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# **XXXI World Congress Of Echocardiography & Allied Techniques - Abu Dhabi , UAE**



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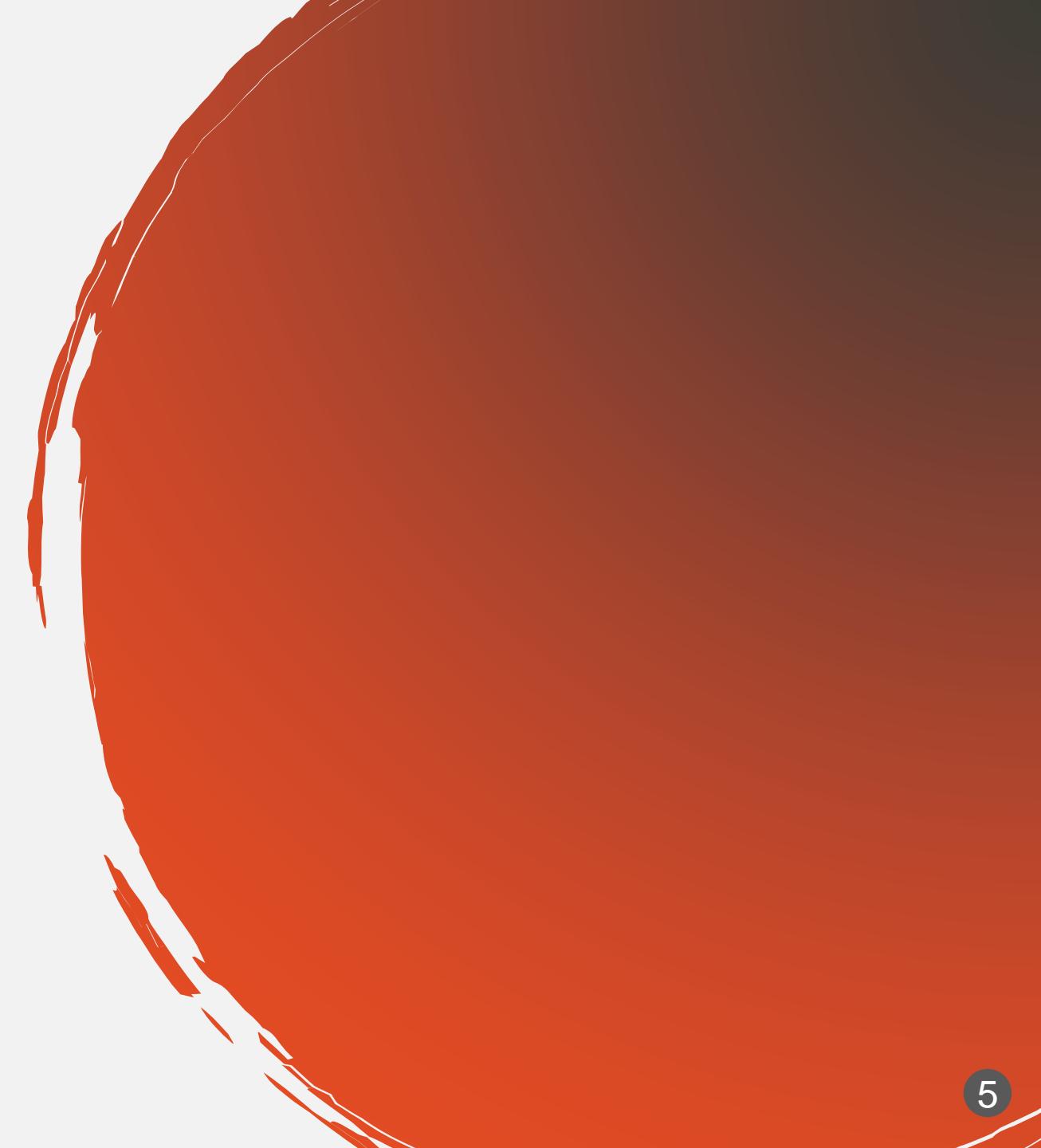
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**Day 1: Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

# Hall A

## Workshop 1 : 3D echo

### Chairs

Nanda (USA )  
Anita Sadeghpour (USA)  
Joseph Maalof (USA)

- 3D Echo: Basics of image acquisition and 3D display (Hani Mahmoud - Egypt) 
- Role of 3D echo in MR assessment (Fabiola Sozzi - Italy) 
- Optimizing 2D/3D echo in MS assessment (Anita Sadeghpour - USA) 
- Advanced 3D echocardiography clinical application (Navin Nanda, ISCU President - USA) 



8:30 - 10:00

# Hall B

## CARDIOMYOPATHY AND MYOCARDITIS “MULTI MODALITY IMAGING”

### Chairs

Maria Maiello (Italy)  
Hatem Ghonim(UAE)  
M Ibrahim (UAE)  
Bashayer Gheyath (UAE)

- Challenges in disease diagnosis by echocardiography, the role of the echo lab. (Grace Verzosa, MD - USA) 
- Differentiating ischemic vs. non-ischemic cardiomyopathy (Bassam Bulbanat - Kuwait) 
- Strain in pediatric cardiomyopathy- fact or fiction (Bhat Aarti - USA) 
- Noncompaction Cardiomyopathy (Shantanu Sengupta, USA) 

## Hall A

### WORKSHOP 3 : GLS AND MCE

#### Chairs

Mohammed Khalil (UAE)

Smadar Kort (Krassimira)

