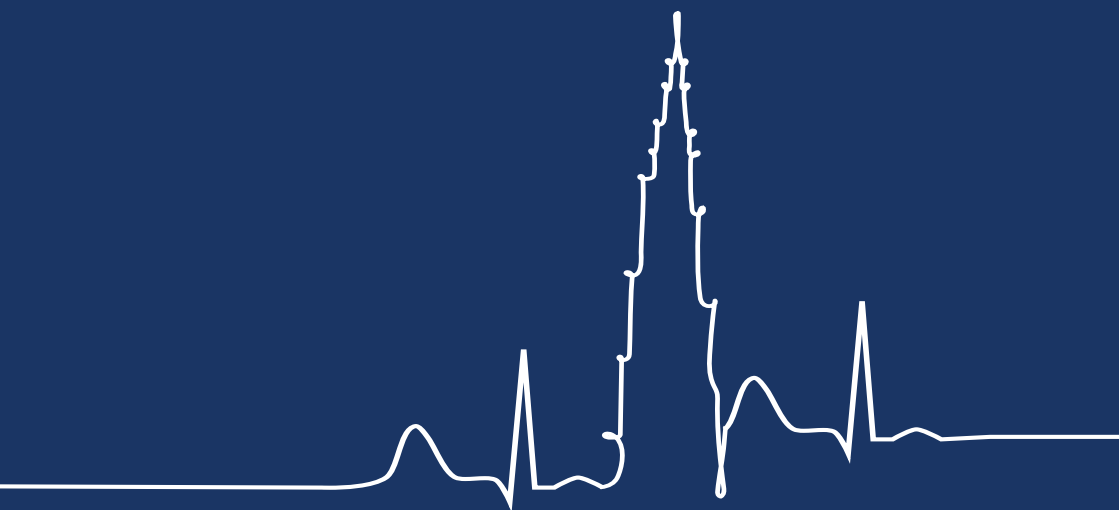




GAC 2025 GULF ARRHYTHMIA CONGRESS

January 10-12, 2025
Intercontinental Hotel
Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Scientific Program



09:00–10:00	<p>{AI Amwaj} Pre-congress Session I hosted by Abbott Optimizing Patient Management with Abbott Technology Chairs: Ali Al-Sayegh (Kuwait) & Yahya Alhebaishi (KSA)</p>
09:00–09:15	Mapping Still Matters: Power of Ensite X in Tackling LA Flutters Fahad Almehmadi (KSA)
09:15–09:30	Advances in Implantable Cardiac Monitors: Long Term Monitoring in AF Patient Management Amin Zagzoog (KSA)
09:30–09:45	CSP Current Knowledge and Future Prospects Mehboob Ali Dar (KSA)
09:45–10:00	Discussion
10:00–11:00	<p>{AI Amwaj} Pre-congress Session II hosted by Boston Scientific</p>
10:00–10:30	Future of Pulsed Field Ablation Angelo Auricchio (Italy)
10:30–11:00	Modular System Pacing : Leadless pacemaker and S-ICD Angelo Auricchio (Italy)
11:00–11:30	<p>{Pre-function} Coffee Break</p>
11:30–12:30	<p>{AI Amwaj} Pre-congress Session III hosted by Medtronic Innovations in Cardiac Rhythm Management Chairs: John Rickard (UAE), Naeem Alshoaibi (KSA), Salem Al Kaabi (UAE) & Abdullah Sharaf (KSA)</p>
11:30–11:45	Clinical Update on the Extra-Vascular Defibrillator (EV-ICD) Raed Sweidan (KSA)
11:45–12:00	Leadless Pacemaker Implantation: Change of Approach Fawziah Al-Kandari (Kuwait)
12:00–12:15	CSP for Bradycardia and Heart Failure: Is it the Future? Fahad Almehmadi (KSA)
12:15–12:30	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty
13:15	Friday Prayers

