



INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS of CARDIOLOGY

Corinthia Hotel St George's Bay - St Georges Bay, St Julian's STJ 3301, Malta

March 26th-28th, 2015

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Pascale Foundation Hospital, Naples
39. Dr Domenico Mercogliano, Heart Surgery Director, Alessandria Hospital, Alessandria
40. Prof Marco Metra, Cardiology Director, University of Brescia
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46. Prof Pasquale Perrone Filardi, Naples
47. Prof Federico Piscione, Cardiology Director, University of Salerno
48. Prof Ezio Pizzi , Reggio Calabria
49. Prof Patrizia Presbitero, Cardiology Director, Humanitas Hospital, Milan

50. Prof. Giovanni Ruvolo, University Tor Vergata Rome
51. Prof Maurizio Santomauro, President of Italian Society of CV Emergency, Cardiology Director, University of Naples
52. Dr Stefano Savonitto –Cardiology Director, Lecco Hospital, Lecco
53. Dr Marino Scherillo, Cardiology Director , Benevento Hospital, Benevento
54. Dr Massimo Scimone, Cardiology Consultant, Scilla Hospital, Scilla-Reggio Calabria
55. Prof Gianfranco Sinagra, Cardiology Director, University of Trieste
56. Prof Jane Somerville, Emeritus Professor of Cardiology, Imperial College, London, UK
57. Dr Gian Paolo Ussia, Researcher Tor Vergata University, Rome
58. Prof Dario Vizza, Rome
59. Prof Alberto Zangrillo, Cardiology Director, Policlinico San Donato, Milan, Member of Superior Council of Health
60. Prof Augusto Zaninelli, Professor of Primary Care, University of Florence

Program

Thursday March 26th, 2015

15:00 Opening ceremony in Corinthia Hotel San Julian Malta

Presenter: V Montemurro (Scilla)

Welcome to Malta: Dr Konrad Mizzi, Minister for Energy and Health of Malta

Welcome to the Congress by:

Prof Giuseppe Novelli, Honorary President

Dr Robert G Xuereb, President of Maltese Cardiac Society

Prof Franco Romeo, President of Italian Society of Cardiology

Dr Michele Gulizia, President of Associazione Nazionale Medici Cardiologi Ospedalieri

15.30 – 16.00 Honorary Lecture: Mistakes in cardiac management of adult congenital heart patients- J Somerville (London, UK)

Presenter: P Presbitero (Milan)

16.00-16.30 Lecture 1: The Secret of Creation: The genetic maps and the possibility to move from disease fight to healthy life – G Novelli (Rome)

Presenter: F Romeo (Rome)

16.30-17.00 Lecture 2: Knights of Malta's Order: Physiopathology of atherosclerosis and its protective factors – F Romeo (Rome)

Presenter: G Novelli (Rome)

17.00-17.30 Lecture 3: Hyppocrates' Dream: Smoking Ban: Malta, Europe and the rest of the World – RG Xuereb (Malta)

Presenter: V Montemurro (Scilla)

17.30-18.40 Symposium 1: Gender and sex differences in heart diseases

Chairmen: N Cemerlic-Adjic (Novi Sad) – G Novelli (Rome) – D Pavan (Pordenone)

Woman across History: the strength of sex difference, from gender equality to inequality. – G Gullace (Monza)

Ischemic heart disease: what is due to gender and what to sex? – MT Manes (Cosenza)

Ischemic heart disease: the strength of differences – M Penco (L'Aquila)

Is there a female vs male different answer to Cardio Vascular therapy? – G De Micheli (Alessandria)

Friday March 27th, 2015

8.30-9.30 **Symposium 2: Management of cardiovascular emergency in the point of care out of the hospital**

Chairmen: *F Fedele (Rome) – M Santomauro (Naples) – L Collarini (Erba)*

Chest pain on the point of care: how to differentiate it – *A Zaninelli (Florence)*

How organization may influence emergency management? – *C Fiorentini (Milan)*

Additional value of technology for decision making – *G Gullace (Monza)*

9.30-10.50 **Symposium 3: Ischemic heart disease**

Chairmen: *F Romeo (Rome) – R Jung (Novi Sad) – A Margonato (Milan)*

Acute Coronary Syndromes: all patients must be addressed to Cath Lab? – *F Piscione (Salerno)*

Non-ST elevation myocardial infarction management – *M Marzilli (Pisa)*

How to manage ischemic patient undergoing general surgery? – *S Nodari (Brescia)*

Cardiogenic shock in Acute Coronary Syndrome? – *S Savonitto (Lecco)*

10.50-11.20 Lecture 4: The myth of the Cave: New technologies in cardiology: from the dream to the real world – *F Romeo (Rome)*

Presenter: *S Novo (Palermo)*

11.20-11.40 Coffee break

11.40-12.40 **Symposium 4: Heart failure**

Chairmen: *S Novo (Palermo) – RG Xuereb (Malta) - C Fiorentini (Milan)*

Echocardiography in Heart Failure – *G Gullace (Monza)*

Genetic profile of Heart Failure – *PL Condorelli (Milan)*

New drugs in the therapy of Heart Failure – *M Metra (Brescia)*

Heart Failure in women vs men: is there a difference? *G Ambrosio (Perugia)*

12.40 – 13.10 Lecture 5: The myth of Scylla and Charybdis: How to capture the transient moment from function to dysfunction. - *GF Sinagra (Trieste)*

