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# STS National Database News ADULT CARDIAC



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## Claim Continuing Education Credit for AQO

It's time to claim your credit for [Advances in Quality & Outcomes: A Data Managers Meeting](#). AQO registrants should [visit the meeting platform](#) to view all content. To receive continuing education credit, you must watch all content (including on-demand videos) in a specific track, then evaluate all presentations. If you attended the in-person meeting, you can evaluate the courses you saw live without rewatching them, or you can revisit the content for a refresher. The deadline to complete the [evaluation for credit](#) is January 28, 2023.



## Virtual Access Pass Delivers Exclusive Hot Topics Invites

AQO attendees brought home new insights on valuable research results, best practices, and expert answers to essential user questions. Registrants have access to a virtual pass and can browse a collection of session recordings, on-demand courses, and e-posters. It's not too late to [purchase a pass](#)—and buyers also will be invited to four AQO Hot Topics webinars in January 2023 featuring participant Q&A with meeting faculty. STS members receive special discounts.

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## Harvest 3 Results Are Ready

The 2022 Harvest 3 analysis results now are available in the [Database platform](#). This includes cases with OR dates from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2022. Notifications regarding report availability also are posted in IQVIA Notifications. For the latest submission windows, opt-out deadlines, procedural date ranges, and estimates for when new reports will be available, bookmark the [harvest schedule page](#).

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## Get Reduced Hotel Rates, See Your Data in Action at STS 2023

The STS 59th Annual Meeting in San Diego, January 21–23, is an exciting forum for ACSD participants to witness the latest scientific advancements—and never-before-seen research made possible solely because of the robust data in the ACSD, including

- novel findings for frozen elephant trunk versus traditional limited repair in acute type 1 aortic dissection
- postcardiotomy shock and 30-day outcomes in patients with severe left ventricular systolic dysfunction
- creation of a new adult congenital heart surgery risk model
- the impact of surgical strategy on isolated tricuspid valve outcomes

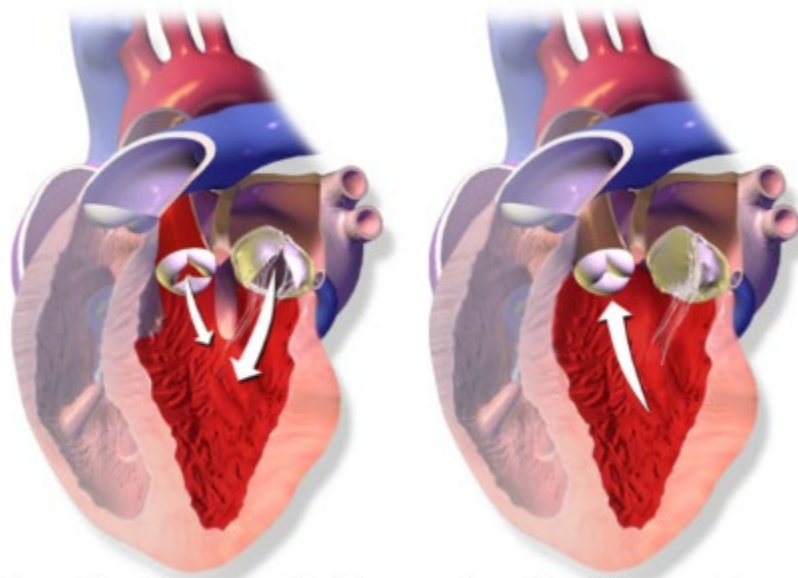
and much more. [View the program](#), [register your team for the meeting](#), and reserve your hotel rooms to see how your data curation efforts are transforming surgical science across the world.



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## Help Patients Understand Their Options for Aortic Valve Disease

Interacting with patients at your medical center gives you the opportunity to help answer their questions and allay their concerns. The STS patient website, [ctsurgerypatients.org](https://ctsurgerypatients.org), is full of easy-to-understand language, illustrations, and videos that explain a variety of cardiothoracic conditions and procedures. On the [Aortic Valve Disease page](#), for example, patients will find clear and comprehensive images and animations of disease physiology, an explanatory video from an experienced surgeon, a breakdown of treatment options and recovery plans, and a list of questions to ask the doctor.



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