13:30–14:15	{Pre-function} Registration
14:15–14:30	{AI Ras 2&3} Opening Remarks
14:15 – 14:25	Welcoming and Introduction by the GHRS Adel Khalifa (Bahrain)
14:25 – 14:30	Welcoming and Introduction by the GHA Mohamed Zubaid (Kuwait)
14:30–15:15	Lunch Industry Talk I hosted by Abbott Flexibility to Treat All Pacemaker Patients with the Aveir™ Portfolio of Leadless Pacemakers - Gulf Experience Chairs: Fawziah Al-Kandari (Kuwait) & Mohamad Elshehri (KSA)
14:30 – 14:45	Feasibility, Safety, Longevity from Real World Clinical Practice in Saudi Arabia Raed Sweidan (KSA)
14:45 – 15:00	Dextro Cardio Implant with AVEIR™ VR Moussa Alharbi (KSA)
15:00 – 15:15	AVEIR™DR Across Percutaneous Tricuspid Valve Najjemedine Echahidi (KSA)
15:15–16:45	{AI Ras 2&3} Session I Sudden Cardiac Death: Arrhythmia & Genetics Chairs: Ayman Alkhadra (KSA), Abdulmohsen Al Mosaed (KSA) & Ahmed Mokhtar (KSA)
15:15–15:30	Inherited Arrhythmia Syndromes Associated with SCD Nasser AlHammad (KSA)
15:30–15:45	HCM Genetics and Risk Stratification for SCD Mohamed Aljaabari (UAE)
15:45–16:00	Risk Stratification of SCD in Patients with Heart Failure Wael Alqarawi (KSA)
16:00–16:15	Updates on ARVD Giulio Conte (Switzerland)
16:15–16:30	SCD in Athletes: Diagnostic Challenge Eduard Guasch (Spain)
16:30–16:45	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty
16:45–17:00	{Exhibition & Pre-function} Coffee Break

{AI Ras 2&3}
Session II
Ventricular Arrhythmias: Diagnosis and Management
Chairs: Yahya Alhebaishi (KSA), Nidal Asaad (Qatar) & Amin Al-Ahmad (USA)

17:00–17:15	Neuromodulation in VT Management Marta Acena (UAE)
17:15–17:30	Ischemic VT Ablation: Evidence, Technique and Results Hikmet Yorgun (Turkey)
17:30–17:45	How to Approach Asymptomatic Patients with High Burden PVCs? Moutaz El Kadri (UAE)
17:45–18:00	Ventricular Arrhythmias in Structurally Normal Hearts Amin Al-Ahmad (USA)
18:00–18:15	Ventricular Arrhythmias and Sleep Apnea: Current Perspective Lamia Al Shengeiti (KSA)
18:15–18:30	Ventricular Arrhythmias Management in Children: Is it Different? Volkan Tuzcu (Qatar)
18:30–18:45	Evolving Strategies for VT Ablation Ignacio Garcia Bolao (Spain)
18:45–19:00	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty

08:30–09:00		{Pre-function} Registration	
09:00–10:30		{AI Ras 2} Session III – A Advances in AF Ablation Chairs: Fawziah Al-Kandari (Kuwait), Fayez Bokhari (KSA), Abdullah Shehri (KSA) & Ignacio Garcia Bolao (Spain)	{AI Ras 3} Session III – B Challenging ECGs/Holters Chairs: Hikmet Yorgun (Turkey), Abdullah Alissa (KSA) & Saad Al Hasaniah (KSA)
09:00–09:15	The Future of PFA Ablation: Will PVI Stand the Test of Time? Walid Saliba (USA)	09:00–09:15	Holter Cases Naeem Alshoabi (KSA)
09:15–09:30	Safety, Efficacy and Long-term Outcome of Cryo AF Ablation Claudio Tondo (Italy)	09:15–09:30	VT Cases Omar Al Hag (UAE)
09:30–09:45	The Role of Imaging in AF Ablation Julian Chun (Germany)	09:30–09:45	SVT Cases Ghaliah Al Mohani (Oman)
09:45–10:00	AF Recurrence Post PFA: Mechanisms and Management Gian-Battista Chierchia (Belgium)	09:45–10:00	Troubleshooting ICDs Ali Al-Sayegh (Kuwait)
10:00–10:15	AF Ablation in Patients with Heart Failure Amin Al-Ahmad (USA)	10:00–10:15	Pacemaker Tracings Muhammad Salman Ghazni (KSA)
10:15–10:30	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty	10:15–10:30	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty
10:30–11:15		{AI Ras 2} Industry Talk II hosted by Medtronic Chairs: Khaldoun Tarakji (USA), Fayez Bokhari (KSA) & Najjemedine Echahidi (KSA)	
10:30–11:15	PFA: From Single Shot Precision & Safety to Wide-Area Focal Revolution Amin Al-Ahmad (USA)		
11:15–11:45		{Exhibition & Pre-function} Coffee Break	