Hristova, Joseph Maalof (USA)

Yousef Nosir (KSA)

- MCE Clinical Application (Yousef Nosir – KSA) 

- Global longitudinal strain (GLS) in diagnosis and prognosis (BERNARD COSYNS - Belgium) 

- When do I have to use strain imaging in clinical practice? (Laila Elife – Turkey) 

- Echocardiography for Right Ventricular Function including Strain Echocardiography (Hector Villarraga - USA) 

- Role of Ultrasound Enhancing Agents in the diagnosis of Cardiovascular Diseases in 2026 and beyond  
(Wilson Mathias Jr - Brazil) 



10:00 - 11:30

## Hall B

### WORKSHOP 4 : CHD

#### Chairs

Rizwan Ahmad (UAE) ,Ahmad El Kamaly (UAE)  
Raghda Elgoneimy (Egypt), Anita Sadeghpour (USA)

- Echo Roadmap for Congenital Heart Disease: Segmental approach for simple and complex CHD (Anita Sadeghpour - USA) 

- Structural heart disease from the congenital heart perspective (Bhat Aarti – USA) 

- Imaging and intervention in Children with CHD (Raghda Elgoneimy – Egypt) 

- Fetal echocardiographic predictors of outcomes in critical congenital heart disease (Anitha Parthiban) (USA) 

- Fetal echocardiography Screening (Suzan Biomy – Egypt) 

- Echocardiography in management of hypoplastic left heart syndrome (Rajesh U. Shenoy- USA) 



- **Industry Symposium 1**

Metabolic Cardiomyopathy: A Neglected Diagnosis,  
Pasquale Palmiero, **Italy**

Obesity Cardiomyopathy Global Trends,  
Anand Chockalingam, **USA**

Advancing the care of HF & T2DM,  
Osama Elmaraghy, **Egypt**

Metabolic Burden on the Heart : Linking Diabetes, Obesity, and  
Heart Failure, Hassan El-Tamimi, **UAE**

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The molecular mechanisms of SGLT2 inhibitors in cardiac  
remodeling, Najah Hadi, **Iraq**

Obesity and DM : Zooming on cardiovascular risk control with GLP1-  
RA in DM, Osama Elmaraghy, **Egypt**

- **11:30- 12:30 AM**

- **Hall A & Hall B**

- **Cardiometabolic, Obesity & DM**
- **Chair : Sherif Baathallah, USA**

# Official opening ceremony

14:00-14:15 PM

## Chairs

Firas Badarin 

Galal Elkilany 

Wael Almahmeed (UAE) 

**14:15-15:30 (Hall A & B)**

## Plenary session II Novel Application of Echocardiography )

- Noninvasive Assessment of Epicardial Adipose Tissue: A clinical biomarker of cardio-metabolic risk (Navin C Nanda, USA) 
- 3D echo for guidance of tricuspid valve and other Interventional Echo Procedures (Sunil Mankad, USA) 
- Integrating the newest comprehensive strain algorithm in routine echocardiographic exams (Christian Breburda, USA) 
- Therapeutic US : Sono thrombolysis. A new form of therapy for thrombotic diseases (Wilson Mathias Jr ,Brazil) 
- Collaborative robots in the echocardiography laboratory (Harald Becher, Canada ) 

# Hall A

## Concurrent session 1 (VHD)

*Aortic Regurgitation: Beyond the Water Hammer Pulse.  
New insight in Aortic Regurgitation*

### Chairs

Juwairia Al Ali (UAE)

Nanda & Rekha Mankad (USA)

- **Echocardiography for Aortic Regurgitation: State of the art Mechanism and Quantification** (Heba Wassif, USA) 

- **Stress echo for valvular heart disease with focus on Aortic regurgitation** (Smadar Kort, USA) 

- **CMR in Aortic regurgitation , an evolving role** (Allison Hays, USA) 

- **Bicuspid aortic valve and aortic regurgitation do the same rules apply** (Vera Rigolin USA) 

- **Time to intervene in aortic regurgitation are we too late?** (Dr. Zoghbi , USA) 



15:30 - 16:30

# Hall B

## Concurrent session 2 (IHD)

*Diagnosis of CAD and complications*

### Chairs

Galal EN Elkilany, USA

M Salah, UAE

J Kasprzak ,Poland

- **Assessment of mitral regurgitation in ischemic heart disease : Are we expanding intervention criteria in functional MR?** (Jarslaw Kasprzak, Poland) 

- **MPI in IHD** (Amolak Singh, USA) 

- **Role of Stress Echocardiography in coronary artery diseases and other clinical application** (Wilson Mathias Jr ,Brazil) 

- **Cardiac CT in coronary artery disease** (Mahi Ashwath, USA) 

## Hall A

### Concurrent session 3 (CM)

*Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy*

#### Chairs

Hussam Ghalib (UAE)

Hadi Skouri (UAE)

- **HOCM new guidelines: how imaging guide therapy**  
(Miland Desai , USA) 
- **Systemic assessment of the thick LV phenocopies of HCM** (Hani Sabbour, UAE) 
- **Echocardiography for Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy**  
(Juseph Maalof, USA) 
- **Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, clinical care and new advances** (David H. Hsi, USA) 



