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- Best expertise: More than 80 Speakers from 27 Countries (20 European, ARG, AU, CA, IRN, SNG, SGP, USA)
- A Session Co-sponsored by the World Health Organization
- Joint Sessions with SVM, EAS, ESM, ESL, ESO, ISL and more
- 15 Multidisciplinary Sessions
- 3 Lectures
- Workshops
- Selected Oral Abstract Session*
- Parallel Poster Session* (* with ISN Publication)
- 3rd VAS International Prof Gustav Born's Honorary Award for Research in Vascular Medicine
- 3rd VAS International Prof Hans Klaus Breddin's Honorary Award for Education in Vascular Medicine
- VAS European Awards (VAS Academy)



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1st December FRIDAY

3.00-9.05 pm CET

Opening EADays

3.00 PM CET

Opening Remarks

3.00 -3.30 PM CET

1-VAS President Opening Remarks

Mariella Catalano IT

Chairperson: Dusan Suput SL

1-Session

3.30-5.15 PM CET

Session Co-sponsored by the World Health Organization

Equity in prevention, early diagnosis, and access to treatment for vascular disease: first focus on PAD

Chairpersons: Sasha Marschang BE- Gerit Schernthaner AT

1-The Problem definition or Key points - **Mariella Catalano**

2-Situating vascular disease prevention in the work of WHO-Europe: applicable policy framework, country actions, gaps, opportunities - **Jill Farrington, Regional WHO-EU - Medical Officer, CVD and Diabetes, WHO Regional Office for Europe**

3-The principle of equity in disease prevention: why is it relevant to preventing vascular disease /PAD? **Jonathan Golledge AU**

4-Defining a minimum standard for early diagnosis of PAD: barriers to scaling up best practices? - **Gerit Schernthaner AT**

Moderated discussion addressing questions

Conclusions & next steps: what more is needed? - **Sasha Marschang BE and Mariella Catalano IT**

2 - Session

5.15-6.30 PM CET

Joint Session ESO and VAS

Silent CVD: to prevent stroke

Chairpersons: Gian Marco De Marchis CH- Peter Marschand IT

1-Silent Brain Infarction and Risk of Future Stroke - **Gian Marco De Marchis CH**

2-"Covert" cerebral small vessel disease (ccSVD) - **Saima Hilal SGP**

3-Cognitive and neuropsychiatric symptoms in ccSVD - **Hanna Jokinen FI**

4-Primary prevention and future directions - **Marialuisa Zedde IT**

Discussion

1st- Lecture

6.40-7.15 PM CET

Transcriptional Mapping and site-specific Atherosclerotic Plaque Rupture Isabel Gonçalves SE

Discussant: Chiara Giannarelli USA

Chairperson: Pavel Poredos SL



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3 - Session

7.15 - 8.35 PM CET

Aspirin and cancer, a platelet liaison?

Chairpersons: Ruth Langley UK - Carlo Patrono IT

1-An epidemiological perspective on aspirin and cancer - **Luis García Rodríguez ES**

2-Evidence for platelet inhibition as an important mechanism explaining the chemo preventive effect of aspirin - **Paola Patrignani IT**

3-Platelet activation and inhibition in cancer patients - **Bianca Rocca IT**

4-Clinical trials to evaluate aspirin in the prevention of metastases - **Ruth Langley UK**

Discussion

3rd VAS International Honorary Prof. Born and Prof Breddin Awards

8.35-9.05 PM CET

The International Awards Scientific Boards Chairperson: Paolo Gresele IT- Mauro Peretti UK

•Prof Born's Award "Research Angiology/Vascular Medicine" (*Endorsed by the WHRI-London*)

•Prof Breddin's Award "Education in Angiology/Vascular Medicine"

2nd December SATURDAY

8.00-1.40 pm CET and 2.00-7.30 PM CET

4-Session

8.00-9.10 AM CET

Joint Session VAS and ESM (European Society Microcirculation)

Microcirculation: Large vessels and microcirculation links in metabolic syndrome

Chairpersons: Michael Gschwandtner AT - Boy Houben NL

1-Micro and macro interrelationships: key points **Stéphane Laurent FR**

2-..in Hypertension **Agabiti Rosei-Carolina De Ciuceis IT**

3-..in Diabetes **Boy Houben NL**

4-(Dys)regulation of adipose tissue blood flow in obesity **Gijs Goossens NL**

Discussion

2nd - LECTURE

9.10-9.30 PM CET

Vascular permeability and its regulation

Lena Classon-Welsh SE

Chairpersons: Jeanette Mayer IT- Muriel Sprynger BE



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5- Session

9.30-10.50 AM CET

Joint Session VAS- EAS

Arterial Calcification

Chairpersons: Alberto Zambon IT - Renata Cifkova CZ

1-Pathobiology of Arterial calcification: Interaction with Atherosclerosis - **Cathy M Shanahan UK**

