



TSRA newsletter

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Announcements

You are cordially invited!

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*Sunday May 7th 2023
5:00pm - 7:00pm PST*

*Residents, fellows, and medical students:
Please join us for a casual networking
event with your peers at AATS 2023*

*Tom's Watch Bar
1011 S Figueroa St b101
Los Angeles, CA, 90015*

Short presentation followed by drinks and food on us!



New Podcast series and competition

Win money in our new Podcast Competition open now, ending May 15!

The TSRA is proud to announce the first Clinical Scenarios podcast competition. The top cardiac, thoracic, and congenital podcasts will each receive a \$100 prize, and the best overall podcast will receive a \$200 prize!

To enter the competition, please contact [Anna Olds](#).

We are recruiting for a new mini podcast series of 5-minute episodes on blood management. Reach out to [Anna Olds](#) if you would like to contribute to TSRA and publish a mini podcast!

TSRA Webinars



The graphic is a promotional poster for a TSRA webinar. At the top left is a small anatomical diagram of the heart and lungs. The main title 'TSRA' is in large red letters, with 'Thoracic Surgery Residents Association' below it. A line of text provides a YouTube link for the full recording. The main topic is 'Ongoing trials which may revolutionize cardiovascular medicine', with a subtitle 'Featuring world experts and trainees in both cardiac surgery and cardiology'. Five speakers are listed with their names, titles, and affiliations, each accompanied by a small portrait photo. At the bottom, the date and time are given, along with a note about a Q&A opportunity and the AtriCure logo.

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Thoracic Surgery Residents Association

Full Recording Available on YouTube (<https://youtu.be/TM1tOz2uq2A>)!

Ongoing trials which may revolutionize cardiovascular medicine
Featuring world experts and trainees in both cardiac surgery and cardiology

Roxana Mehran, MD
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
Professor of Medicine in Cardiology and Population Health Science and Policy
Director, Cardiovascular Research and Clinical Trials
Director, Women's Heart and Vascular Center

Arnar Geirsson, MD
Yale University
Professor and Chief of Cardiac Surgery
Surgical Director Heart Failure, Transplant and Mechanical Support
Director, Robotic Cardiac Surgery

Bartley P. Griffith, MD
University of Maryland
Professor of Surgery
Co-Director of the Cardiac Xenotransplantation Program

Kendra J. Grubb, MD, MHA
Emory University
Assistant Professor
Surgical Director of the Structural Heart and Valve Program

Irbaz Hameed, MD
Yale University
Moderator

Sophia Alexis, MD
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
Moderator

March 29, 2023. 7-8PM, EST. The event will include an opportunity for Q&A from the audience

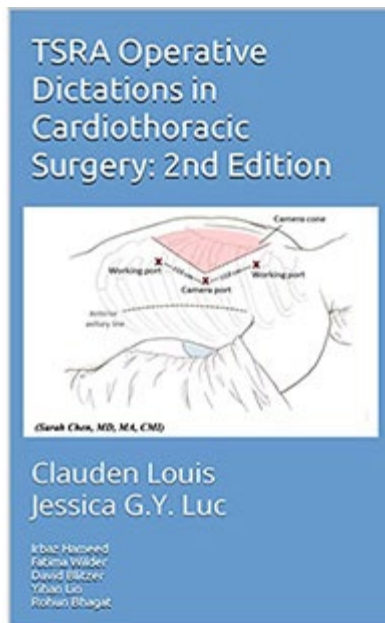
This webinar series is supported by **AtriCure**

Watch a recording of our recently hosted webinar: [Ongoing trials which will revolutionize cardiovascular medicine](#). Live discussion on PRIMARY, REPAIR-MR, TWILIGHT and PROGRESS trials with Drs Roxana Mehran, Arnar Geirsson, Kendra Grubb, Irbaz Hameed and Sophia Alexis

Stayed tuned for our next TSRA webinar on "Dealing with Complications" on May 22nd. Watch this space or our [Twitter](#) for further information!

TSRA Operative Dictations 2nd Edition

[TSRA Operative Dictations in Cardiothoracic Surgery: 2nd Edition](#) was released last month. This is an essential resource for the review of the major steps of major cardiothoracic surgical operations.



