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International Connection



Watch President's Message to the STS Community

In a special video message, STS President Dr. John Calhoon details the recent STS Leadership Institute and the importance of supporting future leaders, how the Society is evolving its programs and services, the long-awaited return of live education, and the renewed focus on developing early career physicians. [Watch it now.](#)

Be Part of STS Global Programs: Prepare to Submit Abstracts

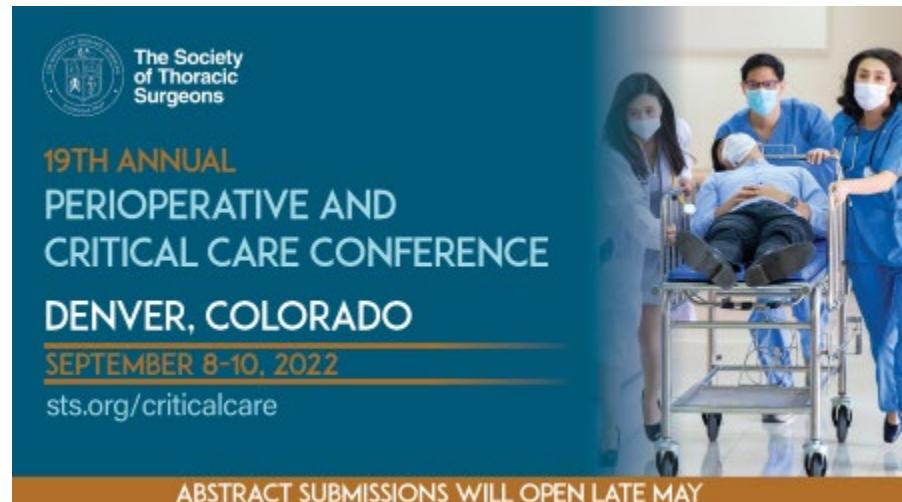
Annual Meeting: The [STS 59th Annual Meeting](#)—to be held January 21–23, in San Diego, California—is the premier forum for sharing research findings, quality initiatives, and expert techniques with the cardiothoracic surgery community. This high-profile event attracts attendees from approximately 60 countries. Abstract submissions open soon! Submit your work by July 22 for oral presentations, scientific posters, and surgical videos in the following categories:

- Adult cardiac surgery
- Congenital heart surgery
- General thoracic surgery
- Basic science research
- Quality improvement
- Cardiothoracic surgical education
- Physician/provider wellness
- Perioperative management and critical care

If you are involved in Phase I, II, or III clinical trials for which no preliminary data will be available by the July deadline, you can submit a promissory abstract (data must be available by December 16). The Society also is accepting compelling session proposals that showcase emerging, innovative, and/or critical issues facing the specialty. The deadline for promissory abstracts and session proposals also is July 22.

Critical Care Conference: The 19th Annual Perioperative and Critical Care Conference will take place September 8–10, 2022, in Denver, Colorado. This event—with attendance from medical professionals around the globe—is designed to enhance knowledge and expertise in cardiovascular and thoracic critical care and

enhanced recovery after surgery. The call for abstracts is expected to open toward the end of May; regularly visit sts.org/criticalcare for updates.



Join STS in Chicago for Structural Heart Symposium

Registration now is open for the [Structural Heart Symposium: Mastery in Mitral Valve and Tricuspid Valve Therapies](#), August 19–20 in Chicago. As the use of these procedures expands to include some lower-risk patients, be sure that your team has the expertise to deliver the latest techniques and technologies. [Register](#) and [reserve your hotel rooms](#) now for special early rates.



Get Ready for the Coronary Conference in Ottawa

The [2022 STS Coronary Conference](#), June 4–5 in Ottawa, ON, Canada, is quickly approaching, and it features 25 newly added abstracts presenting late-breaking research. There's still time to register and experience the most advanced training for coronary artery bypass grafting, presented by top-notch surgeons from across the globe. [Register yourself and your team](#), and secure rooms at the [Fairmont Château Laurier](#).



New Season, New Surgeons: Hear the Latest Podcast Episodes

The STS podcast “Same Surgeon, Different Light”—revealing the men and women behind their surgical masks—continues with new episodes that give you a glimpse into the backstories of your fascinating and influential colleagues. In the final episodes of Season 2, hosts Dr. David Tom Cooke and Dr. Tom Varghese glean insights and inspiration from Drs. Allan Pickens, Cherie Erkmen, and Ed Chen. You can listen to them straight from the STS podcasts page or on your favorite podcast app. [Start listening.](#)

Same Surgeon, Different Light

Surgical Hot Topics



Unlock Leadership Talent, Champion Inclusion with STS Career Guidance

Cardiothoracic surgeon leaders share their lessons for success on the STS career blog, designed to help you navigate your professional path.

- In "[Sift through the Noise](#)" and [Reach Your Full Leadership Potential](#), Dr. Melanie Edwards explains how you can harness your natural leadership talent with an intentional approach to learning and growing.
- Luis Godoy details areas in which you can promote diversity and inclusion in the administrative, educational, research, and clinical realms with [How to Integrate DEI as an Early Career Surgeon](#).

Revisit the Latin American Thoracic Emergencies Symposium

Experts from Europe, South America, and the US discussed the latest advances in treating emergent patient cases during the [STS/EACTS/ESTS Latin America Surgery Symposium: Thoracic Emergencies](#). You now can visit the STS Learning Center to [watch the recorded program](#), which covers cases that include penetrating trauma, massive hemoptysis, laryngotracheal and tracheal stenosis, and more.



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