

Agenda

Day 1 – December 4, 2026

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Navigating the Maze

TECHNIQUES AND OUTCOMES OF ATRIAL FIBRILLATION ABLATION

Surgical Concomitant AF

- 08:30** What's New in Atrial Fibrillation Care
Jose Luis Merino, MD – La Paz University Hospital, Madrid, Spain
- 09:00** Tachycardiomyopathy. Diagnosis and Treatment
Carlo De Asmundis, MD – UZ Brussels, Belgium
- 09:30** Case Recording: Cox-Maze IV and Box Lesion Through Sternotomy
Filip Rega, MD – University Hospitals Leuven, Belgium
- 09:50** Case Recording: Minimally Invasive cryoMAZE
Stefano Benussi, MD – University of Brescia Medical School, Brescia, Italy
- 10:10** Break
- 10:40** Post-Op Atrial Fibrillation: Incidence, Consequences, Possible Prevention
Manuel Carnero, MD – Hospital Clínico San Carlos, Madrid, Spain
- 11:10** Atrial Functional Mitral Regurgitation
Michael Borger, MD – Leipzig Heart Center, Leipzig, Germany
- 11:40** Robotic AF Ablation
Husam Balkhy, MD – University of Chicago Medicine, Chicago, USA
- 12:10** PFA Energy in Concomitant AF Surgery
Gan Dunnington, MD – Adventist Health St. Helena, California, USA
- 12:30** Case-Based Roundtable
Manuel Castella, MD – Hospital Clínic, Barcelona, Spain
- 13:00** Lunch

Hybrid AF™ Therapies

- 14:00** When a Full Cox-Maze and When a Personalized Maze
James Cox, MD – Northwestern University Medical Center, Chicago, USA
- 14:30** Boundaries of Catheter Ablation
Andreu Porta Sánchez, MD – Hospital Clínic, Barcelona, Spain
- 14:50** Types of Hybrid Ablation I: Thoracoscopic Bipolar RF Ablation
Gan Dunnington, MD – Adventist Health St. Helena, California USA
- 15:10** Types of Hybrid Ablation II: Thoracoscopic Monopolar RF Ablation
Jorge Alcocer, MD – Hospital Clínic, Barcelona, Spain
Jean-Baptiste Guishard, MD – Hospital Clínic, Barcelona, Spain
- 15:40** Robotic Monopolar RF Ablation
Yasir Abu-Omar, MD – Harrington Heart and Vascular Institute, University Hospitals Cleveland, USA
- 16:00** Break
- 16:30** Atrial Mechanics After Hybrid Ablation
Riyaz Kaba, MD – St George's Hospital, London, UK
- 16:50** Expanding the Hybrid Ablation Frontier
Mark La Meir, MD – UZ Brussels, Belgium
- 17:10** Case-Based Roundtable
Manuel Castella, MD – Hospital Clínic, Barcelona, Spain
- 17:40** Finish
- 20:00** Dinner

Buses depart at 19:30 from hotels

Buses depart dinner at 22:30 to hotels



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Day 2 – December 5, 2026

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LAA Exclusion

09:00	AF, LAA and its Neurological Implications David Z. Rose, MD – University of South Florida, Department of Neurology, Tampa, USA
09:30	Percutaneous LAA Exclusion David Holmes, MD – Mayo Clinic, Rochester, USA
10:00	LAA Exclusion in Cardiac Surgery Richard Whitlock, MD – McMaster University Medical School, Hamilton, Canada
10:30	Case Recording: How to Exclude the LAA Bart van Putte, MD – St Antonius Hospital, Nieuwegein, Netherlands
10:50	Break
11:20	ESC/EACTS Guidelines in Stroke Prevention Thorsten Hanke, MD – Albertinen-Krankenhaus, Hamburg, Germany
11:50	Real-World Adoption of Surgical LAA Exclusion Across the CASE-AF Centers Ivana Mitrovic, MD – München Klinik Bogenhausen, Munich, Germany
12:10	Case-Based Roundtable Manuel Castella, MD – Hospital Clínic, Barcelona, Spain
12:40	Finish

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