



**BELGIAN
RESPIRATORY
SOCIETY**



BELGIAN PNEUMOLOGY DAYS 2022

**Friday 9 & Saturday 10
December 2022**

INVITATION

***Square Brussels
Convention Centre***



Dear Members,
Dear Colleagues,

The BeRS organizes, in close collaboration with its working groups and partners, three scientific events at the end of the year.

The Belgian Pneumology Days, for pulmonologists and researchers, will take place on 9 and 10 December in Square Brussels. On this occasion, we will also organize the elections for the new Board 2023-2024 and a General Assembly. We encourage our members (effective members & junior effective members) to come and vote.

At the same time, two other events will take place at the Hilton Brussels Grand Place (next to the Brussels Central Station): the "Belgian Nursing Day" will take place on Friday 9 December and the "Belgian Respiratory Physiotherapy Day" is planned on Saturday 10 December.

The programmes are confirmed and registration is open on our website www.bers.be. Register now to take advantage of the preferential rates until 1st November 2022! Also take care to book your accommodation and your ticket for the BeRS Gala Dinner (Friday evening) when you register online for the congress.

Please note that this year we are only offering an on-site package to our participants. We do not intend to offer an hybrid or virtual format unless the health situation forces us to do otherwise.

I look forward to seeing you in person at one of our scientific activities!

Yours sincerely,
Prof. Didier Cataldo
BeRS President

FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER 2022 (AM)

07:45 Opening of the registration desk

08:50 Opening Ceremony

09:00 PARALLEL SESSIONS

ASTHMA & ALLERGY

- **Precision medicine in asthma**
Prof. Anke-Hilse Maitland-van der Zee (Amsterdam UMC)
- **Exacerbations in patients treated with asthma biologics**
Prof. Ian Pavord (John Radcliffe Hospital Oxford)
- **Role of infection in asthma**
Prof. Ratko Djukanovic (Southampton University)

LUNG PEDIATRY AWARDS SESSION

The BeRS Lung Pедиатry working group is offering young doctors and scientists (pediatricians in training, doctoral students, fellows...) the opportunity to present their scientific work and/or interesting clinical cases in pediatric pulmonology.

Award for the best presentation : € 500.

Abstracts to be sent to : julie.willekens@uzgent.be (350 words max) before Monday 7th November, 2022.

10:30 Meet the sponsor  MSD

Refractory and unexplained chronic cough : a burdensome disease - *Prof. Laurent Guilleminault (Toulouse)*

11:00 Sponsors & coffee break - Exhibition hall & posters

11:30 PARALLEL SESSIONS

RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS

- **Phage therapy** - *Prof. Jean-Paul Pirnay (Queen Astrid Military Hospital - Brussels)*
- **Update on COVID-19: treatment and prophylaxis**
Dr. Maya Hites (Hôpital Erasme - Brussels)
- **Tuberculosis - what's new ?**
Prof. Inge Muyllé (OLV - Aalst)

LUNG PEDIATRY

- **Respiratory problems in patients with Esophageal atresia** - *Prof. Mieke Boon (UZ Leuven)*
- **Tracheo-/bronchomalacia : surgical treatment**
Prof. Liesbeth Desender (UZ Gent)
- **Chronic aspiration**
Dr. Mariska De Lausnay (UZ Antwerpen)

Designation of the winner of the "Lung Pедиатry" award 2022

13:00 Sponsors & lunch break - Exhibition hall & posters

FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER 2022 (PM)

14:00 PARALLEL SESSIONS

CLINICAL SCIENCE

Jean-Claude Yernault Awards 2022

Two prizes are awarded to the best case reports presented during this open communication session.

1st prize : € 2,500

2nd prize : € 1,000

Applications must be sent before 4 November 2022. All candidates (selected or not selected) will present their work in the form of a poster.

BASIC SCIENCE

- **The discovAIR project : a roadmap towards the Human Lung Cell Atlas** - Prof. Martijn Nawijn (GRIAC research institute - Groningen)
- **Cellular senescence in airway disease and the potential for senolytics**
Dr. Mareike Lehmann (Helmholtz Zentrum Munich)
- **Understanding cell-cell interactions within tissues through spatial transcriptomics**
Prof. Martin Guilliams (IRC - UZ Ghent)

15:00 Meet the sponsor  AstraZeneca

Tezepelumab, a game changer in severe asthma - Prof. Stephanie Korn (Leitung IKF Pneumologie Mainz)

