

EAPCI at PCR London Valves 2024

PCR London Valves – an official course of the EAPCI – is the largest worldwide course focusing on the care of patients with valvular heart disease and percutaneous valvular intervention. The programme is innovative, hands on and designed for the entire Heart Team: interventional cardiologists, cardiac surgeons, interventional imagers, nurses and allied professionals.

PCR London Valves 2024 will take place in November, marking the first anniversary of the new EAPCI membership. If you have any doubts regarding your member status, please drop by the EAPCI stand to update your membership and learn about the many benefits associated with being an EAPCI member. EAPCI members benefit from preferential registration fees for EuroPCR and PCR London Valves, receive a discount on the print version of *EuroIntervention* journal which includes free access to the online version, plus a discount on the *PCR-EAPCI Textbook*. Being a member of the EAPCI community opens up many opportunities to become involved in EAPCI activities, including scientific documents, journal clubs, webinars and a new educational path we are designing for our members. Membership also opens up the opportunity to apply for fellowship grants, along with coaching and mentoring programmes.

At PCR London Valves, many EAPCI members are involved in presenting cases, participating in sessions and presenting abstracts. An EAPCI session chaired by EAPCI President Alaide Chieffo and President-Elect Martine Gilard – entitled “How to implement a successful structural intervention programme” – will take place on Tuesday, 26 November from 08:30 to 09:30. This session is dedicated to the presentation and discussion of the recently published “Percutaneous Valvular and

Structural Heart Disease Interventions. 2024 Core Curriculum of the European Association of Percutaneous Cardiovascular Interventions (EAPCI) of the ESC in collaboration with the European Association of Cardiovascular Imaging (EACVI) and the Cardiovascular Surgery Working Group (WG CVS) of the European Society of Cardiology.” Using a case-based discussion format, this promises to be a lively and interactive session, highlighting the requirements and challenges of developing a high-quality, standardised training programme in structural and valvular interventions and maintaining optimal patient care. There are also numerous sessions dedicated to nurses and allied professionals, the hands-on learning and simulation sessions always being well received.

Finally, young interventional cardiologists will be awarded their EAPCI Fellowship Grants at a ceremony in the main arena. The EAPCI Fellowship Grants support interventional cardiology fellows to undergo a year-long period of training outside of their own country. The opportunity to train in high-volume centres using techniques and equipment not necessarily available in the recipients’ home countries allows them to gain key skills to take back to their home countries and improve clinical care in the future. These grants require collaboration with industry; companies that provide economic support are contributing to shaping the future of cardiovascular interventions, predominantly in countries with limited training opportunities. Congratulations to the awardees.

The 2024 edition of PCR London Valves will undoubtedly be a highly educational event which will provide our community with an opportunity to come together, share opinions and learn from each other. We look forward to seeing those of you attending in person.



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