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ACCELERATE YOUR FUTURE IN CARDIOVASCULAR MEDICINE WITH THE ACC LEADING THE WAY.

The ACC puts YOU in the driver's seat of your future with cardiovascular medicine. The College is committed to supporting you through every bend and turn in the road. The ACC is here to help you meet and exceed your career goals, as well as, provide the tools needed to close your knowledge gaps, grow as a cardiovascular professional and improve patient care.

To further help jumpstart your career goals, the College has merged its two websites into one new online interactive experience: *CardioSource.org*. With this new website ACC members can obtain world-class content, streamlined access and advanced customization. FITs can take advantage of a brand new online social networking community where they can create important contacts, comment on forums, post photos and a whole lot more.





PUBLICATIONS

JACC JOURNALS: *The Journal of the American College of Cardiology (JACC), JACC: Cardiovascular Interventions, and JACC: Cardiovascular Imaging.* Membership includes FREE subscriptions to the JACC family of journals, ACC's internationally renowned scientific publications. As a Fellow, you will automatically receive a weekly copy of JACC. To add *JACC: Cardiovascular Interventions* or *JACC: Imaging*, please call or email the ACC Resource Center at (800) 253-4636, ext. 5603 and resource@acc.org. JACC is also now available on iPad!

CARDIOLOGY: Our bi-monthly magazine brings the science reported in our journal to practice through the advice and commentary of our expert member-authors. *Cardiology* is FREE to all members.

FIT NEWSLETTER: This quarterly newsletter is written specifically for Fellows in Training and focuses on practical issues facing all cardiologists at the beginning of their careers, including interview skills, contract negotiations, educational opportunities and much more.

ACCEL: the College's audio journal, has been keeping CV specialists informed for 38 years. Listen to interviews with experts via CDs or MP3s.

CARDIOSOURCE.ORG: Access cardiovascular news, clinical information, case studies, journal scans and more. Also take advantage of the dedicated Fellows in Training page with resources for YOUR career and the FIT Community, where you can connect with other FITs, share knowledge and events and post questions about your training experience.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Cardiology is always changing to meet the needs of the latest generation, and evolving technologies to better treat patients and improve patient outcomes. The American College of Cardiology Foundation (ACCF) is here to help Fellows in Training (FITs) stay on the cutting edge of science and technology, with FIT discounts on its educational programs and live events.

ACCF Self-Assessment and Meeting on Demand Programs

Let ACCF Self-Assessment and Meeting on Demand Programs help identify knowledge gaps, target study to fill those gaps and help with Board preparation. Gain experience answering the types of questions that will be on the Board exams and explore a variety of topics from general and interventional cardiology, to more specialized topics such as CV imaging and electrophysiology. Visit www.CardioSource.org/products to take advantage of discounted pricing and order today.

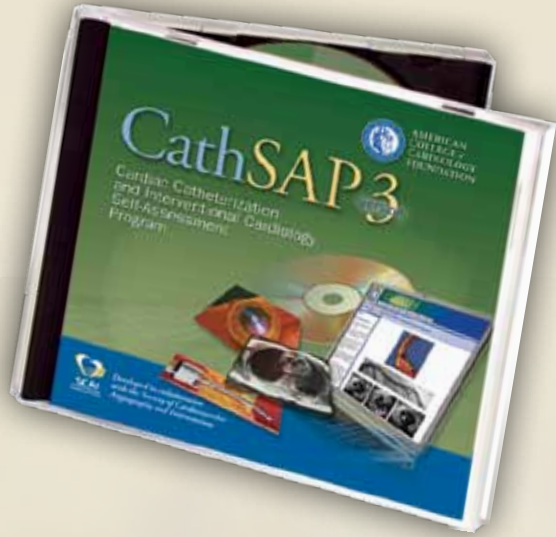
Heart Songs 3

Let *Heart Songs 3* help you perfect your cardiac auscultation skills using both audio AND video! By using intensive repetition, this product will help you master the sounds of varying heart abnormalities.



CathSAP®3:

Prepare for the interventional Boards with this Self-Assessment Program covering the core curriculum of interventional cardiology.



