

THURSDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER

13:00 - 17:30

PRE-CONFERENCE BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Critical Care Cardiology

FRIDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER

8:00 - 9:00

SPONSORED SYMPOSIUM

Sponsored Session I

Sponsored Session II

9:10 - 10:00

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS

Atrial Fibrillation in 2026: First-Line Ablation, Anticoagulation, and Imaging

Chairs: Luigi Di Biase (USA) and Juan Carlos Diaz (Colombia)

Should AFib Ablation PVI be Offered as a First-Line Treatment?

Juan F. Agudelo-Urbe (Colombia)

Should OAC be Initiated in Patients with AHRE/Can OAC Be Stopped After Ablation?

Oriana Bastidas (Colombia)

The Role of CT in AFib Imaging

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

INTERVENTIONS AND ISCHEMIC HEART DISEASES
Contemporary PCI Controversies: Techniques, Tools, and Tradeoffs

Chairs: Jose Miguel Torres Viera (Venezuela) and Anna Bortnick (USA)

Panelists: Boris Vesga (Colombia), Alexandra Arias (Mexico) and Mauricio Lopez Meneses (Mexico)

Left Main and Multivessel vs. CABG

Should We Revascularize Patients Who Are Asymptomatic?

Franklin Leonardo Hanna (Colombia)

What Should We Do With Antiplatelets for PCI Patients Undergoing Surgery or at High Risk of Bleeding?

Roxana Mehran (USA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

SPECIAL TOPICS

Building a Cardio-Oncology Program: From Vision to Sustainable Practice

Chair: Juan C. Lopez-Mattei (USA)

Panelists: Luz Clemencia Zárate (Colombia), Gina González (Colombia) and Tito Carrera (Colombia)

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HEART FAILURE AND CARDIOMYOPATHIES Cardiomyopathies: Solve the Case!	VALVULAR DISEASES Mitral Valve Disease: Contemporary Management and Comprehensive Imaging	CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS Living With AFib: Monitoring, Burden, and Long-Term Management After Ablation	ORAL PRESENTATIONS	ON-CALL WITH THE EXPERTS
Chair: Johanna Paola Contreras (USA) Panelists: Taarik Dookie (Trinidad & Tobago) and Jose Antonio Magaña (México) Case Presentation Solon Navarrete (Colombia) Amyloid: Diagnosis and Treatment María Juliana Rodríguez G. (Colombia) Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy: Diagnosis and Treatment Clara Saldarriaga (Colombia) Fabry's Disease: Diagnosis and Treatment Jairo A. Rendón (Colombia) Case Solved Panel Discussion with Audience Question and Answer	Chairs: Juan C. Lopez-Mattei (USA) and Patricia Rodriguez-Lozano (USA) Panelists: Adrian D'Ovidio (Argentina), Boris Vesga (Colombia) and Laura Duque (Colombia) The Spectrum of Mitral Regurgitation: Primary Disease and Functional MR Phenotypes Purvi Parwani (USA) Rheumatic Mitral Valve Disease in 2026: Imaging, Pitfalls and Management Considerations Jose Julian Carvajal (Colombia) Transcatheter Therapies For Mitral Valve Disease: Current Practice and Emerging Options Enrique D. Garcia-Sayan (USA) Case Presentation: Transcatheter Mitral Edge-to-Edge Repair María Antonia Mesa Maya (Colombia) Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer	Chair: Luigi Di Biase (USA) Panelists: Julián Aristizabal (Colombia), Oriana Bastidas (Colombia) and Elaine E. Nuñez Ayala (Dominican Republic) Fireside Chats sessions provide in-depth conversations into complex topics, with experts discussing nuanced challenges and sharing their unique insights. Gain direct access to experts, opportunities to ask questions, and seek practical advice.	Oral Presentation sessions spotlight high-quality, original research abstracts and complex clinical cases impacting today's cardiovascular care. Join colleagues where novel research, real-world experience, and innovative case discussions converge.	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.

