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Opening of Congress

September 10, 1952

Sir John Parkinson, Chairman of the Congress and President of the British Cardiac Society, welcomed Members of the Congress.
Professor Charles Laubry, Honorary President of the European Society of Cardiology, addressed the assembly.
Professor Gustav Nylin, President of the European Society of Cardiology, gave an address and declared the Congress open.
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PROGRAMME OF SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

Wednesday, September 10. Morning: Beveridge Hall

CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE

Joseph Lambert (Spa, Belgium). Value of additional unipolar leads for the diagnosis of localization and extension of myocardial infarctions.

William Evans (London). The electrocardiogram in 1000 patients with cardiac infarction.


P. J. D. Snow, A. Morgan Jones, and K. Daber (Manchester). A study of coronary and myocardial lesions.

E. Coelho, J. M. Fonseca, C. Rocha Pinto, and A. Nunes (Lisbon). Coronary arteriography in the living subject and its importance for the study of anastomoses of the coronary arteries.

Wednesday, September 10. Morning: Assembly Hall

CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE


J. Dankmeijer and J. Los (Leiden). Embryology of the pulmonary veins.

J. Lequime, F. Courtoy, H. Denolin, and J. Kenis (Brussels). Hæmodynamics in isolated ventricular septal defect.


Maurice Campbell and Geoffrey Reynolds (London). The significance of the direction of PI in dextrocardia and isolated levocardia.

Wednesday, September 10. Afternoon: Beveridge Hall

CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE


E. Donzelot, R. Heim de Balsac, C. Metianu, M. Durand, and R. Guillemot (Paris). Radiological study of 400 cases and anatomical and radiological comparison of 60 necropsies of tetralogy of Fallot.


A. G. Brom (Holland). The value of valvotomy in pure pulmonary stenosis and in pulmonary stenosis combined with over-riding aorta.

J. Karnell (Stockholm). Surgical treatment of coarctation of the aorta.


C. C. Maggi and F. Seiunt (Milan). Clinical, radiological, and tomographical study of the rare forms of stenosis of the thoracic aorta.
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*Wednesday, September 10. Afternoon: Assembly Hall*

**ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY**

Jean Lenègre and Henri Chevalier (*Paris*). Correlation of electrocardiograms with lesions of the Tawara-His system of A-V block and bundle branch block, and ventricular hypertrophy.

Fr. Van Dooren and N. Boyadjian (*Brussels*). Configuration of the QRS complexes in A-V block.

L. Cabral (*Lisbon*). S-waves in intraventricular block.

R. Hegglin, H. Grauer, and A. Munchinger (*Zurich*). Experimental investigations on the cause of Q-T prolongation.

V. Brossa Torres (*Barcelona*). The clinical value of monopolar leads.

P. Rijlant (*Brussels*). Polygraphic exploration of the distribution of cardiac potentials on the surface of the thorax.


J. Varela de Seijas Aguilar, E. Uriel Morales, and H. Herrero Botas (*San Rafael*). The ventricular gradient with reference to the repolarization process.

M. Corti and V. Macchi (*Milan*). Electrocardiograms known as “of overload” following changes in the intracavitary pressures after surgical treatment.

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**Thursday, September 11. Morning: Beveridge Hall**

**SYMPOSIUM ON THE SURGICAL TREATMENT OF MITRAL STENOSIS**

Opening Speakers


Followed by


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**Thursday, September 11. Afternoon: MacMillan Hall**

**FURTHER PAPERS ON THE SURGICAL TREATMENT OF MITRAL STENOSIS**


V. Puddu, L. Comberiati, A. Collicelli, and A. Sensi (*Rome*). Electrocardiographic, phonocardiographic, and electrokymographic changes in mitral stenosis after commissurotomy.

A. Cordeiro and E. Lima Basto (*Lisbon*). Post-operative course of mitral valvotomy.

F. S. P. van Buchem, J. Nieveen, B. P. A. A. Homan, and W. E. Marring (*Holland*). Some observations on patients operated on for mitral stenosis.

L. Condorelli (*Rome*). The regulator mechanisms of pulmonary arterial pressure.

M. Servedia (*Paris*). Experimental study of mitral valvoplasty: hemodynamics and results.

F. Jackson (*Newcastle*). Pulmonary artery and pulmonary capillary pressures in mitral stenosis, and their response to exercise.

