Department of Surgery, Division of Cardiovascular Surgery at the University of Pennsylvania presents

4TH NORTH AMERICAN
Aortic Valve Repair Symposium
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Friday-Saturday, September 13-14, 2019
Sofitel Philadelphia
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In Conjunction With

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The purpose of this educational activity is to provide in-depth analysis and procedural understanding of both bicuspid and 3-cusp aortic valve repair and valve-sparing aortic root surgery. Additionally, this symposium will provide technical and conceptual pearls related to aortic valve repair. Faculty presentations will constitute deep-dive sessions addressing valvular and aortic root pathology in the context of aortic valve preservation, with discussion panels focusing on the technical nuances and detailed differences in aortic valve repair and valve-sparing aortic root techniques. Live on-tape sessions will be complemented with comprehensive didactic coverage of the clinical, technical, and imaging tools required to develop a successful aortic valve repair program.

Learning Objectives
Upon completion of the activity, the participant should be able to:
- Evaluate the aortic root complex to plan for aortic valve repair
- Review techniques of bicuspid and tricuspid aortic valve repair
- Use echocardiography to plan for aortic valve repair
- Perform Echocardiographic and physiologic evaluation of aortic insufficiency after valve repair
- Identify techniques for performing valve-sparing root reimplantation
- Describe clinical and echocardiographic surveillance after aortic valve repair

Hosting Department
The 4th North American Aortic Valve Repair Symposium is hosted by the Department of Surgery, Division of Cardiovascular Surgery at the University of Pennsylvania.
Registration Fees
The registration fees for the 4th North American Aortic Valve Repair Symposium are the following: $850 for Physicians and Industry; $700 for Physicians who are members of the Society of Thoracic Surgeons (STS); $300 for Healthcare Professionals, Residents and Fellows.

The registration fee includes attendance to the symposium, a course booklet, access to view the presentation slides online, continental breakfast, mid-morning and afternoon breaks and a working lunch on both days. All attendees will also receive a complimentary flash drive.

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Meeting Location
The 4th North American Aortic Valve Repair Symposium will be held Friday-Saturday, September 13-14, 2019 at the Sofitel Philadelphia, 120 South 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103. For more information on Sofitel Philadelphia, please visit their website at: http://www.sofitel-philadelphia.com/en or to reach them directly, please call 215-569-8300.

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AGENDA

DAY 1 – Friday, September 13, 2019

6:45 AM – 7:45 AM Registration & Continental Breakfast

7:40 AM – 7:45 AM Opening the Session: Critical Challenges Regarding AI Worldwide Joseph Bavaria, MD

7:45 AM – 8:00 AM Opening remarks: Overview of the Symposium Joseph E. Bavaria, MD & Munir Boodhwani, MD

MORNING SESSION 1

AORTIC ROOT COMPLEX – ANATOMIC AND PHYSIOLOGIC PRINCIPLES GUIDING VALVE REPAIR
Moderators: TBD

8:00 AM – 8:15 AM Aortic Valve Anatomy and Function Karen Kim, MD

8:15 AM – 8:30 AM Threshold for Surgical Intervention in Ascending Aortic Aneurysms: Comparison of American, Canadian, and European Guidelines Thoralf Sundt, MD

8:30 AM – 8:45 AM MRI Versus Echo in Aortic Insufficiency: What is the Gold Standard in Quantification? Paul Fedak, MD & Victor Ferrari, MD

8:45 AM – 9:00 AM Natural History of Aortic Insufficiency and Guidelines for Medical and Surgical Management Robert Bonow, MD

9:00 AM – 9:20 AM Panel Discussion

9:20 AM – 9:40 AM Repair Focused Echocardiographic Assessment of the Aortic Valve and Root A. Stephane Lambert, MD & Benjamin Sohmer, MD

9:40 AM – 10:00 AM Mechanisms of Aortic Insufficiency: Implications for Valve Repair Munir Boodhwani, MD, MMSc, FRCSC

10:00 AM – 10:20 AM Debate: 45 Year Old Active Male With Severe Asymptomatic AI: Surgery or Watchful Waiting? Moderator: Munir Boodhwani, MD Pro Surgery: Joseph Bavaria, MD Watchful Waiting: Robert Bonow, MD

