



AGENDA

ACC MIDDLE EAST 2025 TOGETHER WITH 16TH EMIRATES CARDIAC SOCIETY CONFERENCE



AGENDA | FRIDAY, 3 OCTOBER

8:30 - 9:20

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

HEART FAILURE AND CARDIOMYOPATHIES

Demystifying the THICK Heart

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Nadya Al
Matrooshi (UAE) and
Gurusher Panjrath (USA)

Panelists: Firas Al
Badarin (UAE), Feras
Bader (UAE), and
Mohamed El-Harari
(UAE)

Case Presentation: HCM With LV Outflow Obstruction

Rami Bani Ata (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

Case Presentation: ATTR Cardiomyopathy

Noha Abou Khater
(UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

Case Presentation: Cardiac Sarcoidosis

Fatemeh Mohammad
(UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

INTERVENTIONS AND ISCHEMIC HEART DISEASES

Is It Shocking? Best Practices For STEMI With and Without Cardiogenic Shock

Al Ras 3

Chairs: Mohammed
Balghith (KSA) and
Abdullah Shehab (UAE)

Panelists: Abdul Majeed
Alzubaidi (UAE), Mousa
Akbar (Kuwait), and
Seema Nour (UAE)

Overview

Ann Gage (USA)

Case Presentation: STEMI

Hadi Abu-Hantash
(Jordan)

Case Presentation: STEMI With Cardiogenic Shock

Wail Alkashkari (KSA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

MULTIMODAL IMAGING

Multimodality Imaging and the Management of Atrial Fibrillation

Al Baraha 1

Chairs: Bashaer
Gheyath (UAE) and
Dima Quraini (UAE)

Panelists: Ahmed
Aljizeeri (KSA), Paul
Cremer (USA), and
Mario Njeim (UAE)

Case Presentation: Atrial Fibrillation and High Risk Bleed

Ahmed Aljizeeri (KSA)

Fundamental Role of Echocardiography in Patients With Atrial Fibrillation

Mohammed Khalil
(UAE)

Amyloid and Atrial Fibrillation: Not a Rare Combination

Wael Jaber (USA)

Pre, Peri and Post Procedure Imaging For Left Atrial Appendage Occlusion Devices

Rasha Bazari (KSA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

INTERACTIVE RESEARCH WORKSHOP

Al Amwaj

Part 1: 8:30 - 9:25

Chairs: Rasha Al-Lamee
(UK) and Christopher
Kramer (USA)

Panelist and Activity
Facilitators: Andrea
Russo (USA), Amanda
Vest (USA), Wael
AlMahmeed (UAE), and
Hassan El-Tamimi (UAE)

Introduction and Demystifying the Peer Review Process

Rasha Al-Lamee (UK)

Breakout Activity: Small Group Discussion

Manuscript Preparation and Authorship

Christopher Kramer
(USA)

Breakout Activity: Writing Exercise

VALVULAR DISEASES AND STRUCTURAL INTERVENTIONS

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9:30 - 10:20

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVENTION

Accurate Early CV Risk Assessment: The Holy Grail of Prevention

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Hassan El-Tamimi (UAE) and Muhammad Hafizullah (Pakistan)

Panelists: Latifa Al Ketbi (UAE), Waleed Farag (UAE), and Mohamed Moselhy Salah (UAE)

What's New in Imaging For CV Risk Stratification

Eugenia Gianos (USA)

Utilizing Biomarkers and Approaches That are Taken in Middle East

Hani Sabbour (UAE)

Roundtable Discussion on Practical Risk Assessment: Scores, Biomarker Tests or Imaging - What is the Best Way to Assess CV Risk in the Region?

Omar Al Hariri (UAE) and Mahmoud Hassanein (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

MULTIMODAL IMAGING

The Multimodality Imaging Approach in Special Populations

Al Ras 3

Chairs: Usama Albastaki (UAE) and Safaa Almohdar (UAE)

Panelists: Bashaer Gheyath (UAE), Joao Cavalcante (USA), and Paul Cremer (USA)

Case Presentation: Myocarditis

Yasmeen Hanfi (KSA)

Myocarditis and Pericarditis

Bashaer Gheyath (UAE)

Case Presentation: Sarcoidosis

Syed Jamal (UAE)

Sarcoidosis

Joao Cavalcante (USA)

Case Presentation: Endocarditis

Many Agarwal (UAE)

Multimodality Imaging For Infectious Endocarditis

Paul Cremer (USA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

VALVULAR DISEASES AND STRUCTURAL INTERVENTIONS

Mitral Valve Disease in the 21st Century

Al Baraha 1

Chairs: Mohammed Khalil (UAE) and Nicole Bhawe (USA)

Panelists: Gurusher Panjraht (USA), and Dima Quraini (UAE)

Case Presentation: Calcific Mitral Valve Disease

Aiman Smer (UAE)

Calcific Mitral Valve Disease: To Intervene or Not to Intervene

Emad Hakemi (UAE)

Mitral Valve Prolapse

Zakariya Albinmoussa (KSA)

Intervening on Secondary MR: A Review of the Evidence

Emad Hakemi (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

INTERACTIVE RESEARCH WORKSHOP CONT.

