



9th Hybrid AFTM Therapies Summit



June 5, 2026



Sitges, Spain

Agenda

08:30

Welcome

Randall Lee, MD–University of California, San Francisco, USA, AtriCure

Timo Weimar, MD– Cardiac Surgeon, Stuttgart, Germany, AtriCure

08:35

Introduction to the Hybrid AF Therapies Summit

Andreu Porta-Sanchez, MD– Hospital Clínic de Barcelona, Spain

Thorsten Hanke, MD– Albertinen-Krankenhaus, Hamburg, Germany

08:45

Atrial Fibrillation

Moderators: **Andreu Porta-Sanchez, MD**– Hospital Clínic de Barcelona, Spain / **Timo Weimar, MD**– Cardiac Surgeon, Stuttgart, Germany, AtriCure / **Thorsten Hanke, MD**– Albertinen-Krankenhaus, Hamburg, Germany

- Why Hasn't Endocardial Ablation of the LAPW Demonstrated Benefit Over PVI?
Randall Lee, MD–University of California, San Francisco, USA, AtriCure
- Is Repeat Catheter Ablation Delaying Definitive Therapy?
Syed Ahsan, MD– Bart's Heart Centre, London, UK
- Is PFA Effective in the Treatment of Persistent and Long-Standing Persistent Atrial Fibrillation?
Nitesh Sood, MD– Southcoast Health, Fallriver, USA
- Comparative Survival Outcomes of Hybrid and Catheter Ablations: Analysis of Individual Time-To-Event Data
Riyaz Kaba, MD– St George's Hospital, London, UK
- Q&A Open Session With Panelists

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Coffee Break

10:35

Hybrid AF Therapies

Moderators: **Devi Nair, MD**– St. Bernard's Heart & Vascular Center Jonesboro, USA / **Antonius Driessen, MD**– Amsterdam UMC, Netherlands / **Randall Lee, MD**– University of California, San Francisco, USA, AtriCure

- From Paroxysmal to Advanced Substrate: Hybrid Ablation for Advanced AF in Heart Failure Patients
Manuel Castella, MD– Hospital Clínic de Barcelona, Spain
- Changes in Cardiac Mechanics After Hybrid AF Ablation
Carlo De Asmundis, MD– UZ Brussels, Belgium
- All in 1: Convergent Ablation, LAA Exclusion and Endocardial PFA Ablation
John Yap, MD– Bart's Heart Centre, London, UK
Syed Ahsan, MD– Bart's Heart Centre, London, UK



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Hybrid AF Therapies (cont.)

- All in 1 : Convergent Ablation, LAA Exclusion and MIDCAB
Christian Carranza, MD– Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen, Denmark
- Which Patients and When? Should Hybrid Be Considered Earlier?
Panel Discussion
- Q& A Open Session With Panelists

12:10 Lunch

13:20 Hybrid AF Therapies (cont.)

- Importance of Critical Mass and Epicardial LAA Exclusion
Devi Nair, MD– St. Bernard's Heart & Vascular Center Jonesboro, USA
- Long Term Durability Matters - CEASE-AF 3 Year Results
Timo Weimar, MD– Cardiac Surgeon, Stuttgart, Germany, AtriCure
- Evolution of TT-ABC (All Box Clamp) Technique
Nicolas Nikolaidis, MD– New Cross Hospital, Wolverhampton, UK
- Sinus Node Sparing for the Treatment of IST
Mark La Meir, MD– UZ Brussels, Belgium
- Future Directions in Hybrid AF Therapies / Q&A
Panel Discussion

14:45 Closing & Departures

*Topics and titles are subject to change