

# 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Keys to Cardiac Imaging

September 14 – 16, 2026 ● Biltmore Coral Gables | Miami, FL

## Monday, September 14, 2026

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7:00 a.m.     **Registration & Continental Breakfast**

7:45 a.m.     **Welcome and Introductions**  
Pragnesh P. Parikh, M.D. & Patricia J. Mergo, M.D.

### Latest Advances in Cardiovascular Imaging: Echo CT, PET, and CMR

**Moderators:** Patricia J. Mergo, M.D. and Pragnesh P. Parikh, M.D.

8:00 a.m.     **Photon-Counting Cardiac CT: The Next Generation of Coronary Imaging**  
Suhny Abbara, M.D.

8:20 a.m.     **Beyond Perfusion: Molecular Imaging of Cardiovascular Disease**  
Panithaya Chareonthaitawee, M.D.

8:40 a.m.     **Contemporary Cardiovascular MRI: Techniques, Applications, and Future Directions**  
Tim Leiner, M.D, Ph.D.

9:00 a.m.     **Artificial Intelligence and Wearable Technologies in Echocardiography**  
Chadi Ayoub, M.B.B.S., Ph.D.

9:20 a.m.     **Artificial Intelligence in Cardiovascular Imaging: Transforming Image Interpretation and Clinical Decision Making**  
Jeremy D. Collins, M.D.

9:40 a.m.     **Questions and Answers**  
Drs. Abbara, Chareonthaitawee, Leiner, Ayoub, and Collins

10:00 a.m.    **Refreshment Break | Visit Exhibits**

### Ischemic Heart Disease

**Moderators:** Patricia J. Mergo, M.D. and Pragnesh P. Parikh, M.D.

10:20 a.m.    **Coronary CT for Calcium Score: Risk Stratification and Clinical Integration**  
Isabel O. Cortopassi, M.D.

10:40 a.m.    **Nuclear Stress Testing, Including SPECT and PET**  
Panithaya Chareonthaitawee, M.D.

- 11:00 a.m. **Cardiac MRI for Stress Testing and Viability**  
Amy W. Pollak, M.D.
- 11:20 a.m. **Coronary CTA: Native Coronary Arteries, Bypass Grafts, and Flow by FFR**  
Carlos Rojas, M.D.
- 11:40 a.m. **Plaque Characterization and CT Evaluation for PCI**  
Tim Leiner, M.D., Ph.D.
- 12:00 p.m. **Questions and Answers**  
Drs. Cortopassi, Chareonthaitawee, A. Pollak, Rojas, and Leiner
- 12:15 p.m. **Working Lunch – Pick-up Lunch Return to General Session**

### Illustrative Cases: Complications in Myocardial Infarction

**Moderator:** Pragnesh P. Parikh, M.D.

- 12:30 p.m. **LV Ventricular Aneurysm and Pseudoaneurysm** – P. Rajiah, M.B.B.S., M.D.
- 12:45 p.m. **Papillary Muscle Rupture** – C. Landolfo, M.D.
- 1:00 p.m. **Thrombus** – B. Little, M.D.
- 1:15 p.m. **Ventricular Septal Defect** – I. Cortopassi, M.D.
- 1:30 p.m. **Questions and Answers**  
Drs. Rajiah, Landolfo, Little, and Cortopassi
- 1:45 p.m. **Adjourn**

### Optional Hands-On Echo Workshop – Point of Care Ultrasound (POCUS)

- 2:00 p.m. **Cardiac POCUS: Assessing the LV – Basic Views, Wall Motion, EF**  
Amy W. Pollak, M.D.
- 2:20 p.m. **Hands-On Echo Scanning with Advanced Cardiac Sonographer**
- 3:00 p.m. **Cardiac POCUS: Assessing the RV, Pulmonary Pressures, and IVC**  
Mays T. Ali, M.D.
- 3:40 p.m. **Hands-On Echo Scanning with Advanced Cardiac Sonographer**
- 4:00 p.m. **Cardiac POCUS: Assessment of Valvular Heart Disease**  
Justin Shipman, M.D.
- Hands-On Echo Scanning with Advanced Cardiac Sonographer**
- 5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

## Tuesday, September 15, 2026

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7:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**

7:15 a.m. **Oral Abstract Presentations – Abstract Winners (1-6)**  
No CME Credit

7:55 a.m. **Announcement & Daily Overview**

### Structural / Interventional Heart Disease Part 1

**Moderators:** Pragnesh P. Parikh, M.D. and Carolyn Landolfo, M.D.

8:00 a.m. **Echo Evaluation of Aortic Stenosis**  
Justin N. Shipman, M.D.

8:20 a.m. **TAVR CT: Aortic Valve Calcium Score, Annular Measurements, Peripheral Vessel Assessment**  
Peter M. Pollak, M.D.