Al Amwaj

Part 2: 9:30 - 10:20

Selecting the Right Journal and Submission Strategies

Rasha Al-Lamee (UK)

Responding to Reviewer Comments

Christopher Kramer (USA)

Breakout Activity: Peer Feedback Practice

Panel Question and Answer

SPECIAL TOPICS

**On-Call With the Experts
ACC Presidential Team
ACC Booth**

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10:30 - 11:00

SPONSORED SYMPOSIA

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Al Ras 2

11:00 - 11:20

EXPO BREAK

Visit the Expo and Posters



AGENDA | FRIDAY, 3 OCTOBER

11:20 - 12:20

PLENARY

CONFERENCE WELCOME

AI Ras 2 & 3

Presenters: Juwairia Alali (UAE), Wael Jaber (USA), Christopher Kramer (USA), Gurusher Panjrath (USA), and Abdullah Shehab (UAE)

OPENING PLENARY

Cardio AI: Redefining CV Care With AI

Chairs: Juwairia Alali (UAE) and Wael Jaber (USA)

Panelists: Omar Alfalasi (UAE), Yacine Hadjiat (UAE), and Gurusher Panjrath (USA)

How the ACC is Preparing Itself and Its Membership For the Evolution in Digital Health and AI

Christopher Kramer (USA)

AI in Cardiac Imaging: Is it Ready For Primetime?

Paul Cremer (USA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

12:30 - 13:00

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AI Ras 2 & 3

13:00 - 14:10

FRIDAY PRAYERS



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14:10 - 15:00

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

HEART FAILURE AND CARDIOMYOPATHIES

Heart Failure With Reduced Ejection Fraction: Overcoming Barriers For Improving Outcomes

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Feras Bader (UAE) and Amanda Vest (USA)

Panelists: Bassam Atallah (UAE), Nooshin Bazargani (UAE), and Gurusher Panjrath (USA)

Case Presentation: Newly Diagnosed HFrEF Presenting to the ED

Medhat Soliman (UAE)

Consensus Based Management of Hospitalized Patient and Transition of Care

Ismail Raslan (KSA)

Pushing the Limits With GDMT: What the Guidelines Say

Amanda Vest (USA)

Keeping Gender Differences in Mind When Managing HF

Dima Quraini (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

INTERVENTIONS AND ISCHEMIC HEART DISEASES

The Latest and Greatest in Chronic Coronary Syndromes: What Do the Experts Think?

Al Ras 3

Chairs: Eisa Aldhaheri (UAE) and Ali El Sayed (Lebanon)

Panelists: Wael Abu Shoka (UAE), Fawaz Almutairi (KSA), and Khalid Bin Thani (Bahrain)

Overview

Mirvat Alasnag (KSA)

Case Presentation: Stable Angina

Mousa Akbar (Kuwait)

Case Presentation: Microvascular Dysfunction

Ashraf Alazzoni (UAE)

Case Presentation: Mixed Epicardial Microcirculation Lesions

Ronney Shantouf (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS

Does Early Rhythm Control With Catheter Ablation Benefit All Patients with AFib?

Al Baraha 1

Chairs: Salem Alkaabi (UAE) and Andrea Russo (USA)

Panelists: Omer Elhag (UAE), Mohamed Aljaabari (UAE), and Mohamed Magdy Abbas (UAE)

Pre-Debate Poll

Andrea Russo (USA)

Debate Pro: Early Rhythm Control With Catheter Ablation

DOES Benefit All Patients With AFib

Mario Njeim (UAE)

Debate Con: Early Rhythm Control With Catheter Ablation

DOES NOT Benefit All Patients with AFib

Mohamed Aljaabari (UAE)

Pro Rebuttal

Mario Njeim (UAE)

Con Rebuttal

Mohamed Aljaabari (UAE)

Post-Debate Poll

Andrea Russo (USA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

ORAL ABSTRACT PRESENTATIONS Multimodal Imaging and AI

Al Amwaj

Chairs: Juwairia Alali (UAE) and Paul Cremer (USA)

Panelist: Saif-El-Dean Tawfik Abdel-Rahman (UAE)