16:30 - 17:30

## Hall B

### Concurrent session 4 (Systolic & Diastolic Function)

*Systolic and Diastolic function*

- **Chairs:** Amrish Agarwal (UAE), Safaa Almuhdar (UAE)
- **Pediatric Heart failure is not just 'adult' heart failure in kids!** (Bhat Aarti, USA) 
- **Advances in echocardiographic imaging in heart failure.: From phenotyping and risk stratification to guiding therapeutic decision-making.** (Silvana Jovanova, Macedonia) 
- **Echocardiographic Shear Wave Elastography to assess LV diastolic function** (Jens-Uwe Voigt, Belgium) 
- **AI aided diastolic staging in clinical Echo examinations ?** (Christian Breburda, USA) 
- **Challenges in the diagnosis of HFrEF** (Magdy Abdelhamid, Egypt) HFA of ESC 

**Chairs**

Heba Wassif (USA)  
Khalid Ziada (USA)  
Laura Young (USA)  
Abdullah Shehab (UAE)

**5:30-6:30 PM**

**Hall A&B**

# **Cleveland Clinic Faculty Session I CAD Updates**



- New guidelines of ACS (Jaqueline Tamis  

- Microvascular disease: syndrome X is here  
(Khalid Ziada, USA) 

- ASCAD : Current updates in diagnosis and management (Leslie Cho, USA) 

- CTO:   
When and how to intervene (Laura Young, USA)



**Lunch & Prayer break  
12:30-14:00**

**Day 2: SATURDAY April 4th**

**- Artificial Intelligence in our world and in Cardiac Imaging: Is AI soon better than us**  
(Bernhard Mumm, Germany) 

**- Advancements in artificial intelligence and neural networks for cardiac pain diagnosis and echocardiography** (Virginia Michelis, Uruguay) 

**- Artificial Intelligence in Valvular Heart Disease and Cardiac Ultrasound: Current Status and Future Directions** (Anita Sadeghpour, USA) 

**- Augmented intelligence: role of cardiologist in AI-empowered care**, (Federico Asch, USA) 

**- Newest AI integrated echo for analysis and reporting**, (Christian Breburda, USA) 

 **8:00 - 9:30**

## **Plenary session III (AI in Echo)**

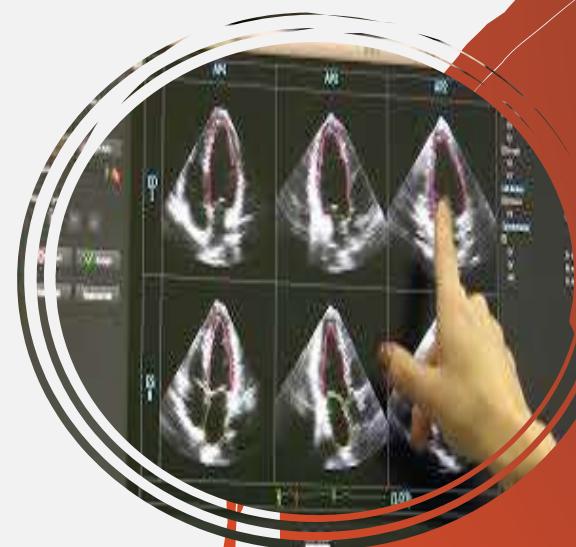
### **Chairs**

Ahmad Serafy, UAE 

Federico Asch, USA 

**Samer Ellaham**,  UAE

Bernhard Mumm, Germany 



# Hall C



9:30 -  
10:30

IE

## Chairs

Ahmad Bafadel, UAE

Saif Abdel Rahman UAE

- Interventional Echo guidance for LAA Closure  
(Walid Kadro , UAE)

- Echocardiography for Complication of TAVI  
(Joesph Maalouf, USA)

- The Role of the Interventional  
Echocardiographer in Complex Mitral Valve  
Interventions (Yaser Nemsha, KSA)

- 2D and 3D TEE Mitral Valve in Valve  
Implantation for Mitral Bio-Prosthetic  
Dysfunction (Ming Hsiung , Taiwan)



## Hall A

### Concurrent session 5 (IE)

*TEE before and during TEER (Trans catheter edge to edge repair)*

#### Chairs

Anita S, USA

**Ahmed Bafadel (UAE)**

Muhamed Saric, USA

- **Updates on Selection of Patients for TEER** (Federico M Asch, USA) 

- **Intra-procedural Assessment of TEER: Crucial Steps** ( Vuyisille Nkomo, USA) 

- **New horizon in Transcatheter Mitral Valve Implantation/Replacement (TMVR)** (Yaser Nemshad KSA) 

- **Multimodality Imaging for Transcatheter Native Mitral Valve Replacement**, (Domenico Galzerano, MD, Italy) 



9:30 - 10:30

## Hall B

### Concurrent session 6 (SP) ACHD

**Chairs:** Rizwan Ahmad (UAE), Mohammed Khalil (UAE)

- **Acquired heart disease in Adults CHD**, (Reema Chugh, USA) 

- **Adult Heart failure in corrected CHD** , (Afsoon Fazlinezhad, USA) 

- **Management of Adult ASD, role of Imaging in RV Assessment**, (Mehmet serdar küçükoğlu, Turkey) 

- **Congenital MV disease**, (Ramak Rishnan, USA) 

- **Multi-modality imaging of the adult with Fontan Palliation**. Anitha Parthiban, USA) 

