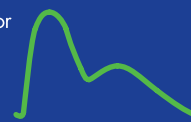


Artery 11

ARTERY

Association for
Research into
Arterial
Structure and
Physiology



Main Announcement and Call for Abstracts

Maison Internationale, Cité Universitaire, Paris, France
Thursday 13th - Saturday 15th October 2011

The eleventh conference in a series of meetings to provide
a forum for discussion on arterial structure and function

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INVITATION

We are pleased to invite you to attend **Artery 11** which will be held from Thursday 13th to Saturday 15th October 2011 at the Maison Internationale, Cité Universitaire, Paris, France.

This conference is targeted at *clinical researchers* and *basic researchers* on arterial structure and function and interaction with various organs such as the heart, kidney and brain and biological systems such as glucose regulation, lipids and inflammation. It aims at building on previous highly appreciated *Artery* meetings, which have established a gold standard for meetings in the field. *Artery 11* will cover an expanded list of topics through keynote lectures, abstract presentations and industry led symposia. This year, special emphasis will be put on arterial stiffness, from modelling and vascular biology to clinical applications.

We are also keen to support young researchers, who represent nearly half of the presenters of free communications and invited lectures. Although the majority of the sessions will be in plenary, several parallel slots have been added to the Programme.

The *Artery Society* aims to be the bridge between all societies dealing with arterial structure and physiology, fostering exchanges of ideas and novel research. This year, we shall share sessions with representatives from the Pulse of Asia Society, the North American Artery Society and the European Society of Hypertension. The Paris meeting is also endorsed by the French Society of Hypertension, the French Society of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, and the French Society of Vascular Medicine. Delegates of these societies are warmly invited to actively participate in *Artery 11*.

We welcome abstracts for both oral and poster presentations dealing with research in a large range of areas, from basic to clinical and epidemiological sciences, related to large artery structure and function. We favour scientific debate through hot topic controversies. The presentation of data at this meeting will provide the opportunity for scientific interaction and discussion with a highly informed audience. The Society will provide prestigious prizes for the best oral presentation by a young investigator, best posters, and highly prized Career Development Awards for more established researchers. All accepted abstracts will be published in the official journal of the Society - *ARTERY RESEARCH* - later in the year.

The conference activities will take place at the Maison Internationale, Cité Universitaire, Paris, a historical venue, a tribute to the great philanthropists of the late 19th and early 20th century who built this utopian "city of the world" for students. The venue is ideally located within walking distance of the major hotels, within a magnificent park, at a major metro hub directly linked to airports and railway stations.

After the scientific sessions, you will be attracted by the beauties and the glamour of the "city of light", PARIS, with its monuments and museums, its culture and charms.

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Artery Society and the Local Organising Committee of *Artery 11*, we look forward to welcoming you to Paris in October, with the aim of combining science and French way of life, thus leaving you an unforgettable experience.



Professor Pierre BOUTOUYRIE
Chair of the Local Organising Committee



Professor Stéphane LAURENT
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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME - THURSDAY 13th OCTOBER 2011

13.00-13.55 **Registration, Refreshments and Poster Preview**

13.55-14.00 **Welcome Address**

P Boutouyrie (Paris, France)

S Laurent (Paris, France) on behalf of Artery the Society

14.00-14.30 **Opening Lecture**

New insights in ultrasound imaging for cardiovascular diseases and large arteries properties

M Fink (Paris, France)

14.30-15.30 **Oral Session 1**

Free Oral Communications

In association with 'North American Artery'

15.30-16.30 **Oral Session 2**

Symposium: Novel technologies in arterial research: from tissue modelling to novel imaging

2.1 Vascular biomechanics: constitutive modelling and characterisation of the arterial wall
F van de Vosse (Eindhoven, The Netherlands)

2.2 Biomechanical properties of coronary vulnerable plaque
G Finet (Lyon, France)

2.3 MRI and carotid plaque
C Oppenheim (Paris, France)

16.30-17.00 **Coffee and Exhibition**

17.00-17.30 **Sponsored Manufacturer Symposium**

17.30-19.00 **Chaired Poster Discussion Session and Drinks Reception**

19.30-20.30 **Parallel Candlelight Sponsored Manufacturers' Symposia**

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME - FRIDAY 14th OCTOBER 2011