Efficacy of Multimodal Imaging in Detecting Early Cardiomyopathy in Middle Eastern Populations: A 2024 Update

Muhammad Ali Makhdoom (UAE)

Muhammad Ali Makhdoom (UAE)

Discussion

Advancing ASCVD Risk Stratification Using AI-Driven Retinal Screening at Gluecare Health

Idalys Mercedes Roman (UAE)

Discussion

Cardiac Dimensions in Emirati Males: Rethinking Western Reference Norms Through Indexing

Adil Jumani (UAE)

Discussion

Use of CINEECG to Predict Response of Left Bundle Branch Pacing

Habib Khan (Canada)

Discussion

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVENTION

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15:50 - 16:40

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS

Catheter Ablation: The First Line of Treatment For Rhythm Disturbance

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Omar Alfalasi (UAE) and Andrea Russo (USA)

Panelists: Marta Acena Ramos (UAE), Salem Alkaabi (UAE), and Jayakeerthi Rao (UAE)

Case Presentation: Patient Presenting With Recurrent PSVT
Fereidoon Shafiei (UAE)

Case Presentation: Asymptomatic Patient With WPW Pattern
Mohamed Magdy Abbas (UAE)

Case Presentation: Patient Presenting With Idiopathic Ventricular Tachycardia
Mohamed Aljaabari (UAE)

Case Presentation: Patient Presenting With Frequent PVCs
Fereidoon Shafiei (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

MULTIMODAL IMAGING

Routine Viability Imaging in Ischemic Cardiomyopathy

Al Ras 3

Chairs: Mirvat Alasnag (KSA) and Paul Cremer (USA)

Panelists: Saif-El-Dean Abdel-Rahman (UAE), Mitesh Badiwala (UAE), and Mohammad Zaidan (UAE)

Case Presentation
Nouha Azaza (UAE)

Pre-Debate Poll: Ischemic Viability Evaluation Before Revascularization

Debate Pro: Imager
Firas Al Badarin (UAE)

Debate Con: Interventionalist
Mohammed Balghith (KSA)

Debate Pro Rebuttal
Firas Al Badarin (UAE)

Debate Con Rebuttal
Mohammed Balghith (KSA)

Post-Debate Poll and Panel Discussion

VALVULAR DISEASES AND STRUCTURAL INTERVENTIONS

Aortic Valve Disease: A Lifelong Journey

Al Baraha 1

Chairs: Arif Al-Nooryani (UAE) and Nicole Bhavé (USA)

Panelists: Fawaz Almutairi (KSA), Gopal Bhatnagar (UAE), and Ann Gage (USA)

Pearls and Pitfalls:

Aortic Stenosis Assessment
Nicole Bhavé (USA)

Lifetime Management of Aortic Valve Disease: SAVR vs. TAVR
Emad Hakemi (UAE)

Case Presentation: Young Patient With Severe AR
Tilal Alnour (UAE)

Contemporary Evaluation and Management of Aortic Regurgitation
Bashaer Gheyath (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

CHALLENGING CASE DISCUSSIONS

Interventions and Ischemic Heart Diseases and Valvular Diseases and Structural Interventions

Al Amwaj

Chairs: Joao Cavalcante (USA) and Abdullah Shehab (UAE)

Panelists: Rasha Al-Lamee (UK) and Zakariya Albinmoussa (KSA)

The Giant Coronary Aneurysm That Vanished Unmasking Critical LAD Stenosis After Twelve Years of Silence
Ege Alp Dagdeviren (Turkey)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

Unusual Aortic Valve in Pregnancy: A Hidden Congenital Lesion - A Case Report of Aortic Chordae Tendineae Strands
Dahoumane Zahra Anais (Algeria)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

Unmasking Previously Undiagnosed Obstructive Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy Following Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement for Severe Aortic Stenosis
Willette Valjean Go (Philippines)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

HEART FAILURE AND CARDIOMYOPATHIES

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16:50 - 17:20

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17:20 - 17:40

EXPO BREAK

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CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS

Interactive Learning Board: "Name That Rhythm!"

Al Amwaj

Andrea Russo (USA)

Stop by and try out our new Interactive Learning Board. Think you can spot the rhythm? Join an expert as you work through real tracings and test your skills in arrhythmia recognition.

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVENTION

Interactive Learning Board: "Prevention in Action"

Al Amwaj

Elijah Ogola (Kenya)

Stop by and try out our new Interactive Learning Board. Join us for fast-paced prevention cases - can you choose the right next step to keep your patients healthier, longer?

