

Innovations and New Treatment Strategies in Heart Failure

9th Brano Heart Failure Forum, September 14th - 17th, 2016
Ljubljana, Slovenia

Wednesday	September 14th	Pre-meeting Symposium	
Session 1	Pre-meeting Symposium for Nurses and Perfusionists Panel: I. Gregoric, T. Myers, R. Radovancevic, V. Andročec, L. Damme	White Hall	15.30-16.30
15.30-15.40	TandemHeart as Bailout Therapy	I. Banjac	Houston, USA
15.40-15.50	Flow Dynamic Concepts in ECMO: Implications on Management	K. Patel	Houston, USA
15.50-16.00	Methylene Blue Uses in CPB and ECMO	M. Ropp	Houston, USA
16.00-16.10	The Day We Saved Two Lives – Spontaneous Delivery While Mother was still on ECMO	D. Čerpnjak	Ljubljana, SI
16.10-16.20	Switch from Short-Term to Long-Term MCS as a Bridge to Heart Transplantation	M. Halbe	Zurich, SUI
16.20-16.30	Discussion		
16.30-17.00	Coffee Break		
Session 2	Pre-meeting Symposium for Nurses and Perfusionists Panel: K. Nelson, I. Banjac, M. Clark, P. Odegaard	White Hall	17.00-18.15
17.00-17.10	Coordinating Heart Failure, Mechanical Support, and Heart Transplantation Patients	V. Andročec	Ljubljana, SI
17.10-17.20	The Spectrum of Complications Following Left Ventricular Assist Device Placement	R. Mrkonjič	Zagreb, CRO
17.20-17.30	Detection and Management of VAD Thrombosis	T. Schlöglhofer	Vienna, AUT
17.30-17.40	The VAD Patient and Social Media	D. Christensen	Philadelphia, USA
17.40-17.50	The Utility of Frequency Analysis of Sounds Produced by LVADs to Detect Pump Thrombosis	S. Klešnik	Houston, USA
17.50-18.00	Total Artificial Heart: Current Status	R. Novak	Ljubljana, SI
18.00-18.15	Discussion		
Thursday	September 15th	Morning Sessions	
8.30-8.45	Meeting Opening	Grand Hall	
Session 3	Plenary Session Panel: I. Gregoric, R. Radovancevic, B. Vrtovec	Grand Hall	8.45-10.00
8.45-9.00	The Burden of Heart Failure	D. Taylor	Cleveland, USA
9.00-9.15	Update in Heart Transplantation	S. Hunt	Stanford, USA
9.15-9.30	Update in Mechanical Circulatory Support	O.H. Frazier	Houston, USA
9.30-9.45	Global Approach to Heart Failure Management	H. Eisen	Vienna, AUT
9.45-10.00	Discussion		
10.00-10.15	Coffee Break		
Session 4	Mechanical Circulatory Support: Which Support for Which Patient? Session Moderator: J. Long Panel: H. Eisen, J. Kirklin, J. Stehlik, S. Sylvestry, A. Fiane, M. Zucker, M. Jelenc	Grand Hall	10.15-12.00
10.15-10.25	VAD vs. Transplant Outcomes	H. Eisen	Philadelphia, USA
10.25-10.35	Results - INTERMACS I vs INTERMACS 2-6	J. Kirklin	Birmingham, USA
10.35-10.45	Is It Time for ROADMAP Patients?	J. Stehlik	Salt Lake City, USA
10.45-10.55	More and More Devices - How Do You Choose the Right One for Individual Patient?	S. Sylvestry	Orlando, USA
10.55-11.05	VAD vs. Transplant Finances	A. Fiane	Oslo, NOR
11.05-11.15	VAD Finances - How to Maximize the Revenue and Hospital Interest?	M. Zucker	Newark, USA
11.15-12.00	Discussion		
12.00-13.00	Lunch Break		

Thursday		September 15th		Afternoon Sessions	
