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Thursday, 27 April 2023 | 09:00-17:40 CET

09:00-09:05

Day 1 opening



Primary mitral regurgitation

Review key principles for managing primary mitral regurgitation while exploring new techniques and approaches that have and will continue to change the landscape of mitral valve surgery

09:05-09:20

Indications for surgical and catheter-based interventions

09:20-09:30

Imaging: key points

09:30-09:45

Basic principles for mitral valve repair: respect and resect

09:45-10:00

Moving to minimally invasive cardiac surgery: why and how?

10:00-10:10

Outcomes following surgical mitral valve repair

10:10-10:40

Discussion

10:40-11:00

Coffee break

11:00-11:10

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Secondary mitral regurgitation

Review key principles for managing secondary mitral regurgitation while exploring new techniques and approaches that have and will continue to change the landscape of mitral valve surgery

11:10-11:25

Indications for surgical and catheter based intervention

11:25-11:35

Imaging: key points

11:35-11:50

Surgical mitral valve repair vs replacement: when and how

11:50-12:05

TEER vs TMVR: when and how?

12:05-12:15

Outcomes following surgical and trans-catheter mitral valve intervention

12:15-12:45

Discussion

12:45-13:30

Lunch

13:30-13:40

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The tricuspid valve

Addressing a valve that often receives less attention due to the complexity and risks of repair and replacement techniques. A debate will also be conducted on transcatheter techniques, presented as the promised land.

13:40-13:50	Indications for surgical and catheter-based interventions
13:50-14:00	Imaging: key points
14:00-14:15	Techniques for tricuspid valve annuloplasty and repair
14:15-14:30	Tricuspid valve replacement: when, how, and which?
14:30-14:45	Transcatheter interventions: the promised land?
14:45-15:00	Discussion
15:00-15:15	Get to know us Embracing remote clinical education
15:15-15:35	Coffee break



Undercover skills for cardiac surgeons

15:35-16:35	Facing challenges A role-playing game to invite participants to analyse complex patient cases from different angles, as a member of the Heart Team. May the best surgeon win!
16:35-17:35	Managing patient's high expectations Sharing experiences and best practices regarding the management of patients whose expectations are becoming more and more challenging.
17:35-17:40	Take-home message

Group Dinner

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08:30-08:35	Day 2 opening
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The aortic valve

Exploring the different aortic valve treatment options based on their impact on lifetime management, while debating the influence of new surgical approaches on the evolving skills of cardiac surgeons.

08:35-08:50	SAVR vs TAVR: a critical review of major trials and guidelines
08:50-09:05	Minimally invasive approaches for AVR
09:05-09:20	Mechanical or biological valve: key considerations in terms of life time management
09:20-09:30	Why should a surgeon be involved with and perform TAVI procedures?
09:30-09:45	Which options exist for patients with a small aortic annulus?
09:45-10:15	Discussion

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10:15-10:35

Coffee break

10:35-10:45

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The aortic valve & the proximal aorta

Extending the discussion about the treatment of aortic valve disease to the complex management of the proximal aorta

10:45-10:55

Surgical indications for aortic regurgitation and proximal aortic aneurysms

10:55-11:05

Imaging: key points

11:05-11:20

Aortic root replacement with and without aortic valve sparing: techniques and outcomes

11:20-11:30

Aortic valve repair: basic principles and outcomes

11:30-11:40

Minimally invasive surgery for patients with proximal aneurysms

11:40-12:10

Discussion

12:10-13:00

Lunch



Communicating science effectively

13:00-14:00

Writing an effective congress abstract

Critical analysis of a scientific abstract and implementation of key learning elements when writing an abstract from data related to biological valves

14:00-15:00

Practicing oral communication skills

An oral communication workshop to learn how to present efficiently at a scientific congress. Practice on biological valve data.

15:30-15:35

Take-home message

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