

JULY / AUGUST 2021

# Candidate Connection



## Help Advance Your Career with TSF Awards

The Thoracic Surgery Foundation (TSF) is now accepting applications for [scholarships, fellowships, and awards](#), and many of them offer unique opportunities for trainees:

- [Nina Starr Braunwald Research Fellowship](#)
- [TSF Resident Research Fellowship](#)
- [TSF/STSA Resident Research Award](#)
- [Michael J. Davidson Structural Heart Fellowship](#)
- [Carolyn E. Reed Traveling Fellowship](#)
- [Robert L. Replogle Traveling Fellowship](#)
- [International Medical Volunteer Scholarship](#)
- [Saha Scholarship for the 2022 STS Annual Meeting](#) (apply by September 1)
- [Nicholas Kouchoukos Award](#)—New!

The application deadline for most awards is **September 15**.



## Be Part of the Program: STS 2022 Abstracts Due August 3

Only 1 week remains to submit abstracts for the [STS 58th Annual Meeting](#), January 29–31, 2022, in Miami Beach, Florida. By [submitting an abstract](#), you'll have the chance to share your research and techniques on a global stage at one of the largest cardiothoracic surgery meetings in the world. Residents are eligible for two special honors—the STS President's Award and the Thoracic Surgery Directors Association Benson R. Wilcox Award. These high-profile awards recognize outstanding research that has the potential to significantly impact the field. When submitting your abstract, select whether you wish to apply for each award. The deadline for Annual Meeting submissions is **Tuesday, August 3**.

**STS 2022**  
TOGETHER AGAIN  
58th Annual Meeting

January 29 - 31  
Miami Beach, Florida



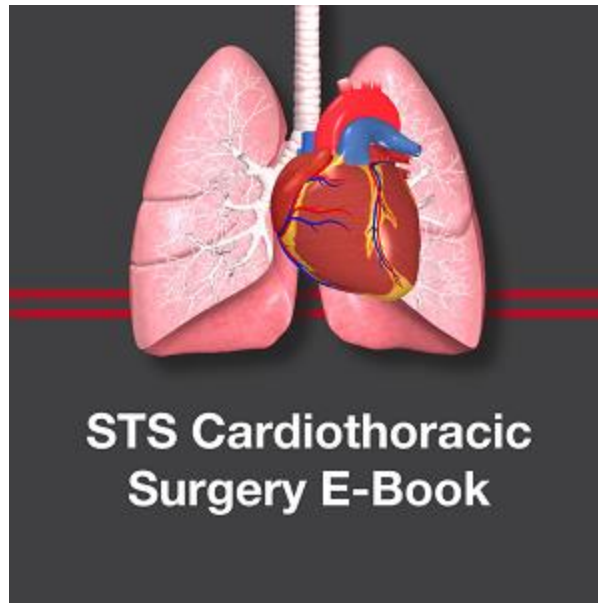
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## Explore New Pediatric and Congenital E-Book Chapters

Twenty-five all-new Pediatric and Congenital Cardiac Surgery chapters are now available in the [STS Cardiothoracic Surgery E-Book](#). With 350+ chapters, hundreds of hand-drawn medical illustrations, 25,000 evidence-based references, and a collection of relevant photos, tables, and surgical videos, the e-book is continually reviewed and updated. [STS members get a discount](#) on individual e-book subscriptions, and institutional subscriptions also are available. See the e-book video demos:

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## Have Leadership Talent? Nominate Yourself