## Hall A

### Concurrent session 7 (IE)

*Interventional Echocardiography*



10:30 - 11:30

- **Echocardiography for Tricuspid Valve Interventions** (Vuyisille Nkomo, USA)
- **Role of ICE in Structural Valve Intervention** (Ryan Raissi USA)
- **Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Replacement selection and intraprocedural navigation** (Muhamed Saric ,USA)
- **Tips and tricks in echocardiographic assessment of EVOQUE tricuspid valve** , (Afsoon Fazlinezhad, USA)
- **3D TEE before mitral valve repair** (Fabiola Sozzi , Italy)

## Hall B

### Concurrent session 8 (HF)

*Critical care and shock*

**Imaging in intensive care units** (Hatem Soliman Aboumarie, UK)

**Echo for cardiogenic shock: Complications of myocardial infarction** (Sunil Mankad, USA)

**Right Ventricular strain in Acute and Subacute Pulmonary Embolism undergoing catheter driven thrombolysis** (Ravindra Bhardwaj, USA)

**The role of TEE vs CT in Acute Aortic Dissection in ER** (Mostafa Abdrabou, Cairo University)

Hall C

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>  
April 10:30 -  
11:30

Interventional cardiologist &  
Cardiac Surgeon “ TEER &  
TAVR

- Three-Dimensional Echocardiography Advancing Empirical Approaches to Mitral Valve Repair toward a Quantitatively Predictable Modern Reconstructive Surgery (Raffaele De Simone, Germany) 
- Echocardiography for Complication of TAVI (Joesph Maalouf, USA) 
- Procedural Imaging for Mitral TEER, Bilge Duran (Karaduman, Turkey) 
- 2D Echocardiography Assessment of Ischemic Mitral Regurgitation: From Mechanism to Management (Arnold Pasia, Philippines) 
- Management of prenatal congestive heart failure guided by fetal echocardiography (Jim Huhta, USA) 



## Hall A

### Industry symposium 2 (World Hypertension League) Session

*Arterial Hypertension and CVD*

#### Chairs

Bassim I Mohammad, Iraq, Abdulla Shehab , UAE  
Badr Almoustafa, KSA, G Cornelsen , USA



11:30 - 12:30

- World Hypertension League guidelines ,(Badr Almoustafa, A)
- Correlation of chronobiology to Hypertension (Germaine Cornelsen USA)
- Hypertension in Diabetic patients :chronic problem with new insight (Mohamed Ibrahim, UAE)
- Management of Arterial Hypertension in High-Risk Population (M Salah, UAE)
- The usefulness of advanced echocardiographic modalities in the evaluation of patients with arterial hypertension. (Silvana Jovanova, Macedonia)
- Chrono-Genetic and Circadian Determinants of Blood Pressure in Pregnant Women: A Precision Approach to Early Preeclampsia Diagnosis, Ghizal Fatima, India

## Hall B

### Read with the expert I: Cardiomyopathy & HF Session

- **Novel Doppler echocardiographic modalities in evaluation of patients with DCM** (Silvana Jovanova, Macedonia)

- **Core Imaging Modalities in Heart Failure – Updated Approaches** (Hala Mahfouz ,Yacoub Foundation, Egypt)

- **Athlete's Heart vs Cardiomyopathy: how to differentiate ?!** ( Maurizio Parato, Italy)

- **Differential Diagnosis of dyspnea detected by echocardiography** (Abdullah Al Shafi Majumder, Bangladesh)

- **Right heart failure and pulmonary hypertension,** (Elizabeta Kostovska Srbinovska, USA)

Hall C

- An international registry for Isolated left ventricular apical hypoplasia as a preliminary step toward expanding the current CMP classification (Victoria Skidan , Russia) 
- Therapeutic echocardiography of myocardial ischemia update on sono- thrombolysis in clinical studies (Harald Becher, Canada ) 
- Identification of six stages of Atherosclerosis by CCTA (Ram Singh, India) 
- Red flag in imaging of cardiac amyloidosis (Hani Sabbour, UAE) 
- Echocardiography in acute heart failure (Elizabeta Srbinovska, USA) 
- Late gadolinium enhancement (LGE), T1/T2 mapping, extracellular volume (ECV) (Fawaz Abdulaziz M Alenezi ,USA) 

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Recent Advances in  
Echocardiography and allied  
techniques I



11:30-12:30

Hall A&B

## LUNCHEON PANEL

*Plenary Session IV: Multimodality*

Imaging in HFrEF

12:30-13:30

PM

Chairs

Magdy Abdelhamid, Egypt 

W Almahmeed, UAE 

Galal Elkilany, USA 

- Updated diagnostic algorithms incorporating echo, MRI, and invasive tests (Firas Badarin, UAE) 

- Update from the recent ASE Diastolic Function Guideline Document, (Vincent L. Sorrell, USA) 

- Imaging phenotypes of HFrEF (Mehrdad Jafari, Iran) 

- The changing role of stress echocardiography (Harald Becher, Canada) 

- CMR in heart failure with preserved ejection fraction (Begum Uygur ,Turkey) 

## Chairs

Hani Sabour, UAE

Jan Fedacko, SI

**Sherif Baathalah, USA**

- High risk ECG and SCD in athletes and young (Hani Sabour, UAE) 

- The Role of Multimodality Imaging in Prediction of SCD Adults with Congenital Heart Disease (Reema Chugh, USA) 

- Hereditary cardiomyopathies in patients at risk of SCD (Viktoria Skidan, Russia) 

- Multimodality imaging in Arrhythmogenic Mitral Valve Prolapse and Mitral Annular Disjunction (Begum Uygur, Turkey) 



