Presidential Invitation

Dear Colleague,

As President of the Southern Thoracic Surgical Association, it is my great pleasure to extend this invitation to the STSA 53rd Annual Meeting, November 8-11, 2006, in Tucson, Arizona. The venue, the Starr Pass Marriott Resort & Spa, will provide you with a breathtaking landscape as you participate in both the educational and scientific aspects of the meeting, as well as the social activities provided.

Please take a few minutes to go over this Advance Program, which highlights the presentations by accepted abstract authors, special lectures and, of course, the always anticipated social functions like the golf and tennis tournaments and the President’s Black Tie Ball.

In addition to the scientific sessions, come and enjoy a round of first-rate golf, gorgeous tennis weather and a luxurious spa, all nestled in the Sonoran Desert. You’ll have access to picturesque hiking trails and firepits to relax by in the evening.

I encourage you to register soon for the STSA 53rd Annual Meeting. I look forward to seeing you and our fellow colleagues enjoy the fellowship and education of the STSA. Also, if you have colleagues who are not yet members, please direct them to Kevin Accola, MD, chairman of the Membership Committee, who will be pleased to hear from potential new members.

I look forward to the STSA 53rd Annual Meeting with great anticipation, and I hope to see all of you in Tucson.

Sincerely,

Ross Ungerleider, MD
STSA President

STSA CME Mission

“The Southern Thoracic Surgical Association (STSA) will provide, through its annual meeting, a high quality scientific program in order to educate members and guests about what is new or of current importance in the field of cardiovascular and thoracic surgery.”

Program Committee
Michael Mack, MD (Chair)
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allocated for questions from the audience.

Authors are to perform new or important procedures in the field of cardiothoracic surgery. Authors are present at the meeting and discussion time is allocated for questions from the audience.

CME Credits Available: 2.25


Total Aortic Arch Replacement for Recurrent Mycotic Pseudo-Aneurysm in Five-Year-Old Following Fontan Procedure *Christian L. Gilbert University of Tennessee Health Science Center Lebonheur Childrens Medical Center, Memphis, Tennessee.

Complete Lymph Node Dissection Under Video Assisted Thoracoscopic Surgery Hyun-Sung Lee, Suk-Won Song, Jong Mog Lee, Moon Soo Kim, Jae Hyun Kim, Jae Ill Zo National Cancer Center, Goyang, Gyeonggi, South Korea.

Modified Senning and Rastelli Procedures with Bidirectional Cavopulmonary Anastomosis for Complex Heterotaxy with Pulmonary Atresia Following Multiple Systemic-to-Pulmonary Artery Shunts Kristine J. Guleserian, Reenu S. Eapen, Michael Spann, William A. Scott, Joseph M. Forbess Childrens Medical Center, Dallas, Texas.


Valve-Sparing Aortic Root Replacement for Marfan Syndrome with Type A Dissection Andreas Zierer, Marc R. Moon Washington University in St. Louis, School of Medicine Division of Cardiatheracic Surgery and Center for Diseases of the Thoracic Aorta, St. Louis, Missouri.

Repair of Tetralogy of Fallot with Absent Pulmonary Valve Karl F. Welke, Irving Shen, Ross M. Ungerleider Oregon Health and Science University, Portland, Oregon.

Repair of anExtent II Thoracoabdominal Aortic Aneurysm in a Marfan’s Patient with Previous Thoracic Aortic Stenting Anthony L. Estrera, Eyal E. Porat, Ali Azizzadeh, Riad Meada, Jayesh Dhareshwar, Hazim J. Safi University of Texas Houston, Memorial Hermann Hospital, Houston, Texas.

Surgical Ventricular Restoration Lois U. Nwakamma, Jason A. Williams, Nishant D. Patel, John V. Conte Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Baltimore, Maryland.

New this year: The first portion of the Postgraduate Program will feature concurrent sessions in adult cardiac, congenital heart surgery and general thoracic. The Program will continue with a plenary session at 9:00 a.m.

7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

STSA POSTGRADUATE PROGRAM

Educational Objective: To provide new or important information from recognized authorities about the current practice of cardiothoracic surgery.

CME Credits Available: 4.25

Adult Cardiac Moderator: J. Michael DiMaio, MD

Thoracic Aortic Stenting: When To Do It, When Not To Do It

John Kern, MD, and Seenu V. Reddy, MD

Demystifying Mitral Valve Repairs

J. Michael DiMaio, MD

Arterial Revascularization is the Answer to Drug Eluting Stents

John Puskas, MD

Congenital Moderator: Jeff Jacobs, MD

Techniques of Aortic Valve Repair

James Tweddell, MD

Surgical Management of Chronic Pulmonary Insufficiency

James Quintessenza, MD

Update on Sano vs. Norwood

Ed Bove, MD

Thoracic Moderator: Dan Miller, MD

Complex Esophageal Reconstructions

Scott B. Johnson, MD

Bronchoplastoic Techniques

Bryan Meyers, MD

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

VATS Lobectomy

Thomas D’Amico, MD

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Pro:

Walter Merrill, MD, and John Oswalt, MD

Should Industry Fund Research?

