Trainee Connection



TSF Wants to Fund Your Finest Work

As the September 15 deadline approaches, many Thoracic Surgery Foundation (TSF) awards are still waiting for applicants. Don't miss this chance to gain funding and launch a career move that could forge your future. TSF supports not only cutting-edge research but also international mission trips, specialized training in techniques like structural heart applications and robotics, and opportunities for underrepresented surgeons to bring state-of-the-art programs back to their own communities. TSF has something for you—get your future funded.



Scholarships Can Help You Get to STS 2023

Registration is open for the <u>STS 59th Annual Meeting</u>, January 21–23, in San Diego, California. If you haven't yet had the chance to experience the excitement, camaraderie, and career-launching opportunities of an international surgical congress—and you could use some help financing your trip—here are two unique opportunities from STS:

- For Indian and North American residents, the <u>TSF Saha Scholarship</u> covers registration, travel, hotel, and meal costs associated with attending the meeting.
- For medical students and general surgery residents in the United States and Canada, the <u>Looking to the Future Scholarship</u> provides a mentor-guided glimpse into what it's like to be a cardiothoracic surgeon, helping inform your decision to join the specialty as you experience STS 2023.



Meet the Masters Showdown Semifinalists

Behold your champions! Twelve teams will represent their institutions in the next phase of the <u>CT Surgery Masters Showdown</u>, a Jeopardy-style competition of cognitive skills in cardiothoracic surgery. The European teams will face off in Milan, Italy, at the EACTS Annual Meeting in October, the North American teams at the STSA Annual Meeting in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in November. The winning teams will compete in a final showdown at <u>STS 2023</u> in San Diego. Show your regional pride for these European and North American teams:

- Henri Haapanen and Tommi Järvinen, Helsinki University Hospital
- Konstantinos Papakonstantinou and Filippos-Paschalis Rorris, Evangelismos General Hospital
- Alissa Florian and Polina Mantaj, Medical University of Graz
- Sam Heuts and Jules Olsthoorn, Maastricht University Medical Center+
- Carolina Mayor Deniz and Consuela María Sisinni Ganly, Álvaro Cunqueiro University Hospital
- Nebil Ajmi and Abdulrahman Aljuayli, Toulouse University Hospital
- Warren Naselsky and Aakash Shah, University of Maryland
- Kyle Mitchell and David Nelson, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center/University of Texas Medical School at Houston
- Michael Pienta and Bree Young, University of Michigan Health System
- Jennifer Perri and Ramon Riojas, University of California San Francisco
- Bryant Fisher and Laura Seese, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center

Ahmed Ali and Hoang-Vu Tran, Texas Heart Institute/Baylor College of Medicine



Find the Job, Land the Job, Get Paid for the Job with Career Pro Tips

As you near the end of your training and start searching for your first CT surgery job, Dr. Nahush Mokadam has advice for you—and some of it is based on what he wishes someone had told him in the past. His three-part series on the STS Career Development Blog covers <u>preparation</u>, <u>interviews</u>, and negotiating the <u>job offer</u>.

Learn the Gist of a CT Surgical Topic in 8 Minutes

STS 8 in 8 Series videos offer clear, concise explanations of cardiothoracic surgery topics—each features just 8 slides and is approximately 8 minutes long. Watch the newest videos, covering topics like hypoxemia-during-vv-ec/mo/, hypoxe



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