

Programme

Day 1 – Sunday 18th November

08:55	Opening	Wyn Davies and Riccardo Cappato
09:00 – 09:15	TREATING THE AF PATIENT: WHAT SHOULD WE DO TODAY? Chairs: Wyn Davies and Riccardo Cappato	
09:00 – 09:15	Introducing Europe AF 2012: What do I most hope to learn?	Albert L Waldo
09:15 - 10:30	HOW TO DIAGNOSE AND CHOOSE INITIAL TREATMENT FOR THE SYMPTOMATIC AF PATIENT Chairs: John Camm and Riccardo Cappato	
09:15 – 09:30	Presentation and initial investigations: what tests and why?	Edward Rowland
09:30 – 09:45	Choosing initial treatment: nothing, control or prevention?	John Camm
09:45 – 10:00	Risk assessment: when to anti-coagulate	Giuseppe Di Pasquale
10:00 – 10:15	What should we tell the patient?	Mark O'Neill
10:15 – 10:30	Panel Discussion	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee and Visit the Exhibition	
11:00 – 11:40	CLINICAL CHALLENGES WITH RATE AND RHYTHM CONTROL Chairs: Albert L Waldo and Samuel Levy	
11:00 – 11:20	Rate Control: What happens if the patient returns to Sinus Rhythm?	George Wyse
11:20 – 11:40	Rhythm Control: What happens if the patient returns to AF?	Alessandro Capucci
11:40 – 12:45	THROMBO-PROPHYLAXIS IN 2012 Chairs: Alessandro Capucci and Giuseppe Di Pasquale	
11:40 – 12:00	Clinical experience with new anticoagulants: does it match expectations?	Riccardo Cappato
12:00 – 12:20	Practical implications of trial data for daily practice, cardioversion and catheter ablation	Paulus Kirchhof
12:20 – 12:40	Neurologist's perspective of new oral anticoagulants	Peter Kelly
12:40 – 12:45	Panel Discussion	
12:45 – 13:45	Lunch and visit the Exhibition	
13:45 – 14:45	DEBATE Chair: Francis Marchlinski This house believes that AF patients treated satisfactorily with Vitamin K antagonists should not be converted to newer anti-coagulant agents. Pro: Albert L Waldo Con: Michael Ezekowitz	
14:45-15:45	CATHETER ABLATION OF AF: AN OVERVIEW Chairs: Mark O'Neill and Warren Jackman	
14:45 – 15:05	Which patients should be considered for AF ablation – and who shouldn't?	Francis Marchlinski
15:05 – 15:25	What outcomes matter?	Hugh Calkins
15:25 – 15:45	What techniques are available?	Richard Schilling
15:45 – 16:05	Panel Discussion and Audience Question Time	
16:05 – 16:30	Tea and Visit Exhibition	
16:30 – 18:00	TYING UP THE DAY Chairs: Hugh Calkins and Prapa Kanagaratnam	
16:30 – 16:50	Dementia and AF: An association or an elderly coincidence?	Peter Kelly
16:50 – 17:10	New Antifibrillatory Drugs: What and when should we expect	Irina Savelieva
17:10 – 17:30	LAA occlusion: indications and techniques	Thorsten Lewalter
17:30 – 17:50	Advances in 3-D Mapping	Christopher Piorkowski
17:50 – 18:10	Simultaneous Mapping and Ablation for PV isolation	David Keane
18:10 – 18:15	Discussion	
19:30 – 20:00	Drinks Reception	
20:00	Gala Dinner	