

Zurich International Symposium on Arrhythmogenic Cardiomyopathies

26–27 September 2019, Zurich, Switzerland
Hotel Belvoir, Saal Belvoir, Rüschlikon, Switzerland

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Welcome

Dear colleagues,

We cordially welcome you to our 4th International Symposium on Arrhythmogenic Cardiomyopathies in Rüschtlikon, a suburb of the city of Zurich in Switzerland, on 26–27 September 2019.

The goals of this meeting are to review and disseminate the most recent knowledge about advances in prevention, diagnosis and treatment of arrhythmogenic cardiomyopathies. The meeting is a major educational activity of the Zurich Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular Cardiomyopathy (ARVC) Program, which we had established in 2011 at the Cardiac Arrhythmia Service of the University Heart Center in Zurich. The main focus of the Zurich ARVC Program is to create awareness for and to broaden knowledge on this challenging disease. The three Zurich ARVC symposia in the past proved to be a notable success, stimulating the participants, and paving way to the organisation of another symposium at a larger scale as compared with the previous meetings.

A distinguished international teaching faculty from all over the world will contribute to an outstanding program. The meeting intends to provide a platform to share the latest information on this disease and it will allow direct interactions between faculty members and participants with the spirit of a fruitful learning environment combined with a variety of formal and informal events. Also in the setting of this symposium, the Zurich ARVC Research Prizes will be awarded to two scientists for the best recently published research work in basic and clinical sciences in the field of arrhythmogenic cardiomyopathies.

The first day of the symposium (Thursday, September 26) will host state-of-the-art update sessions on the diagnosis and therapy of arrhythmogenic cardiomyopathies. These will be followed by the Award Ceremony of the Zurich ARVC Research Prizes. The second day (Friday, September 27) will be a full day meeting, which will include focused sessions including arrhythmogenic cardiomyopathies from the specialist's perspective, the world of arrhythmogenic cardiomyopathies as well as a wrap-up and guidelines session.

We look very much forward to seeing you in Rüschtlikon and spending a stimulating symposium with you, filled with new insights into arrhythmogenic cardiomyopathies in order to benefit our patients with this challenging disease.

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Program

Thursday, 26 September 2019

- 13:00 h** **Welcome and opening remarks**
Firat Duru, Zurich and Corinna Brunckhorst, Zurich
- Session 1: Update on Diagnosis of ACM**
Chairs: Frank Marcus, Tucson and Domenico Corrado, Padova
- 13:20 h** **Current challenges in the diagnosis of ACM**
Richard Hauer, Utrecht
- 13:45 h** **Differential diagnosis of phenotypic variants of ACM**
Hugh Calkins, Baltimore
- 14:10 h** **The role of imaging in the diagnosis of ACM**
Perry Elliott, London
- 14:35 h** **Genetic testing for the diagnosis and risk stratification of ACM**
Peter van Tintelen, Amsterdam
- 15:00 h** **Coffee break**
- Session 2: Update on Therapy of ACM**
Chairs: Hugh Calkins, Baltimore and Perry Elliott, London
- 15:30 h** **The role of medical therapy in ACM**
Larissa Fabritz, Birmingham
- 15:55 h** **The role of ICD and catheter ablation in ACM**
Harikrishna Tandri, Baltimore
- 16:20 h** **Measures to prevent disease progression –
The impact of sports activity on ACM**
Domenico Corrado, Italy
- 16:45 h** **How to approach heart failure in ACM**
Frank Ruschitzka, Zurich
- Session 3: Award Ceremony – Zurich ARVC Research Prize**
- 17:10 h** **Musical opening – Musici Volanti**
Zurich ARVC Research Prize:
- Zurich ARVC Research Prize in Basic Sciences
Presentation of the Awardee
TBD
 - Zurich ARVC Research Prize in Clinical Sciences
Presentation of the Awardee
TBD
- 18:15 h** **Cocktail**

