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| Day 1 (November 26, 2026) |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| 08:30-09:30               | Registrations Main hall                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 09:30-09:35               | Introduction                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 09:35-10:00               | Opening Ceremony                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Plenary session           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 10:00-10:30               | <p>Title: Exercise Performance With Aficamten vs Metoprolol in oHCM</p> <p><b>Gregg C. Fonarow</b>, <i>University of California, United States</i></p>                                                                            |
| 10:30-11:00               | <p>Title: Left Atrial Appendage Closure vs Direct Oral Anticoagulants in Patients with Atrial Fibrillation</p> <p><b>Gregory Lip</b>, <i>University of Liverpool, United Kingdom</i></p>                                          |
| 11:00-11:30               | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 11:30-11:45               | Refreshments Break@ Foyer                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Keynote Session           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 11:45-12:10               | <p>Title: Risk of Adverse Events 1 Year After TAVI in Patients with Amyloidosis</p> <p><b>Giuseppe Boriani</b>, <i>University of Modena, Italy</i></p>                                                                            |
| 12:10-12:35               | <p>Title: Inflammation Common in HF, No Matter the Ejection Fraction: Insights from the POSEIDON Study</p> <p><b>Carolyn Lam</b>, <i>National Heart Centre, Singapore</i></p>                                                     |
| 12:35-13:00               | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 13:00-14:00               | Lunch Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 14:00-14:25               | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 14:25-14:50               | <p>Title: Clinical Staging to Guide Management of Metabolic Disorders and Their Sequelae: A European Atherosclerosis Society Consensus Statement</p> <p><b>Susan E Quaggin</b>, <i>Northwestern University, United States</i></p> |
| 14:50-15:15               | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Featured Talks            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

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| 15:15-15:35               | <p>Title: Efficacy of Endotype-Based Drug Therapy on Quality of Life and Symptom Management in Coronary Vasomotion Disorders</p> <p><b>Andreas Seitz</b>, <i>Robert-Bosch-Krankenhaus, Germany</i></p>                                                                             |
| 15:35-15:50               | Refreshments Break@ Foyer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 15:50-16:10               | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 16:10-16:30               | <p>Title: Evidence for Synergistic Benefit With GLP-1/Glucagon Agonism</p> <p><b>Jingshu Chen</b>, <i>Harvard University, United States</i></p>                                                                                                                                    |
| Speaker Slots Available   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Day 2 (November 27, 2026) |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 08:30-09:30               | Registrations in Main Hall                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Plenary Session           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 09:30-10:00               | <p>Title: When Should Antihypertensive Drug Treatment Be Started? Discrepancies Between the 2023 European Society of Hypertension and the 2024 European Society of Cardiology Guidelines</p> <p><b>Giuseppe Mancia</b>, <i>Università degli Studi di Milano Bicocca, Italy</i></p> |
| 10:00-10:30               | <p>Title: Cardiovascular Disease in Women: Traditional and Sex-Specific Risk Factors</p> <p><b>C. Noel Bairey Merz</b>, <i>Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, United States</i></p>                                                                                                      |
| 10:30-11:00               | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Keynote session           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 11:00-11:25               | <p>Title: Primer of Conduction System Pacing for the General Cardiologist</p> <p><b>Ken Ellenbogen</b>, <i>Virginia Commonwealth University, United States</i></p>                                                                                                                 |
| 11:25-11:40               | Refreshments Break@ Foyer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 11:40-12:05               | <p>Title: Toll-like Receptor 7 Constrains Efferocytosis in Myocardial Injury</p> <p><b>A Mark Richards</b>, <i>University of Otago, New Zealand</i></p>                                                                                                                            |

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| 12:05-12:30             | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                       |
| 12:30-13:00             | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                       |
| 13:00-14:00             | Lunch Break                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Featured Talks          |                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 14:00-14:20             | <p>Title: Heart Failure Phenotypes be Predicted by Cardiac Remodelling Peripartum or Postpartum</p> <p><b>Megha Agarwal</b>, <i>University of Oxford, United Kingdom</i></p> |
| 14:20-14:40             | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                       |
| 14:40-15:00             | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                       |
| Speaker Slots Available |                                                                                                                                                                              |

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| Day 3 (November 28, 2026) |                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 08:30-09:30               | Registrations in Main Hall                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Plenary session           |                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 09:30-10:00               | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 10:00-10:30               | <p>Title: Clinical Impact of a Dedicated Multidisciplinary Spontaneous Coronary Artery Dissection (SCAD) Care Pathway</p> <p><b>Wouter Jukema</b>, <i>Leiden University, Netherlands</i></p> |
| 10:30-11:00               | <p>Title: Closing the Translational Gap in Cardiovascular Artificial Intelligence</p> <p><b>Giuseppe Biondi-Zoccai</b>, <i>Sapienza University of Rome, Italy</i></p>                        |
| Keynote session           |                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 11:00-11:25               | <p>Title: Post-Thoracic Aortic Aneurysm Procedural Mental Wellbeing</p> <p><b>Annie Laurie Shroyer</b>, <i>Stony Brook Medicine, United States</i></p>                                       |
| 11:25-11:40               | Refreshments Break@ Foyer                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 11:40-12:05               | Speaker Slot available                                                                                                                                                                       |

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12:05-12:30 **Speaker Slot available**

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12:30-13:00 **Title: Regulation of Sodium/Calcium Homeostasis by  $\text{BacNa}_v$  Gene Therapy Rescues Cardiac Dysfunction in Chronic Heart Failure**

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**Nenad Bursac**, *Duke University, United States*

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13:00-14:00

**Lunch Break**

**Featured Talks**

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14:00-14:20 **Speaker Slot available**

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14:20-14:40 **Speaker Slot available**

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14:40-15:00 **Title: Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in Global Cardiac Surgery**

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**Dominique Vervoort**, *Johns Hopkins University, United States*

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**Speaker Slots Available**

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