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PLENARY

CONFERENCE WELCOME

Juan C. Lopez-Mattei (USA), Clara Saldarriaga (Colombia), Mario J. Garcia (USA), María Juliana Rodríguez G. (Colombia) and Roxana Mehran (USA)

OPENING PLENARY | AI in Cardiology: What's Real, What's Ready, and What's Next

Chairs: Clara Saldarriaga (Colombia) and Mario J. Garcia (USA)

Panelists: Adrian D'Ovidio (Argentina) and Carlos Jose Jaramillo Gómez (Colombia)

How Soon and in What Order Will We Get Replaced?

Detection and Monitoring of Cardiac Arrhythmias

Luis Carlos Saenz Morales (Colombia)

Use of AI in Diagnostic Imaging

Juan C. Lopez-Mattei (USA)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

12:50 - 13:50

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14:00 - 14:50					BREAKOUT SESSIONS				
SPECIAL TOPICS Research Workshop (Part 1)		INTERVENTIONS AND ISCHEMIC HEART DISEASES Intravascular Imaging and Physiology in PCI: Practical Decision-Making in 2026		HEART FAILURE AND CARDIOMYOPATHIES Underdiagnosed: HFpEF Score vs. Imaging		ORAL PRESENTATIONS		ON-CALL WITH THE EXPERTS	
This two-part session aims to empower international researchers, enhancing their ability to publish in reputable journals.		Chairs: Franklin Leonardo Hanna (Colombia) and Anna Bortnick (USA) Panelists: Boris Vesga (Colombia) How Does CT-FFR, Intravascular Imaging, and Intravascular Physiology Help with Decision Making About Revascularization? Iván Dario Rendón Múnera (Colombia) CTO: Go or No-Go? Basics of Imaging: What Am I Seeing? Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer		Chair: Johanna Paola Contreras (USA) Panelists: Lourdes Campos (Peru) and Jairo A. Rendón (Colombia) Fireside Chats sessions provide in-depth conversations into complex topics, with experts discussing nuanced challenges and sharing their unique insights. Gain direct access to experts, opportunities to ask questions, and seek practical advice.		Oral Presentation sessions spotlight high-quality, original research abstracts and complex clinical cases impacting today's cardiovascular care. Join colleagues where novel research, real-world experience, and innovative case discussions converge.		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.	
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SPECIAL TOPICS Research Workshop (Part 2) This two-part session aims to empower international researchers, enhancing their ability to publish in reputable journals.	SPECIAL TOPICS Changing the Game in HCM: From Treating Symptoms to Halting the Pathophysiology Case Presentation: Case Study in HCM Diagnosis Chairs: Johanna Paola Contreras (USA) and Jannes Buelvas Herazo (Colombia) Panelists: Adrian D'Ovidio (Argentina) and Jose Antonio Magaña (México) Case Study in HCM Diagnosis Laura Valentina López (Colombia) What Can Echo and MRI Tell Me About Diagnosis Mario J. Garcia (USA) Be Aware of the Gradients Clara Saldarriaga (Colombia) Innovation in HCM Treatments María Juliana Rodríguez G. (Colombia) Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer	CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVENTION From Vulnerable Plaques to Vulnerable Patients: Rethinking Coronary Risk Chairs: Carlos Andrés Sánchez Vallejo (Colombia) and Purvi Parwani (USA) Panelists: Valentin Fuster (USA) and Ángel Alberto García Peña (Colombia) Fireside Chats sessions provide in-depth conversations into complex topics, with experts discussing nuanced challenges and sharing their unique insights. Gain direct access to experts, opportunities to ask questions, and seek practical advice.	ORAL PRESENTATIONS Oral Presentation sessions spotlight high-quality, original research abstracts and complex clinical cases impacting today's cardiovascular care. Join colleagues where novel research, real-world experience, and innovative case discussions converge.	ON-CALL WITH THE EXPERTS 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.

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PLENARY

Valentin Fuster: The Importance of Prevention

Chairs: Roxana Mehran (USA) and Clara Saldarriaga (Colombia)

Presenter: Valentin Fuster (USA)

18:00 - 19:00

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

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

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SATURDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER

8:00 - 9:00

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9:10 - 10:00

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVENTION

Primary Prevention Show Down: Probability or Plaque?