**13:30 – 14:30**

**Read with the  
Expert Session  
III**

**Hall A&B**

***Predictors of SCD in  
Cardiomyopathies and MVP***

## Hall A

### Concurrent session 9 (VHD)

*Advanced valvular heart disease*

#### Chairs

Fabiola Sozzi, Italy  
Bernard Cosyns, Belgium  
Heba Wassif, USA



14:30 - 15:30

- **How to assess Aortic Stenosis: Pitfalls and Precautions** (Chittur Sivaram, USA)

- **Aortic valve cases, what would you do ?** (Heba Wassif, USA) Cleveland Clinic

-- **Aortic Stenosis: Different Hemodynamic Variants and Pearls of Assessment in Atrial Fibrillation** (Vuyisille Nkomo, USA)

- **Time to intervene in asymptomatic aortic stenosis?** (Bernard cosyns, Belgium)

## Hall B

### Concurrent session 10 (SP)

*Cardio-onc. and Cardio-obs*

#### Chairs

Manyoo Agarwal (UAE)  
Hector Villarraga, USA  
Victoria, Russia

- **The role of cardiac imaging in the evaluation of radiotherapy associated heart disease** (Sibel Enar, Turkey)

- **Artificial Intelligence in Strain Imaging: Early Prediction of Chemotherapy-Induced Cardiotoxicity** (Aiman Smer, Cleveland Clinic, UAE)

- **Echocardiography and Cardio-Oncology: Friend or Foe?** (Hector Villarraga, USA)

- **Cardiomyopathy, myocardial infarction and valvular heart disease in pregnancy and postpartum** (Reema Chugh, USA)

- **Prevalence of Rheumatic Heart Disease and Other Cardiovascular Diseases Among Pregnant Mothers in Tertiary Care Hospitals, Rajasthan – An Echocardiography Study** (Rajababu Panwar, India)

## Hall A

### Concurrent session 11 (CM)

*Pericardial diseases*

- **Constrictive Pericarditis** (Rekha Mankad, USA) 
- **Pericardial disease and radiotherapy** (Bernard Cosyns , Belgium) 
- **Echocardiography for Pericardial Tamponade and Pericardiocentesis** (Vuyisille Nkomo, USA) 
- **Autoimmune Pericarditis** (Heba Wassif , USA) 



15:30 - 16:30

## Hall B

### Concurrent session 12 (SP)

Endocarditis & Masses (Tumour)

- **Infective endocarditis - echocardiography in detecting patients at risk for poor outcomes risk,** (Elizabeta Srbinovska, USA) 
- **PET imaging in the diagnosis of Endocarditis.** (Ahmad Sami Abu Zaid (UAE)) 
- **Libman-Sacks Endocarditis: new insights from literature** (Vito Maurizio Parato , Italy) 
- **Rare intracardiac tumor,** (Debasish Roychoudhury, USA) 
- **Percutaneous mechanical aspiration for endocarditis (new AHA statement),** (Evin Yucel , USA) 

## Hall A

### Session 13

*Read with the Experts 3 (Cleveland Clinic Faculty Session, Abu Dhabi-UAE & Ohio, USA)  
Myocardial and Pericardial Disease . State of the Art*

**Chair**  
Heba Wassif

**Moderator**  
Firas Al Badarin

- **Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, current practices with myosin inhibitors and myomectomy.** (Miland Desai)
- **Sarcoid cardiomyopathy, the great imitator, diagnosis and management.** (Christine Jellis)
- **Pericardial disease : New strategies of Management. Case based** (Allen Klein)
- **Myocarditis in 2025 : Diagnosis and Management** (Andrew Higgins)