08.30-10.00 **Oral Session 3**

Young Investigators' Presentations

10.00-10.30 **Keynote Lecture**

Molecular mechanisms of the vascular responses to haemodynamic forces

S Lehoux (Montreal, Canada)

10.30-11.00 **Coffee and Exhibition**

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME - FRIDAY 14th OCTOBER 2011 continued

11.00-12.00 Oral Session 4

Controversy: Wave reflection; myth or reality?

- 4.1 Myth
N Westerhof (Amsterdam, The Netherlands)
- 4.2 Reality
I Wilkinson (Cambridge, UK)
- 4.3 Synthesis
P Segers (Ghent, Belgium)

12.00-12.30 Sponsored Manufacturer Symposium

12.30-13.30 Lunch, Exhibition and Poster Preview

13.30-14.30 Oral Session 5

Free Oral Communications *In association with 'Pulse of Asia'*

14.30-15.30 Satellite Symposium - Organised in collaboration with Servier Arterial protection in diabetes: from bench to bedside

Chairpersons: S Laurent (Paris, France), L Van Bortel (Ghent, Belgium)

Introduction: L Van Bortel (Ghent, Belgium)

Cross-talk between micro and macrocirculation in diabetes
H Struijker Boudier (Maastricht, The Netherlands)

Approaches to reversing arterial damage in diabetes
D Rizzoni (Brescia, Italy)

Antihypertensive therapy for cardiovascular protection in diabetes
P Nilsson (Malmö, Sweden)

Conclusion: S Laurent (Paris, France)

15.30-16.00 Coffee and Exhibition

16.00-17.00 Chaired Poster Discussion Session

17.00-17.30 Special Guest Lecture

Vascular remodelling of the retinal microcirculation in hypertension and diabetes
R Schmieder (Erlangen, Germany)

17.30-18.30 Career Development Lectures

Advances in arterial stiffness
E Hermeling (Maastricht, The Netherlands)

Large artery remodeling and chronic kidney disease
M Briet (Paris, France)

Title to be confirmed
K Maki-Petaja (Cambridge, UK)

20.15 **Reception & Conference Dinner - Seine Cruise on board the 'Chansonnier'**

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME - SATURDAY 15th OCTOBER 2011

- 08.30-10.00 [Oral Session 6](#)
Young Investigators' Presentations
- 10.00-10.30 [The McDonald Lecture](#)
Regulation of arterial stiffness: cellular, molecular and neurogenic mechanisms
A Avolio (Sydney, Australia)
- 10.30-11.00 Coffee and Exhibition
- 11.00-12.00 [Oral Session 7](#)
Free Oral Communications
In association with the 'European Society of Hypertension'
- 12.00-12.15 [Lifetime Achievement Award](#)
Presented by: S Laurent (Paris, France)
Recipient: N Westerhof (Amsterdam, The Netherlands)
- 12.15-12.30 Awards and Prizes
- 12.30-12.40 Concluding Remarks and Close of Conference
- 12.40-13.00 Artery Society Annual Business Meeting (Artery Members only)
- 13.00 Lunch

The Programme is correct at the time of printing, and the Secretariat accepts no liability for any changes made at a later date

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

DATES AND VENUE



Artery 11 will be held in Paris, France from the afternoon of Thursday 13th October to Saturday 15th October 2011. Paris is the beautiful capital city of France and worth a visit all year round.

The meeting will be held at the Maison Internationale in the south of Paris, part of the Cité Universitaire de Paris, a lively academic venue with excellent conference facilities.

Venue address: Maison Internationale, Fondation nationale, Cité Internationale Universitaire de Paris, 17 Boulevard Jourdan, 75014 Paris, France.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACCREDITATION

This is an educational meeting and European accreditation will be applied for.

