2017 Asia Pacific conference on cardiometabolic diseases management
22-23 April, 2017 - Manila, Philippines
Overview
Diabetes is one of the largest and most alarming health emergencies of the 21st century, affecting over 400 million people worldwide. A large number of people suffer from alterations in glucose metabolism resulting in impaired fasting glucose (IFG) and impaired glucose tolerance (IGT). These two conditions are also known as "pre-diabetes" because those affected are likely to develop overt diabetes in proceeding years. Managing patients with diabetes and pre-diabetes is a challenge when considering the pathophysiological complex pathways underlying glucose metabolism disorders. Deep knowledge of pharmacological mechanisms allows for effective prevention strategies for diabetes among those with IFG/IGT and effective management of patients with overt diabetes. Thyroid disorders are among the most prevalent endocrine diseases, with significant impact on quality of life and increased risk of morbidity. Thyroid hormones regulate the homeostasis of various tissues and thyroid diseases should be promptly identified and adequately treated to avoid adverse clinical outcomes. According to the World Health Organization, high blood pressure (hypertension) is the highest risk factor for premature mortality, followed by tobacco use and high blood glucose. Worldwide, hypertension causes an estimated 7.5 million deaths per year and is a major risk factor for invalidating or lethal events including ischaemic and haemorrhagic stroke, coronary heart disease, heart failure and renal impairment. Effective treatment of hypertension is essential to reducing cardiovascular complications. Taken together, hypertension and diabetes share common pathophysiological mechanisms, health outcomes and clinical issues that are often tough tasks to face in clinical practice. EXCEMED offers a comprehensive educational programme to increase knowledge of cardiometabolic diseases. The conference will address cutting-edge research advancements in the areas of cardiometabolic medicine and, in particular, will discuss the best daily clinical management approaches to the complex cardiometabolic patient.

Learning objectives
By attending this live educational conference, participants will:
• Understand the pathophysiology linking insulin resistance, pre diabetes, diabetes, cardiovascular disease and other disorders
• Consciously apply the most recent guidelines to managing diabetes and hypertension
• Discuss challenging forms of hypertension and hypertensive-related disease
• Identify the most frequent thyroid pathologies
• Translate research into clinical practice by discussing clinical cases

Target audience
General practitioners, cardiologists, endocrinologists and internists managing diabetes and cardiometabolic diseases in the Asia-Pacific region.

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Any questions for the experts?
Please ask: use a question card.

Venue
This educational conference will take place at the:
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Language
The official language of this live educational conference will be English.

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Sympathetic overdrive and its associated clinical problems
M.T. Co (Philippines)

Learning objectives:
• Define sympathetic overdrive syndrome
• Describe potential causes of sympathetic overdrive
• Discuss metabolic and cardiovascular consequences of sympathetic overdrive
• Illustrate main evidence suggesting benefits from early recognition and possible treatments of sympathetic overdrive

Pre-diabetes: is there cause for concern?
R. Mirasol (Philippines)

Learning objectives:
• Define the global burden of pre-diabetes
• Describe the clinical features of patients to be screened for pre-diabetes: central obesity, markers of metabolic dysfunction
• Discuss the relevance of pre-diabetes diagnosis: what are the benefits of having pre-diabetes diagnosed?
• Illustrate the screening strategies implemented in Asia
Pre-diabetes: is intervention a good option?

R. Mirasol (Philippines)

Learning objectives:
• Individuate patients at high risk of being affected by impaired glucose metabolism
• Apply strategies in clinical practice to prevent the progression of pre-diabetes towards diabetes
• Recognize patients requiring pharmacological interventions at the stage of pre-diabetes

Cardiovascular implications of pre-diabetes

J. K. Cruickshank (UK)

Learning objectives:
• Define the cardiovascular risk of people affected by pre-diabetes
• Describe the vascular origin of impaired glucose metabolism
• Discuss the contribution of insulin resistance to hypertension and dyslipidemia
• Illustrate the therapeutic options to manage cardiovascular risk factors in pre-diabetes

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Women and insulin resistance: beyond diabetes
P. Gatbonton (Philippines)

Learning objectives:
• Define the mechanisms of increased insulin resistance in pregnancy
• Describe the mechanisms linking insulin resistance to PCOS
• Discuss the evidences supporting the use of metformin in women with PCOS
• Illustrate the mechanisms of action of D-chiro inositol

The changing face of diabetes
S.J. Shah (India)

Learning objectives:
• Describe DeFronzo’s octet
• Discuss the impact of diabetes on organs not classically accounted among the micro- and macro-vascular complications of diabetes (bone fractures, cognitive dysfunction)
• Illustrate the mechanisms of action of anti-diabetic drugs, including GLP1 RA, DPPIVi and SGLT2
Learning objectives:
• Define factors leading to uncontrolled diabetes
• Describe the main factors leading patients to avoid insulin therapy
• Discuss the strategies to manage patients that do not accept insulin therapy: relevance of optimizing metformin and use of new agents in addition to metformin (not as alternatives to metformin)
• Illustrate conditions preventing preventing optimal results from anti-diabetic drugs such as use of low doses, wrong timing.