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Friday, 27 September 2019

Session 4: ACM from the specialist's perspective

Chairs: Christopher Semsarian, Sydney and Hugh Calkins, Baltimore

- 08:30 h** **The story of ACM starts in the desmosomes –
The molecular scientist's perspective (1)**
Mario Delmar, New York
- 08:55 h** **The role of inflammation in ACM – The molecular scientist's perspective (2)**
Jeffrey Saffitz, Boston
- 09:20 h** **Update on iPSC research in ACM – The stem cell researcher's perspective**
Vincent Chen, Indianapolis
- 09:45 h** **Novel biomarkers in ACM – ready for prime time? –
The pediatrician's perspective**
Robert Hamilton, Toronto
- 10:10 h** **Break**
- 10:40 h** **It is all in the genes – The geneticist's perspective**
Daniel Judge, Charleston
- 11:05 h** **Studying ACM under microscope – The pathologist's perspective**
Cristina Basso, Padova
- 11:30 h** **Common disease of the heart and skin – The skin scientist's perspective**
David Kelsell, London
- 11:55 h** **The role of smear test in early diagnosis – A translational perspective**
Angeliki Asimakaki, London
- 12:20 h** **Lunch**

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Friday, 27 September 2019

Session 5: The World of ACM

Chairs: Adalena Tsatsopoulou, Naxos and Richard Hauer, Utrecht

- 13:20 h** **From the island of Naxos where it all started – The Greek experience**
Alexandros Protonotarios, London
- 13:40 h** **Predicting arrhythmic risk in ACM – The Dutch experience**
Anneline te Riele, Utrecht
- 14:00 h** **Life-threatening arrhythmias in ACM without overt clinical disease – The Australian experience**
Christopher Semsarian, Sydney
- 14:20 h** **Predictors of outcome in the Nordic ARVC Registry – The Scandinavian experience**
Pyotr Platonov, Lund
- 14:40 h** **Genotype-phenotype correlations in ACM – The Chinese experience**
Jiangping Song, Beijing
- 15:00 h** **Challenges and achievements after 20 years of a large registry – The North American experience**
Cynthia James, Baltimore
- 15:20 h** **An update from the Zurich ARVC Program – The Swiss experience**
Ardan Saguner, Zurich and Deniz Akdis, Zurich
- 15:40 h** **Break**
- 16:10 h** **Session 6: Meeting Wrap-up and Guidelines Session:**
Round table discussion with all faculty
- 18:00 h** **Adjourn**

Faculty

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General Information

Accreditation

The Symposium is recognised by the following medical societies as accredited continuing education:

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- Swiss Society of General Internal Medicine
- (6.5 CME Credits category 1A)

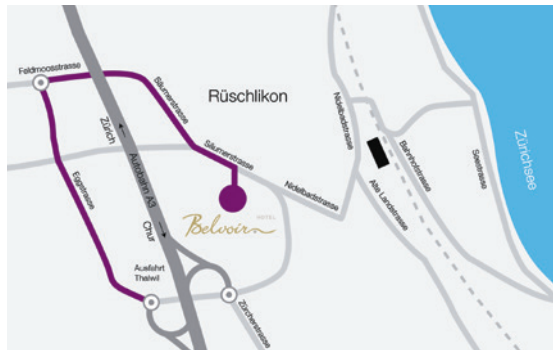
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Venue and Travel Information

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Travel by car

Take freeway A3 from the center of Zurich in the direction of Chur, exit Thalwil/Rüschlikon. Then take the 2nd exit at the traffic circle and the first exit at the following circle. Follow the Feldmoos Street and after 500 m turn right into the Säumer Street.

Travel by public transportation

Take the S-Bahn train (S8) at the Zurich main train station to Rüschlikon train station. There change to bus 164 and get off at the bus stop «Belvoir».

Travel from the airport

Take the Intercity train to the Zurich main train station, change to S-train (S8 or S24) to Rueschlikon train station, from there with bus 165 to the bus stop «Belvoir».

General Information

Registration

Registrations have to be submitted online: www.usz.ch/kardiofortbildungen

Congress Fee	Prepayment	On Site Payment (cash only)
- Full Congress Fee		
Regular fee	CHF 250.–	CHF 270.–
Physicians in training/Nurses	CHF 140.–	CHF 160.–
- Day Tickets regular		
Thursday, 26 September 2019	CHF 100.–	CHF 120.–
Friday, 27 September 2019	CHF 180.–	CHF 200.–
- Day Tickets Physicians in training/Nurses		
Thursday, 26 September 2019	CHF 60.–	CHF 80.–
Friday, 27 September 2019	CHF 100.–	CHF 120.–

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