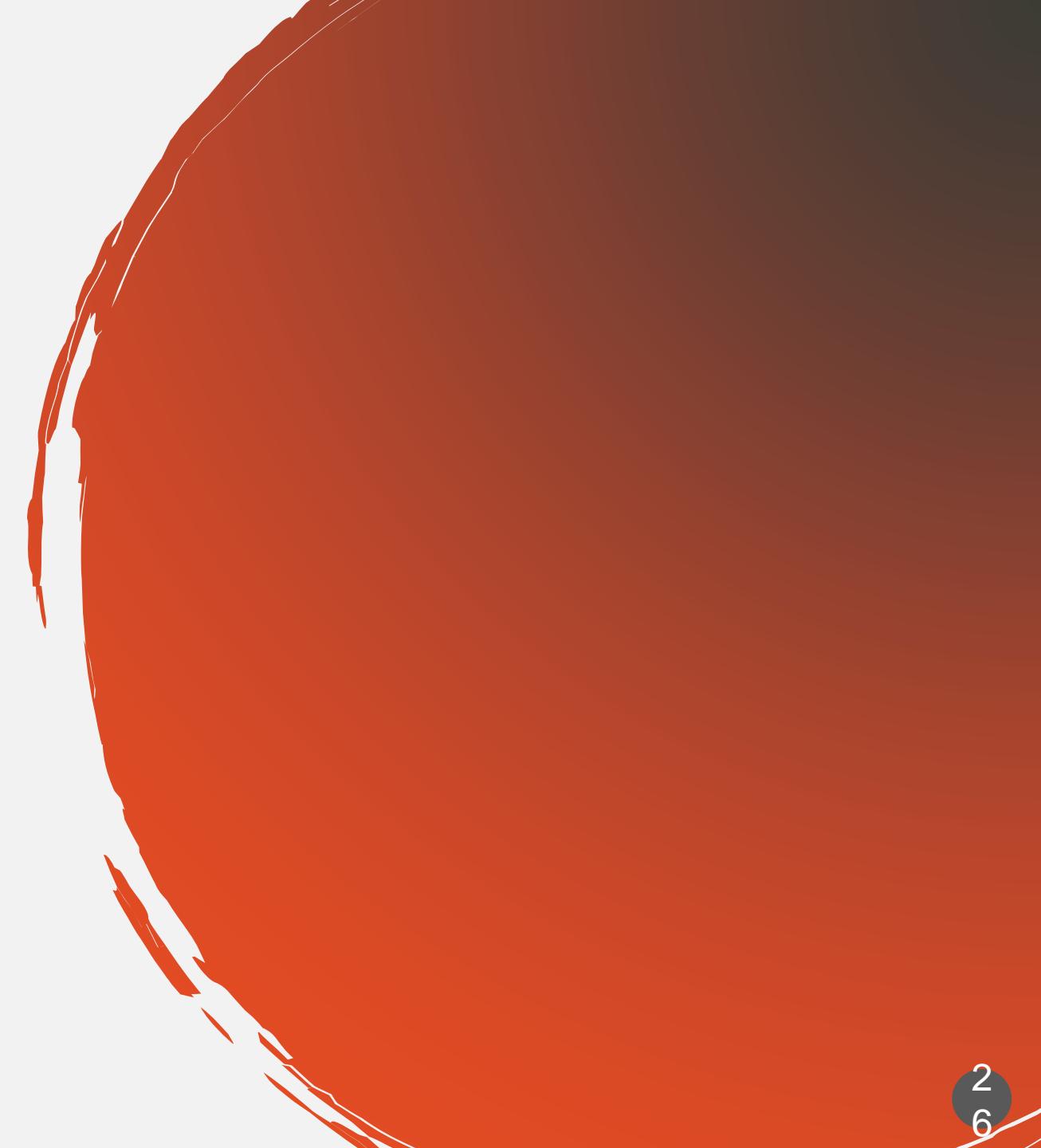


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## Hall B

### Recent Advances in Cardiac Imaging II

- **POCUS: Point of Care Ultrasound: Role in Patients with Dyspnea and Hypotension** (Sunil Mankad, USA)
- **Mitral regurgitation mechanisms and percutaneous treatment options** (Federico M Asch, USA)
- **Prosthetic Valves** (Leon Frazin, USA)
- **Implementing Drug-Coated Balloons in Modern PCI, when intra vascular imaging is not adequately used for stent deployment** (Abdullah Shehab, UAE)
- **Reversible Mitral valve dysfunction in sub clinical in Rheumatic Heart Disease : A marker of timely intervention.** (Veer Bahadur Singh, India)



**Day 3: Sunday April 5th**

# Hall A

## Concurrent session 14

*Read with the expert session 5*

*Intra-op TEE- Echo guidance to Surgeon*

*Faculties from Mayo Clinic II & MEDSTAR CARDIOVASCULAR*

- **Intra-operative TEE : Interesting Cases** (Ahmad Salehi Omran , Canada) 
- **Perioperative Echocardiography : Case Studies** (Sunil Mankad, USA) 
- **Echocardiography for Mitral Clip: Simple and Complex Cases** (Vuyisille Nkomo, USA) 
- **Perioperative Echocardiography, Take Home Message.** (Anita Sadeghpour, USA) 
- **Echo in TAVR** (Majo Joseph, Australia) 



8:00 - 9:00

# Hall B

## Concurrent session 15 (HF)

*Evaluation of the right side*

### Chairs

**Manyoo Agarwal (UAE)**

- **RV function and morphology: how to study this chamber?** (Oliga Virz, Italy) 
- **Pulmonary valve assessment in depth,** (Tuğba kemaloğlu öz, Australia) 
- **Tricuspid valve evaluation prior to intervention,** (Abdallah Almaghraby, UAE) 
- **New approaches in treating Tricuspid regurgitation** (Pepe Zamorano, Spain) 

**9:00-10:00 AM**

## **Industry symposium 3 (Hall A & B)**

**ASCVD and Lipidology Insights into atherosclerosis : Imaging and Intervention**

**Pre-clinical detection of atherosclerosis "Imaging" Galal EN El-Kilany, USA**

**The integration of IVUS & CT for CAD treatment., Fekry El Deeb, UAE**

**The Vulnerable Plaque , What is new? Maurizio Campaniello, Italy**

**Repatha: Evolocumab : New insight in CVD risk reduction**

**Updates in the management of familial hypercholesterolemia pcsk9I : Alirocumab (Praluent),**

**Leqvio (siRNA) efficacy in ASCVD**

Hall C

- **Intracardiac echocardiography for structural heart procedures, (Ryan Raissi, USA)** 
- **TEE Ids, (Leon Frazin, USA)** 
- **The role of 3d echo in our daily practice, (Tuğba kemaloğlu öz, Australia)** 
- **Most Interesting Cases from CASE, (Vincent L. Sorrell, USA)** 
- **RV, the neglected chamber : Comprehensive assessment beyond TR velocity, (Hani Sabbour, UAE)** 

