



NPCM2026 Helsingør 23.-25. September 2026

WEDNESDAY 23. September

14.30-16.00

Arrival, check in (after 15.00) @ Reception

Registration @ Kronborg Fløjen

Coffee

Exhibition

SESSION 1 16.00-19.00

Kronborg-salen

Chair: Organizers

Joint Session: **The future of paediatric cardiology**

16.00-16.10 Welcome

Organizers

Vibeke Hjortdal, Copenhagen

Michael Rahbek Schmidt,

Copenhagen

16.10-16.35 Numbers of the heart and change in demography

16.35-16.55 Peds and GUCH – do we need each other?

Short active break – coffee refill

17.10-17.40 Our dirty laundry

Sabrina Ellesøe Gade,
Copenhagen

17.40-18.00 Collaboration across the Nordic region

Jesper Steensberg/Jakob
Gjedsted/Cristel Hjortshøj,
Copenhagen

18.00-18.30 Debate

Panel

18.30-19.00 Another perspective

Mads Damkjær, Kolding

Exhibition

Social gathering 19.00-21.00 Kronborg-fløjen

This meeting is supported by

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Dansk Thoraxkirurgisk Selskab

The Scandinavian Society of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine



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The Danish Society of Cardiovascular
Surgery



The following companies will exhibit at the meeting

Berlin Heart

Geringe

Mölnlycke

Proveca Medicines for children

Secma medical innovation

VingMed A/S

W.L. Gore & Associates Scandinavia AB

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medical innovation

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THURSDAY 24. September

Spa 6.00-9.00
Breakfast

SESSION 2 8.30-10.30

Kronborg-salen

Chair: Katarina Hanseus, Lund

Joint Session: Bridge over troubled waters. LVAD in Scandinavia

08.40-09.10	Pediatric LVAD's: Past, present and future	Kira Kuschnerus, Berlin
09.10-09.30	LVAD evaluation of technology and cost-benefit	Aslak Widerøe Kristoffersen, Oslo
09.30-10.10	What we do in the Nordics	Michal Odermarsky, Lund
10.10-10.30	Debate	Panel

10.30-11.00

Coffee break
Exhibition

SESSION 3 11.00-12.30

Kronborg 1 Cardiology	Kronborg 10 Anaesthesiology	Kronborg 15 Surgery	Kronborg 2 Nurses
Chair: Klaus Juul	Chair Gunnar Bentsen	Chair Sabrina Gade Ellesøe	Chair: Kirsten Krone Reichl, Marianne Steen Jensen & Rikke Karlsen
Heart failure – New and old treatment options 11.00-11.20 What is the (lack of) evidence? <i>Klaus Juul, Copenhagen</i> 11.20-11.40 Ongoing studies and future directions. <i>Karin Tran-Lundmark, Lund</i> 11.40-12.00 Cardiac resynchronization therapy <i>Frederik Dalgaard, Copenhagen</i> 12.00-12.20 Non-pharmacologic/ device therapy in children. <i>Mads Damkjær, Kolding</i> 12.20-12.30 Q&A	Heart failure in the PCICU 11.00-11.30 Inotropes for longterm use (The Melbourne protocol) <i>Siva Namachivayam; Royal childrens, Melbourne</i> 11.30-12.00 Haemodynamic monitoring in pCICU <i>Fredrik Pernbro, Göteborg</i> 12.00-12.30 Panel discussion	11.00-12.30 Catch-up of the last 5 years Each center will prepare a 10-minute presentation including: Number of surgeons (including newcomers and soon-to-be-pensioners) Number of cases pr year (preferably with STAT or RACHS score) Number of ICU beds Mortality rates	Paediatric Delirium: Current Evidence and Clinical Perspectives. <i>Rikke Louise Stenkjær, Copenhagen</i> Temporary Epicardial Pacing Wires and Surgical Site Infection. <i>Marianne Steen Jensen, Copenhagen</i> How to maintain practical ECMO skills, at the Intensive Care Unit for children with congenital heart diseases. <i>Tine Bülow Mikkelsen, Copenhagen</i>

12.30-13.30

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Lunch @ Restaurant Isabell



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SESSION 4 13.30-15.00		
Nurses		
Kronborg 1 Cardiology	Kronborg 2 Anaesthesiology	Kronborg 15 Surgery
Chair Anders Hebert	Chair Therese Vestergaard	Chair
13.30-14.00 CMRi State-of the art <i>Niels Vejlstrup</i> 5 min break 14.05-15.00 Expert group meetings (to be arranged by participants, use group rooms or leisure areas) / Oral abstract presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Novel patient-specific computational simulation framework for assessment and prediction of mitral valve function. <i>Nina Hakacova, Lund</i> - Early Right Ventricular Remodeling in Experimental Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia: Evidence from a Translational Preterm Pig Model. <i>Mads Damkjær, Kolding</i> - Acute cardiac heart transplant detection with MRI and AI <i>Juha Peltonen, Helsinki</i> - Acute Paediatric Heart Failure Secondary to Glomerulonephritis: Two Case Reports <i>Mikaela Dolk, Lund</i> 	ECMO in the Nordic pCICU's 13.30-13.50 Neonatal & Pediatric ECMO, Numbers, Circuits & cannulation in Scandinavia. <i>Jakob Gjedsted, Copenhagen</i> 13.50-14.10 Double lumen in the neonates, experiences with Crescent RA <i>Carl Montan, Stockholm</i> 14.10-14.30 Anticoagulation, Bivalirudin...are we there yet? Helsinki experience <i>Hanna Pitkanen, Helsinki</i> 14.30-15.00 Panel discussion	13.30-15.00 Challenges in small countries Each centre will prepare a 10-minute presentation including: Challenges with low case number Strategies applied to promote training of younger surgeons/maintenance of surgical skills. What has been success? What did NOT work? Fellowships abroad- are they worth it? How do you handle periods with vacations and limited number of surgeons?
15.00-15.30 Exhibition Coffee break		