17:40 - 18:30

PLENARY

Barriers and Strategies to Overcome Equitable Delivery of Cardiovascular Care

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Nooshin Bazargani (UAE) and Wael Jaber (USA)

Panelists: Mirvat Alasnag (KSA) and Mohammed Kurdi (KSA)

Equitable Access to CV Care in the U.S.

Cathleen Biga (USA)

Equitable Access to CV Care in the UAE

Aseel Allush (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

18:40 - 19:30

PLENARY

FIT Jeopardy: The Classic Game Show With a FIT Twist!

Al Ras 3

Host: Aiman Smer (UAE)

Judges: Benny Levenson (Germany) and Christopher Kramer (USA)

Teams: United Arab Emirates, Pakistan, Egypt

18:40 - 20:30

SPONSORED SYMPOSIUM

Health Workforce Capacity Development Through Tech Innovation

Sponsored Symposium hosted by NCD Academy

Al Baraha 1

Panelists: Nahida Nayaz Ahmed (UAE), Mohamed Magdy (UAE), and Mohamed Abdulrazaq Nasaif (UAE)

Introduction and Welcome Remarks

Cathie Biga (USA) and Nicole Bhavé (USA)

Panel Discussion: Meeting the Challenge of Health Workforce Capacity Development Through Tech Innovation

Keynote

Yacine Hadjiat (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer



AGENDA | SATURDAY, 4 OCTOBER

8:30 - 9:20

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVENTION

Uncharted Areas For Prevention: Beyond ASCVD

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Hassan El-Tamimi (UAE) and Abdullah Shehab (UAE)

Panelists: Pam Taub (USA), Waleed Kadro (UAE), and Sherif Bakir (UAE)

New Areas For Prevention: CKM, Heart Failure, Renal Disease, Liver Disease and Atrial Fibrillation

Pam Taub (USA)

Focus on Inflammation, Anti-Inflammatory Therapies and Cardio-Rheumatology

Eugenia Gianos (USA)

What's New in Hypertension

Mohammed Kurdi (KSA)

What's New on the Horizon For Prevention

Hosam Zaky (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

HEART FAILURE AND CARDIOMYOPATHIES

The HFpEF: A Paradigm Shift

Al Ras 3

Chairs: Gurusher Panjrath (USA) and Nadya Al Matrooshi (UAE)

Panelists: Hussam Ghalib (UAE), Ziad Sadik (UAE), and Amanda Vest (USA)

Case Presentation: HFpEF Presenting to the HF Clinic

Mo'ath Bani Ali (UAE)

HFpEF Phenotypes: Diagnostic Uncertainties and Scores

Ismail Raslan (KSA)

Guideline Based Management of HFpEF

Gurusher Panjrath (USA)

Emerging Therapies For HFpEF: Where Do We Stand?

Mohamed El-Harari (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

VALVULAR DISEASES AND STRUCTURAL INTERVENTIONS

To Cut or Not to Cut? Complex Multivalve Debate

Al Baraha 1

Chairs: Juwairia Alali (UAE) and Mohammed Balghith (KSA)

Panelists: Nicole Bhav (USA) and Ann Gage (USA)

Case Presentation: Older Patient With Mitral Valve Prolapse, Mitral Regurgitation and Tricuspid Regurgitation

Amrisha Agrawal (UAE)

Pre-Debate Poll: Surgical vs. Percutaneous

Debate Pro: Percutaneous Approach

Emad Hakemi (UAE)

Debate Con: Surgical Approach

Mitesh Badiwala (UAE)

Percutaneous Rebuttal

Emad Hakemi (UAE)

Surgical Rebuttal

Mitesh Badiwala (UAE)

Post-Debate Poll and Panel Discussion

CHALLENGING CASE DISCUSSIONS

Multimodal Imaging

Al Amwaj

Chairs: Joao Cavalcante (USA) and Wael Jaber (USA)

Panelist: Bashaer Gheyath (UAE)

Cor Triatriatum Sinister: A Multimodal Diagnostic Approach

Samuel Bencosme (Dominican Republic)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

Cardiac Metastasis Mimicking STEMI

Anna Gvozdeva (Russia)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

Diagnostic Value of Serial Cardiac MRI and FDG-PET in Cardiac Sarcoidosis

Zenab Laiq (USA)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

Primary Cardiac Ewing Sarcoma: Diagnosis and the Role of Multimodality Imaging

Nizar Mullali Mohamed Kunhi (India)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS

On-Call With the Experts

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Sana Al-Khatib (USA)

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10:00 - 10:20

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HEART FAILURE AND CARDIOMYOPATHIES

Interactive Learning Board: "Heart Failure Look-Alikes"

Al Amwaj

Magdy Abdelhamid (Egypt)

Stop by and try out our new Interactive Learning Board. Not all heart failure looks the same - step up to the board and see if you can make the right call.