**SUNDAY DAY 3**



**9:00-10:00**

**Educational Course –  
Advanced**

## Hall A

### Concurrent session 16 (WD)

*Prosthetic Valve Evaluation, A New Era with Many Options*

#### Chairs

Heba Wassif , William Zoghbi  
Sunil Mankad

- **Prosthetic valves malfunction, a walk through the guidelines** (William A. Zoghbi, USA) 
- **Echo assessment of mitral and aortic prosthetic valves dysfunction** (Vera Rigolin, USA) 
- **Para valvular leak diagnosis and management : redo surgery versus PLV closure** (Ahmed Bafadel , UAE) 
- **Prosthetic valve thrombosis: Surgery or Thrombolysis** (Raffaele De Simone, Germany) 



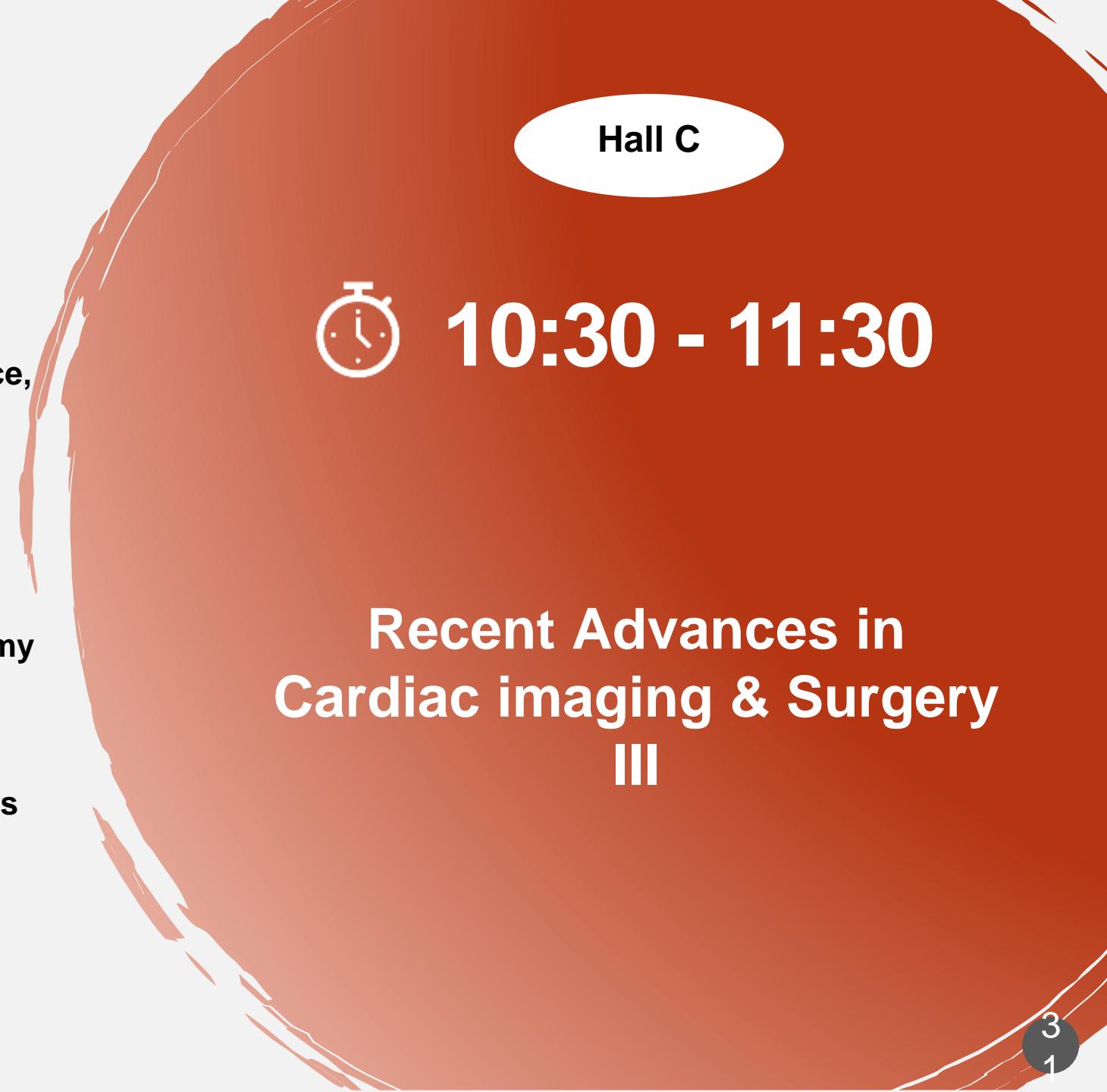
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## Hall B

### Concurrent session 17 (SP)

*Imaging in Special Groups and Sports Cardiology*

- **Holistic Patient Preparation for Advanced Cardiovascular Imaging: An Integrative Psychological Approach** (Agnieszka Wilczynska, Poland) 
- **CMR to predict cardiac mass malignancy: Case series** (Nilda spinola-Zavaleta, Mexico) 
- **Cardiomyopathy, myocardial infarction and valvular heart disease in pregnancy and postpartum** (Reema Chugh, USA) 
- **Imaging Protocols for HFrEF in young cardiometabolic patients** (Anand Chockalingam, USA) 
- **The Cardiovascular Revolution: Causes of Gender Differences and Lag in Life Expectancy Dynamics**, Aminat Magomedova, Russia 



