



7th Krakow Educational Workshop on Congenital Heart Disease

Krakow, 5-6 June, 2026

VII Kraków Workshop on Congenital Heart Disease Borderline Ventricles and the Future of Fontan Circulation

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Friday, June 5th, 2026	
08:45–09:00	Opening Ceremony Rector of Jagiellonian University Medical College – Prof. Maciej Malecki Director of the University Children’s Hospital of Kraków – Prof. Wojciech Cyrul Tomasz Mroczek
09:00–09:45	Honorary Keynote Lecture <i>The First Line of Defence: How Understanding Innate Immunity is Reshaping Medicine</i> - Anna Blom
09:45–11:25 Session I: Borderline Left Ventricle – Surgical Decision Making Chairmen: Sitaram Emani, Mark Hazekamp, Tomasz Mroczek, Janusz Hieronim Skalski	
09:45 – 10:10	<i>How to Avoid Fontan Operation</i> - Sitaram Emani
10:10 – 10:35	<i>Biventricular Repair in Complex DORV</i> - Mark Hazekamp
10:35 – 11:00	<i>Strategy Selection in Borderline Left Ventricle (Video Case)</i> - Sitaram Emani
11:00- 11:25	<i>Reverse Switch with Hemi-Senning Component</i> - Tomasz Mroczek
11:25–11:50	Coffee Break
11:50–13:30 Session II: Borderline Physiology, Imaging and Emerging Technologies Chairmen: Jack Rychik, Jacek Kolcz, Andrzej Kansy, Roland Fiszer	
11:50 – 12:20	<i>Fetal HLHS – The Emerging Role of the Placenta</i> - Jack Rychik
12:20 – 12:40	<i>Altered Glucose Metabolism in Fontan Circulation</i> - David Reynaud
12:40 – 13:00	<i>The Fontan Circulation in the Era of Artificial Intelligence</i> - Jacek Kolcz
13:00 – 13:30	<i>The Liver in the Fontan Circulation (30 min)</i> - Jack Rychik
13:30–14:30	Lunch break
14:30–16:15 Session III: Single Ventricle – Emerging Concepts Chairmen: Yoav Dori, Bohdan Maruszewski, Tomasz Mroczek, Marek Jasiński	
14:30 – 15:05	<i>Lymphatic Interventions in Single Ventricle Patients</i> - Yoav Dori
15:05 – 15:30	<i>Hybrid Approaches in Functional Single Ventricle Repair</i> - Sitaram Emani
15:30 - 15:50	<i>The Role of Borderline Ventricle Rehabilitation in Early Stage Repair</i> - Sitaram Emani
15:50 – 16:15	Discussion
16:15–17:40 Session IV: Hybrid and Interventional Approaches in Fontan Circulation Chairmen: Yoav Dori, Andrzej Kansy, Rafał Żurek, Tomasz Moszura	

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16:15 – 16:50	<i>Advanced Catheter-Based Lymphatic Interventions - Yoav Dori</i>
16:50 – 17:15	<i>Mechanical Circulatory Support in Single Ventricle Patients - Daniel Zimpher</i>
17:15 – 17:35	<i>Complex Redo Operations in GUCH Patients - Daniel Zimpher</i>
17:35 – 17:40	Discussion
Saturday, June 6th, 2026	
08:30–09:00	Morning Coffee & Networking
09:00–10:50	Session V: <i>Complex Biventricular Reconstruction</i> Chairmen: Mark Hazekamp, Daniel Zimpher, Janusz H. Skalski, Roland Fiszer
09:00 – 09:40	<i>Developing a Multidisciplinary Fontan Clinic - Jack Rychik</i>
09:40 – 10:10	<i>Modified Ross–Kono Procedure in Infants - Mark Hazekamp</i>
10:10 – 10:40	Discussion
10:40–11:10	Coffee Break
11:10–11:45	Historical Perspective: <i>50 Years of Pediatric Cardiology in Kraków - Aleksandra Morka</i> Chairmen: Andrzej Rudziński, Janusz H. Skalski
11:45–13:00	Session VI: <i>Fontan Circulation – Metabolic and Surgical Interfaces</i> Chairmen: Daniel Zimpher, David Reynaud, Rafał Żurek, Piotr Suwalski
11:45 – 12:05	<i>Metabolic Aspects and End-Organ Function after Fontan - David Reynaud</i>
12:05 – 12:25	<i>Remote Cardiac Surgery and Robotic Support – Piotr Suwalski</i>
12:25 – 13:00	Discussion
13:30–15:30	Session VII: <i>Future Perspectives and Innovation</i> Chairmen: Emil Bacha, Mark Hazekamp, Tomasz Mroczek, Aleksander Szypulski
13:30 – 13:55	<i>Innovative Surgical Pathways in Borderline Ventricle – Emil A. Bacha</i>
13:55 – 14:20	<i>Crossroads Between Surgical and Interventional Era - Emil A. Bacha</i>
14:20 – 15:30	<i>Where Is the Limit? Perspectives for 2030- Grand Panel Discussion</i>
15:30	Closing Remarks & Farewell

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