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SESSION 5 15.30-17.30		
Surgeons		
Kronborg 1 Cardiology	Kronborg 10 Anaesthesiology	Kronborg 2 Nurses
Chairs Thomas Krusenstjerna-Hafstrøm and Michael Rahbek Schmidt	Chair Jesper Poulsen	Chair: Kirsten Krone Reichl, Marianne Steen Jensen & Rikke Karlsen
Cath lab interventions for the youngest patients. PDA closure in prematures <i>Gaute Døhlen, Oslo</i> PDA Stenting <i>Otto Rahkonen, Helsinki</i> RVOT stenting <i>Laurence Campens, Copenhagen</i> PA branch stenosis <i>Petru Ljuba, Lund</i> Ballon aortic valvuloplasty <i>Lars Idorn, Copenhagen</i>	Cardiopulmonary bypass in the Nordic countries 15.30-15.50 CPB circuits/volumes in the Nordic countries <i>Jesper B. Poulsen, Copenhagen</i> 15.50-16.20 Reducing CPB priming volume, The Surgeons perspective <i>Kira Kuschnerus, Berlin</i> 16.20-16.50 Reducing CPB priming volume, The perfusionists perspective <i>Ole Schelling, Berlin</i> 16.50-17.30 Panel discussion	Postoperative wound care. <i>Postoperative wound care – a practical pathway after paediatric cardiac surgery</i> <i>Marianne Steen Jensen, Copenhagen</i> <i>Post-operative wound care – The Gothenburg experience.</i> <i>Emma Lorensen and Annika Eriksson, Gothenburg</i> Wound care after pediatric surgery <i>Hanna Rosendahl-Pesonen and Saga Ruuhilahti, Helsinki</i>
Exhibition Conference dinner 19.00 @ Kronborg Salen		



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FRIDAY 25. September

Spa 6.00-9.00

Breakfast

SESSION 6 08.30-10.30

Kronborg 1 Cardiology	Kronborg 10 Anaesthesiology	Kronborg 15 Surgery	Kronborg 2 Nurses
Chair: Jesper Steensberg	Chair: Jakob Gjedsted	Chair Sabrina Gade Ellesøe	Chair: Marianne Steen Jensen & Rikke Karlsen
08.30-09.45 Congenital AVB3 08.30-09.00 Treatment in immune-mediated fetal congenital AV-block – pros and cons. <i>Taisto Sarkola, Helsinki</i> 09.00-09.30 Newborn treatment, acute interventions and longterm prognosis <i>Håkan Eliasson, Stockholm</i> 09.30-09.45 Discussion 9.45-10.30 WPW 9.45-10.05 Symptomatic WPW/SVT, diagnostics and treatment. <i>Ida Jeremiasen, Lund</i> 10.05-10.25 Asymptomatic WPW how and when to intervene. <i>Christian Jøns, Copenhagen</i> Questions?	Recruit, train and retain anesthetists in the Nordic countries Nordic organization & training programs 8.30-8.45: Lund 8.45-9.00: Gothenburg 9.15-9.30: Oslo 9.30-9.45: Helsinki 9.45-10.00: Copenhagen 10.00-10.15: Discussion 10.15-10.30 Panel discussion: The future of these meetings	8.30 – 10.30 Looking forward Each center will prepare a 10-minute presentation including Registry data- which kind of data do we have Ideas to promote collaboration between centers (visiting surgeons, video conferences, shared M&M) Ideas to start scientific collaboration in the Nordic countries? What are your resources? Suggestions for the next meeting (site, form etc)	Education and Professional Competency Development for Intensive Care Nurses. <i>Kirsten Krone Reichl, Copenhagen</i> Developing Competence in Lifelong Congenital Heart Disease Care. <i>Birgitte Lykkeberg, Marie Brix Haack, Copenhagen</i> Nursing visions – The playful approach. The Department of Pediatric Cardiology and Young People The Future, visions and partnerships. <i>Rikke Karlsen, Copenhagen</i>

10.30-11.00

Coffee break

Exhibition

SESSION 7 11.00-12.30

Kronborg Salen

Chair: Organizers

Joint Session: Next steps

11.00-11.45	The future of our patients	Prof. Oktay Tutarel, Charité, Berlin Jesper Steensberg/Jakob Gjedsted/Cristel Hjortshøj, Copenhagen Organizers Bergen
11.45-12.10	The future of Nordic collaboration	
12.10-12.25	Evaluation of the meeting	
12.25-12.30	Next meeting	

12.30-13.30

Lunch @ Restaurant Isabell

Goodbye