
Hamburg International Symposium Maternal-Fetal Medicine *

Venue: Bucerius Law School Hamburg
Date: 10 to 11 October 2025
Scientific director/Chair: Prof. Dr. med. Stefan Verlohren, University Medical Center
Hamburg-Eppendorf

Friday October 10, 2025

08:30 h	Registration	
09:00 h	Welcome	Verlohren
	<u>First trimester</u>	
09:15 h	First trimester screening in the era of NIPT	Kagan
09:35 h	The evolution of first trimester screening	Calda
09:55 h	The fetal heart in the first trimester	Krapp
10:15 h	Discussion	
10:30 h	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
	<u>The fetus from head to toe</u>	
11:00 h	The fetal brain – 5 is better than 8	Tavares
11:20 h	Brain malformations- the role of CMA and exome sequencing	Geipel
11:40 h	Syndromes involving fetal face and skull	Faschingbauer
12:00 h	Discussion	
12:10 h	Fetal Neurosonography / Ultrasound demonstration	Tavares
12:30 h	Placenta and umbilical cord	Weichert
12:50 h	Discussion	
13:00 h	<i>Lunch Break</i>	
	<u>Preeclampsia</u>	
14:00 h	<u>Special lecture: Screening for preeclampsia (via live stream)</u>	Nicolaides
14:30 h	Etiology of preeclampsia - is it the maternal heart?	Thilaganathan
14:50 h	Etiology of preeclampsia - is it the placenta?	Yagel
15:10 h	Discussion	
15:20 h	The sFlt-1 story, how it all began...	Karumanchi
15:40 h	The sFlt-1 story, where we are heading	Verlohren
16:00 h	Preeclampsia - The global health perspective	Matjila
16:20 h	Discussion	
16:30 h	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
17:00 h	Novel biomarkers in preeclampsia and IUGR	Blois
17:20 h	Maternal immune activation and pregnancy outcome	Arck
17:40 h	Long term outcome after preeclampsia	Dechend
18:00 h	Discussion	
18:30 h	Closing and come together with wine and cheese	

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Saturday October 11, 2025

Fetal Interventions

09:00 h	Special lecture: Fetal Surgery for Spina bifida – where are we at?	Belfort
09:20 h	LUTO and CDH	Strizek
09:40 h	TTTS, TAPS and sIUGR	Döbert
10:00 h	TTTS in triplets and quadruplets	Hecher
10:20 h	Discussion	

10:30 h *Coffee Break*

Obstetrics

11:00 h	Role of intrapartum ultrasound in assisted vaginal birth	Ghi
11:20 h	PPH update	Surbek
11:40 h	The adipose pregnant women	Devlieger
12:00 h	Diabetes mellitus in pregnancy	Groten
12:20 h	Viral infections in pregnancy	Pecks
12:40 h	Ready-steady-go: Vaccinations in pregnancy	Diemert

13:00 h *Lunch Break*

IUGR

13:50 h	Early IUGR – diagnosis and management	Figueras
14:10 h	FGR: role of genetics	Kyvernitakis
14:30 h	TRUFFLE II – potential impact on management of late IUGR	Lees
14:50 h	Discussion	

Ultrasound in the labor ward

15:00 h	Breech delivery in 2025	Stepan
15:20 h	Lifesaving ultrasound in the delivery ward	Henrich
15:40 h	PAS detection	Manegold-Brauer
16:00 h	Discussion	

16:10 h *Coffee Break*

16:40 h	Fetal heart / Ultrasound demonstration	Enzensberger
17:00 h	Fetal heart – assessment in the 2nd trimester	Enzensberger
17:20 h	Prediction of outcome in cardiac malformations	Axt-Fliedner
17:40 h	New techniques to study the fetal heart	Crispi
18:00 h	Discussion	

18:15 h **Closing and handing out certificates**

Speakers' List

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