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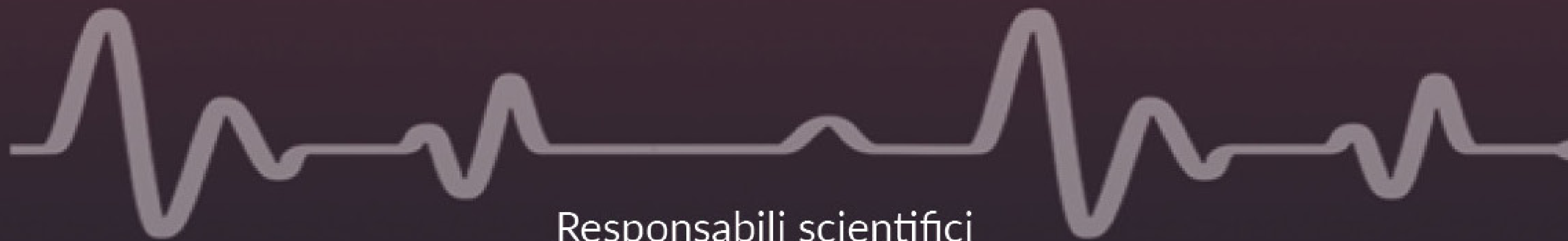
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3<sup>rd</sup> Palermo Expert Meeting

# WHAT'S UP ON: ATRIAL FIBRILLATION... AND SURROUNDINGS



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- 15.00** Opening welcome: **G. Coppola, G. Sgarito**  
Greetings from authorities
- 15.30** **Opening Lecture**  
**The history of atrial fibrillation ablation: effectiveness and...is it still underused?**  
Chairman: **G. Coppola**  
Speaker: **A. Curnis**
- 16.00** **SESSION 1: ATRIAL FIBRILLATION AND SURROUNDING**  
Chairman: **M. Cipriani, G. Novo, I. Smecca**  
1) Antiarrhythmic drugs: are they really used in a right way? - **G. Ciaramitaro**  
2) Recent onset: early electrical or pharmacologic cardioversion vs. watch and wait strategy - **G. Mascioli**  
3) Antithrombotic management in acute coronary syndrome and/or percutaneous coronary intervention - **D. Puccio**  
4) Heart failure: could ARNI and SGLT2i reduce atrial fibrillation burden? - **G. Geraci**  
Discussion
- 17.30** **Coffee Break**
- 17.45** **SESSION 2: ATRIAL FIBRILLATION AND SURROUNDING**  
Chairman: **E. Corrado, S. Fasullo, B. Tuttolomondo**  
1) Definition and screening tools for subclinical atrial fibrillation: from app to ILR - **A. Mignano**  
2) When oral anticoagulants are indicated in subclinical atrial fibrillation? - **R. Cappato**  
3) Left atrial appendage occlusion and exclusion - **C. Gandolfo**  
Discussion
- 19.00** **Closing Lecture**  
**What AIAC can do against atrial fibrillation: strategies and perspectives.**  
Chairman: **G. Sgarito** – Presidente AIAC Sicilia  
Speaker: **A. D'Onofrio** - Presidente Nazionale AIAC (Napoli)
- 19.30** **Closing**



**09.00 SESSION 3: ATRIAL FIBRILLATION AND CARDIAC IMPLANTABLE DEVICES**

Chairman: **V. Calvi, A. D'Onofrio, D. Scaduto**

- 1) Management of anticoagulation and avoidance of pocket infections - **C. Casalicchio**
  - 2) Atrial fibrillation and bradycardia: conventional or conduction system pacing? - **M. Luparelli**
  - 3) Atrial fibrillation and leadless pacemaker: less is more? - **G. Campisi**
  - 4) Ablate & pace today - **M. Francese**
- Discussion

