

ARTERY26 - Preliminary Programme

Thursday, 24th September 2026

Time	Activity	Block
8:00 - 9:00	Registration	Registration
9:00 - 9:15	Conference Opening Remarks	Opening
9:15 - 9:45	Opening Lecture (Bojan Jelaković, Croatia) Topic: From big data to bedside: risk calculators in vascular ageing and hypertension – highlights from Croatia	Opening Lecture
9:45 - 10:05	Session 1 – Lecture 1 (Peter Charlton, UK) Topic: AI applications in PPG signal analysis	Session 1 - AI applications in vascular aging
10:05 - 10:25	Session 1 – Lecture 2 (to be confirmed) Topic: Fully automated measurement of PWV from routine cardiac MRI studies	
10:25 - 10:45	Session 1 – Lecture 3	
10:45 - 11:00	Session 1 – Critical Reflection (Chairperson: Bart Spronck, Netherlands)	
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee Break	Break
11:30 - 12:10	Session 2 - Young Investigator Award – Part I	Session 2 - Young Investigator Award
12:10 - 12:25	Poster Storm I	Posters
12:25 - 13:25	Poster Presentations I	Posters
13:25 - 14:25	Lunch	Break
14:25 - 15:05	Session 2 - Young Investigator Award – Part II	Session 2 - Young Investigator Award
15:05 - 15:55	Session 3 - Career Development Lectures	Session 3 - Career Development Lectures
15:55 - 16:25	Coffee Break	Break
16:25 - 16:45	Session 4 – Invited lecture (Gorana Čapkun, Switzerland) Topic: Real world evidence - advancing modern evaluation and research	Session 4 - Real world evidence: advancing modern evaluation and research
16:45 - 17:00	Session 4 – Critical Reflection (Chairperson: Ana Jerončić, Croatia)	
17:00 - 17:15	Session 5 – Debate: What is the major driver of the circulation? - The heart (to be confirmed)	Session 5 - Debate: What is the major driver of the circulation?
17:15 - 17:30	- The vessels	
17:30 - 17:45	- The role of the kidney (Ana Jelaković, Croatia)	
17:45 - 18:00	Lifetime Achievement Award Presentation	Lifetime Award
18:00 - 18:45	ARTERY annual business meeting	
20:00 - 23:00	Conference Dinner and Awards Ceremony * Dinner is included in Registration Fee Package 1; otherwise at own expense.	Restaurant Kampus

Friday, 25th September 2026

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09:00 - 9:20	Session 6 – Invited Lecture (Rosa Maria Bruno, France) Arterial stiffness: Marker or target?	Session 5 - Targeting arterial stiffness and integrating it into clinical decision pathways
9:20 - 9:40	Session 6 – Lecture 1 (Luca Faconti, UK) Aldosterone in vascular ageing: the next target for prevention?	
9:40 - 10:00	Session 6 – Lecture 2 (to be confirmed) The sympathetic nervous system: targeting the overdrive	
10:00 - 10:15	Session 6 – Critical Reflection (Chairperson: Luca Faconti, UK)	
10:15 - 10:45	Coffee Break	Break
10:45 - 11:25	Session 7 - Open Abstract Session I	Session 6 - Open Abstract
11:25 - 11:45	Session 8 - Lecture 1 (to be confirmed) Proteomic age clocks and vascular ageing	Session 7 - Vascular ageing at the molecular level
11:45 - 12:05	Session 8 - Lecture 2 (to be confirmed) Epigenetic age clocks and vascular ageing	
12:05 - 12:15	Session 8 – Critical Reflection (Chairperson: RM Bruno, France)	
12:15 - 12:30	Poster Storm II	Posters
12:30 - 13:30	Poster Presentations II	Posters
13:30 - 14:20	Lunch	Break
14:20 - 14:40	Session 9 – Invited lecture (John Petrie, UK) Topic: Cardiometabolic interactions in diabetes	Session 4 - Vascular ageing in diabetes, and the effect of modern anti-diabetes drugs
14:40 - 15:00	Session 9 – Lecture 1 (Andrej Belančić, Croatia) The effect of modern anti-diabetes drugs on vascular aging	
15:00 - 15:15	Session 9 – Critical Reflection	
15:15 - 15:45	Coffee Break	Break
15:45 - 16:25	Session 10 - Open Abstract Session II	Session 9 - Open Abstract
16:25 - 16:55	McDonald Lecture – Honorary Lecture	Honorary Lecture
16:55 - 17:40	Open Round Table: Vision, Collaboration & Growth in Vascular Aging	Open Round Table
17:40 - 18:10	Closing Remarks and preview of Artery 27	Closing