TRADE EXHIBITION

Exhibition space is available for instrument companies with an interest in this field. For further information, please contact the Conference Secretariat, artery@hamptonmedical.com. The exhibition will open at 13.00 hrs on Thursday 13th October and will be open during conference hours.

SPONSORED MANUFACTURER PRESENTATIONS/SYMPOSIA

There are a number of sessions available for manufacturers to meet with delegates, give in-depth product demonstrations or invite speakers to review their devices. This new format will give each company the opportunity to choose the most appropriate format and time slot to meet their requirements. Interested manufacturers are requested to contact the Conference Secretariat for further information, artery@hamptonmedical.com. There is a limited amount of time available in the programme and the time slots will therefore be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

WELCOME RECEPTION

A Welcome Reception will be held at the Maison Internationale on Thursday 13th October from 17.30 hrs to 19.00 hrs and is open to all delegates. Please indicate on the registration form if you would like to attend.

CONFERENCE DINNER

A pre-dinner drinks reception followed by the Conference Dinner will take place on board the **Chansonnier Seine Cruise Boat** from 20.15 hrs on Friday 14th October.

The three hour cruise will give spectacular views of Paris by night from the river Seine and will provide an opportunity of meeting informally with colleagues in a relaxed environment. An activity popular with tourists and locals alike, the Cruise will allow delegates to sample the delights of the French Cuisine whilst experiencing the City of Light from the water.

Tickets are available at €80 each and include the river cruise with pre-dinner drink and canapés, a four course meal and wine. We are pleased to offer a reduced rate for students at a cost of €40 each.

We regret that refunds for conference dinner tickets will not be provided unless the ticket is subsequently resold.



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTRATION FEES

Registration Fees for Artery 11 are as follows:

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| Members - Full Registration* | € 250.00 |
| Non-Members - Full Registration | € 400.00 |
| Student/trainee - Full Registration** | € 135.00 |

*Delegates must be accepted as Artery Members by 30th June 2011 in order to benefit from the Members' Registration rates.

** Student/Trainee Registration: The Registration Form must be accompanied by a letter from the Head of Department or Supervisor, clearly stating the student's current position.

These payments include access to all scientific sessions and exhibitions, morning coffee, lunch and afternoon tea, and all conference materials. Students will benefit from a discounted rate of €40.00 to attend the Conference Dinner on the 14th October 2011.

HOW TO REGISTER

Delegates can register **ON-LINE** for the conference, using a secure credit card payment site. Please go to the Artery Society website (www.arterysociety.org) and click on 'Meeting' then 'Registration'.

Alternatively, a hard copy **Registration Form** can be found at the back of this Announcement. **All registration forms must be accompanied by the appropriate payment.**

PAYMENT INFORMATION

All payments must be made in Euros.

- Cheques should be made payable to 'Artery' in Euros.
- Credit card payments can be made by Visa or MasterCard only. Unfortunately payment cannot be made by debit cards or American Express.
- All credit card payments (for both on-line and hard copy registrations) are subject to an additional charge of 4.5%.
- All credit card payments will be debited in euros; if your credit card account is NOT in euros, the payment will be converted by your card issuer. They may also charge you a fee for doing so.
- Credit card payments cannot be taken by telephone as written authorisation is required.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation of registration, together with a receipt of payment, will be forwarded by the Secretariat. Further details and directional maps will be available on the conference website (www.arterysociety.org) two weeks prior to the start of the conference.

CANCELLATION

Cancellation of individual registration bookings received in writing by the Secretariat will be refunded after the conference at the following rates:

- On or before 12th August 2011
 - Between 13th August and 16th September 2011:
 - Between 17th September and 30th September 2011:
 - After 30th September 2011:
- Full fee, less an administration fee of €30.00
50% of the registration fee
25% of the registration fee
We regret no refunds can be made

Name substitutions will be permitted at any time.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Hotel accommodation has been reserved for Artery delegates by the Conference Secretariat. Please choose your hotel from the list below and complete the relevant section during the online registration process or the Registration Form when returning a hard copy. The full hotel room cost is payable at the time of booking in order to reserve hotel accommodation. You will receive written confirmation of your booking together with your registration confirmation.

