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MISSION
Venice Interventional Cardiology (VIC) is the first edition of a meeting organized to bring together the knowledges of best Italian, European and International Experts in the field of Endovascular treatment and to focus on all the emergent interventional techniques and the new promising devices.

This year VIC will be focused on Heart and Brain Endovascular Therapy, with the intention to share with Interventional Cardiologist and Neurologists the know how that changed the way to treat medical conditions once requiring invasive surgery in a multidisciplinary point of view.

AUSPICES
**Scientific Program**

**THURSDAY, 15 MAY**

14:00 Opening Ceremony

14:30 Authority Greetings

15:00-16:00 **Session 1:**
*Best treatment of Extracranial Carotid Lesions*
Chairmen: E. Cagliari (Mestre), F. Grego (Padua)

- Carotid imaging - C. Bortoluzzi (Venice)
- Trials, guidelines and new prospective for carotid treatment - C. Cernetti (Castelfranco Veneto)
- Endovascular treatment results and new technologies - A. Cremonesi (Cotignola)
- Endoarterectomy results and new techniques - F. Grego (Padua)

Discussion

16:30-17:30 **Session 2:**
*Best treatment of Intracranial Vascular Lesions*
Chairmen: I. Linfante (Miami), F. Paladin (Venice)

- Diagnostic imaging: when and to whom? - P. Sartori (Venice)
- Clinical management - C. Baracchini (Padua)
- Neurointerventional radiology: point of view - E. Cagliari (Mestre)
- Neurosurgeon: point view - F. Guida (Mestre)

Discussion

17:30-18:00 Coffee & Tea Break

18:00-19:00 **Session 3:**
*Vascular and Brain Connection*
Chairmen: A. Cremonesi (Cotignola), G.B Isabella (Padua)

- Diagnostic detection of aortic arch disease - R. Ragazzi (Mestre)
- Which role play the aortic arch and the vertebral arteries as sources of cerebral ischemia? - D. Mangino (Mestre)
- Cerebral protection during cardiac surgery - E. Polesel (Treviso)
- Cerebral injury during TAVI - G.B. Isabella (Padua)

Discussion

19:15-19:45
**Plenary lecture**
*Endovascular approaches to ischemic stroke* - I. Linfante (Miami)
**FRIDAY, 16 MAY**

8:30-10:30  **Session 4:**  
**Target Stroke**  
Chairmen:  
C. Baracchini (Padua), I. Linfante (Miami),  
G. Pasquetto (Este)

- Management and treatment of patients with TIA/Stroke in the Stroke Unit Era - F. Paladin (Venice)  
- Hypothermia: saving millions of neurons by the minute - P. Caputo (Mestre)  
- Basilar artery occlusion: decision making on thrombolytic therapy or thrombectomy? - E. Caglioni (Mestre)  
- Update on recent acute stroke trials and future direction - A. Critelli (Mestre)  
- Septic embolic stroke. - E. Raise (Venice)

Discussion  

13:00-14:30  Lunch Break

15:00-16:30  **Session 6:**  
**NAO**  
Chairmen:  
A. Bonanome (Venice), Z. Olivari (Treviso),  
F. Ribichini (Verona)

- Prevention of Stroke due to A-Fib in the Age of Newer Oral Anticoagulant: balancing efficacy and bleeding risk. - F. Di Pede (Portogruaro)  
- AF ablation in NOA era: is now available? - A. Bonso (Feltre)  
- Stroke: is this the future indication of NOA? - M. Bottero (Venice)  
- Acute coronary and neurologic syndrome. Classification and treatment - F. Ribichini (Verona)

Discussion

10:00-10:30  Coffee & Tea Break

10:30-12:30  **Session 5:**  
**LAA occlusion**  
Chairmen:  
F. Di Pede (Portogruaro), G. Tarantini (Padua),  
A. Tzikas (Atene)

- Transeptal puncture: step by step and advanced tricks and tips - A. Ramondo (Bassano)  
- How to select patients for the Watchman and tricks and tips - S. Saccà (Mirano)  
- How to select patients for the Amplatzer Cardiac Plug and tricks and tips - G. Molon (Negrar)

