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2027 THORACIC ANESTHESIA

Welcome
FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Thoracic Anesthesiology Colleagues,

We invite you to attend the Society of Cardiovascular Anesthesiologists' 2027 Thoracic Anesthesia Symposium (TAS) and Worskhop!

We are confident that you will enjoy this symposium, which will highlight learning from key thought leaders in the subspecialty of thoracic anesthesiology. Together you will have the opportunity to explore new management challenges and solutions for thoracic surgical and interventional patients. You'll also appreciate the hands-on workshop format. These focused workshops will satisfy your clinical interests and help you to explore what is new through an interactive experience between the learners and the leaders in the field.

The TAS' scientific program committee has created a program designed to stimulate ideas, questions, and discussions. We hope that you will take advantage of every opportunity provided by the TAS experience to expand your clinical knowledge, but also to network with the field's leading professionals.

We hope you will be able to join us at the Thoracic Anesthesia Symposium in Las Vegas!

Best wishes,

Amanda A. Fox, MD, MPH
President of the Society of Cardiovascular Anesthesiologists, 2025-2027

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FROM THE PROGRAM CHAIR



Dear Thoracic Anesthesiology Colleagues,

We are delighted to invite you to the 15th Annual Thoracic Anesthesia Symposium and Workshops in Las Vegas! We look forward to a full day dedicated to sharing ideas, exploring advances, and strengthening connections within our thoracic anesthesia community. We extend a special welcome to our colleagues from the European Association of Cardiothoracic Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care (EACTAIC), whose participation enriches our program and strengthens the collaboration between our societies.

We recognize the many demands on your time and the choices available for continuing medical education. With that in mind, the Planning Committee has developed an engaging, practical and timely program focused on the challenges and developments unique to our subspecialty. International experts will lead didactic sessions and an interactive case discussion. Three hands-on workshops will offer opportunities to practice regional anesthesia using 3D-printed and live models, explore a wide range of airway management tools, and develop point-of-care ultrasound skills relevant to thoracic anesthesia.

For the second year, we will offer lunchtime Problem-Based Learning Discussions (PBLDs), with a complimentary meal. Many of these cases were submitted by you—our SCA/TAS members—bringing the experiences and expertise of our community directly into the conversation. We will close the day with the return of the ever-popular Thoracic Trivia during our evening cocktail hour. Stay to test your knowledge, enjoy drinks and snacks, and catch up with colleagues in a relaxed setting.

Whether this is your first Symposium or you have been joining us for years, we hope you will leave with fresh perspectives, practical strategies, and renewed enthusiasm for the work we share. Just as valuable are the conversations and connections that come from spending a day with this incredible community.

On behalf of the SCA and the 15th Annual Thoracic Anesthesia Symposium and Workshops Planning Committee, we look forward to welcoming you to Las Vegas!

Emily Teeter

Emily G. Teeter, MD, FASE
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AGENDA

