



European Atherosclerosis Society

80th EAS Congress

May 25-28, 2012
Milan, Italy

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Important Dates:

Deadline for submission of abstracts
Thursday, December 1, 2011

Early registration deadline
Monday, March 12, 2012

Dear Colleagues,

It is a great pleasure to invite you to the 80th EAS Congress to be held in Milan, Italy, from 25–28 May 2012. The Congress is hosted by the Italian Society of Atherosclerosis, and members of this society have worked with the Local Organizing and Scientific Committees to prepare a programme that combines hot topics in atherosclerosis with timely reviews presented by outstanding plenary speakers and a series of workshops on the latest developments in the field.

EAS has been, and continues to be, a major contributor to developments in the atherosclerosis. For EAS 2012 we aim to create a programme of interest both to junior and established basic scientists and to clinical researchers and practitioners. Our goal is to promote interaction between these different groups, and equally to ensure that cutting-edge basic research is translated into disease prevention and treatment. There will also be a special focus on new treatment consensus documents on the main lipid factors in atherosclerosis, and a major effort to present accessible, interesting and interactive poster sessions. We invite you all to send in abstracts on your recent research to be presented in workshops or as posters and to enter the competition for the best presentations at the meeting.

The Congress will be held in the new Convention Centre in Milan, which is located in the city. The congress centre offers convenient facilities, allowing you to select your favorite topics among the parallel sessions, visit the exhibitions and find space for networking with your peers

Milan is the second largest city in Italy, located in the northern part of the country, and is very pleasant in May. Beautiful natural areas, such as the lakes, are just one hour's journey from the city. Milan itself offers many attractions — sites of cultural interest, including the world renowned La Scala theatre, museums, monuments and last, but not least, fine Italian food.

On behalf of the Organising Committee, we welcome you to Milan. Join us for the 80th EAS Congress in 2012 — a stimulating meeting offering enjoyable and rewarding interactions between basic and clinical researchers in the field of atherosclerosis.



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ANITSCHKOW PRIZE

We are delighted to announce that the recipient of the Society's prestigious Anitschkow Prize 2012 is:

Professor Terje Rolf Pedersen

Director of the Center of Preventive Medicine, Oslo University Hospital, Ullevål and University of Oslo.

Presentation of the award and the Anitschkow Medal will take place at the Opening Ceremony of the 80th EAS Congress, Milan, where Professor Pedersen will present the Anitschkow Lecture.

preliminary timetable

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2012

	Hall A	Hall B	Hall C
09:00	Registration Desk Opens		
14:00-15:30		Educational Symposium	Educational Symposium
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break		
16:00-17:30		General Assembly EAS Members Only	Educational Symposium
18:00-20:00	Opening Ceremony, including the Anitschkow Lecture Followed by a Welcome Reception		

SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2012

	Hall A	Hall B	Hall C	Hall D
08:30-10:30	Plenary Session: Cellular and humoral factors in the arterial wall determine the course of atherogenesis and vascular function			
10:30-11:00	Coffee break and Exhibition			
11:00-12:30	Workshop: Innate and adaptive immunity in atherosclerosis	Workshop: HDL: New mechanisms involved in their atheroprotective role	Workshop: Genetic and genomic approaches for identifying new risk factors and therapeutic targets	Workshop: New molecular targets for drugs in the treatment of dyslipidemia
12:30-15:00	Lunch Break, Exhibition, Poster Presentations 13:50 – 14:50 Moderated Poster Session A			
12:40-14:10		Educational Symposium		
15:00-16:30	Workshop: Bioactive compounds and inflammation in the arterial wall	Workshop: Intestinal flora as regulator of lipid metabolism	15:00 – 15:40 "Meet the Expert" Session 15:45 – 16:30 "How to..." Session	Late-Breaking Session
16:30-17:00	Coffee break and Exhibition			
17:00-18:30	Educational Symposium	Educational Symposium		

SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2012

	Hall A	Hall B	Hall C	Hall D
08:30-10:30	Plenary Session: Lipoproteins and atherogenesis: New insights			
10:30-11:00	Coffee break and Exhibition			
11:00-12:30	Workshop: Role of macrophages in atherogenesis	ICCR-EAS Joint Workshop: Adipose tissue: from dysfunction to metabolic diseases	Workshop: Risk factors of cardiovascular diseases: a changing landscape	Workshop: How should a healthy diet look like -any need for supplements?
12:30-15:00	Lunch Break, Exhibition, Poster Presentations 12:40 – 13:40 Moderated Poster Session B 13:50 – 14:50 Moderated Poster Session C			
12:40-14:10		Educational Symposium		
15:00-16:30	Workshop: Biomarkers, from association to a causative role	Workshop: Familial dyslipidemias: detection and therapy	15:00 – 15:40 Debate 15:45 – 16:30 "Meet the Expert" Session	15:45-16:30 Young Investigator Award Session
16:30-17:00	Coffee break and Exhibition			
17:00-18:30	Educational Symposium	Educational Symposium	Educational Symposium	

MONDAY, MAY 28, 2012

	Hall A	Hall B	Hall C	Hall D
08:30-10:30	Plenary Session: Cardiovascular treatment: Whom to treat, how to treat, and at what cost?			
10:30-11:00	Coffee break and Exhibition			
11:00-12:30	Workshop: Cellular trafficking in normal atherosclerotic arterial wall	Workshop: Plasma Lipoprotein Metabolism and Atherosclerosis	ESC-EAS Joint Workshop: Session on the Joint Cardiovascular Disease Prevention Guidelines	Workshop: New RNA-based therapeutic strategies for controlling atherogenic lipids in cardiovascular disease

plenary sessions

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2012

General Assembly (EAS Members Only)

Opening Ceremony, followed by a Welcome Reception

SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2012

CELLULAR AND HUMORAL FACTORS IN THE ARTERIAL WALL DETERMINE THE COURSE OF ATHEROGENESIS AND VASCULAR FUNCTION

BUILDING A VESSEL WALL: FROM DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY TO PHYSIOLOGICAL AND PATHOLOGICAL REMODELING IN ADULT LIFE
Mark Majesky, *USA*

ENDOTHELIAL FUNCTION AND DYSFUNCTION: THE KEYS TO CORONARY AND PERIPHERAL CIRCULATION
Ulf Landmesser, *Switzerland*

IMMUNITY IN ATHEROSCLEROSIS
Göran Hansson, *Sweden*

UNDERSTANDING THE VULNERABLE PLAQUE — BASIS FOR TREATMENT OPTIONS
Gerard Pasterkamp, *The Netherlands*

SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2012

LIPOPROTEINS AND ATHEROGENESIS: NEW INSIGHTS

THE MACROPHAGE-LIPOPROTEIN INTERACTIONS: FOR GOOD OR FOR BAD
Miranda Van Eck, *The Netherlands*

NOVEL ANTI-ATHEROGENIC FUNCTIONS OF HDL
Alan Tall, *USA*

GENETICS OF ATHEROGENIC DYSLIPIDEMIAS
Robert Hegele, *Canada*

ARE LIPOPROTEIN REMNANTS A REASONABLE TARGET FOR THERAPY?
Henry Ginsberg, *USA*

MONDAY, MAY 28, 2012

CARDIOVASCULAR TREATMENT: WHOM TO TREAT, HOW TO TREAT, AND AT WHAT COST?

GENERAL TRENDS OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE IN EUROPE AND RISK FACTORS IN SPECIAL POPULATIONS
Børge Nordestgaard, *Denmark*

LIFESTYLE AND NUTRITIONAL STRATEGIES IN PREVENTING CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE
Arne Astrup, *Denmark*

ECONOMIC ISSUES IN CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE: WHAT ARE THE COSTS OF PREVENTION?
Bengt Jönsson, *Sweden*