Session 5	Rapid Fire Session: Adverse Events in Mechanical Circulatory Support Session Moderator: A. Boyle Panel: B. Sun, J. Lahpor, U. Jorde, G. Wieselthaler, S. Boyce, S. Nathan, J. Kšela	Grand Hall	13.00-14.30		
13.00-13.05	Pump Thrombosis - Are We Better after PREVENT?	B. Sun	Columbus, USA		
13.05-13.15	Panel Discussion				
13.15-13.20	Pre-operative Risk Factors for Bleeding and Stroke	J. Lahpor	Utrecht, NL		
13.20-13.30	Panel Discussion				
13.30-13.35	Is There Different Effect on von Willebrand Factor in Different LVADs?	U. Jorde	New York, USA		
13.35-13.45	Panel Discussion				
13.45-13.50	Novel anticoagulation protocols: Do We Need Aspirin?	G. Wieselthaler	San Francisco, USA		
13.50-14.00	Panel Discussion				
14.00-14.05	Pump Pocket Infection: Strategies to Improve Survival	S. Boyce	Washington DC, USA		
14.05-14.15	Panel Discussion				
14.15-14.20	Pump Thrombosis Management	S. Nathan	Houston, USA		
14.20-14.30	Panel Discussion				
14.30-14.45	Break				
Session 6	Rapid Fire Session: Long-term LVAD Patient Management Session Moderator: U. Jorde Panel: N.Uriel, M. Strueber, I. Netuka, E. Rame, F. Arabia, T. Pintar	Grand Hall	14.45-16.00		
14.45-14.50	Mechanical Unloading: How Much is Optimal?	N. Uriel	Chicago, USA		
14.50-15.00	Panel Discussion				
15.00-15.05	Where Are We with LVAD Trials on Left Atrial or Pulmonary Artery Pressure Monitors?	M. Strueber	Minneapolis, USA		
15.05-15.15	Panel Discussion				
15.15-15.20	HeartMate 3 European Results	I. Netuka	Prague, CZ		
15.20-15.30	Panel Discussion				
15.30-15.35	RV Failure: When to Implant RVAD?	E. Rame	Philadelphia, USA		
15.35-15.45	Panel Discussion				
15.45-15.50	Are We Ready to Replace Airdriven with Axial Flow TAH?	F. Arabia	Los Angeles, USA		
15.50-16.00	Panel Discussion				
16.00-16.30	Coffee Break				
Session 7	Rapid Fire Session: LVAD Surgical Management Session Moderator: S. Boyce Panel: G. Couper, W. Dembitsky, I. Gregoric, M. Strueber, B. Akkanti, I. Knežević, L Zorrilla	Grand Hall	16.30-18.00		
16.30-16.35	How to Handle Critical Complications after LVAD Implant	G. Couper	Boston, USA		
16.35-16.45	Panel Discussion				
16.45-16.50	Is TAVR Gaining Ground in AI post LVAD?	W. Dembitsky	San Diego, USA		
16.50-17.00	Panel Discussion				
17.00-17.05	HeartWare Off-Pump Implant Results	I. Gregoric	Houston, USA		
17.05-17.15	Panel Discussion				
17.15-17.20	Left Thoracotomy vs. Sternotomy - Any Difference?	M. Strueber	Grand Rapids, USA		
17.20-17.30	Panel Discussion				
17.30-17.35	Obesity and LVADs	B. Akkanti	Houston, USA		
17.35-17.45	Panel Discussion				
17.45-17.50	Noncompaction Cardiomyopathy: LVAD Bridge or Direct to Heart Transplant	I. Knežević	Ljubljana, SI		
17.50-18.00	Panel Discussion				

Friday		September 16th	Morning Sessions	
Session 8	Symposium: Basic and Translational Science	Grand Hall	8.30-10.00	
	Panel: G. Torre-Amione, M. Pham, D. Planinc			
8.30-8.45	Non-compacton Cardiomyopathy: Update	M. Buja	Houston, USA	
