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AACIO Fall Meeting NOV 2013

The Black Academy of Arts and Letters, Inc.
Dallas Convention Center Theater Complex
1309 Canton Street
Dallas, TX 75201
Rooms T312 and T313

17 Nov 2013
6-10pm

American Association of Cardiologists of Indian Origin

Texas Indo-American Physicians Society (TIPS), North East Chapter
and American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin

Symposium Directors: Drs. Navin C. Nanda and Kul Aggarwal

6:25 – 6:30 p.m. Introduction. Drs. Kul Aggarwal and Navin C. Nanda

6:30 – 6:50 p.m. Newer anticoagulants in the management of atrial fibrillation and stroke prevention. Dr. Sanjeev Saksena

6:50 – 7:10 p.m. Emerging therapies in dyslipidemia management, beyond statins. Dr. Amit Khara

7:10 – 7:25 p.m. Choice of anti-platelet therapy in acute coronary syndromes. Dr. Navin C. Nanda

7:25 – 7:35 p.m. Discussion and Questions from the Audience

7:35 – 7:50 p.m. AACIO Honorees and Young Investigator Awards

7:50 p.m. Dinner (Indian Cuisine) followed by entertainment by Kashish Band

Faculty

Kul Aggarwal, MD, Professor of Clinical Medicine, University of Missouri and Chief, Cardiology Section, Harry S. Truman Veterans Hospital, Columbia, Missouri

Amit Khara, MD, Associate Professor, Director, Preventive Cardiology Program, Program Director, Cardiology Fellowship and Dallas Heart Ball Chair in Hypertension and Heart Disease, UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas Texas

Navin C. Nanda, MD, Distinguished Professor of Medicine and Cardiovascular Disease, Senior Scientist, Minority Health and Research Center and UAB Center for Aging, and UAB Comprehensive Cardiovascular Center, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama

Sanjeev Saksena MD FHRF FACC FESC FAHA FRSM, Clinical Professor of Medicine, Rutgers-RWJ Medical School Medical Director, Piscataway, New Jersey, Electrophysiology Research Foundation, Warren, New Jersey

Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Interventional Cardiac Electrophysiology

President's Column



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome to the fall edition of the AACIO Newsletter. I hope all of you had a great summer.

Our last dinner meeting at the time of the ACC was a resounding success in San Francisco. The scientific program was good and it was well attended. The San Francisco harbor provided a spectacular background to the activities. I would like to thank all of you for making it a success. Our partnership with local Indian physicians from the Bay area was a contributor to its success.

This year, the American Heart Association will be meeting in Dallas. We are putting together another wonderful program and I would like to invite all of you to attend. The details of the program will be posted to the website at www.aacio.org. Your organization continues to gain strength and we are grateful for your continued active participation. We would like to encourage you to reach out to your friends and colleagues and fellows in training to join and participate actively in AACIO.

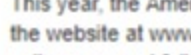
Fellows-in-training as well as recently graduated fellows are encouraged to submit their Research abstracts for the Young Investigator Awards given out at each meeting.

Our website has been completely re-designed and is more functional and I invite all of you to visit us at www.aacio.org. We are thankful to our industry sponsors for supporting the scientific program.

I hope that next year will bring all of you success, happiness and prosperity. See you in Dallas November 17, 2013!

Warm Regards,

Kul Aggarwal, M.D.
President



NOTE FROM EDITOR, AACIO NEWSLETTER

AACIO would like to receive News Items about its members or Short Articles of interest for consideration of publication in the next Newsletter.

Please send your items for consideration to
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AACIO Young Investigator Awards



Dr. Krishna Ramaswamy Award:

Interventional/EP

Optimal Medical Therapy Compared to Revascularization for Stable Coronary Artery Disease: Evidence from a Comprehensive Mixed Treatment Comparison

Ganesh Athappan MD, Prasanna Sengodan1, M.B.B.S, Gert van Valkenhoef2, MS, PhD, Dharam J. Kumbhani3, MD, Murat E Tuzcu4, MD, Samir R Kapadia4, MD, 1Department of Cardiovascular Medicine, Heart & Vascular Institute, Case Western Reserve University/ MetroHealth Campus, Cleveland, Ohio, 2Department of Epidemiology, University Medical Center Groningen, Groningen, Netherlands, 3 Division of Cardiology, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, Texas, 4Department of Cardiovascular Medicine, Heart & Vascular Institute, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dr. Madhukar Deshmukh Award:

Basic Science

In Vitro Modeling of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) Cardiomyopathy Using Human Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells (hiPSC)

Forum Kamdar MD, Andre Klaassen Kamdar MSc, Christopher Chapman, Michelle Doyle PhD, Jamie Lohr MD, Joseph Belanto, Evelyn Houang, Naoko Koyano-Nakagawa PhD, James Ervasti PhD, Joseph Metzger PhD, Daniel J Garry MD PhD, Univ of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

Preventive/Imaging

Feasibility and Accuracy of Adenosine Dual-Energy CT Myocardial Perfusion Imaging to Detect Myocardial Ischemia.

