

Diagnosis, Treatment and Intervention (C-Care)



Istanbul, Turkey, February 18-21, 2010

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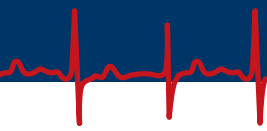
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A comprehensive Congress fully devoted to clinical debates and controversial issues in the field of Cardiology

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that the **2nd Congress on Controversies in Cardiovascular Diseases: Diagnosis, Treatment and Intervention (C-Care)** will take place in Istanbul, Turkey, February 18-21, 2010.

The 1st C-Care Congress, which took place in Berlin in July 2008, was the first scientific meeting of its kind in the discipline of Cardiology, focusing on hot topics and controversial clinical issues.

Based on the success of the C-Care meeting in Berlin and the feedback from participants, the 2nd C-Care Congress will include multiple controversies and debates as well as plenary sessions discussing innovations in the field. Discussions about several large ongoing clinical studies scheduled to be released in 2009 will also be held.

Participants will have the opportunity to discuss and debate these unresolved issues with leading world experts. The Congress aims to reach a deeper understanding of current issues by providing physicians with reliable, up-to-date scientific solutions, based on the best existing evidence.

We are glad invite you to take part in the **2nd Congress on Controversies in Cardiovascular Diseases (C-Care)** and would be pleased to count you among the participants in this exciting congress.

Sincerely,

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C-Care

Preliminary Program

Opening Session

Capsule

News, breakthroughs and controversies in 2010

Opening address:

Global burden of cardiovascular disease

Genetics and coronary artery disease

Inflammation – a new target for prevention of CVD

Session Capsule

Coronary Artery Disease / Ischemia

Controversial issues in revascularization in CAD patients

Debate

How would like your chest – open or closed?
Pro / Con

Debate

Courageous treatment for chronic stable angina
Pro / Con

Debate

New anti-anginal agents (ivabradine, ranolazine) as first line treatment in chronic stable angina
Pro / Con

Debate

Alternative controversy

Should we assess platelet function before stent implantation?
Pro / Con

Session Capsule

Arrhythmia and Electrophysiology

Unresolved practical issues arrhythmias / electrophysiology

Debate

Antiarrhythmic drugs have to be imperatively tested before discussing AF ablation
Pro / Con

Debate

WPW syndrome: Radiofrequency ablation in all patients?
Pro / Con

Debate

Dronedarone: the magic pill for atrial fibrillation?
Pro / Con

Session Capsule

Heart Failure

More drugs, more devices and wires? Is it what we need?

Debate

CRT for heart failure: irrespective of NYHA Class?
Pro / Con

Debate

CRT-D for all patients with an indication to CRT?
Pro / Con

Debate

In patients with non ischemic dilated cardiomyopathy and candidates for CRT a defibrillator should systematically be added
Pro / Con

Debate

Alternative Controversies

In patients who need a CRT for CHF LV pacing rather than BIV pacing is enough
Pro / Con

Debate

Heart failure with preserved ejection fraction: Does not exist!
Pro / Con

Plenary Session Capsule

Expert lectures on recently-emerging debates

The global epidemics of abdominal obesity

Darapladib an Lp-PLA2 inhibitor: The new approach to prevention of coronary artery disease

Cell therapy: Ready for the prime time?

Alternative Lectures

Post-conditioning: Does it really exist?

Transfusion in patients with Acute Coronary Syndromes who bleed: friend or foe?

**Session
Capsule**

Coronary Interventions

Hot issues in PCI and stenting and revascularization.

Debate

Long term outcome of Drug eluting stents remains an issue
Pro / Con

Debate

Main stem and multivessel disease should be sent to the surgeon
Pro / Con

Debate

Very early (within 24 hours) intervention in non-ST elevation ACS
Pro / Con

**Session
Capsule**

Atrial Fibrillation/ Antiarrhythmic Therapy

Anti-arrhythmic drugs or ablation?