8.45-9.00	Anthracycline Cardiomyopathy	A. Segura	Houston, USA	
9.00-9.15	Heparin-induced Thrombocytopenia in Heart Failure	A. Bracey	Houston, USA	
9.15-9.30	Arterial Mechanical Properties in Chronic Heart Failure	E. Tuzun	Houston, USA	
9.30-9.45	Evolution of an Implantable Pulsatile Flow Pediatric/Class III CHF LVAD	R. Smalling	Houston, USA	
9.45-10.00	Discussion			
10.00-10.30	Coffee Break			
Session 9	Symposium: Novel Technologies	Grand Hall	10.30-12.00	
	Moderator: I. Gregoric, J. Long, Z. Sutlić			
10.30-10.45	Total Artificial Heart -Destination therapy	M. Garippa	USA	
10.45-11.00	TandemLife: Advantages of Bridge to Definitive Therapy	J. Marous	USA	
11.00-11.15	Minimally Invasive LVAD and Algorithm Development	D. Godshall	USA	
11.15-11.30	St. Jude (Thoratec) Heart Failure and MCS Update	T. Ivovic	USA	
11.30-11.45	Transition to CryoLife and Product Pipeline	C. Baker	USA	
11.45-12.00	ReliantHeart	S. Saxena	USA	
12.00-13.00	Lunch Break			
Friday		September 16th	Afternoon Sessions	
Session 10	Challenges in Heart Failure Interventions	Grand Hall	13.00-14.30	
	Session Moderator: P. Przybylowski			
	Panel: T. Povsic, J. Diez, U. Lonn, J. Baranowski, I. Salas de Armas, M. Bunc, S. Gradinac			
13.00-13.10	High-risk PCI in Heart Failure	T. Povsic	Durham, USA	
13.10-13.20	TAVI in HF Special Populations: Pulmonary Hypertension and Low Flow / Low Gradients	J. Diez	Houston, USA	
13.20-13.30	Aortic Pericardial Valve Choice in Patients with Left Ventricular Hypertrophy	U. Lonn	Linkoping, SWE	
13.30-13.40	Percutaneous vs. Surgical Mitral Valve Interventions in Heart Failure	J. Baranowski	Linkoping, SWE	
13.40-13.50	Treatment of Pulmonary Insufficiency in Patient with Tetralogy of Fallot and RVF	I. Salas de Armas	Houston, USA	
13.50-14.30	Discussion			
14.30-15.00	Coffee Break			
Session 11	Challenges in Acute Heart Failure	Grand Hall	15.00-16.30	
	Session Moderator: A. El-Banayosy			
	Panel: B. Biočina, M. Guglin, J. Maly, B. DeMol, A. Wasler, M. Noč, S. Borović			
15.00-15.10	How Do You Choose the Right Device for Acute Heart Failure Patient?	A. El-Banayosy	Oklahoma City, USA	
15.10-15.20	Can We Simplify and Rely Just on ECMO?	B. Biočina	Zagreb, CRO	
15.20-15.30	Pulmonary Congestion on VA ECMO and How to Avoid It	M. Guglin	Lexington, USA	
15.30-15.40	SHIELD I (HeartMate PHP) Study	J. Maly	Prague, CZ	
15.40-15.50	Is Subclavian Approach Better for Pre-transplant MCS?	B. deMol	Amsterdam, NL	
15.50-16.00	Small ECMO Use without "Borders"	A. Wasler	Graz, AUT	
16.00-16.30	Discussion			
16.30-17.00	Coffee Break			
Session 12	Symposium: Medical Management Update	Grand Hall	17.00-19.00	
	Panel: L. Potena, M. Colvin, S. Frljak, D. Planinc, Z. Trifunović, Z. Demirozu			
17.00-17.15	Baseline Treatment of Heart Failure and the Role of Fixed Combinations	N. Ružič	Ljubljana, SI	
17.15-17.30	The Role of Aldosterone Antagonists in Heart Failure Management	M. Šebestjen	Ljubljana, SI	
17.30-17.45	Nepriylsin Inhibitors: Current Status and Future Directions	B. Vrtovec	Ljubljana, SI	