2-Epidemiology and clinical relevance - **Martin Bodtker Mortensen DK**

3-Medial Arterial Calcification: clinical impact on peripheral arteries - **Peter Lanzer DE**

4-Diabetes and Arterial Calcifications - **Michael Edmonds UK**

Discussion

6- Session

10.50-12.00 PM CET

Changes in systemic vasculitis. Role of new therapies

Chairpersons: Debora Karetova CZ - Dario Roccatello IT

1-Global epidemiology of vasculitis - **Richard A Watts UK**

Vasculitis up-dated classification - **Allyson Egan UK**

2-New therapeutic approach - **Dario Roccatello IT**

Discussion

7-Session

12.00 -1.00 PM CET

My difficult, unsolved Clinical Cases

Joint Session VAS-ISL-ESL

Chairpersons: Francesco Boccardo IT- Mariella Catalano IT- Marlys Witte USA- Evangelos

Dimakakos GR

Clinical Study 1: **Marina Cestari (Italy)**

Clinical Study 2: **Amer Hamadè (France)**

Clinical Study 3: **Miguel Amore (Argentina)**

Clinical Study 4: **Pinar Borman (Turkey)**

Discussants: Sandro Michelini IT, Alexander Pissas FR-Andrzej Szuba PL-Zsolt Pecsvarady HU

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[Indication for Poster viewing - Session Open \(link\)](#)

Break 1.00 -2.00 PM



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8-Session

2.00-4.00 PM CET

Joint Session VAS EU-SVM USA

PAD: Watch out for the Kidneys too

Chairpersons: Kamal Gupta USA-SVM- Gerit Schernthaner EU-VAS

1-Coexisting PAD and Reno-Vascular Disease: Epidemiology and Mechanisms - **Endre Kolossvary HU-EU**

2-Impact and Challenges of Hypertension Management in PAD and Reno-Vascular diseases - **Jonas Spaak SE-EU**

3-Coexisting PAD and CKD/ESRD: Epidemiology and Mechanisms - **Sneha Thomas USA**

4-Role of Diabetes Management in PAD and CKD/ESRD - **Gerit Schernthaner AT-EU**

5-Challenges of Investigation and Intervention in PAD with CKD/ESRD - **Manjunath Raju USA**

6-Life and Limb Outcomes in PAD with CKD/ESRD - **Kamal Gupta USA**

Discussion

9- Session

4.00-5.30 PM CET

Vascular disease in children

Chairpersons: Marc Righini CH -Evangelos Dimakakos GR- Mikka Vikkula BE

1-Risk factors for atherosclerosis: an emerging paediatric priority - **Henk S Schipper NL**

2-DVT and outcomes in children - **Leonardo R. Branda CA**

3-Lymphedema and its fate - **Pinar Borman TK**

4-More common vascular malformations: make a diagnosis - **Mikka Vikkula BE**

5-PAD in children with nephrotic syndrome or Diabetes1 - **Gbenga Akinyosoye NGA**

6-Vascular health determinants in children - **Maximilian Dettenhofer DE**

Discussion

10- Workshop

5.30-6.30 PM CET

VAS European Education programs

Chairpersons: Katalin Farkas HU-Ales Blinc SL- JClaude Wautrecht BE

1-New 2024 Edition European Master in Angiology/Vascular Medicine **Mariella Catalano IT**

2-European Book in Angiology/Vascular Medicine-An International Expert Guide New Edition **VAS Editors**

3-European Ultrasound Vascular Course now active among the VAS Courses **Ales Blinc SL-Peter**

Marschang IT- Boris Brkljacic HR- Christian Schaefer DE

4-VAS Collection in Vascular Medicine JCM **Aaron Liew IRL**

5- Summary of the VAS last Publications **Katalin Farkas HU**



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11-Session

6.30-7.15 PM CET

Joint Session International Consortium

Joint Education Programs

Chairpersons: Agata Stanek PL- Paul Wennberg USA- tbc

1-International Atlas on Clinical Cases on behalf of VAS-SVM- ISL-ESL-ESO-VASCA
Discussion

-Poster Viewing and Discussion (link)

7.15-7.45 PM CET

Poster session open from 1.00 am to 7.30 pm CET in a parallel room (link)