15:30 Sponsors & coffee break - Exhibition hall & posters

16:10 PARALLEL SESSIONS

THORACIC ONCOLOGY - Novel targeted therapies in advanced stage lung cancer

- **Antibody-Drug Conjugates (ADC) : novel drug candidates to treat lung cancer**
Dr. Thierry Berghmans (Jules Bordet - Brussels)
- **Other bispecific antibodies (bsAbs) : mechanism of action and applications in NSCLC**
Prof. Oliver Bechter (UZ Leuven)
- **Targeting KRAS : recent progress and new approaches** Prof. Anne-Marie Dingemans (Erasmus University - Rotterdam)

LUNG FUNCTION & RESPIRATORY SOMNOLOGY

- **The relevance of chronic ventilation in COPD patients : who, when and for what benefits ?**
Prof. Eric Derom (UZ Gent)
- **Obesity hypoventilation syndrome**
Dr. Dimitri Stylemans (UZ Brussel)
- **Novel ATS-ERS recommendation on lung function interpretation**
Prof. Wim Janssens (KULeuven)

17:45 Lifetime achievement Awardee 2022

18:00 Awards 2022 session

18:45 Closing session

FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER 2022 (EVENING)

7.45 PM
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a typically Belgian
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... we will tell you
more soon ...

Don't forget
to register and pay
online!

SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER 2022 (AM)

08:00 Welcome and registration

09:00 PARALLEL SESSIONS

THORACIC ENDOSCOPY

- **Focus on benign tracheo-bronchial stenosis**
Dr. Christophe Doods (UZ Leuven)
- **Expiratory central airway collapse: definitions, types & therapeutic approach** - *Prof. Hervé Dutau (Marseille)*
- **Single-use or reusable flexible bronchoscope ? A critical appraisal** - *Dr. Thomas Malfait (UZ Gent)*

PULMONARY VASCULAR DISEASES & ILD

- **New guidelines in pulmonary hypertension**
Prof. Catharina Belge (UZ Leuven)
- **The new ATS/ERS/JRS/ALAT IPF and PPF guidelines**
Prof. Marlies Wijsenbeek (Erasmus MC - Rotterdam)
- **CPFE, an enigmatic disease entity**
Speaker to be confirmed

10:30 Meet the sponsor  **Chiesi**

Phenotyping in clinical practice: tailored management of uncontrolled asthma in 2022
Dr. Stephanie Everaerts (UZ Leuven) and Prof. Lies Lahousse (UGent)

11:00 Sponsors & coffee break - Exhibition hall & posters

11:30 PARALLEL SESSIONS

COPD

- **Clinical control in COPD: a new tool for follow-up**
Dr. Juan José Soler-Cataluña (Hospita Arnau de Vilanova - Valencia)
- **Advance care planning in COPD**
Dr. Johanna Broese (Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum)
- **Pseudomonas aeruginosa in people with COPD: should we be concerned ?**
Prof. Jens-Ulrik Stæhr Jensen (University Copenhagen & Herlev-Gentofte Hospital)

THORACIC SURGERY

- **Pleural complications after thoracic surgery**
Prof. Dirk Van Raemdonck (UZ Leuven)
- **Is previous thoracic surgery a contra-indication for lung transplantation and what are the consequences ?**
Prof. Clemens Aigner (Ruhlandklinik Essen)
- **LVRS and ELVR as a bridge towards lung transplantation in COPD patients**
Prof. Eric Marchand (UCLouvain)

13:00 COPD French & Dutch associations

13:15 General Assembly & Results elections

13:30 Closing session & lunch - Exhibition hall

REGISTRATION FEES

	2 DAYS ON SITE	
	(until 01/11)	(from 02/11)
BeRS affiliated member	160 €	200 €
BeRS affiliated junior member	80 €	120 €
Non-member	320 €	400 €

ACCOMMODATION

THURSDAY / FRIDAY (1 night)		FRIDAY EVENING Reception
Single room	Double room	50 €
130 €	150 €	

PRACTICAL INFORMATIONS

VENUE

The SQUARE Brussels Convention Centre - Glass Entrance - Mont des Arts - Kunstberg - 1000 Brussels.

This area packs today in a fine combination of culture, energy, business and leisure. Ever-changing, the Mont Des Arts was rebuilt in 1958, housing the Royal Library of Belgium and The Congress Centre of Brussels that it is today.

ACCESS & PARKING



By car: The (Interparking) Albertine car park is the closest and is situated underneath the SQUARE with direct access to the venue from the inside.



By public transport: The Central Station of Brussels is a 5' walk across the Mont Des Arts public gardens. All main tram, bus, metro and train lines converge there, as well as the fast train from Brussels International Airport.



By plane: Brussels Airport is 17 minutes away by train from the Central Station.

ACCOMMODATION

Hilton Hotel Grand Place - next to the Brussels Central Station - Carrefour de l'Europe 3 - 1000 Brussels

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