Anticoagulant therapy: new perspectives in cardiovascular medicine

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Dear Colleagues

Anticoagulant therapy plays an important role in cardiovascular medicine and its use is recommended for several conditions, including the prophylaxis and treatment of acute coronary syndromes and prevention of stroke in patients with atrial fibrillation.

We are pleased to host a Satellite Symposium at ESC and we invite you to attend presentations to review the evidence that supports the use of both oral and subcutaneous agents, the important clinical issues that influence physicians and patients, and the potential role for new oral anticoagulants.

Professor Raffaele de Caterina will set the scene by reviewing the current role of anticoagulants in the management of cardiovascular disease. He is followed by Dr Elaine Hylek, who will examine the reasons why new oral anticoagulants are needed to improve clinical management of patient quality of care.

Dr Jonathan Halperin will then present an overview of the ongoing clinical trials, focussing on the emerging therapeutic benefits of anticoagulant drugs currently in development. Finally, Professor Thomas Lüscher will present an overview of the potential clinical benefits of new anticoagulant therapies and how their availability may change future clinical practice in cardiovascular medicine.

On behalf of our eminent panel of speakers, we hope you will be able to join us for what promises to be a very informative and exciting session.

Kind regards

Christoph Bode Freek Verheugt

Chairmen’s Welcome

Programme

18:30–18:40 Welcome and introduction
Christoph Bode, Germany

18:40–18:55 The current role of anticoagulants in cardiovascular medicine
Raffaele de Caterina, Italy

18:55–19:10 The need for new oral anticoagulants in clinical practice
Elaine Hylek, USA

19:10–19:25 What can ongoing clinical trials demonstrate?
Jonathan Halperin, USA

Thomas Lüscher, Switzerland

19:40–19:55 Panel and audience discussion

19:55–20:00 Close
Freek Verheugt, The Netherlands