What can we do when insulin is not an option?
P. Gatbonton (Philippines)

Learning objectives:
• Define the cardiovascular risk associated with increased heart rate
• Describe the role of SNS in causing hypertension and high heart rate
• Discuss whether a decrease in heart rate may reduce cardiovascular risk
• Illustrate the treatment to reduce heart rate in hypertension

Tachycardia in hypertension...What is the fuss about?
B. Tomlinson (Hong Kong)
**Learning objectives:**

- Define the basic principles of combining antihypertensive drugs
- Describe the beneficial effect exerted by combination therapy in hypertension
- Discuss the advantage of combining drugs with opposite mechanisms of action
- Illustrate the best therapeutic options

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**Combination treatment: Importance of targeting 3 systems in hypertension**

S. Taddei (Italy)

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**Hypertension and coronary artery disease**

S.-J. Hong (Korea)

**Learning objectives:**

- Define the degree to which hypertension increases the risk of coronary artery disease
- Describe the mechanism through which hypertension increases the risk of coronary artery disease
- Discuss the best therapeutic strategy according to International Guidelines
- Illustrate the specific effect of beta-blockers in coronary artery disease
Learning objectives:
• Define the classification of heart failure
• Describe the mechanisms through which hypertension can lead to heart failure
• Discuss the therapeutic approach according to the most recent Guidelines
• Illustrate the specific role of beta-blockers in the treatment of heart failure

Heart failure: guidelines and treatment practices
B. Pinto (India)

Learning objectives:
• Describe the influence of thyroid hormones on cardiovascular homeostasis
• Discuss beneficial cardiovascular effects of levothyroxine in subjects with subclinical hypo-thyroidism
• Illustrate evidences about the treatment of thyroid disorders to ameliorate cardiovascular risk factors

W1 Autoimmune thyroid disease and cardiovascular involvement
G. Kahaly (Germany)
W1 Hypertensive patients with high heart rates
B. Tomlinson (Hong Kong)

Learning objectives:
• Discuss the relevance of heart rate in determining cardiovascular risk of the patients
• Illustrate differential diagnosis and clinical approach for patients with increased heart rate

W2 Diabetes in pregnancy
S.J. Shah (India)

Learning objectives:
• Discuss the relevance of an early diagnosis of gestational diabetes
• Illustrate the different therapeutic options in women with diabetes during pregnancy
Learning objectives:
• Discuss the degree of risk for patients with hypertension and coronary artery disease
• Illustrate the multicatorial approach to treating patients with coronary artery disease.

W2 Hypertensive patients with coronary artery disease
B. Pinto (India)

Learning objectives:
• Discuss the latest advances in diabetes therapy
• Practically apply evidence from clinical trials in their daily clinical practice

W3 T2 Diabetes treatment: background and progress
J. K. Cruickshank (UK)
Dysthyroidism and vascular biology
G. Kahaly (Germany)

Learning objectives:
• Describe the influence of thyroid hormones on cardiovascular homeostasis
• Discuss cardiovascular benefits of levothyroxine in subjects with subclinical hypo
• Illustrate evidence that the treatment of thyroid disorders can ameliorate cardiovascular risk factors

W3 Targeting 3 systems for optimal control
S. Taddei (Italy)

Learning objectives:
• Discuss the need for combination therapy in hypertension
• Illustrate the beneficial effects of the different combinations
Subclinical thyroid disorders

Learning objectives:
• Define the difference between sub-clinical and overt hypo- and hyper-thyroidism
• Describe the conditions requiring treatment of subclinical hypo- and hyperthyroidism
• Discuss the potential use of levo-thyroxine treatment in people with subclinical hypothyroidism and thyroid nodules
• Illustrate how to start treatment with levo-thyroxine/metimazole in patients with subclinical thyroidism

Thyroid and pregnancy

Learning objectives:
• Define the consequences of dysthyroidism during pregnancy in the offspring
• Describe the action of thyroid hormones during intra-uterine life
• Discuss the timing and modality of thyroid screening during pregnancy
• Illustrate treatment options for dysthyroidism during pregnancy

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