NEW PERSPECTIVES IN HYPOLIPIDEMIC TREATMENT
John Kastelein, *The Netherlands*

workshop sessions

ARTERIAL WALL AND ATHEROSCLEROSIS: CELLULAR AND HUMORAL FACTORS

Innate and adaptive immunity in atherosclerosis

Ziad Mallat *France*, Esther Lutgens *Belgium*

Bioactive compounds and inflammation in the arterial wall

Christian Weber *Germany*, Bodo Levkau *Germany*

Role of macrophages in atherogenesis

David Greaves *UK*, Giulia Chinetti *France*

Cellular trafficking in normal atherosclerotic arterial wall

Klaus Ley *USA*, Edward Fisher *USA*

LIPIDS, LIPOPROTEINS AND LIPID METABOLISM

HDL: New mechanisms involved in their atheroprotective role

Laura Calabresi *Italy*, Kerry-Ann Rye *Australia*

Joint EAS-ICCR Workshop: Adipose tissue: a dysregulator of lipid and lipoprotein metabolism in obesity, diabetes and metabolic syndrome

Michael Jensen *USA*, Marja-Riitta Taskinen *Finland*, Jean-Pierre Després *Canada*, Peter Havel *USA*

Intestinal flora as regulator of lipid metabolism

Nathalie Delzenne *Belgium*

Plasma lipoprotein metabolism and atherosclerosis

Jan Boren *Sweden*, Sergio Fazio *USA*

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE: RISK FACTORS, GENETICS AND EPIDEMIOLOGY

Genetic and genomic approaches for identifying new risk factors and therapeutic targets

Jan Kuivenhoven *The Netherlands*

Risk factors of cardiovascular diseases: a changing landscape

Kausik Ray *UK*, Gerd Assmann *Germany*

Biomarkers, from association to a causative role

Wolfgang Koenig *Germany*, Olov Wiklund *Sweden*

Joint EAS-ESC Workshop: Changing epidemiology of cardiovascular disease in Europe

Guy De Backer *Belgium*, Alberico Catapano *Italy*, Olov Wiklund *Sweden*

PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

New molecular targets for drugs in the treatment of dyslipidemia

Eva Hurt-Camejo *Sweden*, Philippe Costet *France*

How should a healthy diet look like - any need for supplements?

Barbara V Howard *USA*, Eric Bruckert *France*

Familial dyslipidemias: detection and therapy

Sebastiano Calandra *Italy*, Anton Stalenhoef *The Netherlands*

New RNA-based therapeutic strategies for controlling atherogenic lipids in cardiovascular disease

Richard S Geary *USA*

registration

REGISTRATION FEES

	Early Bird Up to March 12, 2012	Regular fee March 13- April 30, 2012	Late fee From May 1, 2012
EAS 2011 Member - age 35 or under	€ 100	€ 150	€ 200
EAS 2011 Member – over age 35	€ 200	€ 300	€ 500
Non-member student	€ 200	€ 250	€ 250
Non-member non-student	€ 400	€ 650	€ 750
International Evening –for non students	€ 50	€ 50	€ 50
International Evening – for students	€ 25	€ 25	€ 25
Welcome Reception- Additional Ticket	€45	€ 45	€ 45

REGISTRATION FEE FOR ALL MEETING PARTICIPANTS INCLUDES:

- » Participation in all scientific sessions
- » Printed material of the congress
- » Invitation to the Welcome Reception
- » Entrance to the exhibition and poster area

social events

FRIDAY, MAY 25 2012

OPENING CEREMONY FOLLOWED BY A WELCOME RECEPTION

GUESTS WILL ENJOY A “TASTE OF OPERA ” IN THE OPENING CEREMONY FOLLOWED BY A WELCOME RECEPTION IN THE EXHIBITION AREA AT THE CONGRESS CENTRE.

SATURDAY, MAY 26 2012

FACULTY DINNER (FOR INVITEES ONLY)

TO BE HELD AT THE PALAZZO VISCONTI, A WONDERFUL AND GLAMOROUS LOCATION, SITUATED IN THE CENTRE OF MILAN IN A BUILDING DATING BACK TO THE 17TH CENTURY. NOWADAYS, IT IS ONE OF THE MOST ELEGANT EXAMPLES OF THE LOMBARD BAROQUE. TO ADD TO THE MAGIC AND CHARM OF THE EVENING, A PIANIST WILL ENTERTAIN THE GUESTS.

