGRESS	

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09.00 - 10.30 am		
IHRS - ECAS JOINT SESSION II Sudden Cardiac Death in Young South Asian	Ventricular Tachycardia - Ablation and Device Treatment	The Autonomic Nervous System and Cardiovascular Disease: Is Cardio-neuro Modulation the Next Frontier?
COFFEE BREAK		
11.00 - 12.30 pm		
Abstract Presentation IV Digital health, ECG, AI and cases	ECAS EP EXAM	State of the art: stroke prevention in AF
END OF CONGRESS		

**PROGRAM
AT A GLANCE**

**TUESDAY
May 12, 2026**



**CONGRESS
SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM**

SUNDAY, May 10

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

PHARMACOTHERAPY AND ABLATION FOR ATRIAL FIBRILLATION WITH HFPEF IN 2026: COMPILING THE EVIDENCE

Moderation: Sanjeev Saksena (New York, US) - Sunny Po (New York, US)

- **Targeting cellular mechanisms and signaling pathways in heart failure with atrial fibrillation** Dobromir Dobrev (Essen, DE)

- **Management of heart failure phenotypes: is there an opportunity for pharmacotherapy?** Carla Riganti (Naples, IT)

- **Re-ablation or hybrid strategies in atrial fibrillation after index ablation? Insights from the ARRC-AF study** Rangadham Nagarakanti (Phoenix, US)

- **Hybrid drug, device and ablation therapies in heart failure with preserved ejection fraction: the way forward** Sanjeev Saksena (New York, US)

SUN 09.00 - 10.30 am

ROOM: R 1 - Berndt Lüderitz

PULSED FIELD ABLATION (PFA) – DURABILITY, SAFETY & NEXT LEVELS OF INNOVATION

Moderation: Christian Heeger (Hamburg, DE) - Maura Zylla (Heidelberg, DE)

- **PFA Lesion durability: Key to success** Hiro Ohya (Saitama, JP)
- **Safety under the Pulse: Vasospasm, Phrenic Nerve Injury, Cerebral Micro-Embolization and the Real-World Risk Profile of PFA** Till Althoff (Berlin, DE)
- **From Comfort to Control: How Much Sedation Does PFA Really Need?** Shibu Mathew (Essen, DE)
- **Is There Still a Limit to Ablation? PFA in Age, Obesity, and High-Risk Patients** Leon Iden (Bad Segeberg, DE)

SUN 09.00 - 10.30 am

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE

Moderation: Robert Sheldon (Calgary, CA) - Richard Sutton (Monte Carlo, MC)

- **Lifelong Syncope** Rose Anne Kenny (Dublin, IR)
- **What ends vasovagal syncope?** Gert van Dijk (Leiden, NL)
- **Update on stretch syncope** David Benditt (Minneapolis, US)
- **CO₂ - a novel treatment for neurogenic orthostatic hypotension** Satish Raj (Calgary, CA)

ROOM: R 4+5 - Hein Wellens

REHABILITATION POTENTIAL OF PATIENTS WITH IMPLANTED DEVICES, PACEMAKERS, AND DEFIBRILLATORS

Moderation: Sergei Bondarev (Padova, IT) - Liugi Sciarra (Rome, IT)

- **Individualized prescription of exercise in Arrhythmogenic Cardiomyopathy – are we there already?** Ardan M. Saguner (Zurich, CH)
- **Quality of life and sports activities of athletes with pacemakers implanted on AS and AV blocks. Activity of the sympathetic and parasympathetic systems, following the example of marathon runners.** Sergei Bondarev (Padova, IT)
- **Rehabilitation in patients with implantable defibrillator: what precaution?** Federico Zanin (Rome, IT)
- **Beyond Reperfusion: Integrating Immunological and Microvascular Issues into Cardiac Rehabilitation. Can We Predict Overtraining Syndrome in Athletes with a Pacemaker?** Francesco Tona (Padova, IT)
- **Is cardiac rehabilitation per se necessary in patients with CIED?** Roberto Pedretti (Milan, IT)

SUN 09.00 - 10.30 am

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo



SYMPOSIUM
PFA „CASE IN THE BOX“ FROM PEKING

Moderation: Li, Mengmeng (Beijing CN) - Christian Heeger (Hamburg, DE)

- **Persistent AF Ablation with Pulse Magic spiral PFA and TrueForce ablation catheter**

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

**UNDERSTANDING THE ARRHYTHMOGENIC SUBSTRATE AND
INNOVATIVE TREATMENT APPROACHES**

Moderation: Sanjeev Saksena (New York, US) - Dobromir Dobrev (Essen, DE)

- **Mechanisms behind Atrial Fibrillation** Andreas Götte (Paderborn, DE)

- **Can we "heal" infarcted hearts?** Bernd Fleischmann (Bonn, DE)

- **Panel Discussion**

SUN 11.00 - 12.30 pm

ROOM: R 1 - Berndt Lüderitz

AF ABLATION BEYOND PVI: RATIONALE AND STRATEGIES

Moderation: Johannes Siebermair (Vienna, AT) - Shibu Mathew (Essen , DE)

- **Low voltage areas in the left atrium:
what contribution to arrhythmogenesis?** Roberto De Ponti (Varese, IT)

- **PVI+: Strategies for patients with durable
isolated pulmonary** Sorin Stefan Popescu
(Luebeck, DE)

- **Does pulse-field ablation change the scenario of
adjunctive left atrial ablation?** Matteo Anselmino (Turin, IT)

- **PFA-Balloon based SVC isolation:
Novel strategy for PersAF?** Sascha Hatahet (Luebeck, DE)

SUN 11.00 - 12.30 pm

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE: CAROTID SINUS MASSAGE / SYNDROME

