



Stroke prevention, thromboembolic risk assessment, modification of risk factors, and rhythm control to reduce cardiovascular complications in AF.

The Third Joint Consensus Conference
of the German Atrial Fibrillation Network (AFNET)
and the European Heart Rhythm Association (EHRA)
European Heart House, Sophia Antipolis, France
November 7th-10th, 2010



Preliminary Program

Sunday, November 7th, 2010

Arrival, evening reception (dinner buffet) at hotel

Monday, November 8th, 2010, morning

- 8:30 Welcome
- 8:40 Outcomes in AF – what have we achieved, what can we do better?
- 8:55 Who is really at risk for stroke: A critical look at the 2010 ESC guidelines
- 9:05 Bleeding risk with thromboprophylaxis? Who is at risk?
- 9:15 Mechanisms of intracerebral bleeding – what is known, what should be considered?
- 9:25 What can new antithrombotic compounds deliver in clinical practice
- 9:35 Which management for whom (self-monitoring, new compounds, pharmacogenetics)?
- 9:45 AF is a risk factor for cardiovascular outcomes – insights from registries and trials.

- 9:55 discussion

- 10:20 coffee break

- 10:50 Can image-based assessment of the “AF substrate” help to guide therapy: MRI (scar imaging), echo (volumes), ECG parameters
- 11:00 Different types of AF: Should they impact management?
- 11:10 Do we need novel rate control agents? How should therapy be titrated (resting heart rate, exercise-induced HR changes)?
- 11:20 New devices for the diagnosis and therapy of AF.
- 11:30 Future targets for AF ablation – safety first?
- 11:40 Novel antiarrhythmic drugs: What can we expect?
- 11:50 Patient values and preferences – insights from anticoagulation therapy and antiarrhythmic drug studies.

- 12:10 discussion

- 12:45 lunch



Monday, November 8th, 2010, afternoon

13:45 introduction into the break-out sessions

13:55 break-out sessions:

- i. Impact of patient education, patient values, and preferences on AF management.
- ii. Stroke and bleeding risk in AF revisited
- iii. Novel risk factors for AF and AF-related complications
- iv. Comprehensive stroke risk reduction – a road to improving outcomes in AF
- v. Devices to diagnose and treat AF and interactions of AF with device therapy
- vi. AF as a risk factor – implications for general cardiovascular medicine
- vii. Proposal for AF types that may require specific management

16:15 coffee break

16:30 report of the working groups to the plenary, discussion

19:00 reception at Heart House

19:30 departure to dinner

Tuesday, November 9th, 2010

9:00 summary of the 1st day (plenary)

9:10 break-out sessions part II

12:00 lunch

13:00 report and discussion of the break-out sessions in the plenary

15:00 break-out sessions part III

17:00 final plenary

19:00 departure to dinner

Wednesday, November 10th, 2010

Breakfast, individual departure