Hall C



10:30 - 11:30

## Recent Advances in Cardiac imaging & Surgery

III

- **Parametric Functional and Dynamic Echocardiographic Imaging of Mitral Valve Anatomy for Quantitative Assessment of Prolapsing Leaflet Area and Coaptation Surface,** (Raffaele De Simone, Germany) 
- **RV in CHD From fetus to adult imaging management,** (Suzan Biomy, Egypt) 
- **Echocardiographic risk stratification of pulmonary embolism patients for thrombectomy** (Hanumanth Reddy, USA) 
- **The Role of Multimodality Imaging in Arrhythmogenic Mitral Valve Prolapse: A Focus on Sudden Cardiac Death Risk,** (Mohammad Alakchar, USA) 
- **Contraindications to MITRAL TEER in severe MRS** Sameer Shrivastava, India

# Industry symposium 5

**Chair : Mahir Jallo,  
UAE**

**Cardiometabolic Syndrome in 2026**  
Gene Therapy in Diabetes Induced Cardiomyopathy,  
Manal Smail, Algeria & Jaipaul Singh, UK

 11:30 – 12:30

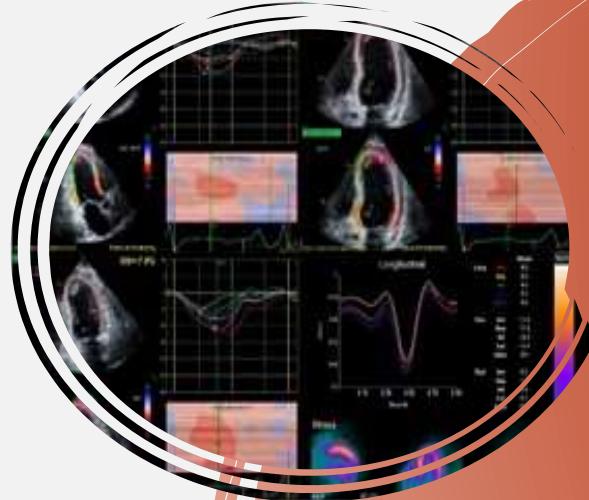
# Industry symposium 4

## Cardiorenal and T2DM

**Zooming on Cardio-renal  
metabolic risk control with GLP1-  
RA in Diabetes, (Osama El Amraghi,  
Kuwait)** 

## Chairs

Joseph Maalouf  
Sunil Mankad



- Current Role of LV Strain & LA Strain Echocardiography Imaging in 2026 (Hector Villarraga)
- Point of Care Ultrasound: Role in Patients with Dyspnea and Hypotension (Sunil Mankad)
- Restrictive physiology cardiomyopathy vs Constrictive Pericarditis (Joseph Maalouf)
- Echocardiography for Quantification of Mitral Regurgitation (Rekha Mankad)

Hall A&B

12:30 – 13:30

Read with the Experts 4 (Mayo Clinic Faculty , Rochester, USA) 

*Recent Advances in  
Echocardiography & Strain Imaging*

Hall C

**Could digital technologies transform healthcare in XXI century?** (Simon Matskeplishvili, Russia) 

**How to assess TR in 2026?** , (Zamorano, Spain) 

**Mitral valve prolapse - specific markers of increased risk of sudden cardiac death,** (Elizabeta Kostovska, USA) 

**Three-Dimensional Echocardiography in Infective Endocarditis: A Game Changer** (Domenico Galzerano, MD, Italy) 

**Plaque analysis by cardiac CT,** (Valeria Pergola, Italy) 

 **12:00 - 13:00**

**Recent Advances in Echocardiography & Allied Techniques IV**

Hall C

- Cardiovascular Risk Assessment in US Subjects Deployed to Antarctica. (Masood Ahmad, USA) 

- Common disorders of aortic root seen in clinical practice, (Satish Parashar , India) 

-Chronic aorta pathology: role of echo for risk stratification, (George Athanassopoulos, Cyprus) 

- Echo Imaging of LVAD, (Ming Hsiung, Taiwan) 

- Echo guidance in Mitral valvuloplasty, (Majo Joseph, Australia) 

- AI in CV imaging -an update in 2026 , (Nurgül keser , Turkey) 



13:00-14:00

- Interesting Case Presentation

**Chairs**

Rajeev Gupta, (UAE) 

M Ibrahim , (UAE) 

K Hristova, (Bulgaria) 

## Hall A



13:30 – 14:30

### Concurrent session 18 (CM)

*Cardiac amyloidosis & Infiltrative-Restrictive Cardiomyopathy*

- **Role of multi-modality imaging in cardiac sarcoidosis & infiltrative cardiomyopathy?** (Talal Alnabelsi, USA)
- **Multimodality Imaging (Echo, CCTA, and CMRI) in Fabry's Disease & DD From other Infiltrative CM** (Hamed Oemar, Indonesia)
- **Strain Imaging in cardiomyopathy, Krasimira Hristova** (Sophia , Bulgaria)
- **Cardiac Amyloidosis : Diagnosis and management : tafamidis (VYNDAQEL)**

## Hall B

### Concurrent session 19 (HD)

*Multi Modality Session \*MPI, CT, MRI, Echo-STE, IVUS”*

#### Chair

Ahmad Serafy, UAE  
A Shehab, UAE  
Ram Singh, India

- **SPECT/PET in viability assessment and ischemic burden** (Amolak Singh, USA)
- **MRI in ischemic cardiomyopathy** (Mahi Ashwath, USA)
- **Leveraging CT Imaging for Personalized intervention in CAD** (Abdullah Shehab, UAE)
- **Beyond GLS: Regional strain analysis in different pathologies** (Jens-Uwe Voigt, Belgium)
- **State of the art clinical application of Intravascular imaging** (Dr. Fekry El Deeb, UAE)