Discussion

16:30-17:00  Coffee & Tea Break

17:00-17:30  **Plenary lecture**  
NAO e Dicumarolici a confronto - V. Pengo (Padua)
**SUNDAY, 17 MAY**

8:30-9:45  **Session 7:**  
**Patent foramen ovale closure**  
Chairmen: S. Berti (Massa), R. Quatrale (Mestre), S. Saccà (Mirano)

- The role of atrial septal abnormalities in cryptogenic stroke - E. Franceschini (Belluno)
- Role of cardiac imaging in selecting and guiding the PFO/ASD closure - F. Rigo (Mestre)
- Currently available clinical data on migraine and PFO closure - F. Mainardi (Venice)
- PFO trials CLOSURE I, PC and RESPECT: Is closure of patent foramen ovale to prevent ischemic stroke ever justified? - L. Pedon (Cittadella)
- PFO closure device: different results with different devices? - G. Rigatelli (Rovigo)

Discussion

9:45-10:00  Coffee & Tea Break

10:00-12:30  **Session 8:**  
**New horizons in complex patients**  
Chairmen: F. Grego (Padua), I. Linfante (Miami)

10:30-11:00  **Plenary Lecture**  
**Unstable carotid plaque**  
A. Angelini (Padua)

- Incidence of asymptomatic A-Fib detected by implantable loop recorders in unexplained stroke - M. Bertaglia (Padua)
- Complex cases of extracranial carotid lesions - L. Favero (Castelfranco Veneto)
- Complex cases of intracranial vascular lesions - E. Cagliari (Mestre)
- Complex cases of TAVI - B. Reimers (Mirano)
- Complex cases of LAA - F. Caprioglio (Mestre)
- Complex cases of PFO - S. Saccà (Mirano)
- Management of SCA and recent stroke - G. Pasquetto (Este)

Discussion
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FRIDAY, 16 MAY

9:00 - 10:00  St. Jude Medical Satellite Symposium:
LAA occlusion
Chairmen:
G. Molon (Negrar), A. Ramondo (Bassano)
Amplatz Cardiac Plug for all anatomies -
G. Tarantini (Padua)
LAA closure step by step - S. Berti (Massa)
Next generation device for LAA closure: the
Amplatz Amulet - A. Tzikas (Athens)

12:00 - 13:00  Rivaroxaban Symposium
Chairman:  V. Pengo (Padua)
Rivaroxaban: From Trials to Clinical Practice- S.
Themistoklakis (Mestre)
The management of Rivaroxaban: open issues
in the real world - G. Barillari (Udine)
Discussion

14:30 - 16:00  Boston Satellite Symposium
Latest insights on the Left Atrial Appendage
Closure Therapy
Chairman:  A. Ramondo (Bassano)
Introduction - A. Ramondo (Bassano)
Latest Clinical Evidence: from PROTECT-AF to
PREVAIL - S. Möbius-Winkler (Weissenfels)
How to select patients: the importance of team
approach - A. Adami (Negrar)
How to implant a Watchman device and real
life experience in Negrar (Verona) -
G. Canali (Negrar)
What’s next with Watchman? Product and
clinical program - S. Möbius-Winkler (Weissenfels)
Discussion and Conclusion -
A. Ramondo (Bassano)
**General Information**

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The official languages are Italian and English, no translation will be provided.

**CME**
The congress was included in the Continuing Medical Education National Programme of the Italian Ministry of Health (accreditation 1783-92182) for the following disciplinary areas:

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www.veniceinterventionalcardiology.com  
or  www.adriacongrex.it/VIC

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- Access to the exhibition area
- Congress kit
- Participation certificate / CME certificate
- Coffee breaks, box lunch, cocktail
- On-site assistance

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The itinerary takes ca. 30 minutes. Once at the “Accademia” stop, walk on the left on the bridge of the same name to cross over Canal Grande, the garden in front of you is the one in Palazzo Franchetti.
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