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1ST CARDIOVASCULAR UPDATES CONFERENCE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026 BALLROOM

08:45-09:00 Opening Remarks by Steering Committee

Session I: Updates in CAD Diagnosis and Management		
09:00-10:15	Chairs: Wael Al Mahmeed, Gopal Bhatnagar & Emad Hakemi	Auditorium (P1)
09:00-09:15	Stable Angina: Who Needs More Than Meds?	Mahmoud Traina
09:15-09:30	Contemporary Management for Acute Coronary Syndromes	Syed Farrukh Jamal
09:30-09:45	Patient with Angina and Normal Coronary Arteries: What's next?	Ronney Shantouf
09:45-10:00	Case for Heart Team Discussion: A Case of STEMI and Multi-Vessel Disease	Nabi Aslan
10:00-10:15	Q&A	All Session Faculty
10:15-10:30 Satellite Symposium I		Ballroom (P2)
10:30-10:45 Coffee Break		
Session II: Updates in Prevention and Risk Factor Control		
10:45-12:00	Chairs: Ronney Shantouf, Aiman Smer & Yaser Elhenawi	Auditorium (P1)
10:45-11:00	Emerging Therapies for Hyperlipidemia	Dima Quraini
11:00-11:15	Cardiology Meets Diabetology: Treating the Diabetic Heart in 2026	Hani Sabbour
11:15-11:30	Managing Hypertension in 2026: What's new?	Samer Ellaham
11:30-11:45	Detecting and Preventing Cardiac Toxicity in Cancer Patients	Manyoo Agarwal
11:45-12:00	Q&A	All Session Faculty
12:00-13:15 Lunch and Learn		
12:15-12:45 Satellite Symposium II		Ballroom (P2)



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Session III: Guidelines and Practice-changing Trials Update		Auditorium (P1)
13:15-14:00	Chairs: Wael Al Mahmeed, Feras Bader & Emad Hakemi	
13:15-13:30	Guidelines Updates	Aiman Smer
13:30-13:45	Practice-Changing Trials	Firas J. Al Badarin
13:45-14:00	Q&A	All Session Faculty
Session IV: Updates in Structural Heart Disease		Auditorium (P1)
14:00-15:15	Chairs: Mohammad Khalil, Mahmoud Traina & Mitesh Badiwala	
14:00-14:15	State-of-the-Art Transcatheter Therapies for Mitral Regurgitation	Ahmad Bafadel
14:15-14:30	Advances in Transcatheter Treatment of Severe Tricuspid Regurgitation	Emad Hakemi
14:30-14:45	Options for Patients with Atrial Fibrillation and Prior Bleeding	Musa A. Sharkawi
14:45-15:00	Case of Heart Team Discussion: A Case of Severe Aortic Stenosis	Mena Aziz
15:00-15:15	Q&A	All Session Faculty
15:15-15:30		Ballroom (P2)
15:30-15:45	Coffee Break	
Session V: Updates in Heart Failure and Transplant		Auditorium (P1)
15:45-17:00	Chairs: Hussam Ghalib, Ronney Shantouf & Jihad Ramahi	
15:45-16:00	State of the Art Heart Failure Management in 2026	Medhat Soliman
16:00-16:15	HFpEF: From Diagnosis to Therapy	Feras Bader
16:15-16:30	Advanced HF Therapies: What are the Options and When to Refer?	Nadya AlMatrooshi
16:30-16:45	Case for Heart Team Discussion: A Case of Cardiogenic Shock	Iman Hamour
16:45-17:00	Q&A	All Session Faculty
17:00-18:00	Networking Reception	



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08:45-09:00 Day 1 Recap and Day 2 Welcome

Session VI: Updates in Cardiac Electrophysiology Chairs: Aiman Smer, Fereidoon Shafiei & Syed Farrukh Jamal			Auditorium (P1)
09:00-10:15			
09:00-09:15	Atrial Fibrillation in 2026: Key Updates from the New ESC Guidelines		Fereidoon Shafiei
09:15-09:30	Conduction System Pacing for the Treatment of and Prevention of Heart Failure		John Rickard
09:30-09:45	Role of Wearable Technology in Patients with Cardiac Arrhythmias		Mohamed AlJaabari
09:45-10:00	Case for Heart Team Discussion: A Case of Pacemaker Infection		Khalid Bakr
10:00-10:15	Q&A		All Session Faculty
10:15-10:30	Satellite Symposium IV		Ballroom (P2)
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break		
Session VII: Updates in Special Populations Chairs: Dima Quraini, Shady Hegazi & Bassam Atallah			Auditorium (P1)
10:45-12:00			
10:45-11:00	How Do I Treat ATTR-CM Patients in 2026?		Firas J. Al Badarin
11:00-11:15	State of the Art Treatment of HCM		Husam Ghalib
11:15-11:30	Defining the CKM Syndrome		Aiman Smer
11:30-11:45	Perioperative Assessment in Complex Cardiac Patients		Hassan Khan
11:45-12:00	Q&A		All Session Faculty
12:00-13:15	Lunch and Learn		
12:15-12:30	Satellite Symposium V		Ballroom (P2)
12:45-13:00	Satellite Symposium VI		Ballroom (P2)



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13:15-14:30		Session VIII: Updates in Vascular Medicine Chairs: Firas J. Al Badarin, Khurram Rasheed & Shady Abdelsayed	Auditorium (P1)
13:15-13:30	PERT: Transforming the Treatment Pathway for Pulmonary Embolism		Batool Abuhlimeh
13:30-13:45	Asymptomatic Carotid Artery Disease Management		Mohamad Qadura
13:45-14:00	Evolving Approaches to Type B Aortic Dissection		Jason Chin
14:00-14:15	Critical Limb Ischemia: Vascular Medicine, Surgery, and Podiatry in Harmony		Houssam Younes
14:15-14:30	Q&A		All Session Faculty
14:30-14:45		Satellite Symposium VII	Ballroom (P2)
14:45-15:00		Coffee Break	



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CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026 BALLROOM

15:00-16:30 **Workshop A**
Must-know ECG Findings

15:00-16:30 **Workshop B**
Approach to Diagnosing Common Echo Pathologies

15:00-16:30 **Workshop C**
Multimodality Imaging (CT, MR, Nuclear): Seeing the Whole Heart

15:00-16:30 **Workshop D**
Cardiac Surgery Updates

16:30 Closing Remarks

Mohammed
AlJaabari,
Syed Farrukh Jamal,
& Ghanem Ismail

Mohammad Khalil,
Dima Quraini &
Walid El Tahlawy

Ahmad Bafadel,
Haluk Alibazoglu &
Mena Aziz

Mitesh Badiwala,
Nilesh Srivastav
& Mahmoud Al-
Obeidallah