



Center for Congenital Heart Defects

Invitation to the 11th 'Utrecht Sessions'

Febr 6th - 7th 2026: The Ins and Outs of the Left Heart



Dear friends and colleagues,

With pride we present the program of our 11th 'Utrecht Sessions' on The Ins and Outs of the Left Heart.



The first day of our conference (Thursday February 5th 2026) is in Dutch: this day is intended for parents and patients with this congenital heart defect, our referring partners and our care partners.

The international symposium in English will take place on February 6th and 7th 2026, for which registration is possible separately.

Program

Friday February 6th

08.00 - 08.30 Registration and coffee

08.30 - 08.45 Welcome

Gregor Krings and Hanna Talacua

TAPVC

Chairpersons: John Simpson and Gabriëlle van Iperen

08.45 - 09.15 Morphology

Speaker follows

09.15 - 09.35 Imaging prenatal

- Trisha Vigneswaran
09.35 - 10.00 Imaging postnatal
Katarina Hanseus
10.00 - 10.20 Surgical strategy in TAPVC
Jonathan McGuinness
10.20 - 10.50 Interactive case
Gaute Døhlen

10.50 - 11.20 Coffee break

Pulmonary Vein Stenosis and CS/Triatriatum

Chairpersons: Regina Bökenkamp and Bram van Wijk

- 11.20 - 11.40 Pulmonary vene stenosis: primary versus secondary
Damien Bonnet
11.40 - 12.00 Surgical approach pulmonary vein stenosis
Nicola Viola
12.00 - 12.20 Catheter approach to pulmonary vein stenosis
Arash Salavitarab
12.20 - 12.45 Unroofed coronary sinus and cor triatriatum:
from imaging to correction
Tara Bharucha and Nicola Viola

12.45 - 13.45 Meet, greet and eat

Mitral Valve

Chairpersons: Trisha Vigneswaran and Paul Schoof

- 13.45 - 14.15 Morphology
Andrew Cook
14.15 - 14.35 Prenatal imaging of the mitral valve
Alessandra Toscano
14.35 - 14.55 Postnatal imaging mitral/ valve disease
John Simpson
14.55 - 15.25 Surgery in congenital mitral/ valve disease
Olivier Raisky
15.25 - 15.45 Follow up after mitral valve surgical
Luc Mertens

15.45 - 16.15 Tea break

Chairpersons: Adam Kolečnik and Trinette Steenhuis

- 16.15 - 16.40 Interventions: from balloon to clip
Gianfranco Butera
16.40 - 17.00 Acquired mitral valve disease
Naizihijwa Majani
17.00 - 17.30 Case battle
Hans Breur and Gregor Krings
17.30 - 17.45 Closing remarks
Gregor Krings and Hanna Talacua

Saturday February 7th

08.45 - 08.50 Welcome Trinette Steenhuis and Bram van Wijk

Subvalvular LVOTO

Chairpersons: Arash Salavitarab and Christian Blank

- 08.50 - 09.15 Morphology of LVOTO
Andrew Cook
09.15 - 09.40 Genetic testing in LVOTO
Najim Lahrouchi

09.40 - 10.05 How to manage LVOTO during anesthesia
Kim van Loon

Subvalvular aortic stenosis

10.05 - 10.30 Imaging in subvalvular aortic stenosis
Luc Mertens

10.30 - 10.55 Therapy in subvalvular aortic stenosis
Nicola Viola

10.55 - 11.20 Coffee break

Valvular aortic disease

Chairpersons: Tara Bharucha and Gregor Krings

11.20 - 11.40 Imaging in valvular aortic stenosis
Speaker follows

11.40 - 12.00 Therapy in valvular aortic stenosis
Mark Galantowicz

12.00 - 12.15 Pro/con debate: Ross is the boss
Eva Sames-Dolzer

12.15 - 12.30 Pro/con debate: Ross is a loss
Adam Koleśnik

12.30 - 12.40 Paneldiscussion
All speakers

12.40 - 13.40 Meet, greet and eat

Supravalvular aortic disease

Chairpersons: Mark Hazekamp and Mirella Molenschot

13.40 - 14.10 Imaging in supravalvular aortic stenosis
Speaker follows

14.10 - 14.40 Therapy in supravalvular aortic stenosis
Martin Kostolny

14.40 - 15.10 Coronary abnormalities in infants
Gianluca Brancaccio

15.10 - 15.30 Wrap up, EBAC evaluation and closing remarks
Gregor Krings and Trinette Steenhuis

Center for Congenital Heart Defects

The [Center for Congenital Heart Defects](#) is part of the University Medical Center in Utrecht and offers a wide range of diagnostic procedures and treatment for congenital heart defects, in both children and adults. Children are treated at the Wilhelmina Children's Hospital (WKZ); adult patients (Adult Congenital Heart Disease ACHD) at the UMC Utrecht. The two locations are directly linked and collaborate intensively in the UMC Utrecht Center for Congenital Heart Defects. In doing so, we have developped top-of-the range diagnostic processes, care, treatment and research.

Accreditation is requested from

- BEN Beroepsvereniging Echoscopisten Nederland
- EBAC European Board for Accreditation of Continuing Education for Health professionals

- NAPA Nederlandse Associate Physician Assistants
- NeSECC Beroepsvereniging voor klinisch perfusionisten
- NVBMH Nederlandse Vereniging Bachelor Medisch Hulpverleners
- NVHVV Nederlandse Vereniging voor Hart- en Vaatverpleegkundigen
- NVK Nederlandse Vereniging Kindergeneeskunde
- NVT Nederlandse Vereniging Thoraxchirurgie
- NVVC Nederlandse Vereniging voor Cardiologie
- SBHFL Stichting Beroepsvereniging Hartfunctielaboranten
- VS-register Verpleegkundig Specialisten Register

Registration Friday February 6 and Saturday February 7 2026

Registration 5-6-7 February 2026

We are looking forward to see you on February 6th - 7th 2026 in Utrecht!

Gregor Krings, Bram van Wijk, Paul Schoof, Gabriëlle van Iperen, Trinette Steenhuis and Mirella Molenschot

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