Moderation: David Benditt (Minneapolis, US) - Antonella Sette (Rome, IT)

- **Syncope diagnostic evaluation - what do we learn from F.A.ST II?** Frederik De Lange (Amsterdam, NL)
- **CSM and Tilt in Vasovagal syncope patients - the Naples experience** Vincenzo Russo (Naples, IT)
- **Carotid sinus massage and carotid sinus syndrome** Brian Olshansky (Iowa City, US)
- **Carotid sinus hypersensitivity revisited** Michele Brignole (Milan, IT)

ROOM: R 4+5 - Hein Wellens

**IHRS - ECAS JOINT SESSION I
ACCESSORY PATHWAY ABLATION - SOMETHING UNIQUE!**

Moderation: Kamal K. Sethi (New Delhi, IN) - Thorsten Lewalter (Munich, DE)

- **Accessory Pathway Ablation in Ebstein´s anomaly** Ajay Naik (Gujarat, IN)

- **Accessory Pathway Ablation: Para Hisian** Sergio Richter (Dresden, DE)

- **Accessory Pathway Ablation:
Coronary Sinus Diverticulum** Ashish Nabar (Mumbai, IN)

- **Accessory Pathway Ablation:
post Mitral Valve replacement** Ashish Nabar (Mumbai, IN)

- **Accessory Pathway Ablation after recurrences** Laura Vitali-Serdoz (Fuerth, DE)

Discussant: Riccardo Cappato (Milan, IT) - Ajay Naik (Gujarat, IN)



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LUNCH SYMPOSIUM: LATE BREAKING CLINICAL SCIENCE

Moderation: Johannes Brachmann (Coburg, DE) - Robert Bernat (Kaiserslautern, DE)

- **30 Day Cardiovascular Outcomes Provide Comprehensive Definition of Patient Morbidity and Tolerance of Index and Repeat Catheter Ablation (CA) in Atrial Fibrillation (AF): A Post-Hoc Substudy of Arrhythmia Recurrence and Rhythm Control Strategies After Catheter Ablation of Newly Diagnosed Atrial Fibrillation (ARRC-AF Study)** Sanjeev Saksena (New York, US)

- **Panel Discussion**

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LUNCH SYMPOSIUM: CONDUCTION SYSTEM PACING - SHAPING THE FUTURE OF CARDIAC THERAPY



Moderation: Guram Imnadze (Neuruppin, DE) - Francesco Zanon (Rovigo, IT)

- **Welcome** Guram Imnadze (Neuruppin, DE)
- **LBBaP with stylet driven leads - tips and tricks** Ana Briski (Duesseldorf, DE)
- **Role of Ultra-High-Frequency ECG in Assessment of CSP** Alan Bulava (Olomouc, CZ)
- **Real-world experience, outcomes, and trends in CSP** Brian Vezi (Durban, SA)
- **Update on Bachmann Bundle Pacing** Guram Imnadze (Neuruppin, DE)
- **Closing** Francesco Zanon (Rovigo, IT)

SUN 12.30 - 02.00 pm

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva



**LUNCH SYMPOSIUM:
PHYSICIAN - INDUSTRY INTERACTION
IN CARDIAC ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY**

Moderation: Mark Nathan Estes (Pittsburgh, US) - Udo Tegtmeier (Berlin, DE)

- **Medical Devices: Research and Development & Regulatory Aspects in Physician - Industry Cooperation** Nicola Osypka (Munich, DE)

- **A Physician's Perspective** Douglas L. Packer (Rochester, US)

- **Panel Discussion**

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RETHINK ICD THERAPY INDICATION

Moderation: Sanjeev Saksena (New York, US) - Arian Sultan (Hamburg, DE)

- **ICD Indication for primary prevention in ischemic HFrEF: current status** Martin Stockburger (Nauen, DE)

- **Prevention of sudden cardiac death after myocardial infarction by defibrillator implantation: Design and rationale of the PROFID EHRA randomized clinical trial** Till Althoff (Berlin, DE)

- **ICD Indication for primary prevention in non-ischemic LV dysfunction** Luca Santini (Rome, IT)

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SPOTLIGHT ON NEXT GENERATION PFA SYSTEMS

Moderation: Christian Heeger (Hamburg, DE) - Devi Nair (Jonesboro, US)

- **LIVE - CASE Awake Ablation: VOLT** Sascha Hatahet (Luebeck, DE)

- **Rapid fire lecture 1: Farapoint** Manuel Rattka (Munich, DE)

- **Rapid fire lecture 2: Nanopulse** Devi Nair (Jonesboro, US)

- **Rapid fire lecture 3: Affera** Philipp Sommer (Bad Oeynhausen, DE)

- **Rapid fire lecture 4: Lotos PFA** Christian Heeger (Hamburg, DE)

- **Rapid fire lecture 5: Kardium** Devi Nair (Jonesboro, US)

SUN 02.00 - 03.30 pm

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE: CLINICAL CHALLENGES

Moderation: Artur Fedorowski (Stockholm, SE) - Giulia Rivasi (Florence, IT)

- **Syncope in the elderly: challenges in diagnosis and treatment** Angel Moya (Barcelona, ES)
- **Syncope in adults with congenital heart disease: mechanisms, prognosis, and risk factors for arrhythmic origin** Jaume Francisco Pascual (Barcelona, ES)
- **Syncope in Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy** Martina Rafanelli (Florence, IT)
- **Irish National Audit of Syncope/Falls** Rob Briggs (Dublin, IR)

ROOM: R 4+5 - Hein Wellens

ABSTRACT PRESENTATION I: ADVANCES IN MAPPING AND ABLATION OF ARRHYTHMIAS



Moderation: Roberto De Ponti (Varese, IT) - Vincenzo Russo (Naples, IT) -
Francesco Santoro (Foggia, IT) - Matteo Anselmino (Turin, IT)