Pro: Michael Mack, MD

Con: Constantine Mavroudis, MD

9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

CABG Preferred Treatment for Multi Vessel Disease

Robert Guyton, MD

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

General Thoracic Surgery is for General Thoracic Specialists Alone

Keith Naunheim, MD

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Challenges Facing Young (And Not So Young) Cardiothoracic Surgeons

Jeffrey Jacobs, MD

The Coding Workshop will be presented with a light lunch. Advance registration required.

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Coding Workshop: Update on the 2007 Physician Fee Schedule, Impact of the Five-Year Review and New Codes

Peter Smith, MD

Educational Objective: To help attendees understand typical and challenging issues in coding and reimbursement of cardiothoracic surgery procedures.

CME Credits Available: 1

12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Exhibits Open

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

First Scientific Session A

Ross Ungerleider, MD, and John Calhoon, MD

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CME Credits Available: 2

What Is the Optimal Management of Infants with Coarctation and Ventricular Septal Defect?

Kirk R. Kanter, William T. Mahle, Brian E. Kogon, Paul M. Kirshbom Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia.
Influence of Pre-Transplant Panel-Reactive Antibody on Survival in 8,160 United States Heart Transplant Recipients in Recent Era
Lois U. Nwakanma, Jason A. Williams, ‘John V. Conte, ‘William A. Baumgartner
Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Baltimore, Maryland.

Replacement of the Proximal Aorta Adds No Further Risk to Aortic Valve Procedures
University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Saphenous Vein Graft Failure and Clinical Outcomes Following On-Pump and Off-Pump Coronary Artery Bypass: Findings From Prevent I V
‘Cardiopulmonary Research Science and Technology Institute, Dallas, Texas; ‘Medical City Dallas Hospital, Dallas, Texas; ‘Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina; ‘Duke Clinical Research Institute, Durham, North Carolina; ‘East Carolina Cardiovascular Institute, Greenville, North Carolina; ‘PERFUSE Angiographic Laboratory, Boston, Massachusetts; ‘Missouri Baptist Medical Center, St. Louis, Missouri.

Techniques of Partial Instead of Circumferential Resection of the Pulmonary Artery for Lobectomy for Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer
‘Robert J. Cerfolio’, Ayeshia S. Bryant
‘University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama; ‘Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia.

Early Results of Anterior and Bileaflet Mitral Valve Repairs Using the Da Vinci™ Robotic System
East Carolina University, Greenville, North Carolina.

A Physiologic Approach for the Mitral Valve: Limited Leaflet Resections for Degenerative Mitral Valve Disease
Leo Mabuchi Gazoni, Lynn Fedoruk, T. Brett Reece, John Kern, ‘Curtis Tribble, ‘Irving L. Kron
The University of Virginia Health System, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Deep Hypothermic Circulatory Arrest; Safety and Efficacy in the Operative Treatment of Descending and Thoracoabdominal Aortic Aneurysms
‘Joseph S. Coselli, Jovan Bozinovski
Baylor College of Medicine at the Texas Heart Institute, Houston, Texas.

Efficacy of the Cryomaze Operation for the Treatment of Atrial Fibrillation
‘University of Maryland Medical Center, Baltimore, Maryland; ‘North Shore Medical Center, Salem, Massachusetts.

Thoracoscopic Lobectomy Facilitates the Delivery of Adjuvant Chemotherapy After Resection for Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer
Rebecca P. Petersen, DuyKhahn T. Pham, ’William R. Burfeind, Jr., Steven I. Hanish, Eric Toloza, ‘David H. Harpole, Jr., Thomas A. D’Amico
Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina.

The Impact of Lateral Wall Myocardial Infarction on Outcomes Following Surgical Ventricular Restoration
Nishant D. Patel, Jason A. Williams, Lois U. Nwakanma, John V. Conte
Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Baltimore, Maryland.

CABG with Single Cross Clamp Results in Fewer Persistent Neuropsychological Deficits than Multiple Clamp or Opcab
Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Pulmonary Macrophage Inhibition and Inhaled Nitric Oxide Attenuate Lung Ischemia Reperfusion Injury
Le Gazoni, Curtis Tribble, Minqing Zhao, Peter Eilmann, Lucas Fernandez, Victor Laubach, Irving Kron
The University of Virginia Health System, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Modified Ultrafiltration Decreases Pulmonary Vascular Resistance by Means of Inflammatory Mediator Attenuation: A Neonatal Porcine Model
‘Andrea J. Carpenter’, Broads Zane Atkins
‘University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, Texas; ‘Wiltford Hall Medical Center, Lackland AFB, Texas.

