

# Ethical and Economical Aspects of the Use of Allografts in the Reconstruction of the Tympanic Membrane and Cornea

Dear colleague, we are pleased to invite you to this symposium celebrating 25 years of tympano-ossicular and corneal tissue banking as we know it today.

This symposium has been accredited for 2 credit points Ethics & Economy (25004852) and will address **ethical and economic considerations** regarding the use of **allografts** in **tympanic membrane and cornea reconstruction**. **Future perspectives** on **tissue engineering and bioprinting** will be presented as well. The program features leading **national** and **international** experts and offers ample opportunity for discussion.

We look forward to welcoming you!

*On behalf of the organizing committee: prof. dr. Manon Huizing, Dr. sc. Jeroen Caremans, Mrs. Francisca Ferreira and prof. dr. Vincent Van Rompaey*

## Program

- 16:00 Opening  
Prof. Dr. Manon Huizing, Bio and Tissue bank UZA
- 16:05 Past: Beginning of the tympano-ossicular allografts and the bank in UZA  
Prof. Dr. Em. Paul Van de Heyning, NKO UZA
- 16:20 Present: Daily life in the tissue bank  
Jeroen Caremans, Francisca Ferreira, Bio and Tissue bank UZA
- 16:35 Present: Update on corneal transplantation (BEST-cornea study)  
Prof. Dr. Carina Koppen, Ophthalmology UZA
- 16:50 Future: Tissue engineering and regenerative medicine of the cornea  
Bert Van den Bogerd, ARGOS UA
- 17:05 Future: Biofabricated scaffolds for middle ear regeneration  
Prof. Dr. Carlos Mota, MERLN Maastricht
- 17:20 Pitch presentations of current research
- 17:40 Closing remarks  
Prof. Dr. Vincent Van Rompaey, NKO UZA

## Registration is free but mandatory

Please register using the following link:

<https://forms.uantwerpen.be/en/fggw/symposium-bio-and-tissue-bank/>

## Venue

UZA, **Auditorium Kinsbergen** (route 12)

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