10:20 AM – 10:40 AM Break

MORNING SESSION 2

SURGICAL APPROACHES TO AORTIC ROOT/VALVE DISEASE
Moderators: TBD

10:40 AM – 11:00 AM Introduction to Aortic Valve Repair – What’s in the Surgeon’s Armamentarium? Joseph Bavaria, MD

11:00 AM – 11:20 AM Valve Sparing Root Reimplantation Technique – Step-by-step Approach Gebrine El Khoury, MD


11:40 AM – 12:00 AM Annuloplasty Techniques for Isolated Aortic Valve Repair Thoralf Sundt, MD

12:00 PM – 12:30 PM Focused Session: Learn from the Experts: Case Presentations Panel members: Gebrine El Khoury, MD, Hans-Joachim Schäfers, MD, Chad Hughes, MD, Alberto Pochettino, MD, Michael Fischbein, MD, Munir Boodhwani, MD

· Case 1: Severe AI, VAJ dilated, aortic root 4.1 cm
· Case 2: Marfan patient, severe root dilation, no AI
· Case 3: Cusp prolapse with fenestrations
· Case 4: Type 1A Ascending aortic aneurysm and moderate AI, non-dilated VAJ

1) Root reimplantation or repair with external ring
2) Remodeling versus reimplantation
3) Valsalva versus straight tube graft

12:30 PM – 12:45 PM Panel Discussion

AFTERNOON SESSION 1

1:00 PM – 2:15 PM Working Lunch With Debate
Moderators: Munir Boodhwani, MD & Prashanth Vallabha, MD, MS
Panel: Joseph Bavaria, MD, Thoralf Sundt, MD Robert Bonow, MD, Hans-Joachim Schäfers, MD Gebrine El Khoury, MD

Debate: Annular ectasia in BAV repair, how best to manage? Remodel with annular ring, external and STJ ring, VSR, internal annular ring?

Debate: Debate on factors influencing repair versus replacement – consider thresholds of age, low EF, enlarged left ventricle

Debate: respect BAV geometry versus forced geometry, and introduction to the new anatomical classification by the El Khoury group

2:15 PM – 2:30 PM Break
2:30 PM – 2:35 PM  Introduction to Keynote Speaker

2:35 PM – 3:05 PM  KEYNOTE
30-year Experience With Aortic Valve Repair – Evolution of Cusp Repair and Root Remodeling Techniques
Hans-Joachim Schäfers, MD

AFTERNOON SESSION 2
TRILEAFLET AORTIC VALVE REPAIR – DEEP DIVE
Moderators: TBD?

3:05 PM – 3:20 PM  Complex Trileaflet Aortic Valve Repair
Munir Boodhwani, MD

3:20 PM – 3:40 PM  Valve Sparing Surgery in Aortic Dissection – Indications, Outcomes, Where do you Draw the Line?
Himanshu Patel, MD

3:40 PM – 4:00 PM  How to Manage Cusp Calcification and Restriction?
Gebrine El Khoury, MD

4:00 PM – 4:20 PM  Break

AFTERNOON SESSION 3
OUTCOMES AND ALTERNATIVES TO AORTIC VALVE REPAIR
Moderators: TBD?

4:20 PM – 4:30 PM  Outcomes of Aortic Valve Repair: Focus on Mortality and Valve Related Events
Maral Ouzounian, MD, PhD

4:50 PM – 5:00 PM  When Repair is not Possible: Outcomes of Biologic Versus Mechanical Prostheses in Young Adults and Outcomes of Preserving Sinus Segment With Ascending Arch Resection
Rita Milewski, MD, PhD

5:00 PM – 5:20 PM  Ross Procedure in Aortic Insufficiency – When to do it, how to do it
Ismail El-Hamamsy, MD, PhD

5:20 PM – 5:30 PM  Quality of Life Following Valve Repair Versus Replacement: Is There a Difference?
Nimesh Desai, MD, PhD

5:30 PM – 6:00 PM  Panel Discussion and Closing Remarks

DAY 2 – Saturday, September 14, 2019

7:00 AM – 7:45 AM  Registration/Breakfast

7:45 AM – 8:00 AM  Opening Remarks, Answer Questions on Previous Day’s Session With Panel of Experts

MORNING SESSION 1
BICUSPID AORTIC VALVE REPAIR – MASTERCLASS SESSION
Moderators: TBD?

