

## Welcome

This two-day interactive morphology course is organized by the AEPC Cardiovascular Morphology working group.

It will be delivered by an international faculty of experts in cardiac morphology and echocardiography in pediatric and adult congenital heart disease.

This course is dedicated to “Ventricular septal defects”. It is aimed at both young and experienced clinicians who want to improve their knowledge of classification and morphology of the most frequent type of congenital heart defects.

The program includes talks, video demonstrations of cardiac specimens with the various types of VSDs, followed by hands-on sessions to manipulate the hearts, coupled with virtual reality sessions.

Welcome to Paris on April 3-4, 2025!

Pr Lucile Houyel  
Pr Matthias Sigler  
on behalf of the AEPC cardiovascular morphology group

## Program: Day 1 (Thursday, April 3)

08:45 Welcome  
09:00 The developing heart: ventricular septation (Robert H. Anderson)  
09:30 Nomenclature and classification of VSDs (Lucile Houyel)  
10:00 Hands-on session 1 + virtual reality  
  
10:45 Coffee break  
  
11:15 Central VSDs: isolated defects and morphologic associations (Annalisa Angelini)  
11:30 Video demonstration (Annalisa Angelini)  
12:00 Echo correlations (Damien Bonnet)  
12:15 How to close them (Guiti Milani)  
12:30 Hands-on session 2 + virtual reality  
  
13:15 Lunch break  
  
14:15 Outlet VSDs: morphologic associations (Matthias Sigler)  
14:45 Video demonstration of specimens (Matthias Sigler)  
15:15 Echo correlations (Damien Bonnet)  
15:30 Hands-on session 3 + virtual reality  
  
16:15 Coffee break  
  
16:45 Muscular VSDs (Adam Kolesnik)  
17:00 Video demonstration (Adam Kolesnik)  
17:30 Echo correlations (Damien Bonnet)  
17:45 Hands-on session 4 + virtual reality

19:30 Network course dinner

## Program: Day 2 (Friday, April 3)

09:00 Inlet VSDs : isolated defects and morphological associations (Monique Jongbloed)  
09:15 Video demonstration (Monique Jongbloed)  
10:00 Echo correlations (Damien Bonnet)  
10:15 Hands-on session 5 + virtual reality  
  
11:00 Coffee break  
  
11:30 Quiz (Nikola Topuzov)  
  
12:30 Lunch break  
  
13:30 “Meet the morphologist session”: 6 abstracts presented by the participants: 10 min presentation, 20 min discussion (The whole faculty)  
  
13:30 Selected abstract 1  
14:00 Selected abstract 2  
14:30 Selected abstract 3  
15:00 Selected abstract 4  
15:30 Selected abstract 5  
16:00 Selected abstract 6  
  
16:30 Closing remarks  
  
16:45 End of the course

## Faculty

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Annalisa Angelini  
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## Registration

Please send your application with your full  
name, your position, and contact details to:  
[shirley.menoret@aphp.fr](mailto:shirley.menoret@aphp.fr)

## Registration fees

Early bird (before February 15)  
Non-trainee: 350 euros  
Trainee/student/AEPC junior member:  
150 euros

After February 15  
Non-trainee: 400 euros  
Trainee/student/AEPC junior member:  
200 euros

Network course dinner: individual  
participation 35 euros per person

Note: due to the nature of the  
course, capacity will be **limited to 45**  
participants.

## AEPC morphology course (hands-on and virtual reality): Ventricular Septal Defects

3-4 April 2025

Paris, France

Université Necker  
160 rue de Vaugirard  
Amphithéâtre 2

Metro station: Pasteur (lines 6 and 12)



## Abstract Submission

All junior attendees are required to submit and abstract to gain access to this Morphology Course.

For other attendees Abstract Submission is optional.

Abstract topics should be related to Ventricular Septal Defects, isolated or in the setting of a more complex anomaly and formatted as a case presentation.

Structure of the abstracts should be:

Background  
Case presentation  
Discussion and/or Conclusion

Max 350 words

## General Guidelines:

All submissions must be in English. English is the official course program language. All presentations must also be in English.

Abstracts must be submitted through email to: [lucile.houyel@aphp.fr](mailto:lucile.houyel@aphp.fr)

All abstracts submitted online will be reviewed by the Scientific Program Committee.

Abstracts must be submitted by the announced deadline of 20th February 2024. Abstracts received after the deadline will not be considered.

After your abstract submittal, you will receive an email confirming the successful submission of your abstract. If you do not receive this email please contact course organization [shirley.menoret@aphp.fr](mailto:shirley.menoret@aphp.fr)

Please enter submission information carefully, information will be published exactly as submitted.

The Scientific Program Committee will award 6 presentation slots to the 6 best Abstracts.

Other Abstracts will be presented in Poster format during the course.

Abstracts are to be formatted in case presentation format.

We are looking forward to your submissions!

Abstract presentation: “Meet the morphologist” session