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Focus on Heart Failure

Hot topics

Bergamo (Italy), October 14th – 16th, 2010

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Congress Center Giovanni XXIII (Viale Papa Giovanni XXIII, 106)

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The International Symposium “Focus on Heart Failure” will feature up-to date presentations on the “hot topics” of acute and chronic heart failure. Despite the significant improvements achieved by pharmacological and non-pharmacological treatments, heart failure remains a major cause of mortality and morbidity in developed countries.

Epidemiologic aspects, diagnostic tools, medical and surgical treatments, and devices will be reviewed along with their role in specific clinical situations. The program format includes medical and surgical perspectives, and interactive case-based discussions. Distinguished faculty members will be throughout the program to maximize interactive opportunities for attendees.

The perspective of the meeting devoted to acute and chronic heart failure will be:

- *analyse critical topics*
- *up-date the most recent advances in research in the context of future practical applications*
- *characterize the timing and the expected outcome of different medical and surgical treatments*

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Thursday, October 14th, 2010 - Afternoon

Opening ceremony

- 16.00 **Welcome address**
L. Parenzan, T. Barbui and P. Ferrazzi (Bergamo, I)
- 16.15 *Lecture*
A. Gavazzi (Bergamo, I)
The evolving cardiovascular program in Bergamo
- 16.30 **Introduction**
R.S. Vasan (Boston, USA)
CHF: From the burden of epidemiology towards new therapeutic challenges

Session I – Acute heart failure

- Chairpersons: **M. Porcu** (Cagliari, I)
R. Fumagalli (Monza - MB, I)
- 17.00 **L. Tavazzi** (Cotignola - RA, I)
The European and the USA perspectives
- 17.30 **F.L. Lorini** (Bergamo, I)
The role of the intensivist
- 18.00 **G. Filippatos** (Athens, GR)
Beside the standard pharmacopoeia: the new molecules
- 18.30 **G. Remuzzi** (Bergamo, I)
What about the kidney?
- 19.00 Welcome party

Friday, October 15th, 2010 – Morning

Session II – Early diagnosis and stratification in heart failure

Chairpersons: **A. Boccanelli** (Rome, I)
M. Scherillo (Benevento, I)

08.30 **R. De Maria** (Milan, I)
Early diagnosis of left ventricular dysfunction: it's time for screening

09.00 **J. Burnett** (Rochester, USA)
The role of biomarkers: one or a combination?

09.30 **A. Di Lenarda** (Trieste, I)
Scores in heart failure: just a number or a valuable tool?

10.00 **A. Rossi** (Verona, I)
The evolving role of echocardiography

10.30 **M. Gori** (Bergamo, I)
Case presentation
G.F. Sinagra (Trieste, I)
Discussant

11.00 *Coffee break*

Session III – Surgical ventricular restoration

Chairpersons: **L.A. Menicanti** (S. Donato - MI, I)
M.M. Redfield (Rochester, USA)

11.30 **M. Gheorghiade** (Chicago, USA)
The cardiological point of view

12.00 **J.V. Conte** (Baltimore, USA)
The surgical point of view

12.30 **S. Pentiricci** (Bergamo, I)
Case presentation
L.A. Menicanti (S. Donato - MI, I)
Discussant

13.00 *Lunch*

Friday, October 15th, 2010 – Afternoon

Session IV – Diastolic heart failure

Chairpersons: **P.N. Marino** (Novara, I)
D.L. Brutsaert (Antwerp, B)

- 14.00 **W.J. Paulus** (Amsterdam, NL)
Pathophysiological mechanisms and diagnosis
- 14.30 **M. Senni** (Bergamo, I)
Comprehension of outcome: still a challenge?
- 15.00 **H.L. Granzier** (Tucson, USA)
What about Titin?
- 15.30 **B. Pieske** (Graz, A)
Specific treatment: an actual need
- 16.00 **M.M. Redfield** (Rochester, USA)
Why disappointing results in randomized clinical trials?
- 16.30 **A. Grosu** (Bergamo, I)
Case presentation
D.L. Brutsaert (Antwerp, B)
Discussant
- 17.00 *Coffee break*

