



BHS

Belgian Hematology Society

35TH GENERAL ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BELGIAN HEMATOLOGY SOCIETY

Featuring scientific parallel sessions organised by the:

- Belgian Society for Advancement of Cytometry (BSAC)
- Belgian Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis (BSTH)
- MolecularDiagnostics.be (MD.be)

Second announcement
incl. full scientific programme

14 & 15 FEBRUARY 2020

Dolce La Hulpe, Brussels

www.bhs.be

INTRODUCTION

Dear BHS members,
Dear BHS friends,

2020 is the year of the 35th General Annual Meeting of the Belgian Hematology society.

2020 is also the "Year of the Nurse and Midwife" according to the World Health Organization. Therefore the BHS wants to honor "all our hematological nurses" because without their care for our patients would not be possible. The parallel nurse program will cover topics updating treatment practice, dealing with complications, sexual health, nutrition and understanding compliance by listening to the patient.

One of the missions of the BHS is to better collaborate with colleagues of radiotherapy, pediatrics, hemostasis and thrombosis, molecular diagnostics, flow cytometry, pathology and genetics. This has already been translated in the scientific program of this GAM and in parallel sessions proposed by some of these societies.

One of our other missions is to ameliorate the collaboration with the Belgian Cancer Registry. The Ethics and Economy session will tell us that Cancer statistics can be more than incidence and prevalence.

In the Pierre Stryckmans lecture we honor this year Gilles Salles for helping to lay the follicular lymphoma puzzle.

Better care for every patient with a blood disorder in Belgium can be reached by promoting research. Selected young investigators will once again have the opportunity on Friday to present their research as an oral presentation or during the commented poster walks and be honored by awards for the best presented work.

For the first time the BHS has the opportunity to offer, on Saturday, the SAFYHR award to "one" young hematologist with the best innovating project that could change the natural history of a hematological disease. Two PACE awards promoting projects which favor care of patients with blood disorders will be given for the third time.

The board looks forward to welcome you on 14 and 15 February 2020 for another successful meeting,

Ann Janssens
President of the BHS

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE BHS BOARD MEMBERS AND FUNCTIONS

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<i>Anke Verlinden</i>	Councilor Nurses committee

FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2020

Time	Clinical sessions BHS	Laboratory sessions MD.be / BSAC / BSTH	Nurse symposium
09:00	Scientific sessions	Molecular Diagnostics	Scientific sessions
09:30			
10:00	Break		Break
10:30	Scientific sessions		
11:00			
11:30	Satellite symposium 1 - Amgen	BSAC	Scientific sessions
12:00			
12:30	Lunch & commented poster walk		Break
13:00			
13:30			
14:00	Oral abstracts		Scientific sessions
14:30			
15:00			
15:30	Scientific sessions		Break
16:00	Break		
16:30	Pierre Stryckmans Lecture		
17:00			
17:30	Session Ethics & Economy		
18:00			
18:30	Best Abstract Awards		
19:00	Reception		
20:00	Dinner		

SATURDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2020

Time	BHS Meeting	Sessions MD.be / BSAC / BSTH
09:00	Satellite symposium 2 – Sanofi Genzyme	
10:00		
10:00	Scientific sessions	
10:30		
11:00	Break	
11:30	Satellite symposium 3 – Celgene	BSTH
12:00		
12:30	PACE & SAFYHR Awards	
13:00	Closing	