Chairs: Jannes Buelvas Herazo (Colombia) and Susana Blanco (Venezuela)

Panelists: Eduardo Rivas-Estany (Cuba), Félix Álvaro Medina Palomino (Perú) and Mildren del Sueldo (Argentina)

Case Presentation: Low Risk on Paper, High Risk in the Arteries
Nicolas Rodriguez (Colombia)

Primary Prevention for ASCVD Debate: Risk Scores Remain the Best First Step in Primary Prevention
Carlos Andrés Sánchez Vallejo (Colombia)

CCTA: A Transformative Tool for Detecting Risk We Can See
Purvi Parwani (USA)

Panel Discussion and Audience Question and Answer

CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS

Managing Ventricular Arrhythmias: Beyond LVEF to Personalized Therapy

Chairs: Elaine E. Nuñez Ayala (Dominican Republic) and Julián Aristizabal (Colombia)

Risk Stratification Beyond LVEF

Approach and Treatment for Patients with PVCs
Luigi Di Biase (USA)

Should I Offer Increased Antiarrhythmic Drug Doses or Should I Consider Ablation?
Luis Carlos Saenz Morales (Colombia)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

INTERVENTIONS AND ISCHEMIC HEART DISEASES

Show Me Your Best/Worst Case of the Year

Chairs: Anna Bortnick (USA) and Boris Vesga (Colombia)

Panelists: Jose Miguel Torres Viera (Venezuela), Iván Dario Rendón Múnera (Colombia) and Mauricio Lopez Meneses (Mexico)

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VALVULAR DISEASES

The Tricuspid Frontier: Contemporary Transcatheter Therapies

Chairs: Mario J. Garcia (USA) and Luz Clemencia Zárate (Colombia)

Panelists: Marietta Juan Guardela (Colombia), Jose Julian Carvajal (Colombia) and Juan Felipe Vasquez (Colombia)

Who, When, and Why to Intervene: Patient Selection for Transcatheter Tricuspid Therapies

Julian Gelves (Colombia)

Imaging the Tricuspid Valve: Multimodality Assessment and Anatomical Criteria for Device Suitability for Transcatheter Tricuspid Interventions

Enrique D. Garcia-Sayan (USA)

Case Presentation: Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Intervention

Nicolás Ariza (Colombia)

Case Presentation: Concomitant TV Surgery: Repair, Replace, or Observe

Andres Felipe Ochoa-Diaz (Colombia)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

SPECIAL TOPICS

Beyond the Red Congo: New Developments in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Amyloidosis

Chairs: Jairo A. Rendón (Colombia)

Panelists: Clara Saldarriaga (Colombia), Pravinde Ramoutar (Trinidad & Tobago) and Juan David Lopez (Colombia)

Case Presentation: An Easy Way to Get it Done!

Johanna Paola Contreras (USA)

Simplifying Cardiac Amyloidosis Diagnosis

Juan C. Lopez-Mattei (USA)

How MRI and Echo Can Help in the Diagnosis

Juan C. Lopez-Mattei (USA)

The Amyloid Frontiers: New Strategies, New Hope

María Juliana Rodríguez G. (Colombia)

Panel Discussion

SPECIAL TOPICS

Extending Cardiovascular Care Beyond the City: Telemedicine and Rural Health

Chair: Juan Camilo Pedreros (Colombia)

Panelists: Jannes Buelvas Herazo (Colombia) and Carlos José Jaramillo Gómez (Colombia)

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PLENARY

What's New in Cardiovascular Guidelines: Implications for Practice

Chairs: Mario J. Garcia (USA) and Xavier Escudero (Mexico)

Panelists: Ángel Alberto García Peña (Colombia), Cesar J. Herrera (Dominican Republic) and Luz Clemencia Zárate (Colombia)

Dyslipidemia and Primary Prevention

Purvi Parwani (USA)

Valvular Heart Disease

Enrique D. Garcia-Sayan (USA)

Cardiovascular-Kidney-Metabolic Syndrome

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

12:30 - 13:30

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVENTION

Prevention in Action: Treating Intermediate & High ASCVD Risk

Chairs: Purvi Parwani (USA) and Carlos Andrés Sánchez Vallejo (Colombia)

Panelists: José Patricio López (Colombia) and Andres Felipe Buitrago Sandoval (Colombia)

Case Presentation: Does My Patient at Intermediate Risk Benefit From Therapeutic Interventions?