Session V – Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy

Chairperson: **P. Ferrazzi** (Bergamo, I)
C. Autore (Rome, I)

- 17.30 **M. Iascone** (Bergamo, I)
Molecular and genetic background
- 18.00 **P. Spirito** (Genoa, I)
The prognostic stratification
- 18.30 **J.A. Dearani** (Rochester, USA)
Extending the surgical indications
- 19.00 **A. Iacovoni** (Bergamo, I)
Case presentation
C. Rapezzi (Bologna, I)
Discussant

Saturday, October 16th, 2010 – Morning

Session VI – Lights and shadows in the role of devices

Chairpersons: **M. Frigerio** (Milan, I)
A. Gavazzi (Bergamo, I)

- 08.30 **F. Oliva** (Milan, I)
Ultrafiltration
- 09.00 **H.P. Brunner-La Rocca** (Maastricht, NL)
ICD & CR-T
- 09.30 **P. Ponikosky** (Wroclaw, P)
Telemedicine
- 10.00 *Coffee break*

Session VII – New perspective in surgical and medical treatments

Chairpersons: **L. Dei Cas** (Brescia, I)
C. Campana (Como, I)

- 10.30 **M. Jessup** (Philadelphia, USA)
New pharmacological treatments
- 11.00 **E. Vitali** (Milan, I)
New ventricular assistance devices
- 11.30 **E. Quaini** (Bergamo, I)
Research on elastic devices

Session VIII – Cell Therapy

Chairpersons: **F. Achilli** (Lecco, I)
M. Introna (Bergamo, I)

- 12.00 **F. Quaini** (Parma, I)
Overview on cell therapy for myocardial regeneration
- 12.30 **M. Metra** (Brescia, I)
Collaboration protocol
- 12.45 **P. Anversa** (Boston, USA)
Cardiomyogenesis in the adult human heart
- 13.15 Conclusion of the meeting
- 13.30 *Lunch*

GENERAL INFORMATION

Meeting venue

The venue for the Meeting will be Congress Center Giovanni XXIII, Viale Papa Giovanni XXIII, 106, 24121 Bergamo, Italy. Phone: +39 035 236435.

Secretariat during the Meeting

The Secretariat will be open at the following times:
Thursday, October 14th, from 03.00 p.m. to 07.00 p.m.
Friday, October 15th, from 07.45 a.m. to 06.30 p.m.
Saturday, October 16th, from 08.00 a.m. to 01.30 p.m.

Official language

The official language of the Meeting will be English.

Registration

The Meeting is free to attend. Please confirm the participation to the Organizing Secretariat (Fondazione Internazionale Menarini – Phone: +39 02 55308110 – Fax: +39 02 55305739 E-mail: milan@fondazione-menarini.it) **within Thursday, September 30th, 2010.**

CME Credits

CME Credits will be applied for from the Italian Health Authorities.

European CME credits (ECMEC's)

European CME credits have been applied for from the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME).

Technical facilities

Facilities will be available for computer presentations and overhead projections. A business center with PC (Powerpoint for Windows) will be available for check and preview of presentations. It is essential that speakers take their presentation to the business center at least one hour before the session starts.

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Hotel accomodation

For information regarding the hotel accomodation in Bergamo please contact our Agency: Servizi CEC (Ms. Katia Gissi) Via Verdi, 18 – 24121 Bergamo (Italy).
Phone +39 035 249899 - Fax +39 035 237852 - E-mail: k.gissi@servizicec.it

Lunches and coffee breaks

Lunches and coffee breaks will be served in the Meeting area.

Abstracts book

Participants will receive the Abstract book at the Meeting.