Manavjot S. Sidhu MD, FACP#, Shanmugam Uthamalingam MD#, Daniel Verdini MD#, Ashley Lee MD#, Leif Christopher-Engel MD#, Ron Blankstein MD#, Brian B. Ghoshhajra MD, MBA# #Cardiac MR PET CT program, Division of Cardiology and Department of Radiology, Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School.

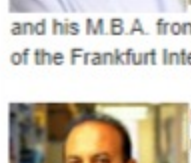
AACIO Honorees



Greg Behar is President and CEO of Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals Inc., a leading US developer, manufacturer, marketer and distributor of pharmaceuticals and the largest US subsidiary of the Boehringer Ingelheim global family of companies. With more than 15 years in the pharmaceutical industry Greg's experience includes leadership roles in marketing, sales, business operations and general management. Greg joined Boehringer Ingelheim in 2009 as Corporate Vice President of the Cardiovascular and Metabolic Franchise. That same year he became Vice President, Corporate Division Prescription Medicine, leading 14 countries including Northern Europe, Canada and Australia. Prior to Boehringer Ingelheim, Greg worked at Novartis Pharma AG in roles of increasing responsibility in Spain and at global headquarters in Switzerland. An engineer by training, Greg received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering, Cum Laude, from the University of California, Los Angeles his Master of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, and his M.B.A. from INSEAD in Fontainebleau, France. He began his career in high-tech manufacturing and later spent five years at Nestle headquarters in Switzerland and Brazil. Greg was a board member of the Frankfurt International School in Germany and is fluent in French, English, Spanish, German and Portuguese.



Dinender K. Singla PhD, Dr. Dinender Singla PhD, is a graduate of Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh, India. He holds a faculty appointment at the University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida. He has received numerous honors and awards, and given invited talks throughout the world. He also served as a chair/co-chair for scientific meetings, and well published in various peer reviewed journals. He is funded by the National Institute of Health and the American Heart Association grant awards since 2004. He has served as an editorial board member for different journals, and is the current Academic Editor for Plos one and Associate Editor for Canadian Journal of Physiology and Pharmacology. He is also a Fellow American Heart Association, and a Chair, TPIG Nominating Committee-American Physiological Society.



Srinivas Reddy Gunukula, M.D. F.A.C.C., President of TIPS, is a prominent Interventional Cardiologist affiliated with several Dallas area hospitals. He obtained his medical degree from Siddharta Medical College, Vijayawada, India. He completed his fellowships in Cardiology and Interventional Cardiology at St. Vincent Hospital/University of Massachusetts, Worcester, Massachusetts. He has been in the Dallas area for the past 10 years and serves on the Board of Directors of The Heart Hospital Baylor Plano and Director of Center for Advanced Cardiovascular Care at the Heart Hospital McKinney Campus. He is well known among the Cardiology community in Dallas.



Joseph M. Challi, MD, MBA, FACHE is Associate Director, Health Science Executives, Boehringer Ingelheim USA. The Boehringer Ingelheim group is one of the world's 15 leading pharmaceutical companies. He is a Fellow of American College of Healthcare Executives and is Board Certified in Healthcare Management. He serves as Co-Chair, AAPI Industry Physician Committee and Scientific Advisor, AAPI Cardiovascular, Diabetes and Stroke Network. Dr. Challi holds three US Patents involving usage of sensors inside Human Body in addition to other applications. His research background includes Clinical Trial Management in Cystic Fibrosis, Multiple Myeloma, and publications in American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine. The Asian American Business Development Council, NY has awarded Dr. Challi the 2013 Outstanding 50 Asian Americans in Business Award. He is a Visiting Professor at various Universities and serves on various company Boards. He is an expert in US Healthcare policy and a strong advocate for patient centered care.

Members Achievements

NEWS ABOUT AACIO MEMBERS

Congratulations to Dr Rakesh K. Sharma who recently received approval for an Investigator Sponsored Trial from Astra Zeneca. The trial "Comparing Ticagrelor and Clopidogrel Pharmacodynamics in Patients Undergoing Percutaneous Intervention (PCI) after Thrombolysis; Open Label Randomized Trial" is expected to enroll its first patient in February 2014.

Dr. Navin C. Nanda was recognized as the "Father of Echocardiography" by the Russian Society of Cardiology and the Section of Echocardiography, March 2013. He was also designated the "World Icon in Echocardiography and Cardiology" by the World Congress of Clinical, Preventive Cardiology and Imaging, Mysore, India, September 2013.

Comprehensive Textbook of Echocardiography, edited by Dr. Navin C. Nanda, will be released at the AHA meetings in Dallas, Texas. This book, in 2 volumes, is probably the largest book on Echocardiography till date with about 2200 pages, over 4400 illustrations and more than 1800 movie clips. The publisher is Jaypee Brothers Medical Publishers.

Future Cardiology/Echocardiography Conferences

NO FEE FOR ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY CONFERENCE

Dallas, Texas, November 16, 2013

More than 50 super interesting cases by over 50 national and international faculty will be presented

23rd Annual International Conference on Echocardiography and Allied Techniques

Cosponsored by the International Society of Cardiovascular Ultrasound and the American Association of Cardiologists of Indian Origin

Venue: Crowne Plaza Dallas Downtown, 1015 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas 75202. Phone: 214-742-5678. Room: Dallas Grand B&C

Date: November 16, 2013

Time: 7:30 a.m. onsite check in and continental breakfast; 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Conference.