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Anesthetic Management of a Neonatal Porcine Model
‘Andrea J. Carpenter’, Broads Zane Atkins
‘University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, Texas; ‘Wiltford Hall Medical Center, Lackland AFB, Texas.

Surgical Management of Lung Transplantation
Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina.

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Andreas Zierer, MD

Dissection

Circulatory Arrest Improves Neurological Outcomes Following Aortic Dissection During Retrograde Cerebral Perfusion During Cardiopulmonary Bypass

Andreas D. D. Tong, Joseph D. Colan, Arianna S. Costello, Michael J. Elkins, Joseph M. DiMaio, Jr., Francis X. Quinones, Michael W. Miller

Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.

Results of Neoadjuvant Chemoradiation Versus Chemotherapy Alone in Patients Undergoing Esophagectomy for Locally Advanced Esophageal Cancer

Theresa D. Luu, Puja Gaur, Seth D. Force, Kamal Mansour, Charles E. Staley, Joseph I. Miller, Jr., Daniel L. Miller

Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.

A Prospective Approach to Identifying Human Factors that Influence Patient Safety in the Cardiovascular Surgery Operating Room

Andrew W. El Bardissi, Thoralf M. Sundt, Joseph A. Dearani, Douglas A. Wiegmann

Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.

Predicting Operative Mortality After Surgery for Ischemic Cardiomyopathy

Lynn M. Fedoruk, Curt G. Tribble, John A. Kern, Benjamin B. Peeler, Irving L. Kron

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Preoperative Atrial Fibrillation is a Predictor of Adverse Outcome After Repair of Mitral Regurgitation: Is Concomitant Ablation Justified?


Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.

Complications of Esophagectomy Related to Body Mass Index

Sarah Leatherman, Margaret E. McClain, Alison Millard, Mark H. Delegge, Carolyn E. Reed

Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, South Carolina.

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University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Right Ventricular Outflow Tract Reconstruction in Ross Patients: Does the Homograft Fare Better?

John W. Brown, Mark Ruzmetov, Pataniswamy Vijay, Mark D. Rodefeld, Mark W. Turrentine

Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, Indiana.

The Effect of Pre-Operative Interventions on Surgical Outcome in Patients with Achalasia


UPMC Health System, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Boston Medical Center, Boston, Massachusetts.

Regional Warm Ischemia Leads to Hypercoagulability During Offpump Coronary Artery Surgery: Results of a Single-Center Experience

George Palmer, Iyer Sankaran, Gary Sparkman, Andreas Koster, Cornelius Dyke

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University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio.
The Effect of “Super Obesity” on Adverse Outcome After Cardiac Surgical Procedures

George Hart Tyson III, Evelio Rodriguez, Sharon Williams, Paul Jones, William Freund, Sachin Phade, John Mark Williams, Theodore C. Koutras, T. Bruce Ferguson, W. Randolph Chitwood Jr., Alan P. Kypson
Pitt County Memorial Hospital, Greenville, North Carolina.

3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Break – Visit Exhibits

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Second Scientific Session C
Moderators: John Kern, MD, and Marc Moon, MD
CME Credits Available: 1

Esophageal Stent Placement for the Treatment of Iatrogenic Esophageal Perforations
Richard K. Freeman, Anthony J. Ascioti
St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Aortic Valve Replacement in Octogenarians: Risk Factors for Early and Late Mortality
Barnes Jewish Hospital and Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri.

Aortic Valve Replacement with Concomitant Coronary Artery Revascularization
Michael A. Savitz1, Sinan A. Simesir2, Shu S. Lin3, R. Duane Davis4
1Aurora St. Lukes Medical Center, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; 2Duke University, Durham, North Carolina.
Using Pre-Operative Non-Contrast Chest CT to Reduce Stroke After Cardiac Surgery
Richard Lee, Noriyuki Matsutani, Anastasios Polimenakos, Paul R. Braun, Robert Graham Johnson
St. Louis University, Saint Louis, Missouri.

Management of Infective Endocarditis: A Decade of Experience
Matthew S. Slater, Christopher B. Komanapalli, Uttam Tripathy, Pasala S. Ravichandran, Ross M. Ungerleider
Oregon Health and Sciences University Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery, Portland, Oregon.

Evolving Surgical Strategy for Sinus Venosus Atrial Septal Defect: Effect on Sinus Node Function and Late Venous Obstruction
Robert D. Stewart, Angela M. Kelle, Frequerique Bailliard, Carl Lewis Backer, Luciana Young, Constantine Mavroudis
Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago, Illinois.

