



SSAR Young Investigator meeting 2026

Date: March 17th – 18th, 2026.

Venue: Hotel Comwell Borupgaard, Denmark

Tuesday March 17th

- 13.30-14:00 Arrival. Coffee, snacks and cake.
- 14.00-14.15 Welcome, introductions
- 14.15-15:00 **The basics,**
(30 min talk + 15 min Q&A)
“Sex and gender in ASCVD: epidemiology and mechanisms?”, **Ester Kringeland**, postdoctoral researcher and senior consultant in cardiology, Haukeland University Hospital, Bergen
- 15:00-15:15 Coffee break
- 15:15- 16:00 **Understand the methodology: Cell and mouse models vs. genetic epidemiology**
Two groups, chose what you know least of (30 min talk + 15 min Q&A):
*Cells and mouse models: **Patrick Rensen** Professor, Leiden University Medical Center*
*Genetic epidemiology: **Marianne Benn**, Professor, Copenhagen University Hospital, Rigshospitalet*
- 16:00-16:15 Coffee break
- 16:15-18:30 **Social event**
- 18:45-20:15 Dinner
- 20:30-21:30 **Meet and mingle – Speed Science**
Moderators: The organizers
- 21.30- Informal networking

Wednesday March 18th

- 7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast
- 8:30- 11:00 **Journal club with the author/expert**
(Two groups, 60 min for each paper, ~20 min breaks in between including swap of groups)
*Basic paper: **Knut Tomas Dalen**, Professor, Institute of Basic Medical Sciences, University of Oslo*
*Epidemiological paper: **Anders Berg Wulff**, Senior researcher, Herlev og Gentofte Hospital*
- 11:00-11:15 Coffee break
- 11:15-12:15 **Newest inputs from the clinicians,** (30 min each incl. Q&A)
“Menopause and changes in metabolic health”, **Jeanine Roeters van Lennep**, Internist specialized in vascular medicine, Professor, Erasmus Medical Center, Rotterdam.
“Male sexhormones and receptors' role in cardiometabolic health”, **Anne Skakkebæk**, Clinical Associate Professor, Aarhus University Hospital
- 12:15-13:15 Lunch
- 13:15-14:45 **Meet the editor (Atherosclerosis): **Katariina Öörni****, Professor, University of Helsinki, and Co-Editor of Atherosclerosis
- 14:45-15:00 Coffee break
- 15:00- 15:45 **Know your invited speaker**
Moderators: The organizers
- 16:15 Transport to Krogerup