INTERVENTIONS AND ISCHEMIC HEART DISEASES

Interactive Learning Board: "Intervention Decisions - What Would You Do?"

Al Amwaj

Benny J. Levenson (Germany)

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVENTION

Risk Factors in Cardiovascular Disease

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Elijah Ogola (Kenya) and Hani Sabbour (UAE)

Panelists: Anwar Al Zaaby (UAE) and Farhana Bin Lootah (UAE)

Case Presentation

Ahmed Gabroun (UAE)

Overview of CKM

Eugenia Gianos (USA)

Intersection of Obesity With CV Risk Management

Hussien Heshmat Kassem (UAE)

Lifestyle Management and Trends in the Middle East

Ghazi Radaideh (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

INTERVENTIONS AND ISCHEMIC HEART DISEASES

Hot Topics in CTO and Calcification

Al Ras 3

Chairs: Eisa Aldhaheri (UAE) and Muzaffer Degertekin (Turkey)

Panelists: Jasem Al Hashmi (UAE) and Abdulla Alnaeemi (UAE)

CTO: Invasive Evaluation and Suitability For Revascularization

Georgios Sianos (UAE)

CTO: Role of Calcification and Imaging

Muzaffer Degertekin (Turkey)

Case Presentation: Antegrade CTO

Ronney Shantouf (UAE)

Case Presentation: Retrograde CTO

Ahmed Khashaba (UAE)

Case Presentation: Calcified Bifurcation Lesion

Mohammed Kurdi (KSA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS

Rapid Fire Cases: Name That Rhythm

Al Baraha 1

Chairs: Salem Alkaabi (UAE) and Sana Al-Khatib (USA)

Panelist: Mohammed Aljaabari (UAE)

ECG Presenters: Moutaz El Kadri (UAE), Marwan Refaat (Lebanon), and Andrea Russo (USA)

SPECIAL TOPICS

AI in Multimodal Imaging

Al Amwaj

Chair: Wael Jaber (USA)

Panelists: Juwairia Alali (UAE), Joao Cavalcante (USA), and Paul Cremer (USA)

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11:20 - 11:50

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12:00 - 12:50

PLENARY

Weight and Obesity Management: A Critical Pillar in Cardiovascular Health in the Middle East

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Juwairia Alali (UAE) and Abdullah Shehab (UAE)

Panelists: Abeer AlTeneiji (UAE), Hani Sabbour (UAE), and Pam Taub (USA)

Obesity Management

Sara Gaafar Suliman (UAE)

Obesity Management as a Treatment For Heart Failure

Gurusher Panjra (USA)

Role of Professional Societies and Influencing Healthcare Policies

Cathleen Biga (USA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

13:00 - 13:30

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Sponsored Lunch Symposium hosted by Novartis

Al Ras 2

13:40 - 14:10

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Al Ras 3



AGENDA | SATURDAY, 4 OCTOBER

14:20 - 15:10

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVENTION

Lipid Management in High-Risk Populations: A Comprehensive Evidence-Based Approach

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Wael Al Mahmeed (UAE) and Nooshin Bazargani (UAE)

Panelists: Juwairia Alali (UAE), Nada Bin Hareez (UAE), and Eugenia Gianos (USA)

Case Presentation
Ahmed Gabroun (UAE)

Tackling Inertia in LDL Management Including Social Media Issues That Prevent LDL Optimization in the Middle East
Hani Sabbour (UAE)

Risk Enhancers: Current Landscape of LDL Management, Triglycerides
Omar Al Hariri (UAE)

Residual Risk and LPA
Pam Taub (USA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

MULTIMODAL IMAGING

Role of Imaging in Commonly Encountered Dilemmas

Al Ras 3

Chairs: Ann Gage (USA) and Yasmeen Hanfi (KSA)

Panelists: Many Agarwal (UAE), Firas Al Badarin (UAE), and Safaa Almohdar (UAE)

Case Presentation: Middle-Aged Female Presenting With Chest Pain and Dyspnea and Negative Anatomic Work Up
Alaa Saeid (UAE)

Diagnosis of INOCA and ANOCA
Christopher Kramer (USA)

Case Presentation: Male Patient With Prior History of Revascularization Presenting For Pre-Op Testing
Syed Jamal (UAE)

Patient With Abnormal Preoperative MPI
Ahmed Aljizeeri (KSA)

Case Presentation: Patient With Dyspnea and "Moderate AS" - is It Moderate?
Rasha Bazari (KSA)

