ESC CARDIOVASCULAR ROUND TABLE



WORKSHOP ON REGULATORY ASPECTS OF ATRIAL FIBRILLATION 15 – 16 September 2009, HILTON PADDINGTON Hotel - London

PROGRAMME DAY 1

Tuesday	15 September 2009 – Chairpersons: N Danchin	(TBC) - S Longman
14:00 - 14:10	Welcome and introduction	John Camm, UK
<u> 14.10 - 14:55</u>	BACKGROUND – ATRIAL FLUTTER and FIBRILLATION	
14:10 - 14:20	Epidemiology of atrial fibrillation and flutter (atrial Fib/FI)	Paulus Kirchhof, D
14:20 - 14:30	Current treatment strategies for atrial Fib/Fl	John Camm, UK
14:30 - 14:40	Unmet medical need for patients with atrial Fib/Fl	Anil-Martin Sinha, DE
14:40 - 14:55	Questions/Discussion	All
<u> 14:55 - 15:10</u>	TOPIC 1:	
14:55 - 15:05	Pharmacological cardioversion – what constitutes cardioversion (and recurrence)?	Juan Tamargo Menendez, ES
15:05 - 15:15	Maintenance of sinus rhythm – is it possible?	Etienne Aliot, FR
15:15 - 15:25	Rate control – how should it be measured?	Irene Savelieva, UK
15:25 - 15:35	Critique of rate versus rhythm control trials	John Camm, UK
15:35 - 16:05	Questions/Discussion	All
16:05 - 16:35	COFFEE BREAK	
<u>16:35 - 18:00</u>	TOPIC 2:	
16:35 - 16:45	Should atrial fibrillation and atrial flutter be distinguished?	Etienne Aliot, FR
16:45 - 16:55	Does the temporal pattern of atrial Fib/Fl (paroxysmal versus persistent) matter?	John Camm, UK
16:55 - 17:05	Is the underlying aetiology of atrial Fib/Fl important?	Juan Tamargo Menendez, ES
17:05 - 17:15	How can symptoms and quality of life be assessed?	Anil-Martin Sinha, DE
17:15 - 17:25	Which ancillary studies are important: LV function, electrophysiological testing, and defibrillation threshold?	
17:25 - 17:35	In which settings is an active comparator study feasible?	Pieter de Graeff, NL
	Relevant clinical endpoints and their implications for	Pieter de Graeff, NL
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PROGRAMME DAY 2

Wednesday 16 September 2009 – Chairpersons: J Camm – N Jackson					
9:00 - 10:30	BREAKOUT SESSIONS				
	SESSION ^① Chair: Pieter de Graeff	SESSION [@] Chair: Paulus Kirchhof			
	Is a large scale major cardiovascular outcomes trial always necessary for the approval of drugs designed to control rate or manage rhythm?	ECG endpoints for atrial fibrillation trials			
10:30 - 11:00	Reporting back from sessions and discussions		All		
11:00 - 11:15	COFFEE BREAK				
11:15 - 11:45	Formulation of consensus points		Paulus Kirchhof, D		
11:45 - 12:00	Next steps and closure		John Camm, UK		
12:00	END OF THE WORKSHOP	P AND LUNCH			