CME OVERVIEW

DISCUSSION OF PAPERS
Discussions of papers at the Annual Meeting are submitted for publication in The Annals of Thoracic Surgery. Please review the program outline carefully to determine if you have a particular interest in some of the topics, then be prepared to discuss them at the meeting. If you wish, you may request a copy of the manuscript in advance of the meeting by contacting the author directly. (Discussions of papers are limited to seven minutes.)

PRESENTATION AND PUBLICATION
Authors of oral presentations are required to submit a manuscript for consideration for publication in The Annals of Thoracic Surgery before noon on Saturday, November 11, 2006. The manuscript must be submitted via The Annals online manuscript submission system at www.atseditorialoffice.org. A paper copy of your manuscript will not be accepted for consideration. Primary authors and co-authors who are delinquent in submitting their manuscript to The Annals will not have their presentations considered for publication in The Annals. In addition, these authors will not have abstracts considered by the Program Committee of the STSA for two (2) subsequent meetings.

ACCREDITATION
The Southern Thoracic Surgical Association is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The STSA designates this activity for a maximum of 23.75 category 1 credits toward the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those credits that he/she actually devoted to the activity.

EVALUATIONS
Attendees are encouraged to provide feedback to STSA by filling out the post-session CME evaluations. These evaluations are used to program future CME opportunities, as well as provide the STSA leadership with a mechanism to improve future meetings.

ACTIVITIES & ENTERTAINMENT

Spouse’s Hospitality Suite
Thursday, November 9 – Saturday, November 11
8:00 a.m. – Noon
STSA is providing a hospitality room for spouses to meet, get together and make plans for exploring Tucson.

President’s Mixer
Friday, November 10
6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Gather with fellow meeting attendees for an evening of networking and fun. Visit old friends and meet colleagues at the start of the Annual Meeting. Attendees receive 2 tickets with registration. Additional tickets may be purchased for $15.

Tennis Tournament
Saturday, November 11
1:00 p.m.

Golf Tournament
Saturday, November 11
1:00 p.m.
Cost: $160 per person. Includes greens fees and box lunch. Originally designed by Robert Cupp and a group of PGA touring pros, this course was re-designed in 2003 by Arnold Palmer and his design team. Experience a desert golf course with a mountain skyline—a course ranked among the top 10 in Arizona and top 100 in the nation! Tournament play will be held on the Rattler and Roadrunner Courses. For more information, go to www.starrpass.com and click on Country Club & Spa. Dress code: collared shirts, no denim bottoms, no metal spikes.

President’s Black Tie Ball
Saturday, November 11
Reception: 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Dinner: 8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.
Cost: $95 per person
The annual formal black tie dinner is the event that attendees remember long after the conference has concluded. The evening of dining is sure to be an unforgettable time.

PROGRAM ADJOURNS
Tennis & Golf Tournaments
12:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
President’s Black Tie Ball
7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.
GENERAL INFORMATION

HOTEL REGISTRATION

The Marriott Starr Pass Resort & Spa is the site of the Southern Thoracic Surgical Association’s 53rd Annual Meeting. The Marriott Starr Pass Resort & Spa is located in the breathtaking Sonoran Desert, just west of the area archeologists refer to as the birthplace of Tucson.

A discounted block of rooms will be held until October 12, 2006, after which reservations are taken on a space available basis. There are two ways to make reservations:

Telephone: You can call for reservations at (888) 527-8989. To qualify for the special meeting rate be sure to mention that you are part of the Southern Thoracic meeting.

Online: Visit the STSA Web site at www.stsa.org for details and the necessary link. To qualify for the special meeting rate online, use the following group code: STSSTSA.

ROOM RATES

STSA is pleased to have secured a special rate for your stay. The rate for a single/double/triple/quad room is $189/night, plus state and local tax (11.5 percent). There will be a $1.00/night bed tax fee added to your nightly rate. Reservations can only be secured with a credit card or debit card. Check in is 4:00 p.m., and check out is noon.

SUITE RATES

Suite availability is very limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. If you are interested in reserving a suite, please call Donna Bennewitz at (312) 202-5838.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Your credit card or debit card is needed to secure your room reservation. No charges will be incurred until you arrive at the hotel. Reservations may be cancelled 48 hours prior to arrival without a penalty. After 48 hours, a penalty of a one night room rate plus taxes will be applied to your card. To cancel your reservations call (888) 527-8989. You cannot cancel your reservation online.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Complete and return the enclosed conference registration form by October 12, 2006. The registration form is also available online at www.stsa.org. If you are unable to register by October 12, please wait and register on site at the Annual Meeting. Requests for cancellations must be submitted in writing prior to October 12, 2006 in order to receive a refund less a $50 administrative fee. Refunds will not be given for registrations made after October 12, 2006. Sorry, no exceptions. Credit card registrations may be faxed to STSA at (312) 202-5829.

All questions can be directed to STSA Headquarters at (800) 685-7872 or by e-mail to stsa@stsa.org.