Debate

In patients with permanent AF the ablate and pace method is better than ablation of the AF
Pro / Con

Debate

Ablate and stop anticoagulation is the optimal approach to AF
Pro / Con

Debate

Patients with enlarged LA are also candidates to pulmonary vein isolation
Pro / Con

**Session
Capsule**

Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease

What are the news from the western front?

Debate

Post-prandial hyperglycemia is the most important target.
Pro / Con

Debate

Coronary calcium score has a high predictive value?
Pro / Con

Debate

HDL cholesterol is not a treatment target
Pro / Con

**Plenary Session
Capsule**

The cutting edge of cardiology. What breakthroughs can we expect in the coming years in diagnosis and treatment?

Heart rate and prognosis in coronary artery disease

Percutaneous approaches to mitral valve regurgitation

Genetic testing before antiplatelet therapy?

Controversies in Endocarditis

Alternative Lectures

More antiplatelets and more anticoagulants in acute coronary syndromes?

New antiplatelet agents

Percutaneous aortic valve replacement: Ready for the prime time?

**Session
Capsule**

Anti-platelet and Anti-coagulant Therapy

Potential benefit / harm of new drugs

Debate

Cangrelor will outpace all antiplatelet agents in the cathlab and in Acute coronary syndromes?
Pro / Con

Debate

Anti-Xa agents: The magic anticoagulants?
Pro / Con

Debate

Prasugrel in all patients with acute coronary syndrome
Pro / Con

**Session
Capsule**

Venous Thrombo-embolism

Venous clot, the too often forgotten enemy!

Debate

Risk stratification in pulmonary embolism is based on biomarkers only.
Pro / Con

Debate

Intermediate risk pulmonary embolism patients should receive thrombolytic treatment
Pro / Con

Debate

Prevention of venous thrombo-embolism in major orthopaedic surgery: Needle or pills?
Yes / No

Preliminary Program

Session Capsule:	Device Therapy <i>Unresolved issues in pacing and ICD therapy "the optimal device for the best patient"</i>	Debate	Dobutamine test is mandatory in patients with symptomatic aortic stenosis and low aortic gradient Pro / Con
Debate	All post-MI patients with LVEF<30% have to receive an ICD Pro / Con	Debate	Asymptomatic high grade aortic stenosis should be operated on. Pro / Con
Debate	In patients older than 70 years with AV block a VVIR mode is the right pacing choice Pro / Con	Session Capsule	Cardiac Imaging <i>What are the best imaging techniques and how can we best use them to optimize diagnosis?</i>
Debate	In middle aged asymptomatic male patients with type I Brugada aspect an electrophysiological study should be systematically performed Pro / Con	Debate	Multiple CT scan for the diagnosis of coronary artery disease: Pro: A major breakthrough Con: A potential threat
Debate	Alternative Controversy After successful RF ablation of VT in patients with ischemic cardiopathy and preserved LVEF an ICD should be systematically implanted Pro / Con	Debate	Coronary calcium score Pro: A useful predictor of high risk Con: A good tool to recruit patients for the cathlab
Session Capsule	Peripheral Interventions <i>Arteries other than coronary arteries deserve attention</i>	Debate	Multi-modality cardiovascular imaging Pro: Towards more accurate diagnosis Con: A useless and costly technique
Debate	Carotid artery disease: stenting for every patient? Pro / Con	Session	Closing Session - Keynote Lectures The concept of image fusion in cardiology Genetics and prognosis of long and short QT syndromes
Debate	Infra-renal abdominal aneurysms should be stented Pro / Con		
Debate	Popliteal stenting should be avoided? Pro / Con		
Session Capsule	Challenging Issues in Valve Surgery <i>Valvular heart disease experts cast some light on the grey zones of valve surgery</i>		
Debate	Should we operate asymptomatic patients with severe mitral regurgitation and multivessel disease? Pro / Con		

General information

Venue

Istanbul, Turkey

Language

The official language of the Congress is English.

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