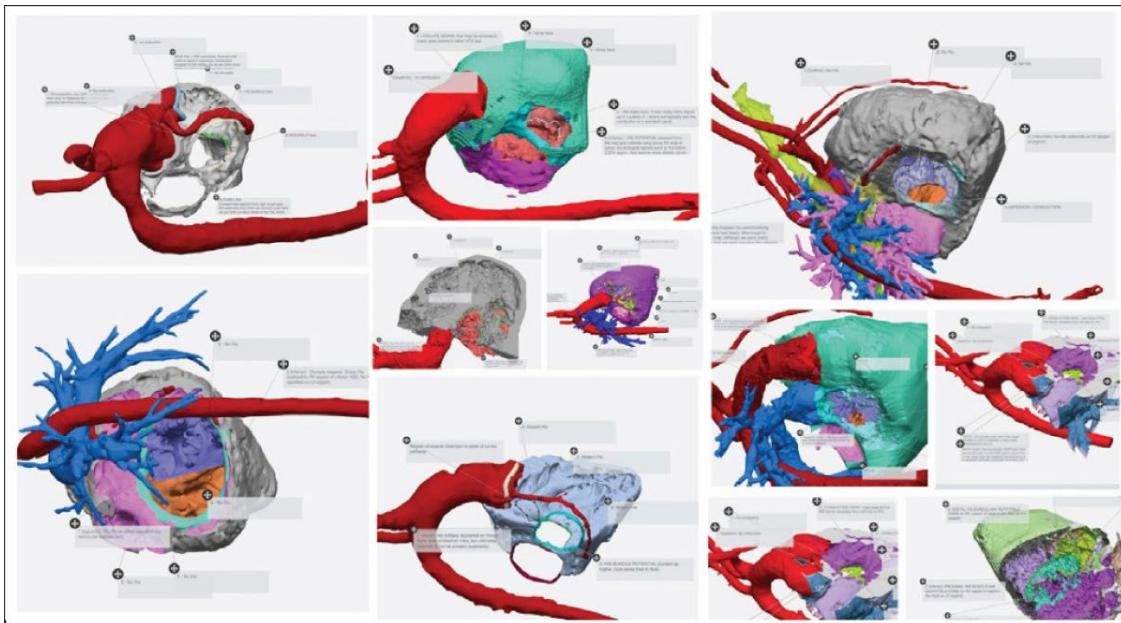
Purchase the paperback on [Amazon](#) or access every chapter conveniently online via our [WebApp](#)

Featured Podcast

Tune in to this month's featured podcast: [TSITE Overview](#) with Drs. Chi Chi Do-Nguyen & Cherie Erkmen.

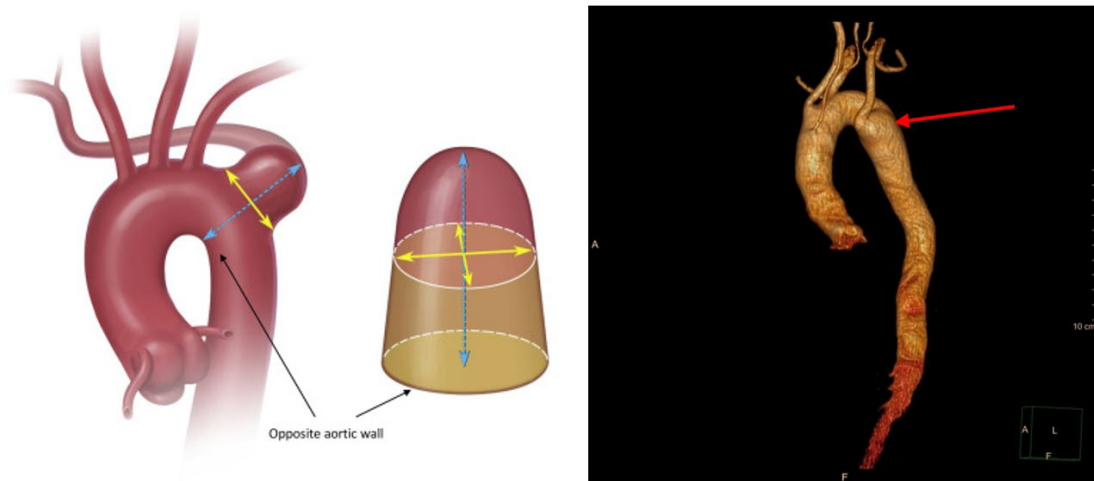
See our full list of podcasts at [the podcast main site](#). Please contact [Anna Olds](#) for new ideas and topics.

Featured Image (Prepared by Nick Oh)



Innovative intraoperative conduction mapping is used to localize conduction tissue in complex congenital heart surgery. Above are patient-specific 3-D heart models of conduction anatomy. ([Feins et al. JTCVS 2022. PMID 36710103](#))

Clinical Pearl (Prepared by Justin Robinson)



Kommerell's Diverticulum (KD), an anomaly of the aortic arch in which there is an error in the development of the fourth dorsal pouch. The leads to pathological aneurysmal dilation of the descending aorta at the origin of an aberrant subclavian artery.

Left image: The usual measurements to record growth on the KD including KD diameter (yellow arrow) and the distance to the opposite aortic wall (blue dashed arrow) ([Erben et al. J Vasc Surg 2020. PMID: 31708305](#))

Right image: [Radiopedia](#)

Ongoing Opportunities & Deadlines (Prepared by S. Faaz Ashraf)

Upcoming abstract submission deadlines (Links provided on date):

- European Association for Cardio-Thoracic Surgery 37th Annual Meeting [04/30/23](#)
- Congenital Heart Surgeons' Society (CHSS) [05/23/23](#)

As always, you can review other upcoming events on the [CTSNet Events Listing](#)

- **Looking for resident mentors!** The **T SMA/TSRA Joint Mentorship Collaborative** seeks to pair a CT surgery trainee at any level of training (including general surgery residents going into CT surgery) with a student mentee from TSMA. Please contact [Cynthia Rangel](#)
- Interested in doing a **quick 1-minute video on a key CT surgery concept** which will be disseminated to thousands across all TSRA social platforms? Please contact [Irbaz Hameed](#) to contribute to [#1minCTconsult](#).

The [TSRA Webapp calendar](#) is a centralized hub for events and webinars in the cardiothoracic community. Please send us any details you would like to share with our community and keep an eye on the calendar for great upcoming events! For information or publicity, please email [Carrie Dubeau](#).





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