Aortic Stenosis Discordant Gradient Imaging to the Rescue
Joao Cavalcante (USA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

SPECIAL TOPICS

Adult Congenital Heart Disease: Current Status and Challenges
Al Baraha 1

Chairs: Ghadeera Almansoori (UAE) and Gurusher Panjrath (USA)

Panelists: Khaled Al-Tuwairqi (KSA) and Saleema Wani (UAE)

Case Presentation: Heart Failure in ACHD
Ahmad Mesmar (UAE)

Success With Failure in ACHD
Khaled Al-Tuwairqi (KSA)

Case Presentation: Pregnancy in ACHD
Noha Abou Khater (UAE)

Cardio-Obstetric Care in ACHD
Ghadeera Almansoori (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

CHALLENGING CASE DISCUSSIONS

Cardiac Arrhythmias and Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathies

Al Amwaj

Chairs: Sana Al-Khatib (USA) and Nadya Al Matrooshi (UAE)

Panelist: Magdy Abdelhamid (Egypt)

When There Is No Way In: Two Technical Approaches to Pacemaker Implantation in Bilateral Subclavian Vein Occlusion - A Case Series
Tommy Daindes (Indonesia)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

Unmasking Brugada Syndrom Post-Cardiac Arrest
Layan Sufian Aldib (Egypt)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

Ten Years of Misdiagnosis: A Case of Chronic Constrictive Pericarditis Masquerading as Idiopathic Liver Cirrhosis
Yogeeswari Vellore Satyanarayanan (UAE)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

Omalizumab as a Treatment of Endomyocardial Fibrosis in Hyper Eosinophilia Myocarditis
Omar Al-Assaf (UAE)

Discussion and Case Conclusion

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MULTIMODAL IMAGING

Interactive Learning Board: "Image This"

Al Amwaj

Mohammed Khalil (UAE)

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VALVULAR DISEASES AND STRUCTURAL INTERVENTIONS

Interactive Learning Board: "Valve Verdicts"

Al Amwaj

Mohammed A. Balghith (KSA)

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS

Crucial Diagnostic Tests For My Patient With Syncope

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Salem Alkaabi (UAE) and Sana Al-Khatib (USA)

Panelists: Omar Alfalasi (UAE) and Mohamed Aljaabari (UAE)

Classification and Clinical Features of Syncope: Nothing Beats History Taking!

Khaled Awad (UAE)

Case Presentation: Tilt Table Testing was Essential For Diagnosing My Patient's Syncope

Fereidoon Shafiei (UAE)

Case Presentation: EP Study was Essential For Diagnosing My Patient's Syncope

Omer Elhag (UAE)

Case Presentation: Consumer Based vs. Hospital Based - Prolonged ECG Monitoring was Essential For Diagnosing My Patient's Syncope

Marta Acena Ramos (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

HEART FAILURE AND CARDIOMYOPATHIES

When GDMT is Not Enough!

Al Ras 3

Chairs: Magdy Abdelhamid (Egypt) and Nadya Al Matrooshi (UAE)

Panelists: Amanda Vest (USA), Mitesh Badiwala (UAE), and Feras Bader (UAE)

Case Presentation: End-Stage HF in ICU

Iman Hamour (UAE)

Why are HF Patients Referred Late For Advanced Therapies?

Amanda Vest (USA)

LVAD: Advances in Management and Outcomes

Mitesh Badiwala (UAE)

Heart Transplant and Regional Perspectives

Feras Bader (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

VALVULAR DISEASES AND STRUCTURAL INTERVENTIONS

Quenching the Fever: Infectious and Inflammatory Valve Disease

Al Baraha 1

Chairs: Juwairia Alali (UAE) and Nicole Bhawe (USA)

Panelists: Ahmed Bafadel (UAE), Pam Taub (USA), and Mohammed Khalil (UAE)

Case Presentation: Rheumatic Disease

Ban Ghafel (UAE)

Panel Discussion: Potential Role of Percutaneous Therapies in Rheumatic Disease

Case Presentation: Native Valve

Endocarditis
Hind Kazim (UAE)

Panel Discussion: Risks and Benefits of Surgery

Case Presentation: Prosthetic Valve Endocarditis in a Medically Complex Patient

Salah Aldeen Roqia (UAE)

Panel Discussion: Diagnostic Challenges and Risks Associated With Reoperating

Closing Remarks

ORAL ABSTRACT PRESENTATIONS

Interventions and Ischemic Heart Diseases and Valvular Diseases and Structural Interventions

Al Amwaj

Chair: Ann Gage (USA)

Panelists: Hadi Abu Hantash (Jordan) and Mohammed Balghith (KSA)