8:00 AM – 8:20 AM  Anatomy and Classification of Bicuspid Aortic Valve Insufficiency
Laurent De Kerchove, MD

8:20 AM – 8:40 AM  An Algorithmic Approach to BAV Decision Making (+/- Root Aneurysm)
Joseph E. Bavaria, MD

8:20 AM – 8:40 AM  BAV Repair Techniques for Type 0, I Valves
Moderator: Joseph Bavaria, MD
Case presentations: Prashanth Vallabhajosyula, MD & George Arnaoutakis, MD
1) Type 0
2) Type I

8:40 AM – 8:55 AM  BAV Root Reimplantation – Concepts and Case Presentation [Live-in-box]
Munir Boodhwani, MD

Hans-Joachim Schäfers, MD

9:10 AM – 9:25 AM  BAV Repair with External Subannular Aortic Ring [Live-in-box]
Joseph Bavaria, MD

9:25 AM – 9:40 AM  BAV Repair With Internal Subannular Aortic Ring [Live-in-box]
Chad Hughes, MD

9:40 AM – 10:00 AM  Panel Discussion

10:00 AM – 10:15 AM  Break

10:15 AM – 10:20 AM  Introduction to Honorary Speaker

10:20 AM – 10:45 AM  HONORARY LECTURE
30-year Experience with Bicuspid Aortic Valve Repair and Root Reimplantation Techniques
Gebrine El Khoury, MD

10:45 AM – 11:00 AM  Mini-Debate: Symmetric or Asymmetric Reconstruction of the BAV
Joseph Bavaria, MD, Michael Fischbein, MD, Munir Boodhwani, MD
11:00 AM – 11:20 AM  Alternative Techniques in BAV Repair
Thomas Gleason, MD

11:20 AM – 11:30 AM  Unicuspid Aortic Valve Repair: Should we do it?
Munir Boodhwani, MD

11:30 AM – 11:45 AM  Bentall Aortic Root Procedure – How I do it and
Review of the Mayo Clinic Experience
Alberto Pochettino, MD

11:45 AM – 12:00 PM  Conduit Choice in BAV Root Reimplantation/
Remodeling – 2 Schools of Thought:
Straight Versus Valsalva grafts
Michael Fischbein, MD

12:00 PM – 12:15 PM  Panel Discussion

12:15 PM – 12:30 PM  Pick-up Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION 1

REPAIR FAILURES

12:30 PM – 1:30 PM  Working Lunch
Controversial and Repair Failure Cases –
Audience asks the experts questions about decision
making and avoiding pitfalls

Moderators: Munir Boodhwani, MD,
Joseph Bavaria, MD, Stephane Lambert, MD
John Augoustides, MD, Gebrine El Khoury, MD
Chad Hughes, MD, Alberto Pochettino, MD

· TAV Repair Failure –
Roland Assi, MD & John Augoustides, MD

· BAV Repair Failure –
Joshua Grimm, MD & John Augoustides, MD

· Redo Valve Repair – Have we Gone too far? –
Munir Boodhwani, MD &
A. Stephane Lambert, MD

· Failure Repair From Internal Ring Pplacement –
Prashanth Vallabhajosyula, MD

1:30 PM – 1:45 PM  Break

AFTERNOON SESSION 2

REGISTRIES, OUTCOMES WITH
AORTIC VALVE REPAIR EXPERIENCE

1:30 PM – 1:45 PM  Working Lunch

1:45 PM – 2:05 PM  Outcomes in BAV Repair for Different Root
Stabilization Techniques
Derek Brinster, MD

2:05 PM – 2:25 PM  Outcomes Based Arguments for Preservation
Versus Resection for BAV Insufficiency –
Is the Failing Bicuspid Valve a Pathologic Valve?
Chad Hughes, MD

2:25 PM – 2:45 PM  Outcomes With Root Remodeling
Versus Reimplantation
Maral Ouzounian, MD, PhD

2:45 PM – 3:05 PM  Emerging Role of TAVR in Treating
Aortic Insufficiency
Talal Al-Atassi, MD

3:05 PM – 3:25 PM  Panel Discussion

3:25 PM  Closing Remarks
Joseph Bavaria, MD
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