

## WESTERN UNIVERSITY 5th ANNUAL VIRTUAL ECHO SYMPOSIUM

Saturday, April 5, 2025

Virtually via ZOOM

### FINAL PROGRAM

#### AGENDA

*All times listed are Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)*

- 8:00 am **What to Expect when you Aren't Expecting: Scanning Patients with Unknown Congenital Heart Disease**  
Dr. Sarah Blissett and Travis Kowlessar
- 8:30 am **Echo Assessment of Mechanical Circulatory Support in 2025**  
Dr. Sabe De
- 9:00 am **Interesting Cases in Stress Echo**  
Drs. Andrew Thain and Maria Garagiola
- 9:30 am **Scanning Using Atypical Views**  
Kenneth Szeto
- 10:00 am **Performing and Understanding Pediatric Echocardiography**  
Dr Michael Grattan
- 10:30 am **Tips and Tricks for looking at Clips**  
Dr Andrew Mathew
- 11:00 am *Visiting Professor Lecture*  
**Application of Echocardiography in Cardio-Oncology: Beyond the Red Devil**  
Dr Bénédicte Lefebvre
- 11:30 am *Visiting Professor Lecture*  
**ASD and PFO: Open and Shut**  
Dr Arsene Basmadjian
- 12:00 pm LUNCH BREAK
- 12:30 pm **Interesting Case Session** – Drs Thomas Raissi, Maria Garagiola, Alex Haddad, Vinay Jayachandiran
- 1:30 pm Acknowledgements and Closing Remarks  
Participants to complete program evaluation

#### PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

1. To review an approach to challenging echocardiograms
2. To review newer technologies in valvular heart disease and the role of echocardiography
3. To review imaging options in advanced heart failure
4. To discuss the anatomical and physiological principles underlying echocardiography images

#### ACCREDITATION

This event is an Accredited Group Learning Activity (Section 1) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, and approved by Continuing Professional Development, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Western University. You may claim a maximum of 5 hours (credits are automatically calculated).

Each participant should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent participating in the educational program.

A minimum of 25% of this program is dedicated to participant interaction.

#### FEES

Physicians:  
\$75.00 (plus applicable taxes)

Sonographers/Allied Health:  
\$50.00 (plus applicable taxes)

Residents, Fellows and Sonographer Students – No charge

#### PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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Dr Xavier Theroux, Travis Kowlessar

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Dr Xavier Theroux, Dr Maria Garagiola (Echo Fellows)

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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## ONLINE REGISTRATION

Registration and Program links available at:  
[westerncardio.com](http://westerncardio.com)

## VIRTUAL ACCESS

All lectures will be delivered via ZOOM with audience participation and interaction following each lecture.

Online links to all lectures will be provided following conclusion of the program to all registered participants.

## CANCELLATION POLICY

We reserve the right to cancel this program due to insufficient registrations or circumstances beyond our control. Registrants will be notified at the earliest possible date in the event of a cancellation. Tuition fees for courses cancelled by us will be refunded in full, however we will not be liable for any loss, damages or other expenses that such cancellations may cause.

## REFUND POLICY

A notice of cancellation must be received in writing 10 business days prior to the program date. A minimum of \$20 up to a maximum of 20% of the tuition fee, whichever is greater, will be charged for cancellations offered after the notice of cancellation deadline.

## PRIVACY POLICY

We respect your privacy. The personal information collected is used for the following purposes:

1. Provide you with confirmation of registration for this program.
2. Provide follow-up information to you about this course, as necessary.
3. Inform you of future educational opportunities.
4. Maintain class lists and attendance records so that you can obtain study credits/certificate of attendance where applicable. This information may be disclosed to professional bodies, as required.

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