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Less than One Week to Camaraderie and Discovery at AQO

After 2 years of all-virtual programming, 2022 Advances in Quality Outcomes (AQO): A Data Managers Meeting will reunite the STS Database community next week, October 26–28 in Providence, Rhode Island. In-person attendees will enjoy plenty of opportunities to not only explore the latest developments in data analysis but also see live exhibitions of new technologies, participate in discussions with colleagues, and wind down with social lunches and a networking reception. The first day of the meeting features a track devoted exclusively to Intermacs and Pedimacs, covering topics including:

- Quality of life long-term outcomes and compliance
- Unveiling of the Pedimacs Dashboard and Kaplan-Meier tool
- Verification of vital status for operative mortality
- Right heart failure
- Major infection
- Neurological dysfunction
- Pedimacs case scenarios
- Using Intermacs data for Joint Commission review

You'll also see the bestowment of the Sherri Ann Wissman Award, named in memory of a longtime Intermacs VAD coordinator, to a recipient who demonstrates a commitment to improving the lives of patients and excellence in mechanical circulatory support.

You can still register for the in-person event—or choose a Virtual Pass if you can't make it to Providence—and be part of the STS data manager community's most essential annual event.

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Join Today's Quarterly Reports Webinar

Stay abreast of the latest developments in the STS Intermacs Database. Data experts and the Intermacs reporting team at UAB will review registry reports and answer submitted questions **today, October 20, at 2:00 p.m. CT**. Add a calendar reminder and join the call. You also may submit questions in advance.

Database Science Will Shine at STS 2023
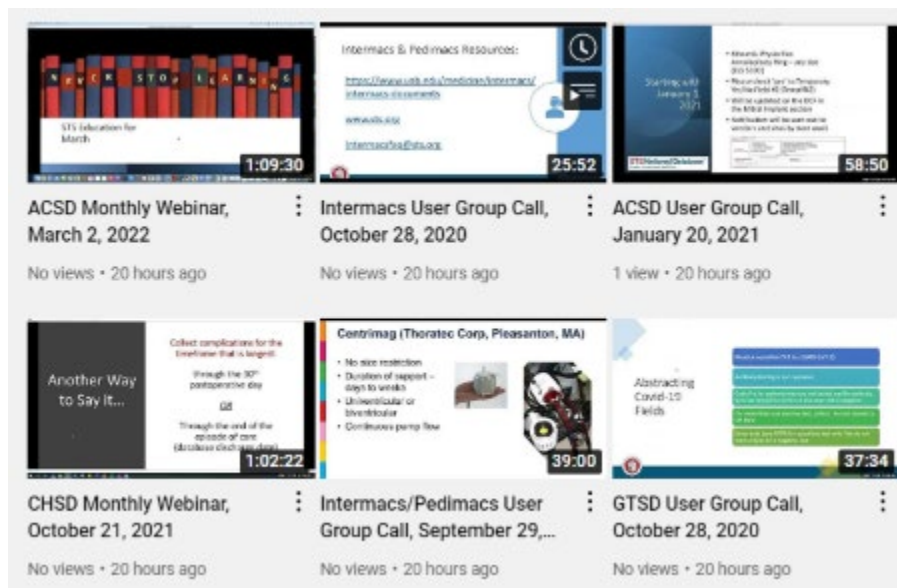
Cardiothoracic surgical professionals from around the globe will converge on San Diego January 21–23, 2023, for the STS 59th Annual Meeting. It's an exciting opportunity for Intermacs and Pedimacs participants to witness the latest scientific advancements—including findings in right ventricle failure and the price of delayed biventricular support, variables affecting survival in pediatric patients supported with ventricular assist devices, contemporary practice trends, and more, all made possible thanks to the robust data you curate.

STS 2023 also is a place to meet with colleagues and discuss new data trends, techniques, and tips—and take in stunning coastal views from the San Diego Bay. Register and book your hotel room now; STS members enjoy significant discounts.

Revisit the Database YouTube Channel for Colleague-Curated Tips

Data managers and participating surgeons now can access webinars, user group calls, and other recordings on a [YouTube channel](#) dedicated exclusively to the STS National Database. The channel provides a rich library of resources, including tips for optimizing data in preparation for the next harvest, updates on public reporting, and best practices for data entry and coding.

Read a Patient's Story of Trials and Triumphs with Heart Disease

Mitch Bugno wasn't a "runner." He was a middle-aged guy who enjoyed a run. Over a few years of competitive half-marathons, he finally learned to heed the messages his body was sending him. Through his connection with a dear friend at STS, he has generously shared his story with the STS community. Read it on the STS CT Surgery Patients blog.

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