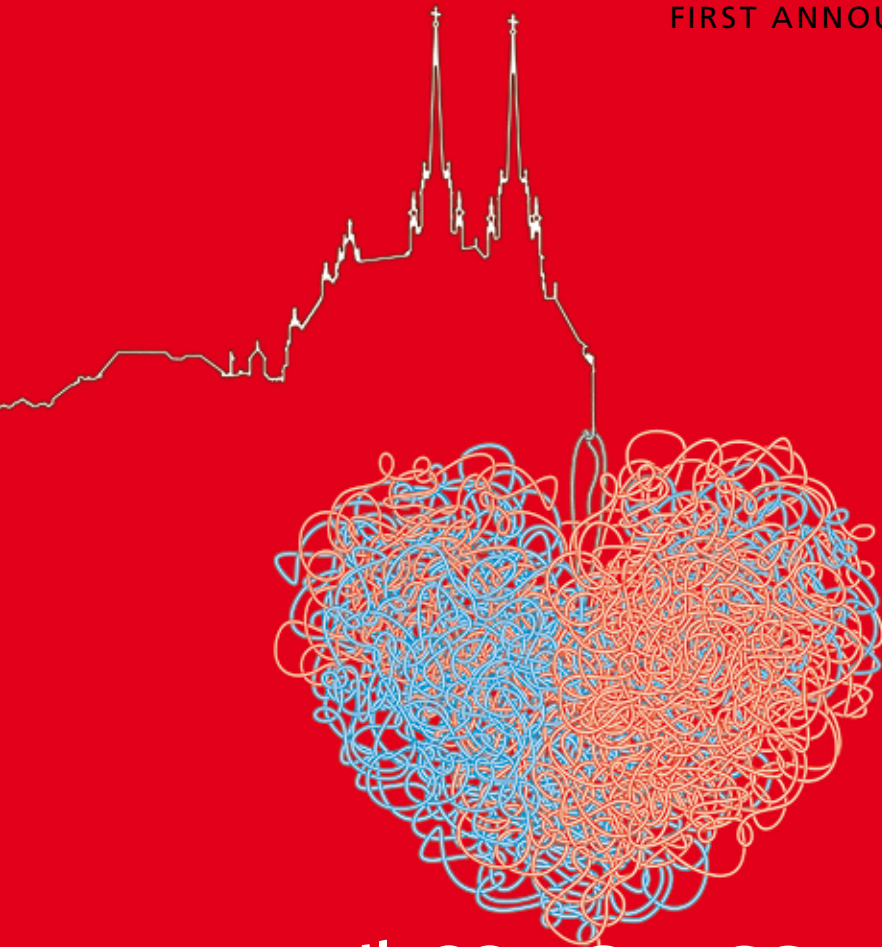


FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT



5th CONGRESS
of the CZECH
SOCIETY for CARDIO
VASCULAR
SURGERY

November 4–6, 2012
Hotel Voroněž
Brno, Czech Republic



5th Congress of the Czech Society for Cardiovascular Surgery with international participation

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Voroněž Hotel
Brno, Czech Republic

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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

On behalf of the CSCVS administration and the Organising Committee, we take great pleasure in inviting you to the 5th Congress of the Czech Society for Cardiovascular Surgery, which will also include the 16th Hejhal Day conference. After an interval of four years the Congress is again being held in Brno, in the Voroněž Hotel, from November 4 to 6, 2012.

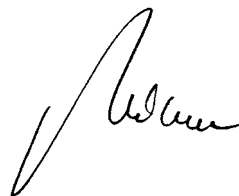
For the first time this year the Congress will start on Sunday (November 4), with an informal get-together in the evening. The Congress will also host satellite company-sponsored symposia and several workshops. Two awards for the best presentations by surgeons no older than 35 will be made.

The ten-year history of cooperation between cardiac and vascular surgeons in one scientific society, with a joint congress for both specialties every second year, brings with it great responsibility. We are committed to maintaining the high standards that have been established over the years for both the scientific sessions and the social gatherings. The scientific programme of the Congress will include honorary guest lectures by leading foreign specialists in cardiac and vascular surgery. We are looking forward to meeting other international participants as well as our Slovak colleagues, who traditionally make outstanding contributions to our professional discussions and are a great asset for our social activities.

The scientific programme will have four components, with sessions devoted to cardiac surgery, vascular surgery, posters, and nurses and technicians. The cardiac surgery section will be open to presentations on cardiology; the vascular surgery section will welcome papers on angiology and endovascular techniques. Medical companies will be present during the Congress with stands on the hotel premises. The Congress will also include the General Meeting of the Czech Society for Cardiovascular Surgery. The Congress will be integrated into the continuing education systems of the Czech Medical Chamber and the Czech Association of Nurses, with attendance acknowledged by an appropriate number of credits.

We wish to extend our cordial invitation, in addition to cardiac and vascular surgeons, to specialists in cardiology, radiology and angiology as well as to other specialists whose co-operation is indispensable for the best-informed diagnosis and treatment of cardiovascular diseases. Our closest co-workers – anaesthesiologists, intensive-care specialists, clinical perfusionists, and nurses and technicians – are also warmly invited.

We look forward to meeting you all in Brno, confident that participation in the Congress will serve as an inspiration for your further work and that the conference sessions and social events will allow you to meet old friends and make new ones and further cooperation within the Society.



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General information

Congress dates: November 4 – 6, 2012

Congress venue: Hotel OREA Voroněž I., Křížkovského 47, Brno
 GPS: 49°11'8.8"N, 16°35'6.97"E

Congress website: www.cskvch.cz

General Meeting: The CSCVS General Meeting will take place in the Hotel Voroněž Congress Hall on Monday, November 5, 2012, at 17:00.

