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Communicating registry output
to improve cardiac arrest outcomes



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Dr Rudolph W. Koster (1946) was clinical cardiologist at the Academic Medical Center in Amsterdam. He retired from clinical work in 2014.

He initiated resuscitation research in 1995 and established an ongoing registry of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest in the Netherlands (ARREST, AmsteRdam REsuscitation STUDies) in 2005. Embedded in this registry were several randomized studies. Current focus is on participation of lay rescuers with AEDs for residential cardiac arrest and further improvement of AED rhythm analysis.

He served as member of the Board of the European Resuscitation Council (ERC) and chair of the Working Group on Basic Life Support of the ERC. He participated in the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR) since 2005 and as co-chair for the ILCOR Task Force Basic Life Support in the 2010 Consensus on Science and Treatment Recommendations process. He chaired the writing committee of the ERC BLS Guidelines 2010 and member in 2015. He is member of the scientific committee of the Netherlands Resuscitation Council and of the Steering Committee of the EuReCa study.

He received the Snellen award of the Netherlands Heart Foundation (2011) and the Lifetime Achievement Award in Resuscitation Science from the American Heart Association (2019). He is a Honorary Member of the ERC.