The American Association for Thoracic Surgery

AATS 100th Annual Meeting: A Virtual Learning Experience

All presentations from the 100th Annual Meeting are now available on demand until September 23 on aats.org. Stay tuned for details on the 101st Annual Meeting and Aortic Symposium, taking place May 1-4, 2021, in Seattle, WA.

View Updated Content on AATS Online

You can now view presentations from the 2019 International Thoracic Surgical Oncology Summit and 2020 Mechanical Support for the Heart and Lung Symposium on AATS Online. Access any of the presentations from the two-day meeting via the button below or go to AATS Online in the top navigation menu on the AATS Web site and select on Presentations from the drop-down menu. You will be prompted to log in and can use the available links if you do not know your user name and password.

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The AATS Foundation

Invest in the Success of the AATS Foundation

The AATS Foundation continues to expand its reach and global academic exchange through structured programs and partnerships. Donor contributions provide significant research and educational opportunities for cardiothoracic surgeons around the world.

Your gift matters. Thanks to the support of generous donors throughout the years, medical students, residents, and fellows are given access to one-on-one mentorship, the most valuable asset for any young medical professional.

The success of the AATS Foundation depends on you. Make your tax-deductible gift at aatsfoundation.org, or contact the AATS Foundation Development office: 978-252-2200, Ext 544. Every individual, one-time gift of $5,000 or more will be doubled, thanks to the current AATS matching grant.

Apply for a Program

The AATS Foundation provides a number of educational and research opportunities to cardiothoracic surgeons around the world each year. The following programs will be accepting applications from September 1 to December 1, 2020.*
ADULT CARDIAC

Chinese Surgeons International Training Program—Sponsored by Medtronic
Supports surgeons for training at a host institution in North America to obtain skills in valve repair, MICS CABG, TAVR and aortic surgery.

James L. Cox Fellowship in Atrial Fibrillation Surgery—Sponsored by AtriCure Inc.
Affords newly graduated cardiothoracic surgeons the opportunity to improve their atrial fibrillation techniques at a host institution.

MULTI-SPECIALTY

Japanese Association for Thoracic Surgery Fellowship—Sponsored by Medtronic
Engages Japanese cardiothoracic surgeons in an interactive educational opportunity to observe and converse with specialists in the treatment of heart valve disease or advanced minimally invasive thoracic surgery at select host institutions in North America.

Summer Intern Scholarship—Supported by Scanlan
Provides first- and second-year medical students with an eight-week summer internship in an AATS member’s cardiothoracic surgery department.

Research Scholarship
Supports North American surgeons with a two-year grant of $80,000 each year to pursue research, training, and clinical experience.

Surgical Investigator Program
Provides up to $50,000 annually to support innovative clinical or translational research by young cardiothoracic surgeons for up to two years.

*Please note that this year’s fall award timeline may be impacted by COVID-19.

The Western Thoracic Surgical Association

Save the Date

WTSA 47th Annual Meeting
June 23-26, 2021
Fairmont Empress
Victoria, BC, Canada

Applications for WTSA Membership

The WTSA is now accepting Applications for Membership online for Active as well as Candidate membership status for the 2021 membership cycle. Visit the WTSA Website at www.westernthoracic.org to read the complete membership eligibility requirements and to initiate an online application.

Active Member
$375 annually, plus $50 initiation fee
Applicant must meet all membership criteria, including but not limited to:

- Reside within or have completed a cardiothoracic residency training program within the geographic limits of the Association.
- Have been engaged in the practice of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery for at least three years following completion of postgraduate training. If a candidate completed his/her thoracic surgical residency or a one-year clinical fellowship in an institution within the geographic limits of the Association, such completion may count toward one of the three years of practice.
- Have a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in his or her respective state or province, and have a current appointment on the surgical staff.