H. A. Snellen, J. Dankmeijer, P. H. M. Schilling, J. Van Dam, H. G. Verdonk (*Holland*). Clinical significance of biopsies from the left lung and left auricle in mitral stenosis.
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Thursday, September 11. Afternoon: Beveridge Hall

MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS


F. Lenzi and A. Caniggia (Siena). Experiments on the osmodynamic energy accumulator theory.

J. Lequime, P. Courtoy, and J. Kenis (Brussels). Haemodynamics in combined left and right ventricular failure.


L. Gallavardin, P. Cahen (Lyon). Benign forms of paroxysmal ventricular tachycardia.

Thursday, September 11. Afternoon: Assembly Hall

MAINLY ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY AND VECTORCARDIOGRAPHY


M. Iverson (Copenhagen). Heart disease and prostatic surgery.

G. Agostoni (Milan). The zone of the aortic isthmus “locus minoris resistentiae” in cases of violent trauma of the chest.

V. Slavkovic (Yugoslavia). Clinical significance of aVR leads in which the main QRS deflection is upward.


P. Meyer, R. Herr, Cl. Schmidt, P. Millian (Strasbourg). Unipolar dorsal leads, especially V8 and Inf. 8 in electrocardiography.

M. Segers (Brussels). Preponderance considered as an intraventricular block.

M. Regnier and B. Taccardi (Belgium). The frontal vectorcardiogram in man.

R. Wenger (Vienna). The vectorcardiographic investigations in incomplete bundle branch block.

R. Ivancic (Zagreb). Transthoracic bipolar leads.


Friday, September 12. Morning: Beveridge Hall

MITRAL STENOSIS AND MITRAL INCOMPETENCE


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J. Facquet, J. M. Lemoine, P. Alhomme, and G. Lefebvre (Carnot). The measurement of the left auricular pressure through the bronchus.
I. Mahaim, P. Desbaillets, and J. Wyss (Lausanne). The mitral stenosing left auricular polyp and commissurotomy: a new symptom.

Friday, September 12. Morning: Assembly Hall

BALLISTOCARDIOGRAPHY, ELECTROKYMOGRAPHY, AND MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

H. Burger (Utrecht). The physical principles of ballistocardiography.
L. Jonnart and J. Lequime (Brussels). Ballistocardiography from the physical standpoint.
R. Boehmig (Karlsruhe). Morphological development of the different types of endocarditis.
A. Gonin, R. Froment, and J. Gravier (Lyons). Tuberculous pericarditis progressing to constrictive pericarditis.
F. Estape (Barcelona). Mitral destruction without valvular disease in constrictive pericarditis.
L. Trias de Bes and F. Ballesta Barcons (Barcelona). The tolerance to khellin.

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MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

K. Blumberger (Dusseldorf). The dynamics of mitral and aortic valve diseases.
G. Minot, C. Lian, Herbert, and Rager (Paris). Simultaneous registration of the electrical and mechanical phenomena of the heart and vessels.
A. Thomas (Cardiff). The vascular lesion of pneumoconiosis.
V. Debenedetti (Ivrea, Italy). The lasting inversion or flattening of the T wave in pulmonary embolism.
K. E. Grewin (Stockholm). The normal electrocardiogram in pregnant women during the last trimester and after delivery.
M. Holzmann (Zurich). Influence of respiration upon arrhythmias.
J. Ulrich (Germany). Contribution to the physiology of the heart.

Friday, September 12. Afternoon: Assembly Hall

CORONARY DISEASE AND PERIPHERAL VASCULAR DISEASE

H. Malmros (Sweden). The relationship of diseases of the coronary arteries and of the gall bladder.


Y. Bouvrain, R. Tricot, P. Vernant, and P. Meudic (France). A study of the freezing point of serum and of azotemia in recent cardiac infarction.

P. Hedlund (Stockholm). The appearance of acute phase protein in myocardial infarction.

B. Ejrup (Stockholm). Fluorescin circulation rate in peripheral vascular diseases.

G. Bendiera (Genoa). The determination of functional damage in the estimate of the gravity and evolution of vessel diseases of lower limbs.

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