Presenter: *D Pavan (Pordenone)*

13.10-14.10 Lunch

14.10-14.40 Lecture 6: The myth of Arabic Phoenix (*melior de cinere surgo*): Repair or regeneration of the damaged heart? – *L Dei Cas (Brescia)*

Presenter: *A Balbarini (Pisa)*

14.40-15.40 **Symposium 5: Interventional Cardiology**

Chairmen *S Dodic (Novi Sad) – A Zangrillo (Milan) – A Manche (Malta)*

Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation up to date – *GP Ussia (Rome)*

Mitral clip: the state of the art - *M Marzilli (Pisa)*

Patent Foramen Ovale: to close or not to close? and when? – *P Presbitero (Milan)*

15.40-17.00 **Symposium 6: Surgical chances in interventional era**

Chairmen: *C Brunelli (Genoa) – G Ruvolo (Rome) – S Nodari (Brescia)*

Selection of patients for coronary artery bypass graft – *R Jung (Novi Sad)*

Mitral valve disease: when surgery is better? – *D Mercogliano (Alessandria)*

Aortic disease: when surgery? – **A Gamba (Lecco)**

Should patients with asymptomatic severe aortic stenosis be referred for surgery? **A Manché (Malta)**

17.00-18.20 Symposium 7: New perspectives in Cardiovascular Imaging

Chairmen: A Balbarini (Pisa) – A Lazarevic (Banja Luka) – M Penco (L'Aquila)

Angio computed axial tomography: new application fields – **F Fedele (Rome)**

Magnetic Resonance for pericardial disease - **A Borg (Malta)**

Global Strain for clinical application– **S Carerj (Messina)**

Flow dynamic - **F Benedetto (Reggio Calabria)**

18.20-19.00 Special Topics - Presenter: M Borzi (Rome)

18.20-18.40 Special Topic 1 on: Uric acid: new Cardio Vascular risk factor?– **V Montemurro (Scilla)**

18.40-19.00 Special Topic 2 on: Cardiotoxicity in oncological therapy – **N Maurea (Naples)**

Saturday March 28th, 2015

8.30-9.50 Symposium 8: Congenital Heart Diseases

Chairmen: M De Tommasi (Bergamo) – P Guccione (Taormina) – P. Presbitero (Milan)

Fetal Echocardiography: indications and objectives – **M Scimone (Scilla)**

Childhood Obesity - a National Monitoring Programme - **V Grech (Malta)**

The impact of treatment for congenital disease: a legacy or a burden – **J DeGiovanni (Birmingham)**

Left-sided heart obstructive syndromes: diagnosis and management – **MP Calabrò (Messina)**

9.50-10.20 Honorary Lecture: The role of Scientific Societies in promoting good clinical practice – **F Pinto (Lisboa)**

Presenter: G Gullace (Monza)

10.20-11.40 Symposium 9: Cardiovascular therapy

Chairmen: M Scherillo (Benevento) - M Borzi (Roma) – P Perrone Filardi (Naples)

Efficacy and management of:

New Oral Anticoagulants – **F Pinto (Lisboa)**

Antiaggregation - **A Lazarevic (Banja Luka)**

New antioxidants to treat metabolic disorders – **V Montemurro (Scilla)**

Ranolazine – **G Cice (Naples)**

11.40-12.20 Special Topics - Presenter: V Montemurro (Scilla)

11.40-12.00 Special Topic 3 on: Equivalent drugs: clinical pharmacologic aspects. **C Fiorentini (Milan)**

12.00-12.20 Special Topic 4 on: Generic and brand drugs: which ones to be saved? – **A Margonato (Milan)**

12.20-13.40 Symposium 10: Secondary Prevention

Chairmen: F Luzzza (Messina) – M Gulizia (Catania) – F Pinto (Lisboa)

Hypertension – **F Barillà (Rome)**

Exercise prescription – **S Dodic (Novi Sad)**

Diabetes – **A Macchi (Busto Arsizio)**

Dyslipidemia - **M Ciccone (Bari)**

13.40-14.30 Lunch

14.30-15.00 Lecture 7: The myth of Filippides: How can ECG help the prevention of sudden death.–
G Oreto (Messina)
Presenter: S Carerj (Messina)

15.00-16.10 Symposium 11: Arrhythmology

Chairmen: M Scherillo (Benevento) - CD Vizza (Roma) - P Camici (Milano)

Genetic basis of sudden death – **R Mango (Rome)**

Sleeping apnea and arrhythmias – **A Capucci (Ancona)**

Selection of patients for Intra Cardiac Device implantation – **M Gulizia (Catania)**

16.10-16.30 Special Topic 5 on: Chronic Obstructive Pulmonic Pathology and heart failure –
F Arrigo (Messina)

Presenter: F Lizza (Messina)

16.30-17.15 Presenter: E Pizzi (Reggio Calabria)

16.30-16.45 Special Topic 6 on: Diet and Sport - **G Calabrese**

16.45-17.15 Lecture 8: From Sumeric Medicine: Nutraceuticals: from nature the new hopes for
treatment - **V Montemurro (Scilla)**

17.15 Closure Ceremony

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