SUNDAY, MAY 27 2012

EAS INTERNATIONAL EVENING

A TRULY INTERNATIONAL EVENING WILL BE HELD IN AN EXCLUSIVE LOCATION WITH AN INFORMAL ATMOSPHERE AND MUSIC. IT WILL BE THE PERFECT INGREDIENTS FOR A SPECIAL EVENING TO GET TOGETHER WITH FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES.

call for abstracts

Participants are requested to submit an abstract to the Congress Secretariat
NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2011.

Abstracts will be reviewed and assigned to appropriate sessions.

Authors will be notified regarding abstract acceptance.

Abstracts will be selected for Poster Presentation and a limited number of abstracts will be scheduled for oral presentation.

Authors will be notified of the method of presentation.

TRAVEL GRANTS AND AWARDS

There will be a number of EAS travel grants and awards available to assist young scientists with accepted presentation (oral or poster) in the Congress. Full instructions on who is eligible and how to apply will be announced on the Society website. For further information, please visit the Society website at: www.eas-society.org.

METHOD OF SUBMISSION

Abstracts should be submitted via the internet:

www.kenes.com/eas

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION

1. The abstract should be as informative as possible, and structured using the following headings:
 - a) **Aim:** state background and specific object of study
 - b) **Methods:** shortly describe methods used
 - c) **Results:** summarize results obtained
 - d) **Conclusions:** state conclusions reached
2. Standard abbreviations may be used.
3. Inclusion in the Scientific Programme and Congress publications is dependent upon payment of registration fees.
4. Abstracts should be submitted in good English.
5. Abstract length should not exceed 250 words.

FAXED ABSTRACTS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE

general information

DATES

May 25-28, 2012

VENUE

MICO - Milano Convention Centre

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EUROPEWIDE ACCREDITATION OF THE CONGRESS

An application will be submitted to the European Board for Accreditation in Cardiology (EBAC) to provide accreditation by the following CME activity for medical specialists.

LETTER OF INVITATION

Participants requiring a formal letter of invitation to enable them to make their arrangements to participate in the Congress, may receive a letter via the website. Please note that this letter cannot be regarded as a commitment regarding scheduling or financial support from the organisers.

LANGUAGE

English is the official language of the Congress.



CLIMATE

Temperatures in May average between 16°C and 24°C.

AIRPORT INFORMATION, PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND TRAVEL TO MILAN

Milan is served by two airports, Milan Malpensa Airport (MXP) and also Milan Linate Airport (LIN). Milan has an excellent bus network and local railway.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Kenes International has personally selected various hotels in Milan, close to the venue and in the city center at special rates for EAS 2012 participants. Please visit the website www.kenes.com/eas for more information and bookings.

EXHIBITION

A professional exhibition will be held concurrently with the Congress. For details, please visit the congress website.

CONGRESS ORGANISERS



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The European Atherosclerosis Society

...advancing and exchanging knowledge of the causes, natural history, treatment and prevention of atherosclerotic disease



The **European Atherosclerosis Society** (EAS) affords medical professionals access to the latest knowledge in areas including myocardial infarction, cerebro- and peripheral vascular disease.

EAS Activities and Initiatives

EAS organizes educational activities – including our **Annual Congress** and **Advanced Courses**.

The Society is also active in initiatives to develop and publish **Guidelines** and **Consensus Position Papers** on atherosclerosis-related topics.

The Society's journal, *Atherosclerosis*, brings together from all sources papers concerned with research and investigation on atherosclerosis

EAS also supports researchers and clinicians in the field of atherosclerosis with various grants, awards and fellowships.

EAS Members

- benefit from reduced registration fees at EAS activities, and member-rate registration fee at Congress*
- receive complimentary online access to *Atherosclerosis*
- are eligible to apply for EAS Grants and Awards and Fellowships
- receive 15% reduction on Elsevier books purchased via the EAS website
- receive regular newsletters with information on the Society's activities
- have access to the EAS website with links to partner societies

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