



From Evidence to Policy to Implementation of Lp(a) Testing - The Brussels Declaration

Location: The HOTEL Brussels, Boulevard de Waterloo 38, 1000 Brussels, Belgium, **Room:** Vista, 27th floor

Day 1. 24th March 2025 – Lp(a) Awareness Day

Morning Sessions

09:30 – 09:45 (15 min) Welcome and Setting the Scene

- Moderator: Nicola Bedlington
- Speakers: Magdalena Daccord, Florian Kronenberg

Overview: 1st Global Lp(a) Summit, Lp(a) International Taskforce and the Brussels Declaration.

09:45 – 10:45 (1 hour) What is at Stake: Perspectives of People Living with Elevated Lp(a) – Patient Ambassadors

- Moderator: Albert Wiegman
- Speakers: Annelies Dol, Marc Rijken, Aeden Kaal, Emma Print, Tobias Silberzahn

10:45 – 11:15 (30 min) A Global Perspective: The Science Behind Elevated Lp(a)

- Speaker: Florian Kronenberg

11:15 – 11:45 (30 min) Coffee Break

11:45 – 13:15 (1 hour 30 min) Tour Around the World: National Perspectives

- Chair: Børge Nordestgaard, EAS
- Speakers:
 - Australia: Stephen Nicholls
 - Canada: George Thanassoulis
 - Low- & Middle-Income Countries (LMIC): Samia Mora
 - China: Zhenyue Chen (online)



- Japan: Masayuki Yoshida (online)
- Europe: Michal Vrablik
- Latin America: Pablo Corral
- USA: Christie Ballantyne

13:15 – 14:00 (45 min) Group Photo and Lunch

Afternoon Sessions

14:00 – 14:30 (30 min) The Latest Science: Clinical Trials

- Chair: Erik Stroes
- Speaker: Stephen Nicholls

14:30 – 15:30 (1 hour) Launch of the First Cost-Effectiveness Study on Testing for Elevated Lp(a)

- Chairs: Florian Kronenberg and Marius Geanta
- Speaker: Zanfina Ademi
- Q&A Session

15:30 – 15:45 (15min) Coffee Break

15:45 – 17:00 (1.15 hour) Panel: Paving the Way for the Brussels Declaration

- Chair: Samia Mora, IAS
- Topics:
 - Persistent barriers to testing and solutions, Kausik Ray
 - Patient-led evidence generation platform, Tobias Silberzahn
 - Innovative prevention and care approaches, Marius Geanta
- Panel discussion together with Mariko Harada-Shiba, Neil Johnson, Zanfina Ademi, Florian Kronenberg, Kausik Ray, Tobias Silberzahn, Marius Geanta

17:00 – 17:45 (45 min) Break-Out Sessions: Paving the Way for the Brussels Declaration

- Moderators: Kausik Ray, Tobias Silberzahn, Marius Geanta
- Rapporteurs (proposed): Ioanna Gouni-Berthold, Sophie Millar, Leslie Donato

17:45 – 18:00 (15 min) Closing of Day 1

- Speakers: Florian Kronenberg & Magdalena Daccord and the Rapporteurs from the breakouts

Evening Program

19:30 – 22:00 (2 hours 30 min) Launch of the Global Lp(a) Assembly and Official Dinner



Day 2: 25th March 2025 – Policy and Implementation Focus

08.00- 10.00 - Fringe meetings

10:00 – 10:15 (15 min) Welcome by Host MEP(s), Chair of SANT and the EU Commissioner for Health

- MEP Romana JERKOVIĆ, Mr Olivér Várhelyi, EU Commissioner for Health, and MEP Adam JARUBAS

10:15 – 10:45 (30 min) Cardiovascular Disease vs Cardiovascular Health

- Moderator: Nicola Bedlington
- Speakers: Raul Santos, WHF Chief Editor and James Kennedy, European Society of Cardiology

10:45 – 11:15 (30 min) What is elevated Lp(a) and why testing is important?

- Topics: An overview of elevated Lp(a), the guidelines, and the cost-effectiveness of testing for it
- Moderator: Nicola Bedlington
- Speakers: Zanfina Ademi, Florian Kronenberg

11:15 – 11:30 (15 min) Photo and Coffee Break

11:30 – 11:45 (15 min) Presenting and Refining the Brussels Declaration on Elevated Lp(a)

- Speakers: Magdalena Daccord, Florian Kronenberg

11:45 – 12:45 (1 hour) Panel Discussion: Shifting the Narrative on Elevated Lp(a)

- Topics: Implementation of the Brussels Declaration and necessary commitments
- Moderator: Bogi Eliassen
- Panellists:
 - Caroline Bollars, Sr. Advisor, WHO Representation Office to the European Union
 - Renate Kaal-Poppelaars, Lp(a) Patient Ambassador
 - András Kulja, Member of the European Parliament
 - Iñaki Gutierrez Ibarluzea, Director of Health Research, Innovation and Evaluation, Ministry of Health, Basque Country
 - Jean-Luc Eiselé, CEO, World Heart Federation
 - Michele Calabro, Exec. Director, European Regional and Local Health Authorities

12:45 – 13:00 (15 min) Closing: The Way Forward

- Speakers: Florian Kronenberg & Magdalena Daccord

13:00 – 14:00 (1 hour) Lunch

Afternoon: Fringe meetings and meetings of the Lp(a) International Task Force