We would like to remind you that Paris attracts a lot of tourists all year round; we would therefore recommend that you make your room booking by Friday 9th September 2011.

The rates advertised below were the best available to the Secretariat at the time of placing the group booking. Delegates are free to book accommodation directly through the internet, where it is possible that a lower rate will be advertised. In many of those cases, only a small number of rooms are available at the reduced rate and unfortunately, the Secretariat cannot match these lower rates offered by other agencies on the internet. The Secretariat will not be responsible for any bookings that are made through external organisations or directly with any hotel.

| Hotel | Description | Prices per night inc. bed and breakfast and tax |
|---|---|---|
| Mercure Paris Porte d'Orléans 13 Rue François Ory 92120 Paris Tel: +33 1 58 07 11 11 Fax: +33 1 58 07 11 21 http://www.mercure.com/gb/hotel-0374-mercure-paris-porte-d-orleans/index.shtml | The Mercure Paris Porte d'Orléans Hotel is located at the southern gateway to Paris close to the A6-A10, the Montparnasse train station and Orly Airport. Ideally located for business or leisure trips, this 3-star hotel has 188 comfortable and contemporary rooms and the restaurant offers a variety of traditional gourmet dishes. Walking distance to the Cité Universitaire is 10-15 minutes. | Double room for single use: € 150,00 |
| | | Double room: € 160,00 |
| | | Triple room: € 175,00 |
| Ibis Paris Porte d'Italie 13 Rue du Val de Marne 94250 Paris Tel. : +33 1 49 69 94 94 Fax. : +33 1 45 46 41 52 http://www.ibishotel.com/gb/hotel-0634-ibis-paris-porte-d-italie/index.shtml | The Ibis Paris Porte d'Italie welcomes you in the heart of Gentilly with fast access from Paris Orly Airport and the A6 highway. It has 283 rooms and a covered car park. Inviting, modern and cosy, the ibis rooms have got everything you need for a pleasant stay including free Wi-Fi. Walking distance to the Cité Universitaire is 15-20 minutes. | Double room for single use: € 80,00 |
| | | Double room: € 80,00 |
| Etap Paris Porte d'Orléans 15-21 Boulevard Romain Rolland 75014 Paris Tel : +33 8 92 68 05 39 Fax : +33 1 46 56 57 40 http://www.etaphotel.com/gb/hotel-2559-etap-hotel-paris-porte-d-orleans/index.shtml | The Etap Paris Porte d'Orléans is a budget hotel with 171 modern and comfortable rooms which can accommodate up to 3 people, each with en-suite facilities and satellite TV. Complimentary Wi-Fi is also available. Please note that the hotel has no restaurant on-site and only breakfast will be served. Walking distance to the Cité Universitaire is 10-15 minutes. | Double room for single use: € 63,00 |
| | | Double room: € 66,00 |
| | | Triple room: € 66,00 |

HOTEL CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS

Hotel payments will be refunded in full if written notice is received before **Friday 9th September 2011**. There will be NO refunds for cancellations received after this date. Named substitutions will be permitted at any time. Payment of any refunds due will be made by the Secretariat *after* the conference.

PARIS



Paris is the capital and largest city in France, situated on the river Seine in northern France. It was recently ranked among the three most important and influential cities in the world and according to the Monocle Review of June 2010 was amongst the top ten cities in which to live.

Paris and its region are the most popular tourist destination in the world, with 45 million tourists annually, 27 million of whom are foreign visitors. The city and region contain numerous iconic landmarks – particularly the Eiffel Tower – as well as world-famous institutions and popular parks.

Paris' museums and monuments are among its highest-esteemed attractions; tourism has motivated both the city and national governments to create new ones. The city's most prized museum, the Louvre, welcomes over 8 million visitors a year, being by far the world's most-visited art museum.



Three of the most famous Parisian landmarks are the 12th-century cathedral Notre Dame de Paris on the Ile de la Cité, the Napoleonic Arc de Triomphe and the 19th-century Eiffel Tower. The Eiffel Tower was a "temporary" construction by Gustave Eiffel for the 1889 Universal Exposition, but the tower was never dismantled and is now an enduring symbol of Paris.

