

**American College of Cardiology, Arkansas Chapter
Annual Chapter Meeting
Little Rock Marriott Downtown - Arkansas Ballroom
February 20-21, 2026**

Friday, February 20

1:00pm – 5:00pm Exhibitor Setup – Arkansas Ballroom
Poster Setup – Arkansas Ballroom

5:00pm – 6:30pm **Opening Welcome Reception** – Arkansas Ballroom
Poster Viewing with Residents

Saturday, February 21

7:30am – 8:30am Breakfast and Registration with Exhibitors – Arkansas Ballroom

8:30am – 8:45am **Devi G. Nair, MD, FACC** - Greetings from AR ACC Governor and ACC Board Member, Lee Goldberg, MD, FACC

8:45am – 9:30am **Speaker: Nassir Marrouche, MD**, Director of Heart & Vascular Institute, Professor of Medicine, Vice Chair, Innovation & Entrepreneurship, Section of Cardiology/Tulane University Heart & Vascular Institute, New Orleans, LA
Topic: From Evidence to Guidelines: The Evolution in AFib Management

9:30am – 10:15am **Speaker: Prash Sanders, MBBS, PhD, FHRS**, Director of the Centre for Heart Rhythm Disorders at the University of Adelaide and the Director of Cardiac Electrophysiology and Pacing at the Royal Adelaide Hospital, Adelaide, Australia
Topic: Risk Factor Management for AF: Why is This the Primary Pillar of AF Management?

10:15am – 11:00am Coffee Break and Poster Viewing

11:00am – 11:45am **Speaker: David Dobies, MD**, National Park Cardiology Associates, Hot Springs, AR
Topic: PCI vs CABG Including Unprotected LM

11:45am – 12:30pm **Speaker: Lee Goldberg, MD**, Inaugural Chair of the Heart Failure Member Section of the American College of Cardiology; Member, ACC Board of Trustees
Topic: SGLT-2 Inhibitors and Their Evolving Roles

12:30pm – 1:30pm Lunch Break & Poster Awards (cash prizes)

1:30pm – 2:30pm **Speaker: James Cox, MD**, Professor of Surgery (Cardiac Surgery), Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern Medicine
Topic: Landscape of Cardiology

2:30pm – 3:00pm

Break

3:00pm – 3:45pm

Speaker: Allan Klein, MD, Director of Cardiovascular Imaging Research, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

Topic: Paradigm Shift in the Diagnosis and Therapeutics in Pericarditis

3:45pm – 4:30pm

Speaker: Srikanth Vallurupalli, MD, Assistant Professor of Medicine in the Division of Cardiology, UAMS, and a staff cardiologist at the Central Arkansas Veterans Health Care System(CAVHS), Little Rock, AR

Topic: Multi-Modality Imaging Case Presentations: Common Pitfalls in Diagnostic Techniques

FIT Presentations