3rd December SUNDAY

8.00am-1.40 pm CET

12 - Session

8-9.00 AM CET

Selected Abstracts Session

Chairperson: Peter Marschang AT -Zsolt Pecsvarady HU-Majda Vrkic HR

Evaluation of thermovision and planimetry in the assessment of the effects of hyperbaric oxygen therapy and Oxybaria S in the treatment of hard-to-heal wounds

Beata Englisz-Jurgielewicz, Teresa Kasprzyk-Kucewicz, Agnieszka Kielboń, Armand Cholewka, Agata Stanek PL

Polygenic Risk Scores (PRS) Utilization into Predicting Risk of Cancer-Associated Thrombosis among Lung Cancer Patients

Adeeb Sebai, MD, Zhuqing Shi, PhD, We Jun, PhD, and Huy Tran, MS, S. Lilly Zheng, MD, Seth Krantz, MD,

Jianfeng Xu, DrPH, Alfonso Tafur, MD- USA



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Comparison of different D-dimer assays to exclude pulmonary embolism using the age-adjusted D-dimer cutoff: a secondary analysis of the ADJUST-PE study

Helia Robert-Ebadi, Christophe Combescure, Oana Bulla, Marc Righini, Pierre Fontana- CH

Vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome – case series

Majda Vrkić Kirhmajer, Andrea Crkvenac Gregorek, Sanda Huljev Frković - HR

Laser crossectomy – 15 years experience

Bihari I, Bihari A, Ayoub G - HU

Predictive value of target organ damage in assessing the risk of acute coronary syndrome in patients with arterial hypertension.

Wojciech Myslinski, Agata Stanek, Marcin Feldo, Jerzy Mosiewicz -PL

C-Poster Session

[Poster viewing continue in a parallel room \(link\)](#)

13- Session

9.00-10.20 PM CET

Challenges in the prevention and treatment of venous thrombembolism

Chairpersons: Grigoris Gerotziafas FR -Matija Kozak SL- Michael Lichtemberg DE

1-Antiphospholipid syndrome Diagnostic and Therapeutic Challenges - **Elmina Lefkou GR**

2-Recommendations for Cancer Associated thrombosis - **Grigoris Gerotziafas FR**

3-Facing the risk of VTE in women undergoing assisted reproductive techniques - **Darko Antic SB**

4-Endovascular treatment of acute pulmonary embolism - **Stefano Barco CH**

Discussion



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3rd- LECTURE

10.20-11.00 AM CET

Pelvic Venous Congestion: overview and new therapies - Michael Lichtenberg DE

(open to questions)

Chairpersons: Spyros Vasdekis GR

14- Session

11.00-12.00 PM CET

VAS Young Session

Chairpersons: Chris Manu UK - Urska Bregar SL

1-Anonymous survey of working conditions of clinicians within Angiology/Vascular Medicine: **Urska Bregar, Chris Manu, Alexandra Girbea**

2-Diagnostic and therapeutic difficulties of a peripheral micro-embolization case: **Dora Pecsvarady**

3-Non-vascular origin of painful arterial spasm: case report of nervous complication caused from a treated popliteal aneurysm: **Barbara Borea**

Discussion

15-Session 12.00-1.00 PM CET

Thrombotic Microangiopathy

Chairpersons: Martin Bommer DE - Savino Sciascia IT

1-Epidemiology and Pathophysiology **Savino Sciascia IT**

2-Distribution and outcomes **Jean-François Augusto FR**

3-Diagnosis and therapy **Martin Bommer DE**

Discussion

Education Awards -VAS International Academy:

1.00-1.20 PM CET

Chairpersons: VAS Board

- New International Academy and EU Teaching Panel Members
- VAS Referee Centres of Excellence
- European Postgraduate Course-European Master
- VAS European Fellowships of Excellence (VAS-EFE)
- VAS European Training Fellowship (VAS-ETF)

Closing Remarks and change of Presidency

1.20 - 1.40 pm CET

Poster session open from 8.00 am to 1.40 pm CET in a parallel room ([link](#))

VAS Board M. Catalano IT- M.P. Colgan IRL- E. Dimakakos GR- K. Farkas HU- B. Fazeli IRN- FGR.Fowkes UK-G. Gerotziafas FR- P.Klein- Weigel DE- M.Kozak SL- A.Liew IRL- P. Marschang AT- Z. Pecsvarady HU- S. Pillon-IT- M. Prior IT- G. Scherthaner, M. Sprynger BE- A. Stanek PL- J.C Wautrecht BE
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