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## Hamburg International Symposium Maternal-Fetal Medicine \*

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**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**

<b>08:30 h</b>	<b>Registration</b>	
09:00 h	Welcome	Verlohren
	<b><u>First trimester</u></b>	
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	
<b>10:30 h</b>	<b><i>Coffee Break</i></b>	
	<b><u>The fetus from head to toe</u></b>	
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	
<b>13:00 h</b>	<b><i>Lunch Break</i></b>	
	<b><u>Preeclampsia</u></b>	
14:00 h	<b><u>Special lecture: Screening for preeclampsia (via live stream)</u></b>	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	Majtila
16:20 h	Discussion	
<b>16:30 h</b>	<b><i>Coffee Break</i></b>	
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	
<b>18:30 h</b>	<b>Closing and come together with wine and cheese</b>	

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### Fetal Interventions

09:00 h	<b>Special lecture: Fetal Surgery for Spina bifida – where are we at?</b>	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**

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## Speakers' List

**Petra Arck**

UKE, University Hospital, Hamburg, Germany

**Roland Axt-Fliedner**

University Hospital, Giessen, Germany

**Michael Belfort**

Baylor College, Houston, TX, USA

**Sandra Blois**

UKE, University Hospital, Hamburg, Germany

**Pavel Calda**

University Hospital Prague, Czech Republic

**Fatima Crispi**

Hospital Clínic de Barcelona, Spain

**Ralf Dechend**

Charité University Medicine Berlin HELIOS Clinic Berlin-Buch, Germany

**Roland Devlieger**

University Hospital, Leuven, Belgium

**Anke Diemert**

UKE, University Hospital, Hamburg, Germany

**Moritz Döbert**

UKE, University Hospital, Hamburg, Germany

**Christian Enzensberger**

Prenatal Diagnostics, Aachen, Germany

**Florian Faschingbauer**

University Hospital, Erlangen, Germany

**Francesc Figueras**

Hospital Clínic and University, Barcelona, Spain

**Anne Geipel**

University Hospital, Bonn, Germany

**Tullio Ghi**

University Hospital, Rome, Italy

**Tanja Groten**

University Hospital, Cologne, Germany

**Kurt Hecher**

UKE, University Hospital, Hamburg, Germany

**Wolfgang Henrich**

Charité University Medicine, Berlin, Germany

**Oliver Kagan**

University Hospital, Tuebingen, Germany

**Ananth Karumanchi**

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, USA

**Martin Krapp**

Center for Prenatal Medicine on Elbe, Hamburg, Germany

**Jannis Kyvernitakis**

Asklepios Clinic Barmbek, Hamburg, Germany

**Christoph Lees**

Imperial College, London, United Kingdom

**Gwendolin Manegold-Brauer**

University Hospital, Basel, Switzerland

**Mushi Matjila**

University Hospital, Cape Town, South Africa

**Kypros Nicolaides**

Kings College, London, United Kingdom

**Ulrich Pecks**

University Hospital, Wuerzburg, Germany

**Holger Stepan**

University Hospital, Leipzig, Germany

**Brigitte Stritzek**

University Hospital, Bonn, Germany

**Daniel Surbek**

Inselspital, University Hospital, Bern, Switzerland

**Manuela Tavares de Sousa**

UKE, University Hospital, Hamburg, Germany

**Basky Thilaganathan**

St George's Hospital, London, United Kingdom

**Stefan Verlohren**

UKE, University Hospital, Hamburg, Germany

**Jan Weichert**

UKSH, University Hospital, Luebeck, Germany

**Simcha Yagel**

Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel

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