



**THE 8TH JOINT CONSENSUS CONFERENCE
OF THE GERMAN ATRIAL FIBRILLATION NETWORK (AFNET)
AND THE EUROPEAN HEART RHYTHM ASSOCIATION (EHRA)**

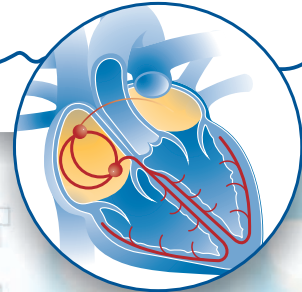


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**EARLY DIAGNOSIS AND PRECISION TREATMENT
OF ATRIAL FIBRILLATION IN THE DIGITAL ERA
12TH-14TH OCTOBER 2021**

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

TUESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER 2021

Arrival

19:30 Welcome dinner at hotel

WEDNESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER 2021

9:00 Welcome from AFNET & EHRA

9:05 Introductory Remarks

AFFECT-EU SESSION  AFFECT-EU

REFINED ATRIAL FIBRILLATION SCREENING

Chair: David Duncker, Hannover, DE

9:15 Implementation of integrated care in AF

| Hein Heidebuchel, Antwerp, BE

9:25 Efficiency of prolonged rhythm monitoring for AF detection

| Jesper Hastrup Svendsen, Copenhagen, DK

9:35 Reducing stroke risk by screening for AF?

| Emma Svennberg, Stockholm, SE

9:45 Reducing stroke risk by screening in stroke survivors? – Results of the MonDAFIS study

| Karl Georg Häusler, Würzburg, DE

9:55 Panel discussion



ADVANCES IN PHENOTYPING OF AF PATIENTS

Chair: Christophe Leclercq, Rennes, FR

10:15 Quantification of atrial myopathy as an indicator of stroke risk and OAC indication

| Jeff Healey, Hamilton, CA

10:25 Artificial intelligence and digital applications to guide diagnosis of AF and its complications

| Stéphane Hatem, Paris, FR

10:35 Feature extraction and new biomarkers for AF

| Winnie Chua, Birmingham, UK

10:45 AF telecare and app-based management

| Dominik Linz, Maastricht, NL

10:55 Panel discussion

11:15 COFFEE BREAK



DZHK SESSION



UNSOLVED ISSUES IN ATRIAL FIBRILLATION TREATMENT

Chair: Stefanie Dimmeler, Frankfurt, DE

11:30 Early rhythm control therapy to improve outcomes in patients with AF (EAST – AFNET 4)?

| John Camm, London, UK

11:40 The RATE-AF trial dispelled preconceptions about the role of digoxin for rate control in patients with permanent atrial fibrillation (AF) and coexisting heart failure

| Dipak Kotecha, Birmingham, UK

11:50 How to maintain cognitive function in AF patients (role of anticoagulation)?

| Lena Rivard, Montreal, CA

12:00 Atrial cardiomyopathy and heart failure to guide rhythm control therapy?

| Andreas Goette, Paderborn, DE

12:10 Panel discussion

12:30 LUNCH

BREAK-OUT-SESSION 1

14:00 Workshops

16:30 COFFEE BREAK

16:45 Report back to plenary

17:45 Summary of day 1

19:00 DINNER

THURSDAY, 14TH OCTOBER 2021

BREAK-OUT-SESSION 2

8:00 Targets for the break-out groups

8:15 Preparing a written summary of the results

10:45 COFFEE BREAK

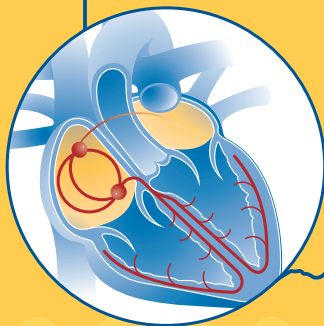
11:00 Final plenary

13:00 LUNCH/ADJOURN OF CONFERENCE

WRITING COMMITTEE ONLY

14:00 Meeting of the Writing Committee

19:30 DINNER (FOR THE WRITING COMMITTEE)



INFORMATION

Venue

Dorint Hotel Hamburg-Eppendorf
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