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| • The success of ablation of ventricular tachycardia in patients with heart failure | Dalia Giedrimiene |
| • Evaluation of New Lesion Effectiveness Indicators for CTI Ablation Using a Flexible-Tip Catheter | Núria Mallofré Vila |
| • Seed-Configuration Pulsed Field Ablation for Arrhythmogenic Substrate Beyond Pulmonary Vein Isolation | Tanja Mews |
| • SAFETY AND EFFICACY OF CONTRAST-FREE CRYOBALLOON ABLATION OF ATRIAL FIBRILLATION | Alberto Pereira Ferraz |
| • Safety profile of high-density pulsed field ablation performed without fluoroscopy under left-atrial intracardiac echocardiographic guidance | Guilherme Pontes Saad |
| • Left-atrial ICE-guided pulsed field ablation using an expanded high-density lesion strategy: a fluoroless approach with excellent short-term rhythm outcomes | Guilherme Pontes Saad |
| • First-in-man experience of large-bore venous closure using a fully novel resorbable patch-based vascular closure system after pulsed field ablation-based pulmonary vein isolation | Farib Rafiee |
| • Fully Ambulatory Pulmonary Vein Isolation Using Pulsed Field Ablation Under Fast-Track Conditions: Safety and Efficiency in a Specialized Center | Mattias Roser |
| • Long-Term Atrial Fibrillation and Anticoagulation After AVNRT Ablation: A Single-Centre Cohort With 9.5-Year Median Follow-Up | Tiago Filipe Serrano Constantino |
| • Is Premature Ventricular Complex Ablation a Cure for Systolic Hypertension? A Pilot Study | Venkat Tholakanahalli |
| • Functional and Electrical Responses to Ventricular Pulsed Field Ablation: First Human Characterization of Myocardial Excitability Kinetics | Nicoletta Ventrella |

SUN 02.00 - 03.30 pm

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

HOCM AND MYOSIN-INHIBITION; PROGNOSIS AND ARRHYTHMIAS

Moderation: Mark Nathan Estes (Pittsburgh, US)

- **Significance of Cardiac Imaging in Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy** Klaus Tiemann (Munich, DE)

- **Atrial Fibrillation in HCM: Mechanisms and Ablation Outcome** Andreas Götte (Paderborn, DE)

- **Sudden death in HCM: Risk stratification, Sudden death Prevention and ICD Treatment** Werner Jung (Villingen-Schwenningen, DE)

- **Panel Discussion**

SUN 04.00 - 05.30 pm

ROOM: R 1 - Berndt Lüderitz

FROM EARLY ABLATION TO AI-GUIDED FOLLOW-UP: REDEFINING ATRIAL FIBRILLATION CARE IN STRUCTURAL HEART DISEASE

Moderation: Tatevik Hovakimyan (Yerevan, AM) - Sascha Hatahet (Luebeck, DE) -
Reza Wakili (Frankfurt, DE)

- **Early AF Ablation as a Disease-Modifying Strategy in Structural Heart Disease: How Early Is Early Enough?** Philipp Sommer (Bad Oeynhausen, DE)
- **Pulsed Field Ablation in Persistent AF and Structural Heart Disease: Hype, Data, and Unanswered Questions** Francesco Santoro (Foggia, IT)
- **Advanced Mapping in Structural Heart Disease: From High-Density to AI Maps and Beyond** Isabel Deisenhofer (Munich, DE)
- **Telemedicine, Wearables and AI in AF and Structural Heart Disease: From Detection to AI-Enhanced Follow-up** Elmo Martens (Munich, DE)

SUN 04.00 - 05.30 pm

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE: RELATED CONDITIONS

Moderation: Michele Brignole (Milan, IT) - Martina Rafanelli (Florence, IT)

- **Management of autonomic syncope with hypotensive phenotype** Giulia Rivasi (Florence, IT)

- **How to reconcile the Short Cardiovascular Autonomic Functional Assessment vs Implantable Loop Recorder dilemma** Artur Fedorowski (Stockholm, SE)

- **Portables and wearables in syncope management** Robert Sheldon (Calgary, CA)

- **Peripheral mechanical somatosensory stimulation in patients with Parkinson's disease and dysautonomia: effects on blood pressure and systemic inflammatory profile** Dana Shiffer (Milan, IT)

Sunday May 10, 2026
05.30 - 07.15 pm
ROOM Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

OPENING CEREMONY

WELCOME ADDRESS & PRESENTATION OF THE SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

- **Presentation of the 3^o edition of the ECAS Educational Course**
 - **Welcome by ECAS President Riccardo Cappato**
 - **Welcome by Beatrix Zurek**
Head of the Health Department, City of Munich
 - **Greetings from Scientific Societies**
WSA, HRS, JHRS, IHRS, Sobrac
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Philippe Coumel Lecture
Jeff Healey (Ontario, Canada)



**CONGRESS
SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM**

MONDAY, May 11

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

ADVANCES IN MECHANISMS AND MANAGEMENT OF CARDIOMETABOLIC DISEASES AND ARRHYTHMIAS

Moderation: Jerko Ferri Certic (Dubrovnik, HR) - Leonardo Calo (Rome, IT)

- **Sudden death - part of the metabolic syndrome?** Sunny Po (New York, US)
- **Diabetes and sudden death:
a vast public health issue** Gaetano De Ferrari (Turin, IT)
- **New insights into mechanisms of arrhythmias
in diabetes and obesity** Andreas Götte (Paderborn, DE)
- **The expanding role of SGLT2 inhibitors in
diabetes, atrial fibrillation and heart failure
with preserved ejection fraction** Sanjeev Saksena (New York, US)
- **Are GLP 1 receptor agonists essential therapy
when obesity is a comorbidity in atrial fibrillation
with heart failure** Johannes Brachmann
(Coburg, DE)

