



New Europe, New Perspectives for Atrial Fibrillation Therapy

Warsaw, Poland

19-20 April 2007

# Perspectives

## FINAL PROGRAMME

Thursday, April 19

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10.00-10.30 **Welcoming late breakfast**

10.30-10.45 **Conference Opening**

*prof. Kazimierz B Suwalski, MD PhD*

*prof. Leszek Paczek, MD PhD, Rector of the Medical University of Warsaw*

10.45-11.15 **Inauguration Lecture**

*prof. FW Mohr, MD PhD*

11.15-13.10 **Session I – Patients with concomitant atrial fibrillation**

**Moderators:** *F Mohr, MD PhD, K Khargi, MD PhD, U von Oppell, MD PhD*

**Live surgery transmission**

**Minimally invasive endocardial cryoablation for lone permanent AF**

**N Doll, MD PhD**

11.15-11.35 **What is atrial fibrillation?**

*G Hindricks, MD PhD*

11.35-11.55 **Surgical treatment of concomitant atrial fibrillation – yesterday, today and tomorrow**

*U von Oppell, MD PhD*

11.55-12.15 **Surgical experience with the surgical treatment of atrial fibrillation concomitant to mitral valve disease**

*H Sie, MD PhD*

12.15-12.35 **Beating heart ablation for atrial fibrillation**

*P Suwalski, MD*

12.35-12.55 **Left atrial or biatrial lesions and other controversies in the surgical treatment of atrial fibrillation**

*K Khargi, MD PhD*

**Panel discussion (15 min.)**

13.10-13.55 **Lunch and coffee break**

**Wet Lab Hands-On & Exhibits Open**

13.55-15.50 **Session II – Patients with lone atrial fibrillation**  
Moderators: *A Revishvili, MD PhD, HT Sie, MD PhD, P Suwalski, MD*

**Film presentation: Minimally invasive endoscopic pulmonary vein isolation using irrigated bipolar radiofrequency and Navigator System for lone paroxysmal AF**  
**Piotr Suwalski, MD (approx. 20 min.)**

15.55-16.10 **Lone AF in the hands of an EP – methods, results and perspectives**  
*G Hindricks, MD PhD*

16.10-16.25 **Stand alone intermittent AF – minimally invasive off-pump epicardial ablation**  
*H Sie, MD PhD*

16.25-16.40 **Stand alone permanent AF – minimally invasive endocardial ablation. Role and surgical possibilities of autonomic ganglia ablation**  
*N Doll, MD PhD*

16.40-16.55 **Department of Cardiac Arrhythmia**  
**Catheter and surgical ablation of atrial fibrillation – single centre experience**  
*L Bokeria, MD PhD, A Revishvili, MD PhD*

15.55 **Panel discussion (15 min.)**  
**Adjourn**

17.00 **“I’m in sinus” Run – jogging in “Pola Mokotowskie” Park (directly after the session)**

20.00 **Dinner, concert and beer tasting in a local brewery**

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## Friday, April 20

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8.50-9.00 **Good Morning Coffee**  
**Wet Lab Hands-On & Exhibits Open**

9.00-10.30 **Open session: Forum of the multicentre experience of AF Surgical Ablation: “Ablative Round Table” – plenary oral presentations session part 1**  
Moderators: *A Biederman, MD PhD, M Zembala, MD PhD, KB Suwalski, MD PhD*

9.00-9.20 **Invited Lecture**  
**Surgical ablation of atrial fibrillation in the East – achievements and challenges of today and tomorrow**  
*Toomas Andres Sulling, MD PhD*  
*Estonian Heart Centre, Tallinn, Estonia*

**approx. 9.30 Live surgery**

**Beating heart off-pump coronary artery revascularization with pulmonary vein isolation**  
**Piotr Suwalski, MD**

9.40-9.50 **Surgical radiofrequency ablation in patients with chronic atrial fibrillation. Short- and mid-term results. Our experience**  
*M Guzy, MD, M Krejca, MD PhD, L Goliszek, MD, A Duratek, MD, J Skarysz, MD, A Bochenek, MD PhD*  
*1<sup>st</sup> Department of Cardiac Surgery – Silesian University of Medicine in Katowice, Katowice, Poland*

9.50-10.00 **Surgical ablation of the substrate of atrial fibrillation in the surgical treatment of arrhythmia**  
*W Samowski, MD, B Perek, MD, W Stachowiak, MD, P Buczkowski, MD, T Urbanowicz, MD,*  
*L Paluszkiwicz, MD, S Katarzyński, MD, J Tomczyk, MD, E Yamacho, MD, M Jemielity, MD PhD*  
*Department of Cardiac Surgery, Poznań University of Medical Sciences, Poznań, Poland*

