**5th LS² Cardiovascular Biology Meeting**

**Program**

**Tuesday 4th July 2023**

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<td>Welcome note from the President of the LS² Intersection Cardiovascular Biology:ector</td>
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<td>Elena Osto (University of Zurich)</td>
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<td><strong>Keynote 1:</strong> Rosalinda Madonna (University of Pisa). Heart failure and pulmonary hypertension: from molecular mechanisms to therapeutics</td>
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<td><strong>Shaista Ahmed</strong> (University of Fribourg) The Synergistic Effect of Bone Marrow MSCs and Macrophages with Fibrin on Cardiac Cell Proliferation</td>
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<td><strong>Lucilla Giammarino</strong> (University of Bern) Do sex and sex hormones impact on atrial electrical features?</td>
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<td><strong>Saranda Nimani</strong> (University of Bern) In vivo KCNH2-suppression-replacement gene therapy in short QT syndrome type 1 rabbit models</td>
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<td><strong>Myriem Otmani Idrissi</strong> (University of Fribourg) Distinct Cardiac Remodeling and Renin-Angiotensin System in Female Rats Following Swimming Training</td>
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<td><strong>Azucena Rendon-Angel</strong> (Università della Svizzera italiana) Transcriptomic signature of stress-induced premature senescence (SIPS) in cardiomyocytes</td>
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**Virginia Roland** (Department for Biomedical Research, Bern)
*Functional architecture of cardiac transcription factor regulatory landscapes in control of mammalian heart development.*

**Ettore Vanni** (University of Geneva) – presented by Christophe Montessuit (University of Geneva)
*Free fatty acid-derived lysine acetylation impairs metabolic stress-stimulated glucose uptake in cardiomyocytes*

12:20-13:45  
*Lunch break, networking*

13:25-13:45  
*Cardiovascular working group: General Assembly*

**Session 3:**  
*Chairs: Giovanni G. Camici and Marie-Noelle Giraud (University of Fribourg)*

13:45–14:45  
*Talks selected from abstracts: (6min +2min Q&A) = 7 talks*

**Nicolò Alerni** (University of Bern)
*Electrical and mechanical properties and their interactions in transgenic long-QT and short-QT rabbits*

**Miriam Barbieri** (University of Bern)
*SGK1 inhibition normalizes action potential duration in transgenic LQT2 rabbits but has no effect on APD in LQT1, indicating a novel gene-specific therapeutic approach in LQTS*

**Melanie Generali** (University of Zurich)
*Next-generation cell-based therapy for myocardial infarction*

**Selianne Graf** (University of Bern)
*Circulating Factors, Measured Both in the Donor and During Ex-Vivo Heart Perfusion, Correlate with Subsequent Heart Recovery in a Pig Model of DCD*

**Sofia Kakava** (University of Zurich)
*Apolipoprotein E defines high-density lipoprotein trafficking in brain endothelial cells*

**Stefano Ministrini** (University of Zurich)
*Endothelial junctional protein associated with coronary artery disease (JCAD) as a potential therapeutic target for acute ischemic stroke*

**Valery Visser** (University of Zurich)
*An in-silico study on the effect of leaflet design on mechano-mediated remodeling in tissue engineered semilunar heart valves*

**Vascular physiology**

**Session 4:**  
*Chair: Elena Osto (University of Zurich) and Marie-Luce Piallat (University of Geneva)*

14:45–15:30  
*Keynote 2: Sabine Steffens (LMU- Munchen, Germany).*
*Role of neuroimmune axis in perivascular inflammation*
15.30-16:00  Small break

Session 5:  Chairs: Nathalie Rosenblatt and Andrea Banfi (University of Lausanne and University of Basel)

16:00-17:15  Talks selected from abstracts (6min +2min Q&A) = 9 talks

Meret Allemann (University of Zurich)
The Gut-Microbiota-Derived Phenylacetylglutamine (PAG) Increases Reactive Oxygen Species Formation and Apoptosis in Endothelial Cells

Pascal Azar (University of Geneva)
Smooth muscle cell-specific deletion of S100A4 reduces necrotic core size and inflammation in murine atherosclerotic lesions

Michael Bachmann (University of Geneva)
Deciphering a new TGFβ variant in connective tissue disorders to treat aneurysm

Mary Gonzalez (University of Zurich)
Non-conventional parameters underlying the beneficial cardio metabolic effects after bariatric surgery

Pratintip Lee (University of Zurich)
The n3 Alpha-Linolenic Acid: A Novel Senolytic Agent in Endothelial Cells

Alessandro Mengozzi (University of Zurich)
Therapeutic modulation of epigenetic readers rescues obesity-induced vascular dysfunction: role of endothelium and perivascular adipose tissue

Kapka Miteva (University of Geneva)
Ischemic Stroke is Associated with Reduced Sclerostin Expression in Human Atherosclerotic Plaques

Yustina Maria Puspitasari (University of Zurich)
Arterial thrombosis in Hutchinson Gilford Progeria Syndrome

Valentina Zollet (University of Bern)
Elevated citrullinated fibrinogen delays fibrinolysis in a porcine model of limb ischemia reperfusion injury, contributing to the development of thrombo-inflammatory events

17:15-17:30  Small break for jury evaluation

17:30 – 17:40  Closing works & Award Ceremony
Elena Osto & Marie Luce Bochaton-Piallat

17:40 – 19:00  Apero