**10.30 Coffee Break****11.00 SESSION 4: ATRIAL FIBRILLATION INSIDE THE EP LABORATORY ....**

Chairman: **M.M. Gulizia, F. Solimene**

- 1) Radiofrequency or cryoenergy? Mapping or single shot? The "menu" for paroxysmal atrial fibrillation ablation - **A. Di Grazia**
  - 2) All you need to know in 2024 on Pulsed Field Ablation for atrial fibrillation - **S. Boveda**
  - 3) Laser approach: present and future - **L. Bontempi**
- Discussion

**12.10 Hot Shots****A) Hybrid atrial fibrillation ablation today**

Chairman: **K. Fattouch**

Speaker: **C. Tondo**

**B) Epicardial ablation of atrial fibrillation**

Chairman: **M. Pilato**

Speaker: **S. Benussi**

Discussant: **S. Torre**

**13.00 Lunch**

**3rd Palermo Expert Meeting "What's up on: Atrial fibrillation...and surroundings"**  
**International Symposium (Official Language English)**

- 14.45**    **Opening Lecture**  
**Atrial Fibrillation ablation: how novelty became a standard of care.**  
 Chairman: **A.R. Galassi**  
 Speaker: **H. Pürerfellner - Pres. Elected EHRA**
- 15.15**    **SESSION A: ATRIAL FIBRILLATION ABLATION**  
 Chairman: **A. Curnis, H. Pürerfellner**  
 1) Outcomes of pulmonary vein isolation with radiofrequency balloon vs. cryoballoon ablation - **S. Iacopino**  
 2) Left atrial posterior wall isolation: thinking inside the box - **G. Zucchelli**  
 3) Pulsed field ablation: How does it works ? - **V. Schillaci**  
 Discussion
- 16.30**    **Coffee Break**
- 16.45**    **SESSION B: SOMETHING ABOUT ....**  
 Chairman: **M. Biffi, S. Temistoklakis**  
 1) Atrial fibrillation ablation and cardiomyopathies - **C. de Asmundis**  
 2) Cardioneuro ablation as an adjuvant therapy for atrial fibrillation - **S. Conti**  
 3) Next Future: new tools and strategies for atrial fibrillation ablation - **J. Chun**  
 Discussion
- 18.00**    **Closing Lecture**  
**AF ablation in heart failure: too good to be true?**  
 Chairman: **S. Novo**  
 Speaker: **G. Sinagra**
- 18.30**    **Closing Remarks: G. Coppola, G. Sgarito**



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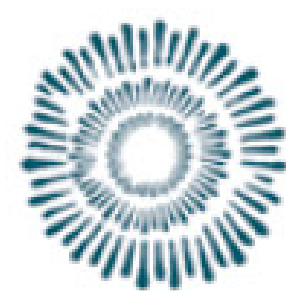
## RAZIONALE

Dear colleagues and friends, "What's up on ..." was born on a warm summer evening when two friends arithmologists, almost as a joke, fantasized about the possibility of having in Palermo a scientific event entirely focused on clinical and interventional arrhythmology and with a panel composed of we read about trials, consensus and scientific documents in general. One could almost say: dream of a midsummer night! As often happens, one wondered: why not? And we started to work on this project that is going on 3rd edition once again dedicated to atrial fibrillation and its clinical and interventional treatment, involving a panel of experts to offer the maximum know-how. The choice of the topic to be treated was almost natural considering the social and clinical impact of this arrhythmia and the different clinical and therapeutic aspects to be addressed according to the patient's need. Last but not least, the meeting aims to disseminate all the latest news regarding therapeutic indications and options, opening the doors to non-arrhythmologists and non-cardiologists. This 3rd meeting will be organized in two sections: first, the usual "What's up..." appointment and an Interantional symposium "3rd Palermo Expert Meeting" in which English will be the official language. The choice of the English language should not be interpreted as an act of esterophilia or presumption but as a necessary and opportune solution in consideration of the composition of the panel and to maintain the fame of the warm Sicilian hospitality. We hope to see you at the 3rd Palermo Expert Meeting - What's Up On:

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