7:00 am - 7:50 am	**Breakfast and Poster Session**
7:50 am - 8:00 am	Welcome and Opening Remarks *Emily Teeter, MD*
8:00 am - 9:00 am	**Panel 1: The New Pain Playbook: Thoracic Analgesia in 2027** ***Moderator: Nicole Ginsberg, MD***
	Opioid-sparing Medications You Need to Know *Alexander Huang, BSc, MD, FRCPC*
	Cryoablation: Hype, Evidence, and Real-World Use *Einar Ottestad, MD, FIPP, CIPS*
	Beyond the Epidural: The Modern Thoracic Block Arsenal *Daniel Kanzer, MD*
	Q&A
9:00 am - 9:45 am	**Session 1: Coagulation in Thoracic Surgery (EACTAIC)** ***Moderator: Priya A. Kumar, MD***
	Anticoagulation Reversal Agents: What, When, and at What Cost? *Laszlo L. Szegedi, MD, PhD*
	Data-Driven Clotting: Using Viscoelastic Testing to Guide Thoracic Care *Cigdem Yildirim Guclu, MD*
	Targeted Hemostasis: The Role of Factor Concentrates in Thoracic Surgery *Ross Hofmeyr, MMed, FCA, FAWM, FEAMS*
	Q&A
9:45 am - 10:00 am	**Coffee Break**
10:00 am - 11:00 am	**Workshop 1**
	Workshop 1: Lung Isolation ***Moderator:*** *Dionne Peacher, MD* ***Faculty:*** *Ross Blank, MD; Nicole Ginsberg, MD; Ross Hofmeyr, MMed, FCA, FAWM, FEAMS; Sri Varsha Pulijal, MBBS; and Ashish Sakharpe, MBBS*
	Workshop 1: Regional Anesthesia ***Moderator:*** *Loran Soliman, MD, FASRA* ***Faculty:*** *Brian A. Barron, MD; Julien Fessler, MD; Luca La Colla, MD, MSHI, D.ABA, ABPM-CI; Julie Lajoie, MD, FRCPC; Shefali Rikhi, MD; Ingharan Siddarthan MD; and Katherine W. Sun, MD*
	Workshop 1: POCUS for Thoracic ***Moderator:*** *Nazish K. Hashmi, MBBS* ***Faculty:*** *Ingrid Moreno Duarte, MD, FASE; Heejoon Jeong, MD; Elmari Neethling, MD, FRCPC; and Rodrigo Pereira, MD*
11:00 am - 11:30 am	Difficult Cases ***Moderators:*** *Caryl F. Bailey, MD and Kofi Vandyck, MD*
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	Top Research Abstracts ***Moderators:*** *Diana Anca, MD and Peter Slinger, MD, FRCPC*
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	**Lunch and PBLDs**
	PBLD 1: From Weakness to Worst-Case: Crises in Robotic Thymectomy ***Moderators:*** *Edmond Cohen, MD, FASA and Sergey Karamnov, MD*
	PBLD 2: Extubate to Protect, Reintubate to Rescue: The Fragile Short-Stump Dilemma After Completion Pneumonectomy ***Moderators:*** *Ross Blank, MD and Hebah Musalem, MBBS*
	PBLD 3: Large Bleb Resection in a Patient with Severe Pulmonary Hypertension: Preoperative Evaluation and Consideration for Surgery ***Moderators:*** *Theresa A. Gelzinis, MD and Andrew Maslow, MD*
	PBLD 4: Easier Said Than Done: Practical Tips for Difficult Lung Isolation ***Moderators:*** *Dionne Peacher, MD and Manxu Zhao, MD*
	PBLD 5: Building ERAS From the Ground Up: Developing an Enhanced Recovery Program for Lung Transplantation ***Moderators:*** *Julien Fessler, MD and Miklos D. Kertai, MD, MMHC, PhD*

	PBLD 6: Ready for the Red Alert: Planning and Management of Hemoptysis in the Interventional Pulmonology Suite *Moderators: Diana Anca, MD and Ju-Mei Ng, MD*
	PBLD 7: Mediastinal Mass: When ECMO Is Not an Option *Moderators: Alessia Pedoto, MD and Feiran Lou, MD*
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	**Panel 2: When Disaster Strikes: Managing Thoracic Crises in Real Time** ***Moderator: Julien Fessler, MD***
	Ready for Anything: Implementing Preparedness in Your Program *Elí Guido Guerra, MD*
	Thoracic Emergencies: What's the Worst That Can Happen *Alessia Pedoto, MD*
	Massive Air Leaks: From Etiology to Emergency Management *Edmond Cohen, MD, FASA*
	Q&A
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm	**Session 2: Mega PBLD** ***Moderator: Wanda M. Popescu, MD, FASA***
2:45 pm - 3:45 pm	**Workshop 2**
	Workshop 2: Lung Isolation *Moderator: Dionne Peacher, MD* *Faculty: Ross Blank, MD; Nicole Ginsberg, MD; Ross Hofmeyr, MMed, FCA, FAWM, FEAMS; Sri Varsha Pulijal, MBBS; and Ashish Sakharpe, MBBS,*
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3:45 pm - 4:00 pm	Break
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	**Panel 3: How to Stay Out of Trouble: The Thoracic Anesthesiologist as a Professional** ***Moderator: Harendra Arora, MD, MBA, FASA***
	When Things Go Wrong: Debunking Liability and Litigation *Judith Jurin Semo, JD*
	Coverage, Competence, and Consequences: Staffing Challenges in Thoracic Anesthesia *Sergey Karamnov, MD*
	Managing Tension in the OR: Managing Conflict in High-Stakes Thoracic Care *David Zvara, MD, FASA*
5:00 pm - 5:45 pm	Refreshment Break
5:00 pm - 5:45 pm	**Pro/Con** ***Moderator: Emily Teeter, MD***
	Pro: Arterial Lines Should be Routinely Placed for Minimally Invasive Thoracic Surgery *Moderator: Albert C. Perrino, MD*
	Con: Arterial Lines Should NOT be Routinely Placed for Minimally Invasive Thoracic Surgery *Moderator: Julien Fessler, MD*
	Q&A
5:45 pm - 6:30 pm	Thoracic Trivia *Moderator: Peter D. Slinger, MD, FRCPC; Rebecca Y. Klinger, MD, MS; and John Bryant, MD*
6:30 pm	Closing Statement *Emily G. Teeter, MD, FASE*