MON 09.00 - 10.30 am

ROOM: R 1 - Berndt Lüderitz

REDO RELOADED: MAPPING & ABLATION STRATEGIES FOR THE SECOND (AND THIRD) ROUND

Moderation: Florian Straube (Munich, DE) - Christian Sohns (Bad Oeynhausen, DE)

- **Why Do PVIs Fail? Mechanisms of Reconnection after Index Ablation** Devi Nair (Jonesboro, US)

- **PFA as the Redo Weapon: When, Why, and How to Use Pulsed Field Energy in Re-Do-PV** Verena Tscholl (Berlin, DE)

- **Closing the Loop: Tailored Re-PVI Ablation Strategies for Complex Atria** Laura Rottner (Frankfurt, DE)

- **Panel Discussion**

MON 09.00 - 10.30 am

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE AND RELATED CONDITIONS: LONG COVID AND POTS

Moderation: Rose Anne Kenny (Dublin, IR) - Vincenzo Russo (Naples, IT)

- **Autonomic nervous system dysfunction
Post Covid** Jorge Reyes Castro
(Minneapolis, US)

- **Long Covid autonomic disturbance:
emphasis on IST** Artur Fedorowski
(Stockholm, SE)

- **Tragal stimulation in POTS** Raffaello Furlan (Milan, IT)

- **Exercise therapy in POTS: curative?** Viktor Hamrefors (Malmo, SE)

- **Endothelial dysfunction in POTS and Long Covid** Markus Stahlberg
(Stockholm, SE)

ROOM: R 4+5 - Hein Wellens

JOINT SESSION HRS - ECAS GREAT DEBATES - THE RYDER CUP IN ARRHYTHMOLOGY

Moderation: Bradley P. Knight (Chicago, US) - Riccardo Cappato (Milan, IT)

- **PRO-Debate: PFA Should Be First Line Therapy for Atrial Fibrillation in Patients with Heart Failure** DJ Lakkireddy (Kansas, US)

- **CONTRA-Debate: PFA Should Be First Line Therapy for Atrial Fibrillation in Patients with Heart Failure** Karl-Heinz Kuck (Hamburg, DE)

- **Rebuttal**

- **PRO-Debate: SQ Defibrillators should be the First Choice in Primary Prevention ICD implantation** DJ Lakkireddy (Kansas, US)

- **CONTRA-Debate: SQ Defibrillators should be the first Choice in Primary Prevention ICD implantation** Werner Jung (Villingen-Schweningen, DE)

- **Rebuttal**



MON 09.00 - 10.30 am

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

SYMPOSIUM:

- **Early Anchorman LAAC experience in Europe**

Krzysztof Milewski
(Katowice, PL)

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo



**ABSTRACT PRESENTATION II:
NOVEL STRATEGIES AND FINDINGS IN DEVICE THERAPIES**

Moderation: Carla Riganti (Naples, IT) - Maurizio Santomauro (Naples, IT)

- **Adenosine-sensitive VT with reduced LVEF: a clinical dilemma for ICD implantation** Tommaso Barbati

- **“Bachmann Bundle Pacing as Part of a Fully Physiological Conduction System Strategy: Validation Criteria and Translational Insights From Consecutive Clinical Cases”** Pasquale Maddaluna

- **Cardiac implantable device complications: 26 years of experience in the cardiology department of Monastir** Marouane Mahjoub

- **Parahisian stimulation in differential diagnosis of supra ventricular tachycardia** Marouane Mahjoub

- **Advanced atrioventricular block risk is determined by baseline ECG conduction phenotype: electrophysiological study and follow-up findings in unexplained syncope with bundle branch block** Núria Mallofré Vila

- **Genotype as missing variable in hypertrophic cardiomyopathy risk stratification?** Elisa Mastantuono

- **Validation of AI-Enhanced ECG Detection of Left Ventricular Systolic Dysfunction in a large German Cohort** Hanno Nitzpon

- **THE ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS OF MYOCARDIAL ISCHEMIA IN CONDUCTION SYSTEM PACING ERA** Davide Rodio

- **A rare case of arrhythmic storm after CRT implantation: a possible effect of resynchronisation therapy?** Emanuele Sammartini

- **Fourteen-month experience with the extravascular implantable cardioverter-defibrillator (EV-ICD) in a tertiary centre: procedural performance and early complications** Tiago Filipe Serrano Constantino

- **Safety, feasibility and short-term follow-up of left bundle branch pacing in patients with cardiac amyloidosis: a two-centres experience.** Sara Trivigno

MON 11.00 - 12.30 pm

ROOM: R 1 - Berndt Lüderitz

HOT TOPIC: CONCOMITANT PVI + LAAC

Moderation: Devi Nair (Jonesboro, US) - Jared Bunch (Utah, US)

- **Concomitant – Farapulse plus Watchman Flx** Alexandra Marx (Frankfurt, DE)

- **Champion AF and OPTION:
Lets go for PVI plus LAAC!** DJ Lakkireddy (Kansas, US)

- **VOLT + Amulet 360- a feasible combination?** Devi Nair (Jonesboro, US)

- **Patient selection for concomitant PVI plus LAAC** Manuel Rattka (Munich, DE)

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE

Moderation: Raffaello Furlan (Milan, IT) - Jean-Jacques Blanc (Brest, FR)

- **Developments of Syncope Clinics in the Netherlands** Steven van Zanten (Amsterdam, NL)

- **Lower limb compression ineffective in VVS prevention** Masih Tajdini (Baltimore, US)

