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Dear Colleague

One of the main aims of the British Society for Heart Failure (BSH) is to help healthcare professionals understand how the results from clinical trials relate to their real-life heart failure patients, most of whom are elderly.

We are therefore delighted to invite you to our satellite symposium ‘Heart failure in the real world’ which will look at the epidemiology of the syndrome, who is at risk of developing it, and how to individualise patient therapy according to the evidence.

This symposium, to be held prior to the British Cardiac Society (BCS) Annual Conference on Monday 13 May, is open to any healthcare professional involved in the diagnosis or treatment of heart failure or those researching the field.

In addition, BCS attendees may be interested to know that the BSH is holding an Affiliated Group Meeting within the main BCS programme entitled ‘From Cheyne and Stokes to the modern day: disordered breathing in chronic heart failure’ on Thursday 16 May.

To register for the above meetings, please fill in and return the attached reply slip to the BSH Secretariat. They will contact you with confirmation of your registration and provide a map showing the location of the venue. (Please note that you need to register for the BCS Annual Conference 2002 to attend the symposium on 16 May.)

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We look forward to seeing you in Harrogate.

Mick K Davies
BSH Chairman

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An Extraordinary General Meeting for BSH members will take place on Monday 13 May from 17.00–17.30
Hall A

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BSH Satellite Symposium Programme:
Monday 13 May 2002, 15.30–17.00

Heart failure in the real world

Programme Director: John Cleland (Hull)
Co-chairs: Allan Struthers (Dundee), Jackie Taylor (Glasgow)
Coffee/tea upon arrival
15.30 Chairs’ introduction
15.35 Prevalence and prognosis
   Michael Lye (Liverpool)
15.55 Risk factors and their management
   Hugh McIntyre (St Leonards on Sea)
16.15 Diagnosis of heart failure in older patients; complexity and importance argue against ageism
   Mark Cheesman (Bristol)
16.35 Clinical outcome trials in the older patient
   Simon Gibbs (London)
16.55 Discussion and closing remarks

BSH Affiliated Group Meeting Programme:
Thursday 16 May 2002, 08.30–10.00

From Cheyne and Stokes to the modern day: disordered breathing in chronic heart failure

Programme Director: Alan Cowley (Nottingham)
Co-chairs: Alan Cowley (Nottingham), Mick Davies (Birmingham)

08.30 Chairs’ introduction
08.35 Pathophysiology of Cheyne-Stokes respiration and disordered breathing
   William Kinnear (Nottingham)
08.55 Disorders of breathing during sleep
   Andrew Staniforth (London)
09.15 Sleep disordered breathing – does it matter to the clinician?
   Andrew Coats (London)
09.35 What treatments are available and how valuable are they?
   Douglas Bradley (Toronto)
09.55 Discussion and closing remarks