Working languages: Czech, Slovak, English (no interpretation provided)

AV facilities: PC, data projector

Certificate of attendance: Issued to participants during the Congress

Deadlines:**PARTICIPANTS PRESENTING PAPERS:**

Registration and abstract submission: April 1 - August 31, 2012

OTHER PARTICIPANTS: Registration: April 1 - October 20, 2012, or on-site

The second announcement, which will include the programme, will only be available on-line at **www.cskvch.cz**.

The programme and abstracts will be included in the Congress packet.

Complete information and application and registration forms are available at **www.cskvch.cz**.

Preliminary Scientific Programme**Sunday November 4**

18:00 Welcome drink
 Sponsored symposia

Monday November 5

8:30 Opening session
 9:00 - 10:15 Navrátil lecture
 Hejhal lecture
 Invited lecture by a foreign specialist in cardiac surgery
 Invited lecture by a foreign specialist in vascular surgery
 10:30 - 12:00 Cardiac surgery session
 Vascular surgery session
 Nurses' and technicians' session
 Poster session
 12:00 - 14:00 Lunch
 14:00 - 17:00 Cardiac surgery session
 Vascular surgery session
 Nurses' and technicians' session
 Poster session
 17:00 - 18:00 CSCVS General Meeting

Tuesday November 6

8:30 - 14:00 Cardiac surgery session
 Vascular surgery session
 Nurses' and technicians' session
 Poster session
 14:00 Closing session and announcement of the Best Presentation Awards for young surgeons
 14:15 Lunch

Workshops

Ultrasonography for vascular surgeons
 Aneurysmorrhaphy for arteriovenous fistula dilatation
 Radiofrequency ablation therapy for varicose veins
 Endoscopic vein-graft harvesting in vascular and cardiac surgery

Social events**Sunday November 4**

18:00 Welcome drink

Monday November 5

19:30 Social evening in the main hall of the Voroněž Hotel

Abstracts

A structured abstract should be submitted using the on-line forms available at www.cskvch.cz no later than August 31, 2012. The text, exclusive of the title and authors' names and affiliations, must not exceed 400 words. It will be published without language editing.

The papers for presentation will be selected on the basis of evaluation of the abstracts by the Congress Programme Committee. The authors will be informed of the acceptance or non-acceptance of their papers or posters by September 17, 2012.

Abstracts of papers or posters received after August 31, 2012 will not be considered.

Posters

Recommended size: 100 cm (height) by 90 cm (width)

Young surgeons' Best Presentation Awards

The application form for the competition is part of the on-line application and registration system. The author must be a CSCVS member no older than 35. The best papers on cardiac surgery and vascular surgery will each be awarded 10,000 CZK. Authors can submit one paper only.

Technical requirements for paper presentation

Papers are to be presented in Microsoft PowerPoint version 2003-2010 software. The standard format for video files is a WMV. Papers using other formats (MPG or AVI) must be checked well in advance to prevent problems during presentation.

The paper to be presented must be handed in at least 2 hours before the beginning of the relevant session. Papers scheduled for presentation at a morning session must be handed in the day before.

The length of the presentation as specified in the final programme must be respected.

Registration and Congress fees

On-line registration will be launched on April 1, 2012, at the websites www.cskvch.cz. To register, whether for participation as a presenter or for simple attendance, it is necessary to first log in and choose a password. You should save these data.

The registration deadline for participants submitting abstracts is **August 31, 2012**. Participants wishing simply to attend the Congress can register on-line till October 20, 2012, or on-site.

Registration fees:	Before October 20	On-site
CSCVS members	1 300 CZK	1 500 CZK
Non-members	1 500 CZK	1 800 CZK
Nurses and technicians	700 CZK	800 CZK
Medical students	100 CZK	300 CZK
Honorary guests	no charge	no charge

Currency exchange rates available at www.xe.com

The registration fee includes:

Registration card, Congress packet including the programme and abstracts, admission to scientific programme sessions and company displays, welcome drink, admission to sponsored symposia and refreshment during conference breaks. The fee is to be paid after on-line registration has been confirmed by an e-mail message giving you a registration number; this you will use as your variable symbol.

Workshops:

The entrance fee for one workshop is 500 CZK. The maximum number of participants is 16 per workshop. The application is part of the on-line registration system and will be confirmed after payment of the fee. Use the registration number received by e-mail as the variable symbol for payment.

Social evening:

Tickets for the social evening cost 450 CZK and should be booked together with the on-line registration. Payment can be made along with Congress fees in advance or at the on-site registration desk.

Accommodation

Participants are asked to book their accommodation themselves. A list of recommended hotels and relevant on-line booking forms can be found at www.cskvch.cz. Booking will be confirmed by the hotel.

Recommended hotels:

Orea Hotel Voroněž I, Brno, www.voronez.cz
Orea Hotel Voroněž II, Brno, www.orea.cz/voronez2
Hotel Holiday Inn Brno, www.hibrno.cz
Hotel Austerlitz, Táborského náb.3, Brno, www.ahotel.cz
Penzion na Starém Brně, Mendlovo nám. 1b, Brno, www.penzion-brno.com
Garni Hotel Vinařská, Vinařská 470/5C, Brno, www.skm.muni.cz
Hotel Nika Centrum, Lipová 449/24, Brno, www.nikacentrum.cz
Hotel Sharingham, Videňská 223/1, Brno, www.sharingham.cz