- 08.00** **Registration**
- 08.45** **Welcome**
Ann Janssens, BHS President
- 09.00** **2020 Modern radiotherapy for hematological malignancies**
Chairs: Dominiek Mazure & Timothy Devos
Tom Boterberg, UZ Gent
- 09.30** **Survivorship Children & AYA's to adults**
Chairs: Sophie Servais & Cécile Boulanger
Maëlle Deville & Xavier Poiré, UC Louvain
- 10.00 - 10.30** **Break**
- 10.30** **How to assess MRD in hematological malignancies?**
Chairs Ivan Van riet & Anke Verlinden
Marleen Bakkus, UZ Brussel
- 11.00** **Can MRD results affect treatment decisions and outcome in CLL?**
Arnon Kater, Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- Satellite Symposium 1 – sponsored by Amgen**
How to preserve Bone & Heart in patients with hematological malignancies
Chairs: Michel Delforge and Jo Caers
- 11.30** **Preserving & restoring bone**
Prof. dr. Evangelos Terpos (Greece)
- 12.00** **Optimizing cardiovascular health**
Dr. Christopher Plummer (UK)
- 12.30 - 14.00** **Lunch & commented poster walk**
- 14.00-15.30** **Selected oral abstracts**
Chairs: Nicole Straetmans & Dimitri Breems
- 14:00** Real World Population-Based Exploration of the Pathology Subtyping and Treatment-Modalities of Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma in Belgium in Relation to Survival
W. Daneels, UZ Gent
- 14:15** AXL: A potential therapeutic target to eliminate cancer cells and improve chemotherapeutic responses in different hematological cancers
K. De Veirman, UZ Brussel
- 14:30** Palliative cytoreduction with low dose intravenous melphalan in patients with acute myeloid leukemia refractory to prior treatment
D. Deeren, AZ Delta
- 14:45** An in-depth investigation of the causes of treatment failure in AML
S. Bonte, UZ Gent
- 15:00** Confirmation of the very low rate of subclinical venous thrombosis in people with hemophilia undergoing major orthopedic surgery in the absence of pharmacological thromboprophylaxis
G. Verstraete, UC Louvain
- 15:15** Multipotent mesenchymal stromal cells for poor graft function after allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplantation - a multicenter prospective study
S. Servais, CHU Liège
- 15.30** **Recent advances in haplo-identical transplantation**
Chairs: Koen Theunissen & Philippe Lewalle
Christoph Schmid, Augsburg, Germany

- 16.00 - 16.30** **Break**
- 16.30** **Pierre Stryckmans Lecture**
Chairs: Ann Janssens & Marc André
Follicular Lymphoma: Is the puzzle laid?
Gilles Salles, Lyon, France
- 17.30** **Session on Ethics and Economy**
Chairs: Ann Janssens & Benjamin Bailly
Cancer statistics: more than incidence and prevalence!
Liesbeth Van Eycken, Stichting Kankerregister-Fondation
Registre du Cancer-Stiftung Krebsregister
- 18.30** **Best oral and poster awards**
- 20.00** **Dinner (pre-registration necessary)**

PROGRAM NURSE MEETING FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2020

*Meeting room:
Baobab Auditorium*

- 08.00** **Registration**
- 08.30** **Welcome**
Martine Heylens, chair of the Nurse Committee
- 08.45** **International landscape: 2020 “Year of the Nurse and the Midwife”**
Cristina Baiana, nurse UCL Namur & Kristof Muylaert, nurse UZ Leuven
- 09.15** **Approaches to achieve the best possible outcomes in Multiple Myeloma**
Nathalie Meuleman, MD, PhD & Sophie Delaunois, nurse Institut Jules Bordet
- 10.00** **Dealing with Polyneuropathy**
Anneleen Vanhellemont, nurse UZ Leuven
- 10.30 - 11.00** **Break**
- 11 :00** **Leukemia anno 2020 : update on new therapeutic options**
Marie-Christiane Vekemans, MD UC Louvain
- 11.45** **Sexual health in patients with hematological malignancies**
Johan De Munter, nurse UZ Gent
- 12.30 - 13.30** **Lunch**
- 13.30** **Nutrition and allogeneic stem cell transplantation**
Anke Verlinden, MD, UZ Antwerpen & Ann Tegethoff, nurse AZ St. Jan, Brugge
- 14.10** **Motivational interviewing**
Annemarie Coolbrandt, nurse, PhD UZ Leuven
- 14.50** **Compliance: Panel discussion with 3 (ex)-patients**
Luc Bosmans, BHS patient committee
- 15.30 - 16.00** **Break**
- 16.30** **Pierre Stryckmans Lecture**
Follicular Lymphoma: Is the puzzle laid?
Gilles Salles, MD, PhD Lyon, France