8:40 a.m. **TAVR CT: Beyond the Basics: Valve-in-Valve, Bicuspid Aortic Valve, and Alternate Access Assessment**  
Jeremy D. Collins, M.D.

9:00 a.m. **Severe Mitral Annular Calcification: Surgery, Hybrid Strategies, and Transcatheter Solutions**  
Jack Haney, M.D.

9:20 a.m. **Cardiac CT for Mitral Valve Interventions**  
Praj Reddy, M.D.

9:40 a.m. **Questions and Answers**  
Drs. Shipman, P. Pollak, Collins, Haney, and P. Reddy

10:00 a.m. **Refreshment Break | Visit Exhibits**

### Structural / Interventional Heart Disease Part 2

**Moderators:** Patricia J. Mergo, M.D.

10:15 a.m. **Echo Evaluation of Tricuspid Regurgitation**  
Kevin G. Tayon, M.D.

10:35 a.m. **Multimodality Imaging of the Tricuspid Valve: CT and MRI for Intervention Planning**  
Prabhakar Rajiah, M.B.B.S., M.D.

10:55 a.m. **Multimodality Imaging of the Left Atrial Appendage for Occlusion and Ligation**  
Pragnesh P. Parikh, M.D.

- 11:15 a.m. **Mitral Annular Disjunction, Scar, and Arrhythmias**  
Andrew S. Tseng, M.D.
- 11:35 a.m. **Multimodality Evaluation of Endocarditis**  
Awais A. Malik, M.D.
- 11:55 a.m. **4-D Flow in Structural Disease**  
Elizabeth M. Johnson, M.D.
- 12:15 p.m. **Questions and Answers**  
Drs. Tayon, Rajiah, Parikh, Tseng, Malik, and Johnson
- 12:30 p.m. **Working Lunch – Pickup Lunch – Return to General Session**

### **Illustrative Case: Prosthetic Valve Assessment**

**Moderators:** Pragnesh P. Parikh, M.D.

- 12:45 p.m. **Prosthetic Valve Dysfunction – Echo** – P. Reddy, M.D.
- 12:55 p.m. **Prosthetic Valve Dysfunction – CT** – S. Abbara, M.D.

1:05 p.m. **Refreshment Break | Visit Exhibits**

### **Special Topics**

- 1:20 p.m. **Incidental Noncardiac Findings—What Do I Do with This?**  
Brent P. Little M.D.
- 1:40 p.m. **3-D Modeling: Medical Applications Using Imaging Data**  
Elizabeth M. Johnson, M.D.
- 2:00 p.m. **Imaging Congenital Heart Disease: Integrating Echo, CT, and MRI**  
Sabrina D. Phillips, M.D.
- 2:30 p.m. **Questions and Answers**  
Drs. Little, Johnson, and Phillips
- 2:40 p.m. **Adjourn**

### **Optional Hands-On Echo Workshop: Transesophageal Echo/Intracardiac Echo**

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Hands-On Simulation of TEE and ICE for Structural Heart Disease**

**Tricuspid and Left Atrial Appendage**

# Wednesday, September 16, 2026

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6:50 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**

7:00 a.m. **Oral Abstract Presentations – Abstract Winners (7-11)**  
No CME Credit

## Cardiomyopathies

**Moderator:** Pragnesh P. Parikh, M.D.

7:30 a.m. **Echo Evaluation of Cardiomyopathy Including Strain**  
Chadi Ayoub, M.B.B.S., Ph.D.

7:50 a.m. **Multimodality Imaging in the Evaluation of Cardiac Amyloidosis**  
Awais A. Malik, M.D.

8:10 a.m. **Multimodality Evaluation of Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy**  
Mays T. Ali, M.D.

8:30 a.m. **Pulmonary Hypertension: The Role of Multimodality Imaging in Diagnosis and Risk Stratification**  
John E. Moss, M.D.

8:50 a.m. **Multimodality Imaging of the Pericardium**  
Praj Reddy, M.D.

9:10 a.m. **Questions and Answers**  
Drs. Ali, Reddy, Moss, and Ayoub

9:30 a.m. **Refreshment Break | Visit Exhibits**

## Special Topics

**Moderator:** Patricia J. Mergo, M.D.

10:00 a.m. **Cardiac MRI Safety**  
Andrew W. Bowman, M.D., Ph.D.

10:20 a.m. **Artifacts in Cardiovascular MRI: How to Identify and (Sometimes) Correct Them**  
Vera Sorin, M.D.

10:40 a.m. **MRI Evaluation of Cardiac Masses**  
Andrew W. Bowman, M.D., Ph.D.

11:00 a.m. **Troubleshooting and Improving Cardiac Imaging Protocols**  
Kieran P. McGee, Ph.D.

11:20 a.m. **Questions and Answers**  
Drs. Bowman, Sorin, and McGee

11:30 a.m. **Course Adjourns**