17.45-18.00	IV Immunoglobulin Treatment in Viral Myocarditis	B. Maisch	Marburg, D	
18.00-18.15	Management of Diabetic Cardiomyopathy	G. Poglajen	Ljubljana, SI	
18.15-18.30	Iron Deficiency and Anemia in Heart Failure	A. Cerar	Ljubljana, SI	
18.30-18.45	New Insights into Familial Hypercholesterolemia and Role of PCSK9 Inhibitors	A. Blinc	Ljubljana, SI	
18.45-19.00	Discussion			

Saturday		September 17th	Morning Sessions	
Session 13	Challenges in Heart Transplantation	Workshop Moderator: J. Kobashigawa Panel: M. Pham, M. Colvin, L. Potena, Z. Szabolcz, D. Vega, A. Boyle, J. Long, S. Sylvestry	Grand Hall	8.30-10.00
8.30-8.40	Clinical Usefulness of Gene-expression Profiling		M. Pham	Stanford, USA
8.40-8.50	When to Consider De-sensitization?		M. Colvin	Ann Arbor, USA
8.50-9.00	CMV Prevention and Treatment		L. Potena	Bologna, IT
9.00-9.10	Donor Organs Maximization		Z. Szabolcs	Budapest, HUN
9.10-9.20	Shortcomings in the New Strategies for Better Heart Allocation		D. Vega	Atlanta, USA
9.20-9.30	Does Prolonged Use of ECMO or Other Temporary MCS Justify Different Heart Allocations?		A. Boyle	Weston, USA
9.30-10.00	Discussion			
10.00-10.30	Coffee Break			
Session 14	Focus Session: Future Directions in Heart Failure Management	Panel: S. Hunt, O.H. Frazier, D. Taylor, J. Kirklin, I. Gregoric, R. Radovancevic, B.Vrtovec	Grand Hall	10.30-12.00
10.30-10.40	Medical Management		G. Torre-Amione	Houston, USA
10.40-10.50	Cardiac Resynchronization Therapy		B. Merkely	Budapest, Hungary
10.50-11.00	Acute Heart Failure		U. Jorde	New York, USA
11.00-11.10	Mechanical Circulatory Support		J. Long	Oklahoma City, USA
11.10-11.20	Stem Cell Therapy		B. Vrtovec	Ljubljana, SI
11.20-11.30	Heart Transplantation		J. Kobashigawa	Los Angeles, USA
11.30-12.00	Discussion			
Saturday		September 17th	Morning Sessions (Parallel)	
Session 13a	Heart Failure for General Practitioners	Panel: R. Okrajšek, M. Petek Šter, J. Brguljan-Hitij	White Hall	8.30-10.00
8.30-8.40	Case Report		M. Petek Šter	Trebnje, SI
8.40-9.05	Outpatient Treatment of Heart Failure with Reduced Ejection Fraction		R. Okrajšek	Ljubljana, SI
9.05-9.20	Breakthrough in chronic heart failure – angiotensin receptor neprilysin inhibitor (Lecture sponsored by Novartis Pharma)		M. Šluga	Jesenice, SI
9.20-9.30	Case Report		Š. Baznik	Ljubljana, SI
9.30-9.45	Outpatient Management of Myocarditis		G. Zemljčič	Ljubljana, SI
9.45-10.00	Discussion			
10.00-10.15	Coffee Break			
10.15-11.00	Satellite Symposium: Amgen		White Hall	10.15-11.00
Session 14a	Heart Failure for General Practitioners	Panel: M. Gričar, K. Tušek Bunc, B. Jug	White Hall	11.00-12.00
11.00-11.10	Case Report		K. Tušek Bunc	Maribor, SI
11.10-11.25	An Approach to Patients with Cardiorenal Syndrome		M. Gričar	Ljubljana, SI
11.25-11.45	Nutrition in Chronic Heart Failure		M. Oražem	Ljubljana, SI
11.45-12.00	Discussion			
12.00-13.00	Meeting Adjournment and Farewell Reception			