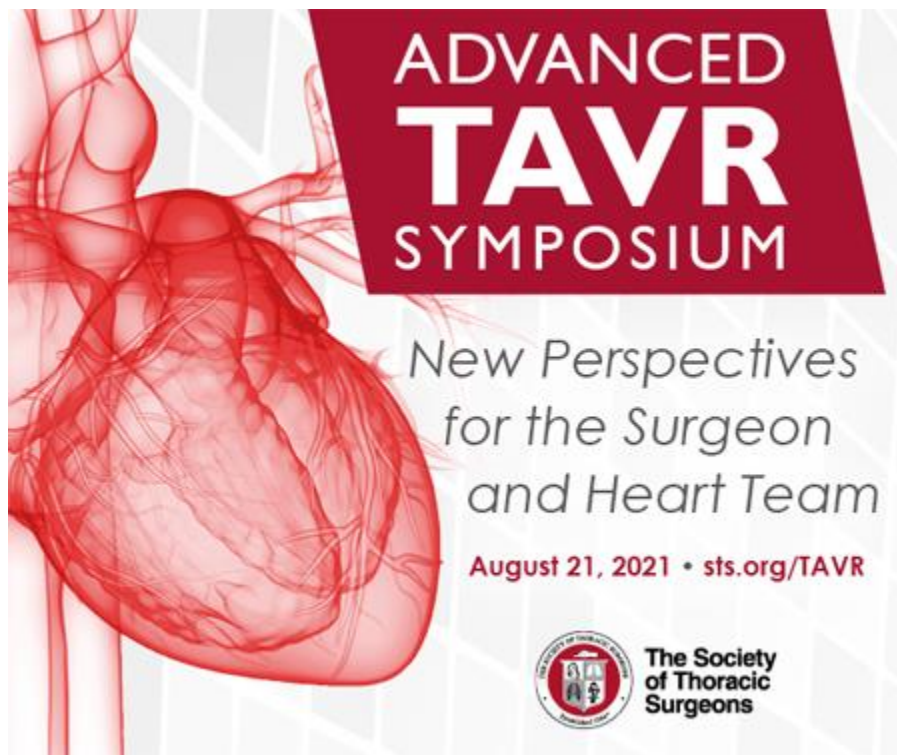
Each year, the Society invites members to volunteer their time and talents by serving in STS governance roles. The [self-nomination process](#) is expected to open in August. Meanwhile, you can explore the various [STS committees, councils, and workforces](#) that can benefit from your service while bolstering your CV and giving you a prominent voice in the specialty. From monitoring the pulse of new technology, to championing quality and safety, to promoting workforce diversity, there's a leadership niche for you.

## Don't-Miss Courses Are Easy on Your Schedule

While you're balancing a post-quarantine schedule of increasing in-person activities, STS has opted to keep some of its most popular courses virtual.

**[Advanced TAVR Symposium](#): Free for Associate, Candidate, and Pre-Candidate Members**—A distinguished multidisciplinary faculty will

cover advanced perspectives and topics, including state-of-the-art TAVR implantation and explantation techniques, managing controversial patient populations, and staying relevant in the aortic surgical field. The symposium, scheduled for August 21, will feature didactic sessions, case-based presentations, and live discussion and Q&A. [Register here.](#)



**Critical Care Conference: \$50 with Candidate Member discount—** Dynamic, interactive presentations will pair with panel discussions, case-based scenarios, and original scientific abstracts during this 2-day virtual event, September 10-11. A new session will feature testimonials from COVID-19 survivors who received ECMO support or a lung transplant. [Take advantage of your member discount with early bird pricing.](#)



## “The Resilient Surgeon” Debuts with Battles Against Burnout and Busyness

In the inaugural episode of the new STS podcast, “The Resilient Surgeon,” executive coach Dr. Monique Valcour shares advice and strategies on integrating work and life and thriving in a high-demand world. This series is designed to inspire cardiac surgeons to be their best selves, in and out of the OR, using scientifically proven tools and recovery strategies of the world’s top performers. Host Dr. Michael Maddaus will talk to game changers in the high-performance and wellness space who can share real-world strategies for building and maintaining resiliency.

Last week’s episode featured self-reinvention expert Dorie Clark, who discussed being caught up in a standard state of overwhelm and “busyness” and understanding the importance of saying no—even to good things.

Listen to the episodes on the [STS website](#) or via your favorite podcast app. You also can see what’s ahead in the series in a [new video trailer](#).

# THE **RESILIENT** SURGEON

Monique Valcour, PhD



#BeYourBestSelf

## Let Policymakers Hear You: Join Virtual Advocacy Conference

The [STS Virtual Advocacy Conference](#) will give you a chance to participate in meetings with policymakers and help ensure that cardiothoracic surgery has a seat at the table in Washington. The event will take place September 28–29, and detailed agenda information is forthcoming. Registration is now open.

# Virtual Advocacy Conference



**September 28–29**

Meet with members of Congress to  
advocate for your specialty and patients.

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