Associations Between Non-HDL Cholesterol Levels and Cardiovascular Risk Factors in Middle Eastern ASCVD Patients: A Cross-Sectional Analysis of Demographic, Lifestyle and Clinical Characteristics
Osama Alkouri (Jordan)

Discussion

Trends of Rheumatic Heart Disease and Endocarditis Incidence in Africa

Demeke Mekonnen Mengistie (Ethopia)

Discussion

Left Ventricular Outflow Tract Geometry as a Predictor of Permanent Pacemaker Implantation After Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation Using the Evolut Series

Mahmoud Abdelshafy (Egypt)

Discussion

MULTIMODAL IMAGING

On-Call With the Experts

ACC Booth

Wael Jaber (USA)

Stop by the ACC booth for On-Call With the Experts, where you can connect directly with our expert faculty for real-time insights, second opinions or practical advice.



AGENDA | SATURDAY, 4 OCTOBER

17:10 - 18:00

PLENARY

The Burden of Cardiovascular Disease in the Middle East: Tackling Risk Factors at the Root

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Wael Al Mahmeed (UAE) and Cathleen Biga (USA)

Panelists: Pam Taub (USA) and Ghazi Radaideh (UAE)

Lifestyle Interventions: From Urban Planning to Exercise

Mahmoud Hassanein (UAE)

Management Strategies: Lipids, Blood Pressure, Continuous Glucose Monitors

Maryam Alsaeed (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

18:10 - 19:00

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Al Amwaj

19:00 - 21:00

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Dinner Symposium hosted by Cleerly

Al Baraha 1



AGENDA | SUNDAY, 5 OCTOBER

9:00 - 9:50

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS **Heart Rhythm Management** **in Patients With Heart** **Failure**

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Mohamed Aljaabari (UAE) and Omer Elhag (UAE)

Panelists: Khaled Awad (UAE) and Ahmed El Damaty (Egypt)

Case Presentation: Sarcoid
Ahmed El Damaty (Egypt)

ICDs, Biventricular Pacing,
Conduction System Pacing
For Heart Failure: How Do I
Choose?

Sana Al-Khatib (USA)

Managing AFib in Patients
With Heart Failure: Tricks of
the Trade

Omar Alfalasi (UAE)

Managing Ventricular
Arrhythmias in Patients With
Heart Failure: We Have Come
A Long Way!

Andrea Russo (USA)

Panel Discussion With
Audience Question and
Answer

INTERVENTIONS AND **ISCHEMIC HEART DISEASES** **Unraveling the Complexities** **and Complications of PCI:** **A Case-Based Approach**

Al Ras 3

Chairs: Benny Levenson (Germany) and Abdullah Shehab (UAE)

Panelists: Khalid Bin Thani (Bahrain), Jamal Dabbas (Jordan), and Ann Gage (USA)

Coronary Overview
Mousa Akbar (Kuwait)

Valve Overview
Jamal Dabbas (Jordan)

Case Presentation: Valve
Dislodgement
Wail Alkashkari (KSA)

Panel Discussion With
Audience Question and
Answer

Case Presentation: Coronary
Perforation
Fabrizo Clementi (UAE)

Panel Discussion With
Audience Question and
Answer

Case Presentation: Access
Complications
Mohammed Balghith (KSA)

Panel Discussion With
Audience Question and
Answer

MULTIMODAL IMAGING **Novel Imaging Applications:** **Ready For Your Lab Today**

Al Baraha 1

Chairs: Juwairia Alali (UAE) and Firas Al Badarin (UAE)

Panelists: Safaa Almohdar (UAE), Dima Quraini, (UAE) and Hadi Skouri (UAE)

Advances in Nuclear Imaging
in 2025

Ahmed Abuzaid (USA)

What is the Role of Photon
Counting CT in 2025?

Paul Cremer (USA)

Applications of 3D Echo and
Strain in 2025

Aiman Smer (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience
Question and Answer

ORAL ABSTRACT **PRESENTATIONS** **Cardiovascular Disease** **Prevention**

Al Amwaj

Chairs: Pam Taub (USA) and Hani Sabbour (UAE)

Panelists: Elijah Ogola (Kenya) and Muhammad Hafizullah (Pakistan)

Epidemiological Transitions
of Cardiovascular Disease
Burden in the North Africa
and Middle Eastern Region:
Trends from 1990 to 2021
Hardik Dineshbhai Desai (India)

Discussion

Association Between
Clonal Hematopoiesis of
Indeterminate Potential
and Risk of Venous
Thromboembolism: A
Systemic Review and Meta-
Analysis
Amir Nasrollahizadeh (Iran)