Paris is also a city dedicated to research, education and medicine. It has a prestigious history in the field of hypertension. It is home to 70 teaching hospitals, 17 universities and 7 medical faculties comprising of 5000 medical students.

TRAVELLING TO PARIS

Paris is situated in northern France in the Ile de France region. **The Maison Internationale, Cité Universitaire, is situated in Gentilly, in the south of Paris, (RER train stop Cité Universitaire)** with excellent transport links by RER and metro to both, Orly Airport in the south and Charles de Gaulles Airport in the north-east. The central Gare du Nord is also within easy reach by RER train.

By Air

Paris is extremely easy to access from all major cities in Europe, the USA and Australia. Charles de Gaulles is north-east of Paris and is served by most international airlines. There are frequent trains into the city centre which take approximately 50 minutes. Orly International Airport, in the south of Paris, is connected to the train and metro network by bus and fares vary depending on the route taken. The journey into the city centre takes between 30 and 40 minutes. Please check your options on www.aeroportsdeparis.fr/adp/fr-fr/Passagers/accueil before you travel.

By Train

The French train network is fast and reliable, with excellent connections throughout the country. For international participants, there are numerous direct connections to major European cities including destinations in Belgium, Germany, Switzerland and the UK. All of Paris' seven main train stations are centrally located and give you access to the whole city. For further information please visit www.sncf.fr or www.tgv-europe.com

By Car

France has a very good network of tolled motorways, which extends into the neighbouring countries. Toll costs vary according to the motorway you are using, the distance travelled and the type of vehicle. When approaching Paris you will have to join the Périphérique, a 35km ring road with 30 exits into all areas of Paris.

MEMBERSHIP OF ARTERY - THE SOCIETY

Membership of ARTERY is open to anyone active in the field of haemodynamics and large artery structure and function and who usually have had experience in the field of arterial structure and physiology. The Society promotes the advancement of knowledge and dissemination of information concerning the pathophysiology, pharmacology, epidemiology, detection, investigation and treatment of arterial structure and function.

The membership subscription fee is €70.00 for full members and free of charge to student members.

The annual subscription fee includes a subscription to **ARTERY RESEARCH** and a reduced registration fee at the annual meeting. Applications will be reviewed by the Executive Committee each year usually in January, June and September/October.

Our annual meetings cover fully the expanding list of topics relating to large artery structure and function through keynote lectures, lively debates, presentations of peer-reviewed abstracts and practical demonstrations. The meetings offer plenty of opportunities for scientific interaction and discussions with dedicated scientists in the field. For more information and to download a membership application form, please visit www.arterysociety.org.

EDUCATIONAL BURSARIES FOR STUDENTS

The Scientific Organisers are very pleased to be able to offer a small number of educational bursaries to assist students with their attendance at the meeting. Each bursary will be offered to a maximum value of €500.

*Two bursaries for Artery 11 will be kindly supported by a donation in memory of **Brigitte Laloux** who died in October 2010 in her 60th year. Brigitte was head research nurse then engineer in the laboratory of Professor Laurent for more than 20 years and during this time helped many young foreign scientists visiting the laboratory. It is the wish of Brigitte's family that her legacy lives on through supporting the attendance of young researchers at Artery meetings.*

Bursary applications will be accepted from students who are **presenting an abstract as first author**. They should submit a CV and a letter of recommendation from their institute or organisation stating clearly why they cannot meet the conference costs from other resources.

PLEASE NOTE THAT BURSARY APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATION FOR A BURSARY BY MONDAY 20th JUNE 2011. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

All applications will be reviewed by the Scientific Organisers who will award bursaries to the best applicants. Bursary applicants will be notified by 20th August 2011 as to whether their application has been successful.

Successful applicants will be required to pay a registration fee to attend the conference. Bursary payments will be made **after the conference**. The cost of the registration fee may be reclaimed and the balance of the bursary payment may be used to cover travel and accommodation up to a total value of €500 (including registration fee). Claimants must provide proof of payment for any travel and accommodation which is being claimed. The Organisers' decision will be final.

