

Contact: Angie Porter
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aporter@asecho.org**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****ASE Scientific Sessions Celebrates 30 Years of Innovation and Record Number of Research Posters****FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Durham, NC, May 30, 2019 – ASE will host its 30th Annual Scientific Sessions, June 21-25, 2019, at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland, Oregon. The sessions have been specifically designed to provide superb education and clinical integration on cutting-edge technology like 4D imaging, multimodality imaging, the use of artificial intelligence, strain, and the use of echocardiography in heart failure, assessment of valve disease, and cardio-oncology. In addition, the conference will highlight the exponential growth in the scope of the field with a focus on point of care ultrasound, along with vascular, perioperative, and pediatric advances. A record number of 476 research posters, including oral and moderated presentations, will be featured at this premier cardiovascular imaging conference. The Final Program is online and can be downloaded at ASEScientificSessions.org. In addition, the [ASE Courses App](#) is continuously updated with detailed session information. Attendance at this conference can fulfill certification and accreditation requirements for general medical education or echo-specific CME/MOC content needs.

Marielle Scherrer-Crosbie, MD, PhD, FASE, Professor of Medicine and Director of the Echocardiography Laboratory at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Director of the Echocardiography Murine Core Laboratory of the Cardiovascular Institute, Philadelphia, PA, is the program chair. She has selected over 400 international experts who are not only cardiologists and sonographers, but also pediatricians, point of care clinicians, anesthesiologists, interventionalists, vascular specialists, surgeons, veterinarians, nurses, researchers, engineers, and more. She said, “The role of cardiovascular ultrasound has expanded rapidly and is at the core of modern, high-quality healthcare around the world. For this reason, the theme of this year’s meeting, “30 Years of Innovation” is overarching, highlighting the complementary strengths of cardiovascular ultrasound at the intersection of imaging, physiology, physiopathology, interventional medicine, and surgery.”

In its third year, the Value of Echo Summit will take place on Monday, June 24, 10:15 AM - 2:45 PM. This special Summit includes two sessions, “Quality and Efficiency in Today’s Echo Lab” and “Preparing for the Echo Lab of the Next Decade.” Experts will help the entire cardiovascular ultrasound community understand how their practice is being impacted by the changes in the U.S. healthcare system. Registered attendees are invited to bring their hospital administrators and service line leaders to this session free of charge.

Sanjiv Shah, MD, FASE, Neil Stone, MD Professor in the Division of Cardiology, Director of the T1 Center for Cardiovascular Therapeutics, and Director of the Heart Failure with Preserved Ejection Fraction Program at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, Chicago, IL, will deliver the 20th Annual Feigenbaum Lecture, “Echocardiography for Precision Medicine: Digital Biopsy to Deconstruct Biology” on Monday afternoon. ASE Immediate Past President, cardiologist at Northwestern Memorial Hospital and Professor of Medicine at Northwestern University’s Feinberg School of Medicine, Chicago, IL, **Vera H. Rigolin, MD, FASE**, will present the Edler Lecture “Time Flies When You Are Having Fun with Aortic Stenosis” on Saturday morning. On Sunday, *New York Times* best-selling author, **Barbara Natterson-Horowitz, MD**, will deliver the inaugural Gardin Lecture, “Species-Spanning Echocardiography: Cardiovascular Insights for Humans and Other Animals.” This annual lectureship was endowed to the ASE Foundation through a generous, long-term gift from ASE Past President, Julius Gardin, MD, FASE. **Matt Bruce, PhD**, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, will present the 2019 Kalmanson Lecture, “Ultrafast Echo: Seeing More with Speed” during the Applied Ultrasound Physics: What Clinicians Need to Know session on Monday morning. Two additional world-renowned speakers join the faculty this year. They are, **Dr. Patrick McCarthy**, Executive Director of the Bluhm Cardiovascular Institute at Northwestern Medicine, the first Heller-Sacks Professor of Surgery at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, Chief of the Division of Cardiac Surgery at Northwestern Memorial Hospital and Professor of

Biomedical Engineering at Northwestern University McCormick School of Engineering, Chicago, IL, who will speak on Saturday and Sunday as a part of the Valve Track; and **Dr. Olaf T. Von Ramm**, Thomas Lord Professor of Engineering in the Edmund T. Pratt, Jr. School of Engineering, and Professor of Medicine, Duke University, Durham, NC, who will chair a session in the Information/Technology Track on Sunday and speak in the Perioperative Track on Tuesday.

ASE 2019 also boasts the largest, echo-specific gathering in the world featuring nearly 60 exhibitors, including a number of first-time vendors, presenting new concepts, technology, devices, and research. Participants can take part in interactive demonstrations to gain firsthand knowledge of how devices work and how they will benefit practices or institutions. Top experts in the field will make daily presentations in the Science & Technology Theater and in "chalk talks" held on the show floor. Over 470 researchers, including 23 young researchers selected by experts, will present cutting-edge research on the latest advances in cardiovascular ultrasound or clinical cases illustrating evolutions in patient care. Moderated poster presentations will take place on Sunday and Monday.

ASE is pleased to offer qualified members of the media a complimentary registration. We can help you present interesting news and developments in cardiovascular ultrasound technology. Please contact Angie Porter at aporter@asecho.org if you need any additional information, would like to register to cover the event, or if you would like to arrange interviews with our expert faculty or ASE leadership. Onsite media registration is available, but, if possible, we would like to prepare for your coverage in advance.

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