Discussion

Glycemic Variability and
Risk of Major Adverse
Cardiovascular Events in
Patients With Cardiovascular
Disease: A Systemic Review
and Meta-Analysis
Reza Amani-Beni (Iran)

Discussion

Clinical and Angiographic
Correlation of Chronological
Age and Vascular Age
With Severity of Coronary
Artery Disease in Patients
Presenting With First Acute
Myocardial Infarction
Sunil Roy Thottuvelil Narayanan (India)

Discussion



AGENDA | SUNDAY, 5 OCTOBER

10:00 - 10:50

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVENTION

Putting Prevention Into Practice: Case Based Discussions

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Hani Sabbour (UAE) and Pam Taub (USA)

Panelists: Aftab Ahmad (UAE), Ahmed Gabroun (UAE), Eugenia Gianos (USA), and Seema Nour (UAE)

Introduction

Case Presentation: Patient With CKD and HF
Mohammed Salah (UAE)

Panel Discussion

Case Presentation: Patient With Autoimmune Disease and Gestational Diabetes
Amrish Agrawal (UAE)

Panel Discussion

Case Presentation: Patient With Resistant Hypertension and Palpitations
Zoubia Fathima (UAE)

Panel Discussion

Case Presentation: Patient With Diabetes, Obesity, Sedentary Lifestyle and Mildly Elevated NT-proBNP/ Mild Microalbuminuria
Faten Naji (UAE)

Panel Discussion

Closing Remarks

HEART FAILURE AND CARDIOMYOPATHIES

Challenging Cases For the Multidisciplinary Team

Al Ras 3

Chairs: Feras Bader (UAE) and Gurusher Panjrath (USA)

Panelists: Rizwan Ahmed (UAE) and Ann Gage (USA)

Case Presentation: HF With Advanced Renal Disease

Hadi Skouri (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

Case Presentation: Acute MI With RV Failure
Adhba Saleh Almubarak (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

Case Presentation: Acute Chronic HF With Cardiogenic Shock (Role of Temporary Mechanical Support)
Ann Gage (USA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

VALVULAR DISEASES AND STRUCTURAL INTERVENTIONS

A Banner Decade For the Tricuspid Valve

Al Baraha 1

Chairs: Ahmed Bafadel (UAE) and Wael Jaber (USA)

Panelists: Sana Al-Khatib (USA), Nicole Bhavé (USA), and Zakariya Albinmoussa (KSA)

Approach to a Patient With Severe TR

Ahmed Bafadel (UAE)

Expert Consensus Decision Pathway: Percutaneous Tricuspid Intervention
Nicole Bhavé (USA)

Device Lead Associated TR
Zakariya Albinmoussa (KSA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

ORAL ABSTRACT PRESENTATIONS

Cardiac Arrhythmias and Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathies

Al Amwaj

Chairs: Salem Alkaabi (UAE) and Amanda Vest (USA)

Panelists: Andrea Russo (USA) and Hussam Ghalib (UAE)

SMARTPASS 2.0 in Subcutaneous Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator: T-Wave Oversensing No Longer the Primary Cause of Inappropriate Shocks
Christopher Monkhouse (United Kingdom)

Discussion

Ramadan Fasting and Heart Rate Variability: A Window Into Autonomic Adaptation
Malak Benabdellah (Morocco)

Discussion

GLP1-RAS Versus Bariatric Surgery in Patients With Obesity and Heart Failure With Preserved Ejection Fraction
Ramzi Ibrahim (USA)

Discussion

Association Between Sacubitril/Valsartan and Risk of Dementia in Heart Failure Patients: A Systemic Review and Meta-Analysis
Rashad G. Mohamed (Egypt)

Discussion

10:50 - 11:10

EXPO BREAK

Visit the Expo



AGENDA | SUNDAY, 5 OCTOBER

11:10 - 12:00

PLENARY

Success and Challenges in Adopting the Guidelines

Al Ras 2

Chairs: Joao Cavalcante (USA) and Marwan Refaat (Lebanon)

Panelists: Mohamed Aljaabari (UAE), Wael Al Mahmeed (UAE), and Abdullah Shehab (UAE)

Perioperative Management

Wael Jaber (USA)

Appropriate Use Criteria For ICD Implementation

Sana Al-Khatib (USA)

PH Guidelines

Hani Sabbour (UAE)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

12:10 - 12:40

Closing Ceremony and Convocation

Al Ras 2

Presenters: Juwairia Alali (UAE), Cathleen Biga (USA), Wael Jaber (USA), Gurusher Panjraht (USA), and Abdullah Shehab (UAE)

12:40 - 14:30

Lunch and Farewell

Al Baraha 3 & Promenade