10.00-10.10 **Early results of unipolar RF ablation for atrial fibrillation in patients with heart valve disease**  
*K Widenka, MD PhD*  
*Department of Cardiac Surgery, County Hospital, Rzeszów, Poland*

10.10-10.20 **Early results of radiofrequency ablation of the left atrium using the COBRA system in own material of the Department of Cardiac Surgery in Białystok**  
*K Matlak, MD, T Hirnle, MD PhD, P Oleszka, MD, M Frank, MD, R Trzeciński, MD, A Adamczuk, MD,*  
*S Nadlewski, MD, W Janiszewski, MD*  
*Department of Cardiac Surgery, Medical University of Białystok, Białystok, Poland*

- 10.20-10.30 **Observational study of patients with atrial fibrillation undergoing modified Maze procedure using an irrigated radiofrequency system**  
*T Romaniuk, MD, M Bokszański, MD, W Pawliszak, MD, M Ruchalski, MD, P Kuliński, MD, A Gniłka, MD, L Anisimowicz, MD PhD*  
*Cardiac Surgery Department, Collegium Medicum in Bydgoszcz, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Bydgoszcz, Poland*
- 10.30-10.40 **Totally endoscopic ablation of atrial fibrillation**  
*T Hrapkowicz, MD, M Zembala, MD PhD*  
*Silesian Centre for Heart Diseases, Department and Chair of Cardiac Surgery and Transplantology, Zabrze, Poland*
- 10.40-10.50 **Discussion**
- 10.50-11.10 **Coffee break**
- 11.10-12.20 **Open session: Forum of the multicentre experience of AF Surgical Ablation: “Ablative Round Table” – plenary oral presentations session part 2**
- 11.20-11.30 **Intraoperative ablation of atrial fibrillation – our initial experience**  
*Ł Tutecki, MD, Sz Pawlak, MD, T Gburek, MD*  
*Department of Cardiac Surgery, Pope John Paul II Public Hospital in Zamość, Poland*
- 11.30-11.40 **Assessment of early and mid-term results of surgical treatment of atrial fibrillation in the cardiac surgery department of Pomeranian Medical University**  
*P Sielicki, MD, K Mokrzycki, MD, A Żych, MD, K Filipiak, MD PhD, M Brykczyński, MD PhD*  
*Cardiac Surgery Department of Pomeranian Medical University, Szczecin, Poland*
- 11.10-11.20 **Minimally invasive mitral valve surgery combined with ablation of atrial fibrillation**  
*R Bachowski, MD PhD, R Mrozek, MD, S Woś, MD PhD*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Department of Cardiac Surgery – Silesian University of Medicine in Katowice, Katowice, Poland*
- 11.40-11.50 **High frequency ablation in patients with permanent atrial fibrillation and concomitant mitral valve operation – early results**  
*T Myrdko, MD, M Śnieżek-Maciejewska, MD, P Rudziński, MD, J Majewski, MD, J Sadowski, MD PhD*  
*Department of Cardiovascular Surgery and Transplantology, Jagiellonian University, Cracow, Poland*
- 11.50-12.00 **Surgical ablation using the Estech Cobra system in patients with permanent atrial fibrillation treated due to mitral valve disease**  
*K Bartczak, MD, M Banach, MD, R Jaszewski, MD PhD*  
*Department of Cardiac Surgery, Medical University of Łódź, Poland*
- 12.10-12.20 **Radiofrequency ablation for isolation of pulmonary veins as a method of treating atrial fibrillation during mitral valve replacement**  
*M Grabowski, MD, T Sitko, MD, J Stępińska, MD PhD, T Hryniewiecki, MD PhD, F Walczak, MD PhD, B Kuśmierczyk, MD, E Michalak, MD*  
*1<sup>st</sup> Department of Cardiac Surgery, Institute of Cardiology, Warsaw, Poland*
- 12.20-12.30 **Ablation as a valuable supplementation of mitral valve operations – in our material**  
*C Jurko, MD, E Krawczyk, MD, J Stążka, MD PhD*  
*Department of Cardiac Surgery, Medical University of Lublin, Poland*
- 12.30-12.40 **Warsaw Algorithm – the use of different surgical techniques of ablation to cover the whole spectrum of patients with concomitant and lone atrial fibrillation**  
*P Suwalski, MD, G Suwalski, MD, Janusz Kochanowski, MD, P Scisto, MD, F Majstrak, MD, R Wilimski, MD, E Welk, MD, J Smolarska-Świtaj, MD, Anna Ogińska-Praska, MD, Kazimierz B Suwalski, MD PhD*  
*Department of Cardiac Surgery, Medical University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland*
- 12.40-13.00 **Discussion**
- 13.00-13.10 **Closing remarks**
- 13.10 **Adjourn**