- **Syncope genes from kindred candidates to GWAS: what do we really know?** Robert Sheldon (Calgary, CA)

- **Stroke Volume & Cerebral Blood Flow: Role of CO₂ and Heart Rate - Implication for POTS and possibly VVS** Satish Raj (Calgary, CA)

ROOM: R 4+5 - Hein Wellens

**CIED THERAPY:
EVOLVING LEADLESS AND EXTRAVASCULAR TECHNOLOGIES**

Moderation: Noel G. Boyle (Los Angeles, US) - Abdul Parwani (Berlin, DE)

- **Leadless VDD and Dual Chamber Pacing:
Best Implantation Practices** Toshinori Chiba (Berlin, DE)

- **Can Leadless Pacemaker Expand the Role of
Subcutaneous ICD?** Victoria Johnson (Frankfurt, DE)

- **When Should You Select Extravascular ICD vs
Transvenous ICD?** Werner Jung
(Villingen-Schwenningen, DE)

- **Major Complications in Leadless Pacemakers and
How to Minimize** Munther K. Homoud (Boston, US)

- **Panel Discussion**

MON 11.00 - 12.30 pm

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

PACEMAKER-ECG-WORKSHOP

Moderation: Carsten Israel (Bielefeld, DE)

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva



**LUNCH SYMPOSIUM:
HISTORY OF CARDIAC ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY**

Moderation: Sanjeev Saksena (New York, US) - Gerhard Steinbeck (Munich, DE)

- **History of Cardiac Pacing (15+5) instead of Early treatment of WPW** Bernd Lemke (Luedenscheid, DE)

- **First Applications of Radiofrequency for catheter based ablation** Günter Breithardt (Muenster, DE)

- **Personal "Highlights" in the history of Cardiac Electrophysiology** Dietrich Pfeiffer (Leipzig, DE)

MON 12.30 - 02.00 pm

ROOM: R 4+5 - Hein Wellens

JOINT SESSION HRS- ECAS

**THE HEREDITARY ARRHYTHMOGENIC CARDIOMYOPATHY (ACM) SUBCATEGORIES:
CHARACTERISTICS AND RISK STRATIFICATION**

Moderation: Mark Nathan Estes (Pittsburgh, US) - Richard Hauer (Utrecht, NL)

- **The PKP2- and DSP-Associated ACM** Mario Delmar (New York, US)
- **Other Desmosomal and Non-Desmosomal ACM** Ardan Saguner (Zurich, CH)
– Insights from the Upcoming International Consensus Document on ACM
- **Subtype based Differential Therapy of ACM** Marina Cerrone (New York, US)
- **Panel Discussion**



ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

CT, MRI AND VT MAPPING IN STRUCTURAL HEART DISEASE: HOW TO INTEGRATE FOR SUCCESSFUL ABLATION?

Moderation: Daniel Steven (Cologne, DE) - Lorenzo Gigli (Milano, IT)

- **When is Epicardial Mapping Mandatory in VT Ablation: Clues From Disease State, ECG Patterns in VT, and Endocardial Mapping** Thomas Deneke (Nuremberg, DE)
- **Mapping Tricks for Discovering Critical Mid-Myocardial Sites of VT Origin in Ischemic vs Nonischemic Myocardium: ILAM, DeEP, and DGM mapping** Jared Bunch (Utah, US)
- **Unipolar vs Bipolar Ablative Intervention. Electrogram Indicators of an effective VT Ablation Site** Christian Meyer (Duesseldorf, DE)
- **Panel Discussion**

ROOM: R 1 - Berndt Lüderitz

AI IN ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY (EP-AI)

Moderation: Francesco Santoro (Foggia, IT) - Robert Hatala (Bratislava, SLO)

- **Fundamentals of AI:** Sanjiv Narayan (Stanford, US)
What Does It Do; How Does It Do IT

- **Monitoring for AF:** Sorin Stefan Popescu (Luebeck, DE)
Current options

- **Monitoring for AF:** Elmo Martens (Munich, DE)
Does AI Solve the Problem of Background ECG Acquisition and Alert Management?

- **Prediction of Sudden Death with AI: Fact or Fiction?** Francesco Santoro (Foggia, IT)

- **Panel Discussion**

MON 02.00 - 03.30 pm

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE: WHAT ROLE HAS AI?

Moderation: Marco Tomaino (Bolzano, IT) - Satish Raj (Calgary, CA)

- **Developments of AI in syncope management** Raffaello Furlan (Milan, IT)
- **Large language models in diagnosis of syncope** Jelle De Jong (Amsterdam, NL)
- **Ai in analysis of tilt test results** Melanie Dani (London, UK)
- **Hopes and reality for AI in syncope** Brian Olshansky (Iowa City, US)

ROOM: R 4+5 - Hein Wellens

**WSA-ECAS JOINT SESSION - DEAD ENDS OR REAL OPPORTUNITIES
IN CONTEMPORARY CARDIAC ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY**

Moderation: Thomas Deering (Atlanta, US) - Oscar Oseroff (Buenos Aires, ARG)

- **Refractory AF: Complex Catheter Ablation, Hybrid/Surgical Ablation, AVN Ablation plus CSP?** V. N. Tholakanahalli (Minneapolis, US)
- **RBBB/IVCD & Low LVEF: Conduction System Pacing or Biventricular Pacing?** Mehmet Ali Oto (Ankara, TR)
- **Complex Ventricular Arrhythmias: When to Say No to Ablation** Douglas L. Packer (Rochester, US)

Commentator and Discussant: Carlos Morillo (Calgary, CA) - Johannes Brachmann (Coburg, DE)