Luis Carlos Bernal (Colombia)

Aspirin and Blood Pressure, and Statins in 2026: Practical Treatment Thresholds for Asymptomatic Patients

Jannes Buelvas Herazo (Colombia)

Non-Statins Therapies for Primary Prevention in High-Risk Asymptomatic Individuals

Ángel Alberto García Peña (Colombia)

Evidence-Based Exercise Prescription and Dietary Strategies for Primary Prevention of Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease Patients

Viviana Quintero (Colombia)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

SPECIAL TOPICS

Implementing Cardio-Reno-Metabolic Care: From Concept to Clinic

Chairs: María Juliana Rodríguez G. (Colombia) and Xavier Escudero (Mexico)

Case Presentation: How to Recognize What Has Been Seen Many Times

Juan Pablo Morales Grisales (Colombia)

Epidemiology of Cardio Renal Disease: Solving the Crossword Puzzle

Johanna Paola Contreras (USA)

New Evidence in the Treatment of Renal Disease

Patricia Rodríguez-Lozano (USA)

How to Implement the Cardio-Reno-Metabolic Clinics

Jose Antonio Magaña (México)

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

VALVULAR DISEASES

Critical Thinking in Aortic Valve Disease

Chairs: Enrique D. Garcia-Sayan (USA) and Luz Clemencia Zárate (Colombia)

Panelists: Marietta Juan Guardela (Colombia), Jose Julian Carvajal (Colombia) and Anna Bortnick (USA)

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HEART FAILURE AND CARDIOMYOPATHIES

The Great Mimickers: Distinguishing Inflammatory and Genetic Cardiomyopathies

Chairs: Mario J. Garcia (USA) and María Juliana Rodríguez G. (Colombia)

Panelists: Johanna Paola Contreras (USA), Pura Henriquez (Dominican Republic) and Luisa Fernanda Durango (Colombia)

Case Presentation

Chagas: Diagnosis and Treatment
Luis Eduardo Echeverría (Colombia)

Sarcoidosis: Diagnosis and Treatment
Juan David Lopez (Colombia)

ARVC: Diagnosis and Treatment
Juan Carlos Diaz (Colombia)

Case Solved

Panel Discussion with Audience Question and Answer

SPECIAL TOPICS

Cardio-Obstetrics in Practice: Managing Cardiovascular Disease in Pregnancy

Panelists: Anna Bortnick (USA), Mildren del Sueldo (Argentina) and Susana Blanco (Venezuela)

The Right Heart in Crisis: Pulmonary Hypertension and Pregnancy are the Perfect Storm
Vizmary Piñeda (Dominican Republic)

Valves Under Pressure: Mitral Stenosis, Regurgitation, and the Gravid State
Edison Muñoz Ortiz (Colombia)

Peripartum Cardiomyopathy: Recognition, Risk Stratification, and Recovery

Panel Discussion With Audience Question and Answer

SPECIAL TOPICS

Key Lessons in Sports Cardiology

Chair: Ricardo Fernandez (Colombia)

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PLENARY

Top Clinical Trials to Impact Your Practice

Join topic experts as they present the year's top clinical trials and discuss their impact on cardiovascular care.

17:10 - 18:00

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ACC Convocation and Abstract Award Presentation

Juan C. Lopez-Mattei (USA), Clara Saldarriaga (Colombia), Mario J. Garcia (USA), María Juliana Rodríguez G. (Colombia) and Roxana Mehran (USA)

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