<p>{AI Ras 2&3} Session IV 11:45–13:15 Cardiac Implantable Electrical Devices Chairs: Mervat Aboulmaaty (Egypt), Omar Al Hag (UAE), Emma Svennberg (Sweden) & Giulio Conte (Switzerland)</p>	
11:45–12:00	Leadless Pacemaker Technology and Advancements Haran Burri (Switzerland)
12:00–12:15	Subcutaneous and Extra-vascular ICDs: Indications and Long-Term Outcome Raed Sweidan (KSA)
12:15–12:30	LAA Appendage Closure vs NOAC in High-Risk Patients: Clash of the Titans Amr Nawar (Oman)
12:30–12:45	Extraction Techniques for CIEDS Cesar Khazen (Austria)
12:45–13:00	Conduction System Pacing vs CRT: Where are We Heading? Aurelien Wauters (Belgium)
13:00–13:15	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty
<p>{AI Ras 2&3} Industry Talk III hosted by Boston Scientific 13:15–14:00 Lunchboxes served at 13:45 Moderator: Angelo Auricchio (Germany) Chairs: Fawziah Al-Kandari (Kuwait), Omar Alfalasi (UAE), Fayez Bokhari (KSA) & Yahya Alhebaishi (KSA)</p>	
13:15–13:45	Cutting Edge Technology : Pulsed Field Ablation and 3D Mapping Integration Ignacio Garcia Bolao (Spain)
13:45–14:00	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty
<p>{Exhibition & Pre-function} 14:00–14:30 Continuing Lunch Break & Adjourn to Break Hall</p>	
<p>{AI Ras 2} Session V – A 14:30–16:30 Challenging Lab Cases Chairs: Mohamed Magdy (UAE), Bander Al Ghamdi (KSA) & Gian-Batista Chierchia (Belgium)</p>	<p>{AI Ras 3} Session V – B 14:30–16:30 NOACs Case-based Discussion Chairs: Mohamed Al Jaabri (UAE), Ahmad Hersi (KSA) & Abdulmohsen Al Mosaed (KSA)</p>
14:30–14:45	How ICE Enhances the Safety and Success of My Cases Mario Njeim (UAE)
14:45–15:00	Optimizing LV Lead Placement in Complex Anatomy Aurelien Wauters (Belgium)
14:30–14:45	Anticoagulation in Patients with both AF and Coronary Stents Salem Al Kaabi (UAE)
14:45–15:00	Anticoagulation in Patients Undergoing Ablation and Device Implants Abdullah Alissa (KSA)

DAY 2: SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2025

15:00–15:15	Unexpected Twist in PVC/VT Ablation Yahya Alhebaishi (KSA)	15:00–15:15	NOACs use in Extremes of Weight: Does it Matter? Muhammad Salman Ghazni (KSA)
15:15–15:30	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty	15:15–15:30	NOACs and Electrical Cardioversion Najib Alrawahi (Oman)
15:30–15:45	Challenging SVT Diagnostics/ Ablation Atif AlQabbany (KSA)	15:30–15:45	NOAC Bridging is it Required? Ahmed Mokhtar (KSA)
15:45–16:00	Ablation of Arrhythmia in Adult Congenital Heart Disease Khadijah Maghrabi (KSA)	15:45–16:00	How to Reverse the Effects of NOACs? Hani Sabbour (UAE)
16:00–16:15	Antero-septal WPW in Children Ismail Al Abri (Oman)	16:00–16:15	Anticoagulation in High-Risk Patients (Elderly and Chronic Renal Failure) Omar Alfalasi (UAE)
16:15–16:30	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty	16:15–16:30	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty
16:30–17:00	{AI Ras 2} Platinum Parallel Industry Talk IV–A hosted by Abbott Early Experience in Balloon based PFA Ablation for AF Chairs: Najjemine Echahidi (KSA) & Atif AlQabbany (KSA)	16:30–17:00	{AI Ras 3} Platinum Parallel Industry Talk IV–B hosted by Johnson&Johnson Chairs: Salem Al Kaabi (UAE)
16:30–17:00	Live Case & Discussion: Exploring the Potential of Early Experience with Balloon Based PFA Ablation Gian-Batista Chierchia (Belgium)	16:30–17:00	VARIPULSE Case Review: 1st 3D-integrated PFA Platform Mario Njeim (UAE)
17:00–17:15	{Exhibition & Pre-function} Coffee Break		
17:15–18:45	{AI Ras 2} Session VI Emerging Technologies in Arrhythmias Diagnosis and Management Chairs: Adel Khalifa (Bahrain), Ahmed Al Salem (KSA) & Ahmad Hersi (KSA)		
17:15–17:30	AI and Arrhythmia Diagnosis and Management Tai-Ho Rho (South Korea)		
17:30–17:45	Wearable Technology in Arrhythmias Diagnosis Haran Burri (Switzerland)		
17:45–18:00	Remote Monitoring of Cardiac Devices: A Powerful Tool Underutilized in Clinical Practice John Rickard (UAE)		
18:00–18:15	The Value of ILRs in Clinical Practice: Improving Outcomes and Reducing Costs Samah Al Kharji (Kuwait)		
18:15–18:30	Emerging Therapies for Dysautonomia Syndromes Enes Elvin Gul (Turkey)		
18:30–18:45	Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty		

