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PRESS RELEASE

Pioneering Heart Surgery and Medical Congresses in

Leipzig

(23 February 2024) The Heart Center Leipzig (Herzzentrum Leipzig) is currently one of the top ten clinics in the world for heart surgery. The US magazine Newsweek compiled the ranking in collaboration with the global opinion research institute Statista. The Heart Center Leipzig provides a wide range of services and covers the diagnostics and treatment of all diseases of the cardiovascular system. With the new type of bypass surgery, the hospital plays a pioneering role. It is no coincidence that Leipzig also regularly hosts medical congresses on all aspects of the heart. In addition to the Cardiovascular Spring Conference in March 2024, the world's most important congress for vascular medicine LINC will be held in Leipzig in May 2024. Leipzig will host the European Congress of Cytology for the second time in June 2024.

Transforming Lives at the Heart Center Leipzig

Around six million people in Germany suffer from coronary heart disease. Their hearts are not supplied with enough oxygen because the blood flow to the heart is disturbed. Bypass surgery, which is traditionally performed on the open heart, can help. This is different at the Heart Center Leipzig. Here, the operation is minimally invasive - gentler and safer for the patient. A small incision in the chest is enough to restore the blood supply to the entire heart and to revascularise it.

Only very few clinics in Germany offer this gentle procedure. The advantages for patients: Possible complications such as strokes and wound healing disorders are avoided. Blood loss and the risk of infection are lower, post-operative discomfort is reduced and healing times are shorter. MICS-CABG is also suitable for patients who were previously considered too risky due to their age or medical history.

"Many satisfied patients benefit from our gentle bypass surgery. We are experienced in it and achieve very good results - both medically and aesthetically. From the outside, it looks like a minor procedure, but it has a major impact on health and quality of life," explains Prof. M. Borger, Chief Physician at the University Clinic for Cardiac Surgery and Medical Director of the Heart Center Leipzig.

Groundbreaking Insights and Live Surgeries at Congresses in Leipzig

Leipzig is not only popular for its long history as centre for trade, classical music or book publishing, the city is also home to one of the oldest universities in Germany and now a centre of science. The largest healthcare centre in the Central German region is Leipzig University Hospital, which has more than 7,300 employees and another 900 in training from 70 nations. There is close cooperation between Leipzig University Hospital and the university's Faculty of Medicine – in research, teaching and patient care. Research findings benefit patient care and medical training alike. With the Heart Centre Leipzig, the city currently has Europe's second-largest heart transplant centre.

Leipzig's success in the field of healthcare and biotechnology is also reflected in its popularity as a place to hold conferences and congresses. The city offers a unique and inspiring blend of business, science and vibrant culture. Over the year, it hosts various events for participants to focus on scientific lectures and discussions, present research and get in touch with colleagues.

On the premises of the Heart Centre Leipzig, will be presented and discussed groundbreaking new developments on 22-23 March 2024 at the Cardiovascular Spring Conference. Practical discussions on-site will also risk a look at the future of cardiac medicine.

Leipzig is also the venue for the annual international LINC symposium for medical technologies and innovative medical systems, which is called to be the world's most important congress for vascular medicine. From 28 to 31 May 2024 around 2,000 international participants from more than 80 countries will be able to watch live operations from the Heart Centre Leipzig. Conference President Prof Dr Dierk Scheinert initiated the LINC in 2005 and has headed the Department of Interventional Angiology at Leipzig University Hospital since 2014.

From 23 to 26 June 2024 the German Society of Cytology invites 1.000 experts to join the 45th European Congress of Cytology in Leipzig and learn about wide scope of topics, including subjects like cervical cancer screening, but also rather new topics like artificial intelligence and its role in cytology.

Further Information

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