**World Society
of Arrhythmias**

MON 02.00 - 03.30 pm

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

CARDIOMYOPATHIES - GENETICS AND BASIC MECHANISMS

Moderation: Marina Cerrone (New York, US) - Maurizio Santomauro (Naples, IT)

- **Chanellopathies and sudden cardiac death** Marina Cerrone (New York, US)

- **How can we improve survival in cardiomyopathies: relevance of large data bases** Leonardo Calo (Rome, IT)

- **Genetic testing strategies in Cardiomyopathy for Clinical Decision Making** Brenda Gerull (Wuerzburg, DE)

ROOM: R 1 - Berndt Lüderitz

A CARDIOLOGIST RARELY COMES ALONE - WHEN TEAMWORK MAKES DREAMWORK

Moderation: Thorsten Lewalter (Munich, DE) - Laura Rottner (Frankfurt, DE)

- **EP meets heart failure Specialist**
- when weakness transforms into strength
Christian Sohns
(Bad Oeynhausen, DE)

- **EP meets Imaging**
- Four eyes can see better than two
Evgeny Lyan (Kiel, DE)

- **EP meets surgery - better to have than to Need**
Buntaro Fujita (Luebeck, DE)

- **EP meets interventionalist**
- Dynamic Team in Action
Martin W. Bergmann
(Hamburg, DE)

MON 04.00 - 05.30 pm

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SYNCOPE: CNA AND PACEMAKERS

Moderation: Richard Sutton (Monte Carlo, MC) - Brian Olshansky (Iowa City, US)

- **Cardioneuroablation for bradycardia and vasovagal syncope** Carlos Morillo (Calgary, CA)

- **How to identify reflex syncope patients for CNA or pacing** Antonella Sette (Rome, IT)

- **Right atrial CNA of asystolic reflex syncope: efficacy and safety** Marco Tomaino (Bolzano, IT)

- **Selective CNA ablation in VVS: is this the future?** Piotr Kulakowski (Warsaw, PL)

- **Commentary: Where do CIEDs fit now in treatment of vasovagal syncope** Richard Sutton (Monte Carlo, MC)

ROOM: R 4+5 - Hein Wellens

JHRS/ECAS JOINT SESSION

RECONSIDERING ICD IMPLANTATION METHODS - TV-ICD VS. EV-ICD & S-ICD

Moderation: Kazuhiro Satomi (Tokyo, JP) - Riccardo Cappato (Milan, IT)

- **S-ICD - Current Experience** Kohei Ishibashi (Tokyo, JP)

- **EV-ICD in 2026** Kenichiro Yamagata (Tokyo, JP)

- **TV-ICD** Toshinori Chiba (Berlin, DE)
-Is APT required in the primary prevention?

- **Panel Discussion**

Commentator and Discussant: Carlos Morillo (Calgary, CA) - Johannes Brachmann (Coburg, DE)



MON 04.00 - 05.30 pm

KEY NOTE
MARK JOSEPHSON LECTURE



**CONGRESS
SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM**

TUESDAY, May 12

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

**CARDIAC AMYLOIDOSIS:
ARRHYTHMIAS, SUDDEN DEATH AND NEW THERAPY OPTIONS**

Moderation: Reza Wakili (Frankfurt, DE) - Oscar Oseroff (Buenos Aires, ARG)

- **Perspective and future treatment options in amyloidosis** Brenda Gerull (Wuerzburg, DE)

- **Diagnosis and current therapy options in amyloidosis** Maria Papathanasiou (Frankfurt, DE)

- **Sinus Node and Conduction Disease in Cardiac Amyloidosis** Maria Papathanasiou (Frankfurt, DE)

- **Discussion**

TUE 09.00 - 10.30 am

ROOM: R 1 - Berndt Lüderitz

ADOPTION OF PFA IN THE UNITED STATES (BY BRADLEY P. KNIGHT)

Moderation: Bradley P. Knight (Chicago, US) - Claudio Tondo (Milan, IT)

- **Comparison of PFA systems available in the US** Bradley P. Knight (Chicago, US)
- **Which PFA systems are being used for which types of cases** Aman Chugh (Chicago, US)
- **Costs associated with PFA adoption** Thomas Deering (Atlanta, US)
- **PFA systems under investigation in the US** Rakesh Gopinathannair (Kansas City, US)

TUE 09.00 - 10.30 am

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva

IHRS - ECAS JOINT SESSION II SUDDEN CARDIAC DEATH IN YOUNG SOUTH ASIA

Moderation: Sanjeev Saksena (New York, US) - Ashish Nabar (Mumbai, IN)

- **EP: Not to forget ACS in Aborted SCA patient** Ashish Nabar (Mumbai, IN)
- **ECG: perform (and interpret well) before perish!** Narayanan Namboodiri (Kerala, IN)
- **Cardiac MRI: growing expertise in the Indian subcontinent** Valaparambil Kumaran (Kerala, IN)
- **AICD for primary SCD prevention: Underused?** Kamal K Sethi (New Delhi, IN)
- **Public access defibrillation: what to learn from the Western world?** Ashish Nabar (Mumbai, IN)

Discussant: Rakesh Yadav (New Delhi, IN)



TUE 09.00 - 10.30 am

ROOM: R 4+5 - Hein Wellens

THE AUTONOMIC NERVOUS SYSTEM AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE: IS CARDIO-NEURO MODULATION THE NEXT FRONTIER?