<p>09:00–10:15</p>	<p>{AI Ras 2&3} Session VII Dilemmas in Electrophysiology and Arrhythmias Chairs: Wafa Aldawood (KSA), Ayman Al Khadra (KSA), Claudio Tondo (Italy) & Julian Chun (Germany)</p>
<p>09:00–09:15</p>	<p>Bariatric Surgery and Arrhythmias: A Complex Relationship Hani Sabbour (UAE)</p>
<p>09:15–09:30</p>	<p>Approach to Tachycardia Mediated CMP Fayez Bokhari (KSA)</p>
<p>09:30–09:45</p>	<p>Catheter Ablation First-line Therapy for PAF? Walid Saliba (USA)</p>
<p>09:45–10:00</p>	<p>What Do We Do About Atrial High-Rate Episodes: Insights from Recent Data Emma Svennberg (Sweden)</p>
<p>10:00–10:15</p>	<p>Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty</p>
<p>10:15–10:45 {Pre-function} Coffee Break</p>	
<p>10:45–12:00</p>	<p>{AI Ras 2&3} Session VIII Arrhythmias in Special Populations Chairs: Najib Alrawahi (Oman) & Omar Alfalasi (UAE)</p>
<p>10:45–11:00</p>	<p>Arrhythmias in Pregnancy: Unique Challenges in Diagnosis and Management Wafa Aldawood (KSA)</p>
<p>11:00–11:15</p>	<p>Arrhythmias in Patients with Congenital Heart Disease Mohammad Ebrahim (Kuwait)</p>
<p>11:15–11:30</p>	<p>Management of Exercise-induced Ventricular Arrhythmias in Athletes Eduard Guasch (Spain)</p>
<p>11:30–11:45</p>	<p>Sports Participation Recommendations for Athletes with ICDs Mousa Alharbi (KSA)</p>
<p>11:45–12:00</p>	<p>Audience Q&A with Discussion All Faculty</p>
<p>12:15–14:00 {Promenade– Lower Level} Farewell Lunch</p>	

Saturday, January 11, 2025

09:00–12:30

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Peer to Peer Advanced Care Technologist Village hosted by Medtronic

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| 09:00–09:45 | Conduction System Pacing: Essentials in best case support of the LBBAP Procedure
Jad Hajj Ahmad (KSA) & Azza Albsise (KSA) |
| 09:45–10:00 | Conduction System Pacing: A Case Study from CCAD
Jessica Case (UAE) |
| 10:00–10:45 | Meet Micra AV II: Overview of Micra AV Programming
Mohamad Mansour (KSA) |
| 10:45–11:30 | Future of Remote Monitoring: Triage Heart Failure
Justine Brazendale (UAE) |
| 11:30–12:30 | Dedication to Single-Shot Ablation
Paul-David Roy (UAE) |

Saturday, January 11, 2025

14:30–18:00

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| 14:30–15:10 | CRT Optimization
Mihaly Schubkegel (Hungary) |
| 15:10–15:30 | Shock Vector Polarity Reversal
Wassim Shehadeh (Lebanon) |
| 15:30–15:50 | S-ICD Screening
Mihaly Schubkegel (Hungary) |
| 15:50–16:10 | Conduction System Pacing Solution
Gerardo Russo (Italy) |
| 16:10–16:30 | Pulsed Field Ablation Biophysics
Martin Kopecny (Czech Republic) |
| 16:30–16:50 | Future Advances in AF
Silvia Canepa (Italy) |
| 16:50–17:10 | RF Based Transeptal Solution
Veronica Cioffi (Canada) |
| 17:10–17:30 | HeartConnect
Maria Zhiltsova (Russia) |
| 17:30–18:00 | eLAB
Maria Zhiltsova (Russia) |