Conference Director: Dr. Navin C. Nanda.

CME Credit is not provided for this conference. The International Society of Cardiovascular Ultrasound will provide a certificate of attendance.

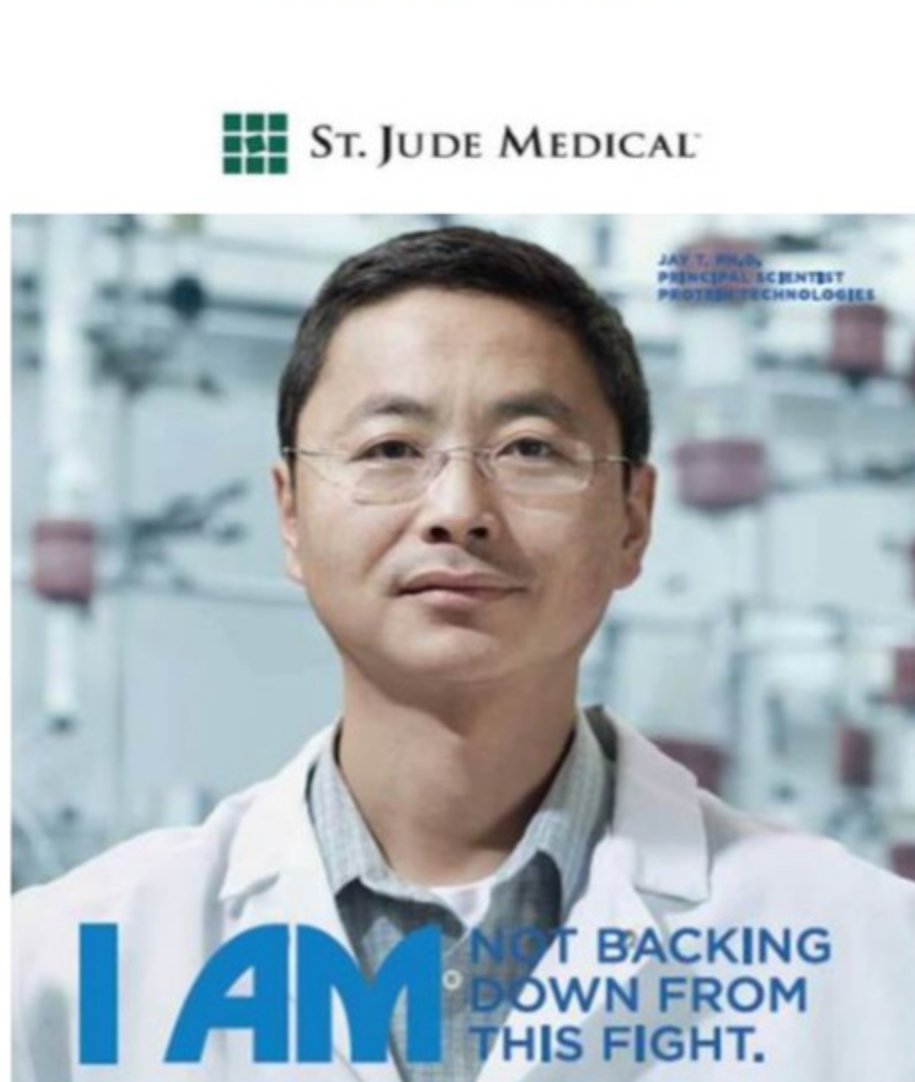
To register: Contact Lindy Chapman, office of Dr. Navin C. Nanda, Phone: 205-934-8256; e-mail: lindyc@uab.edu

*****FUTURE CONFERENCES*****

~November 21-23 World Congress of Echocardiography and Allied Techniques, United Arab Emirates. President: Dr. Galal Elkilany. Website: <http://worlddecho.net>

March 28 or 29, 2014 30th Annual International Conference on Recent Advances in Echocardiography and Allied Techniques. Venue: Washington, D.C. Location: TBA. Conference Director: Dr. Navin C. Nanda. Website: www.iscuh.org

May 10-11, 2014. XVIII World Congress of Echocardiography and Allied Techniques, Sibiu, Romania. Cosponsored by the Romanian Society of Cardiology. Honorary President: Prof. Dr. Carmen Ginhina; Executive President: Dr. Ioan Mircea Coman, Secretary: Dr. Bogdan A. Popescu. Contact person: Cristina Gavrilă, e-mail: contact@worlddecho2014.com. Website: www.worlddecho2014.com



Biotechnology vs Cardiovascular Disease, The fight is on.

For the scientists at Amgen, that fight is personal. With millions suffering a cardiac event each year, we are here to help bring together cardiovascular disease researchers in a family-oriented health issue. A friend's, or our own. As we use the power of biotechnology to pioneer new therapies, we are determined to alter the course of this shared epidemic. Because behind the statistics is one vital thing: the lives of people we know.



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