Moderation: Maurizio Santomauro (Naples, IT)

- **Structure, function, and dynamic interaction of the autonomic nervous system** David Benditt (Minneapolis, US)

- **Autonomic Cardiovascular Conditions: HTN, OH, POTS, IST** Carlos Morillo (Calgary, CA)

- **Panel Discussion**

TUE 09.00 - 10.30 am

ROOM: Royal 1 - Albert Waldo

**TACHYCARDIOMYOPATHY
- HOW TO PREVENT AND HOW TO HANDLE**

Moderation: Christian Meyer (Duesseldorf, DE) - Ellen Hoffmann (Munich, DE)

- **Case presentation** Daniel Heid (Munich, DE)

- **Basic Mechanisms of Tachymyopathy** Reza Wakili (Frankfurt, DE)

- **Atrial Tachyarrhythmias and Impaired LV function: approach and treatment** Christian Meyer (Duesseldorf, DE)

- **PVC´s and Heart failure - current concept** Jared Bunch (Utah, US)

- **Panel Discussion**

TUE 11.00 - 12.30 pm

ROOM: R 1 - Berndt Lüderitz

ABSTRACTS PRESENTATION III: DIAGNOSTICS AND THERAPIES OF ARRHYTHMIAS: MISCELLANEOUS



Moderation: Karl-Heinz Kuck (Hamburg, DE)

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| • Impact of LA diameter on arrhythmia recurrence in a worldwide large sample of patient undergoing catheter ablation of atrial fibrillation | Maria Giovanna Bucci |
| • Cardiorenal outcomes amongst various DOACs with CKD patients across different country populations | Dalia Giedrimiene |
| • Stereotactic Arrhythmia Radioablation (STAR) for ventricular tachycardia: Updated Prospective Evidence on Efficacy and Safety | Gabriel Kuniyoshi |
| • Idiopathic Ventricular Fibrillation Triggered by "Benign-looking" Long-coupled Premature Ventricular Contractions Arising from the RVOT | Ricardo Ryoshim Kuniyoshi |
| • Impact of left ventricle ejection fraction on arrhythmia recurrence in a worldwide large sample of patient undergoing catheter ablation of atrial fibrillation | Silvia Magnani |
| • Sedation, Sympathetic Modulation, or Deep Anesthesia? A Meta-analytic Reappraisal of Electrical Storm Management | Massimo Meco |
| • Early Ablation or Drugs First in Electrical Storm? A Bayesian Model-Averaged Reappraisal of Randomized Evidence | Massimo Meco |
| • First experiences with a novel circular pulsed field ablation catheter (varipulse) | Karin Nentwich |
| • Mapping the Real-Time Diastolic Corridor in Polymorphic Ventricular Tachycardia/Ventricular Fibrillation: A Novel Technique | Venkat Tholakanahalli |
| • Lipomatous Hypertrophy of the Interatrial Septum Associated with Increased Risk of Atrial Fibrillation | Venkat Tholakanahalli |
| • Clinical Utility of One-Year Transesophageal Echocardiography After Left Atrial Appendage Closure: A Tertiary Center Experience | Alexis V. Rioux |

TUE 11.00 - 12.30 pm

ROOM: R 2 - Antonio Valsalva



ABSTRACTS SESSION IV: DIGITAL HEALTH, ECG, AI AND CASES

Moderation: Laura Rottner (Frankfurt, DE) - Manuel Rattka (Munich, DE)

- Redo ventricular tachycardia ablation in repaired tetralogy of Fallot Tommaso Ducci
- MAPPING PUTATIVE AF DRIVER PATTERNS USING THE TAU20–RETROMAPPING SYSTEM Ollie Jones
- Diagnostic performance of automated smartwatch ECG interpretation during follow-up after atrial fibrillation ablation: interim analysis of a prospective cohort Ilia-Sofia Koutsouraki
- Application of Artificial intelligence for Coronary segmentation in patients with atrial fibrillation Marouane Mahjoub
- Can Artificial Intelligence Predict Electrical Storm? A Bayesian Synthesis of ECG-Based Risk Stratification Models Massimo Meco
- Acute heart-rate response predicts atrial fibrillation recurrence after cardioneuromodulation and pulmonary vein isolation Tiago Filipe Serrano Constantino
- Acute changes in venous ostia signal intensity visualized by ICE pre- and post-ablation of atrial fibrillation Lorenzo Severo
- A Rare Cause of Electrical Storm in a Patient with Ischaemic Cardiomyopathy Jaroslav Zembjak

TUE 11.00 - 12.30 pm

ROOM: R 4+5 - Hein Wellens

**STATE OF THE ART:
STROKE PREVENTION IN AF**

Moderation: Gerhard Steinbeck (Munich, DE) - Thorsten Lewalter (Munich, DE)

- **Cerebral Signatures of Cardiovascular Disease** Tina Stegmann (Leipzig, DE)

- **Oral Anticoagulation for Stroke Prevention in AF in 2026** Riccardo Cappato (Milan, IT)

- **LAA Occlusion after the Closure AF Trial** Carsten Skurk (Berlin, DE)

TUE 11.00 - 12.30 pm

3^o ECAS INTERNATIONAL EP EDUCATIONAL COURSE

SUNDAY, May 10

MONDAY, May 11

TUESDAY, May 12

ROOM: ROYAL 2 - PETER OSYPKA**08.45 - 10.30 am BASICS IN CARDIAC ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY**

Moderation: Douglas L. Packer (Rochester, US) - Francesco Santoro (Foggia, IT)

- **Basic Atrial and Ventricular Stimulation Maneouvers** Thorsten Lewalter (Munich, DE)

- **Mapping concepts and Energy Sources for Ablation** Phillipp Sommer
(Bad Oeynhausen, DE)

- **ECG Features and Invasive Findings in Bradycardia** Roberto De Ponti (Varese, IT)

11.00 - 12.30 pm DIAGNOSTICS IN SVT AND ABLATION OF AVNRT AND AVRT

Moderation: Karl-Heinz Kuck (Hamburg, DE) - Mark Nathan Estes (Pittsburgh, US)

- **Differential Diagnosis of SVT in the EP laboratory** Bradley P. Knight (Chicago, US)