PROGRAM GENERAL ANNUAL MEETING SATURDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2020

Meeting room:
Canopée Auditorium

- 08.30 - 09.00** BHS GENERAL ASSEMBLY - (access for BHS members only)
Satellite Symposium 2 - sponsored by Sanofi Genzyme
Chair: Daan Dierickx
- 09.00** New Paradigm for the management of acquired thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura
Marie Scully (UK)
- 10.00** Highlights on T-cell lymphoma's
Chairs: Valerie Robin & Marc André
Non-cutaneous T-cell lymphoma: a diagnostic challenge
Laurence De Leval, Lausanne, Switzerland
Non-cutaneous T-cell Lymphoma: a therapeutic challenge
Ghandi Damaj, Caen, France
- 11.00 - 11.30** Break
- 11.30** Satellite Symposium 3 - sponsored by Celgene
Chairs: Michel Delforge + Prof. Delforge
- 11.30** IMiD + PI: Love actually
Prof. Richardson
Chair: still TBC
- 12.00** R?: Ready to Rumble
Marc André (CHU UCL Namur)
- 12.30** PACE, SAFYHR & WM Perceptorship Dana Farber Institute, Boston
- 13.00** Closure & sandwich lunch

PROGRAM LABORATORY PARALLEL SESSIONS FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2020

Meeting room:
Teck

- 9.00** MolecularDiagnostics.be
Clinical value of somatic NGS variants: towards harmonization of their classification
Guy Froyen, Jessa Ziekenhuis, Hasselt
- 9.30** FLT3 mutation detection: new challenges for an old test
Marie Le Mercier, UZ Antwerpen
- 11.30** Belgian Society for Advancement of Cytometry (BSAC)
Leukemic Stem cells in AML
Barbara Depreter
- 12:00** The use of CAR-T cells in multiple myeloma
Sébastien Anguille
- 12.30** Sandwich lunch

PROGRAM LABORATORY PARALLEL SESSIONS SATURDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2020

Meeting room:
Ginko

- 11.30 - 12.30** Belgian Society on thrombosis and haemostasis (BSTH)
- 11.30** Overview on the use of D-dimer in 2020
François Mullier (UCL)
- 12.00** Update on VWD diagnostics
Marie-Berthe Maes (UZA)
- 12.30** Sandwich lunch

GENERAL INFORMATION

Registration via website www.bhs.be

REGISTRATION FOR THE GENERAL ANNUAL MEETING 2020

FEES	Before	After 22/12/2019	
	22/12/2019	and on-site	saturday
General Annual Meeting (Friday + Saturday)			
BHS member (MD hematologists, MD specialists, Senior scientists)	EUR 130,00	EUR 155,00	EUR 50,00
BHS junior member (MD trainees, PhD students)	EUR 80,00	EUR 105,00	EUR 50,00
BHS associate member	EUR 65,00	EUR 70,00	EUR 50,00
BSTH, BSAC, moleculariagnostics.be member	EUR 130,00	EUR 155,00	EUR 50,00
Non-member GAM meeting	EUR 260,00	EUR 310,00	EUR 100,00
Registration for Nurse Meeting on Friday only			
BHS associate member	EUR 40,00	EUR 45,00	
Non-member	EUR 50,00	EUR 60,00	

PLEASE NOTE

Only approved 2019 BHS members are entitled to register for the GAM at the discounted member registration fee.

Payment of your 2019 membership fee should be settled before January 1st, 2020!

CANCELLATION

Cancellations and refund requests must be submitted in writing to the congress secretariat.

Cancellations made **before 6 January 2020** will be refunded less 35 euro to cover administration costs. After this date no refunds will be given.

All refunds will be made after the congress.

ELECTIONS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Only regular members are allowed to vote. Information on e-voting will be send to members before the end of January.

ACCREDITATION

Accreditation for the General Annual Meeting is pending with specific accreditation for Ethics and Economy.

EXHIBITION

A technical and pharmaceutical exhibition will be organized in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Belgian Hematology Society.

TRANSLATION

Simultaneous translation will be available for the Nurse meeting.

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