16th European Conference on General Thoracic Surgery
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THORACIC TECHNO MEETING
Tuesday, 10 June 2008, 8:30 – 13:00
Palazzo Re Enzo, Salone del Podesta

Organiser: Michael Mueller (Vienna)

“The Pleural Space”

Chairmen: Michael Mueller (Vienna) & Gaetano Rocco (Naples)

08:30 Physiology and Mechanics of the Pleural Space
- What thoracic surgeons always wanted to know (R. Zannoli, Bologna)

09:00 The “Venice” Chest Drainage System with ‘Volumetric Air Leak Meter’
- A new perspective in air leak management (M. Refai, Ancona)
- Early clinical experience (F. Bruenger, Regensburg)

09:30 Digital Airleak Meter
- Does it make a difference? (A. Brunelli, Ancona)

10:00 Smart New Drainage Systems
- The postoperative drainage flow/pressure relation (A. Linder, Bremen)

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 Prevention of air leaks
- The surgeons view (Ph. Nafteux, Leuven)
- Next Generation Hydrogel Technology (P. Campbell, Salt Lake City)

11:30 Mobile Drainage Systems
- For outpatient care only? (G. Varela, Salamanca)

12:00 New Clinical Evidence in Thoracic Surgery
- The SEAL trial: new evidence for optimising air sealing (W. Klepetko, Vienna)
- Management of air leakage and haemostasis in VATS Surgery (H.J. Hansen, Hellerup)

12:30 New Gore Technologies in Thoracic Surgery
- What is it all about? (D. Waller, Leicester)

13:00 – 14:00: Lunch