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10<sup>th</sup> Atrial Fibrillation  
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# Thursday March 24<sup>th</sup>

**08:30 - 08:45**

**Opening**

C. Pappone - Cotignola, Italy

**Lecture**

**08:45 - 09:15**

What do we know today and what remains to be discovered in AFib

M. Haïssaguerre - Bordeaux, France

▶ **BASICS RESEARCH IN AFIB**

Chairmen

W. Jackman - Oklahoma City, USA / K.-H. Kuck - Hamburg, Germany

**09:15 - 09:35**

MicroRNA - A potentially exciting new player in AFib

S. Nattel - Montreal, Canada

**09:35 - 09:55**

What impact did/will basic research have on clinical AFib treatment

J. Jalife - Ann Arbor, USA

**09:55 - 10:15**

Discussion / TED

**10:15 - 10:45**

*Coffee-break*

▶ **CLINICAL TRIALS - WHAT DO WE HAVE AND WHAT DO WE NEED?**

Chairmen

H. Calkins - Baltimore, USA / R. De Ponti - Varese, Italy

**10:45 - 11:15**

Catheter ablation perspective

H. Kottkamp - Zurich, Switzerland

**11:15 - 11:25**

Discussion / TED

**11:25 - 11:55**

Drugs perspective

C. Blomström Lundqvist -  
Uppsala, Sweden

**11:55 - 12:05**

Discussion / TED

▶ **DEBATE • ANTICOAGULATION AFTER CATHETER ABLATION OF AFIB IN CHADS2 PATIENTS – NICE OR NEED TO HAVE**

Chairmen

S. Ernst - London, UK / D. Shah - Geneva, Switzerland

**12:05 - 12:25**

PRO

D. Keane - Dublin, Ireland

**12:25 - 12:45**

CON

T. Arentz - Bad Krozingen, Germany

**12:45 - 13:45**

*Lunch*



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## ▶ WHAT'S NEW IN DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENTS?

Chairmen	H. Nakagawa - Oklahoma City, USA / G. Hindricks - Leipzig, Germany	
13:45 - 14:05	Surface Mapping for identification site of origin of a tachycardia	P. Jaïs - Bordeaux, France
14:05 - 14:25	New Circular Ablation technology	TBD
14:25 - 14:45	Endoscopic surgical approach	M. La Meir - Maastricht, The Netherlands
14:45 - 15:05	Heart ganglionic plexi ablation	E. Pokushalov - Novosibirsk, Russia
15:05 - 15:15	Discussion/TED	
15:15 - 15:45	<i>Coffee-break</i>	

## ▶ KEYS TO SUCCESSFUL LESION FORMATION

Chairmen	K.-H. Kuck - Hamburg, Germany / H. Pürerfellner - Linz, Austria	
15:45 - 16:05	New design of irrigated tip catheter	H. Nakagawa - Oklahoma City, USA
16:05 - 16:25	Role of Contact Force in lesion formation	TBD
16:25 - 16:35	Discussion/TED	
16:35 - 16:55	Direct surface imaging to assess acute lesion formation	V. Reddy - New-York, USA
16:55 - 17:15	Role of ULS to assess acute lesion formation	J. Kautzner - Prague, Czech Republic
17:15 - 17:35	Role of new tools for intramural lesion formation assessment (OCT-ACT)	E. Wissner - Hamburg, Germany
17:35 - 17:55	Role of MRI in chronic lesion assessment	C. De Chillou - Nancy, France
17:55 - 18:05	Discussion/ TED	
19:00	<i>Dinner</i>	



# Friday March 25<sup>th</sup>

## ▶ PAROXYSMAL AFIB

Chairmen	T. Arentz - Bad Krozingen, Germany / A. Revishvili - Moscow, Russia	
08:30 - 08:50	Techniques for maintaining catheter stability and persistent PV isolation	F. Marchlinski - Philadelphia, USA
08:50 - 09:10	Prevent complications	G. Hindricks - Leipzig, Germany
09:10 - 09:30	What is better? Man or machine?	G. Vicedomini - Cotignola, Italy
09:30 - 09:50	Can we prevent persistent AFib by early intervention?	K.-H. Kuck - Hamburg, Germany
09:50 - 10:10	Discussion/ TED	
10:10 - 10:30	<i>Coffee-break</i>	

## ▶ PATIENT ACCESS TO TREATMENT

10:30 - 10:45	TBD	
Chairmen	P. Vardas - Crete, Greece / C. Wolpert - Ludwigsburg, Germany	
10:45 - 11:05	Arrhythmia Alliance in EMEA: what has this alliance achieved so far?	T. Loban - Stratford-Upon-Avon, UK
11:05 - 11:25	Reimbursement of Atrial Fibrillation ablation across Europe: how this effects therapy adoption?	TBD
11:25 - 11:45	Build your AFib practice	L. Calò - Rome, Italy

## ▶ DEBATE • PERSISTENT AFIB: PVI ONLY OR PVI AND ADDITIONAL TREATMENT?

Chairmen	D. Keane - Dublin, Ireland / V. Reddy - New-York, USA	
11:45 - 12:05	PRO	H. Calkins - Baltimore, USA
12:05 - 12:25	CON	M. Hocini - Bordeaux, France

## ▶ DISCUSSION • ROLE OF COMORBIDITIES IN PROGRESSIVE AFIB: HOW DO WE SELECT THE RIGHT PATIENTS FOR THE ABLATION?

Chairman	F. Marchlinski - Philadelphia, USA	
12:25 - 13:30	Discussion	C. Pappone, K.-H. Kuck, M. Haïssaguerre
<b>Lecture</b>		
13:30 - 14:00	What have we learned after 10 years of AFib ablation and what should we change?	C. Pappone - Cotignola, Italy
14:00	<i>Lunch &amp; Adjournal</i>	

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