- **Catheter ablation of AVNRT** Robert Bernat (Kaiserslautern, DE)

- **Catheter ablation of WPW-Syndromes** Sergio Richter (Leipzig, DE)

- **Case study** Hussam Ali (Milan, IT)

12.30 - 02.00 pm ECG COURSE

Moderation: Gerhard Steinbeck (Munich, DE)

- **Tachycardias:
ECG and IEGM Troubleshooting Quiz** Laura Vitali-Serdoz (Fuerth, DE)
Dirk Bastian (Fuerth, DE)



SUNDAY, MAY 10
EDUCATIONAL COURSE

ROOM: ROYAL 2 - PETER OSYPKA

02.00 - 03.30 pm **UNDERSTANDING MECHANISMS & ABLATION TREATMENT OF ATRIAL FIBRILLATION**

Moderation: Prapa Kanagaratnam (London, UK) - Lukas Gleirscher (Munich, DE)

- **Concepts of AF Ablation: pulmonary veins** Thorsten Lewalter (Munich, DE)
- **Energy Selection and Clinical Trials** Reza Wakili (Frankfurt, DE)
- **Concepts of AF ablation: atrial substrate** Douglas L. Packer (Rochester, US)
- **Panel Discussion**

04.00 - 05.30 pm **CHANNELPATHIES AND "IDIOPATHIC" VENTRICULAR TACHYCARDIA**

Moderation: Massimo Tritto (Castellanza, IT) - Mario Delmar (New York, US)

- **Channelopathies – diagnostic work up and therapy** Marina Cerrone (New York, US)
- **Diagnostic work up and catheter ablation of RVOT and LVOT** Johannes Siebermair (Vienna, AT)
- **Case study -1** Robert Bernat (Kaiserslautern, DE)

05.30 - 07.15 pm **OPENING CEREMONY**

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SUNDAY, MAY 10
EDUCATIONAL COURSE

ROOM: ROYAL 2 - PETER OSYPKA**09.00 - 10.30 am "DEEP DIVE" INTO CARDIAC ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY**

Moderation: Matteo Anselmino (Turin, IT) - Douglas L. Packer (Rochester, US)

- **How to use high density mapping** Daniel Steven (Cologne, DE)
- **Personal Perspective: Future of Arrhythmia Treatment** Robert Hatala (Bratislava, SLO)
- **Panel Discussion**

11.00 - 12.30 pm "ORGANISED" ATRIAL TACHYARRHYTHMIAS

Moderation: Ellen Hoffmann (Munich, DE) - Leonardo Calo (Rome, IT)

- **Ablation of Typical Atrial Flutter** Thorsten Lewalter (Munich, DE)
- **Mapping and Ablation of "de novo" AT and atypical AFL** Sabine Ernst (London, UK)
- **Understanding and treatment of "man-made" atrial tachyarrhythmia** Karl-Heinz Kuck (Hamburg, DE)
- **Case study** Abdul Parwani (Berlin, DE)

12.30 - 02.00 pm LUNCH SYMPOSIUM

- **Cardiac Anatomy for the Electrophysiologist - an interactive Seminar** Sabine Ernst (London, UK)

ROOM: ROYAL 2 - PETER OSYPKA

02.00 - 03.30 pm **LEADLESS AND CONDUCTION SYSTEM PACING**

Moderation: Luca Santini (Rome, IT) - Mehmet Ali Oto (Ankara, TR)

- **Leadless Pacing – “How-to” in clinical practice** Victoria Johnson (Frankfurt, DE)
- **Implantation technique to achieve conduction system pacing** Francesco Zanon (Rovigo, IT)
- **Programming and trouble-shooting in CSP** Grigorios Katsouras (Acquaviva delle Fonti, IT)
- **Case study** Victoria Johnson (Frankfurt, DE)

04.00 - 05.30 pm **“MASTERCLASS OF AF ABLATION”**

Moderation: Bradley P. Knight (Chicago, US) - Prapa Kanagaratnam (London, UK)

- **How to ablate atrial fibrillation – practical approach and trouble shooting** Prapa Kanagaratnam (London, UK)
- **Case study - 1** Jared Bunch (Utah, US)
- **Case study -2** Roberto De Ponti (Varese, IT)
- **Persistent AF in Pts. with all veins isolated - treatment concepts in the EP lab** Christian Sohns (Bad Oeynhausen, DE)

05.45 - 06.30 pm **KEY NOTE** **- MARC JOSEPHSON LECTURE**



MONDAY, MAY 11
EDUCATIONAL COURSE

ROOM: ROYAL 2 - PETER OSYPKA

**09.00 - 10.30 am VENTRICULAR TACHYCARDIA
- ABLATION AND DEVICE TREATMENT**

Moderation: Douglas L. Packer (Rochester, US) - Daniel Steven (Cologne, DE)

- **Diagnosis and therapy of VT** Riccardo Cappato (Milan, IT)

- **VT ablation in rare variants like ARVC, non-compaction and channelopathies** Laura Rottner (Frankfurt, DE)

- **Choosing Between S-ICD and EV-ICD: Patient Selection and Clinical Decision-Making** Mauro Biffi (Bologna, IT)

**11.00 - 12.30 pm ECAS EP EXAM
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**TUESDAY, MAY 12
EDUCATIONAL COURSE**

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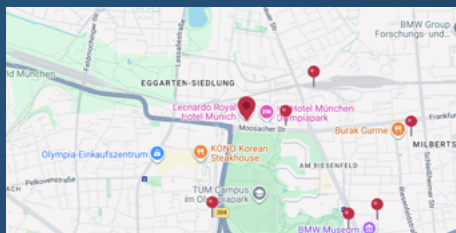


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