Bursary applications should be sent to:

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DEADLINE FOR BURSARY APPLICATIONS: MONDAY 20th JUNE 2011

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All best endeavours will be made to present the programme as printed. However, the Conference Secretariat reserve the right to alter or cancel, without prior notice, any of the arrangements, timetables or plans relating directly or indirectly to the conference or exhibition, for any cause beyond their reasonable control. The Conference Secretariat is not liable for any loss or inconvenience caused as a result of such alterations. Participants are advised to take out their own travel insurance and to extend their personal policy to cover personal possessions: the conference does not cover individuals against cancellations of bookings or theft of belongings.

In the event that the Conference is cancelled by the organisers, or cannot take place for any reason outside the control of the organisers, the registration fee shall be refunded in full. The liability of the organisers shall be limited to that refund and the organisers shall not be liable for any other loss, cost or expense, howsoever caused, incurred or arising.

The Secretariat will hold and process your personal details on our database. This information is necessary for the legitimate management of this conference, which may include it being available to any organising/sponsoring company. We may also use these details to provide you with details of other conferences or events that we are organising. Please advise us should any of your details change. You may of course remove your details from our database by advising us in writing, at any time.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstract submissions are very much encouraged and there will be prizes awarded for the best oral presentation by a Young Investigator and the best poster presentation. The winner of each category will be announced on the final morning of the Conference. **All accepted abstracts will be published in *Artery Research*, the official journal of Artery the Society, in December 2011.**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ON-LINE SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Only abstracts submitted **on-line** will be accepted. **All abstracts must be submitted electronically before 23.59 hrs on Monday 20th June 2011.**

ACCESSING THE ON-LINE SYSTEM

- Access the website at www.arterysociety.org click on 'Meeting', then 'Abstracts'
- Follow the instructions provided for First Time Users to register your email address and correspondence details, and to create your own password.
- Once you have registered, you will receive an automatic email confirmation of your password.
- If you have previously registered with the system, please log in using your e-mail address and password.

COMPLETING THE ABSTRACT TEMPLATE

- The abstract template is available for download from the submission site. **Save the template to your computer** before you start to work on your abstract. **If you try to fill this in on-line you will not be able to submit your abstract successfully.**
- Enter **only** the abstract title in the title box (**not** the authors' names or addresses). The abstract title should reflect the main contents of the abstract. Do not use abbreviations.
- You will be prompted for all other information (e.g. author and co-author names, contact details, oral/poster presentation preference, areas of interest) during the submission process. Please remember to add your own name if you are an author.
- Please note that you must answer all questions marked 'mandatory' in order to successfully submit your abstract.

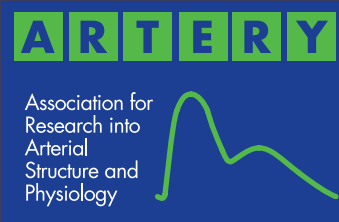
ABSTRACT SIZE AND PRESENTATION

- The maximum number of words is 250 (including references but excluding the abstract title) ***plus up to two figures or tables***. **Do not alter the size of the template** to enable you to submit a longer abstract. Abstracts **are** checked for size and rejected if too long.
- Abstracts may be reduced in size for printing, so all lettering/symbols/lines should be clear and distinct.
- Abstracts should be typed single-spaced - minimum type size 11 point. Please use Arial, Times New Roman and Symbol fonts only.
- Abstracts must be submitted in English.

ABSTRACT CONTENT

- Abstracts should refer to completed work and not work in progress, should include details of the results to be presented, and should not include phrases such as 'the findings will be described'.
- Use standard abbreviations only and place any unusual abbreviation in parenthesis after the full word the first time it appears.
- Use generic names of drugs.
- References should be kept to a minimum and, ideally, should be consistently presented in Vancouver (numbered) style.
- Tables should be kept simple and should be inserted as tab-spaced text or Word tables, not pasted from other applications.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ABSTRACTS - MONDAY 20th JUNE 2011



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