ACCSAP®7

Receive expert answers on the core curriculum of clinical cardiology with this invaluable resource that will help you hone your clinical judgment skills and prepare for the Boards with information ranging from risk factor management to noninvasive testing.

Cardiovascular Board Review Meeting on Demand Program

Prepare for the cardiovascular Boards and perfect your test-taking skills with this Meeting on Demand featuring online lectures synchronized with slides and audio, embedded interactive questions, four printed question books and a printed syllabus including presentation slides.

ACCF/SCAI Interventional Cardiology Board Review Meeting on Demand Program

This Meeting on Demand will help you certify in interventional cardiology with online lectures from the experts synchronized with slides and audio, interactive questions, an online practice exam and a printed syllabus providing a comprehensive review in interventional cardiology.

ACCF Live Events

It has never been easier to connect with colleagues for a hands-on experience by choosing from a selection of conferences and symposia on all the important topics affecting your profession today. Registration is discounted for Fellows in Training. For a complete list of educational programs, visit <http://www.cardiosource.org/Certified-Education.aspx> and click on Courses and Conferences. Highlights for Fellows in Training include:

HOW TO BECOME A CARDIOVASCULAR INVESTIGATOR

This intimate and interactive program, part of the Cardiovascular Leadership Institute, is specifically designed for Fellows in Training who are contemplating a future in academic medicine. Through plenary sessions, breakouts, networking opportunities and a dinner program, participants will have the opportunity to interact with leading experts in the field of cardiovascular medicine.





ACCF/SCAI PREMIER INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGY OVERVIEW AND BOARD PREPARATORY COURSE

This course offers an unbiased and up-to-date, evidence-based review of interventional cardiology today. Our expert faculty will guide attendees through comprehensive and robust updates and lead interactive discussions of ABIM examination guidelines.

THE ACCF CARDIOVASCULAR BOARD REVIEW FOR CERTIFICATION AND RECERTIFICATION

The ACCF CV Board Review offers six days of study and interactive, simulated Board exams covering general cardiology, CAD, risk factors electrophysiology, basic CV pharmacology, cardiac testing, valvular heart disease and ECHO and ECG interpretation with optional focused review sessions.



60th Annual Scientific Session & Expo



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Exhibits: April 3 – 5

REGISTER EARLY AT WWW.ACCSCIENTIFICSSESSION.ORG

As a Fellow in Training, you are the future of cardiology. That's why this year, the ACC has opted to give all Fellows in Training complimentary registration to the Annual Scientific Session. You'll find everything you need to achieve success in your profession at ACC.11 and i2 Summit — world-class educational opportunities, career advice, hands-on training and more!

SOME SESSIONS AND EVENTS THAT ARE NOT TO BE MISSED INCLUDE:

FITS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW IN STARTING A CARDIOLOGY CAREER

This is a session every FIT should attend. Here, you'll learn how to get involved at the ACC, what you need to know to pass your boards, how to document and get paid for services you perform, how to select the professional practice that is right for you after your training is over and more. Sunday, April 3, 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

FIT FORUM: STIMULATING OPTIONS 2011

You're in training now, but soon you will have to make decisions that will dramatically affect your career and future happiness. You have options you probably don't know you have. You need to know what they are. Discover your options and their impact on future decisions. Time for Q&A has also been built into the session. Monday, April 4, 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

FIT COMMUNITY LOUNGE

Where can you go to relax, check your e-mail and be surrounded by your FIT peers? Visit the FIT Community Lounge. Located in the convention center, the FIT Community Lounge will be your base of operations when navigating ACC.11. The lounge will be open Sunday through Tuesday during the meeting, and will offer light refreshments throughout the day.

FIT BOOTCAMPS

Attend two FIT bootcamps during ACC.11 including the Fellows Case Bowl, where you can test your case-base knowledge against your peers in a fun and interactive "college bowl" game setting. The FIT Imaging Bootcamp is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. and an FIT Interventional Bootcamp is scheduled for Monday, April 4, 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

PEDIATRIC AND CONGENITAL CARDIOLOGY CAREER MENTORING SESSION

FITs interested in pediatric or congenital cardiology should attend this mentoring session for valuable career advice. Monday, April 4, 12:00 p.m.- 2:00 p.m.

**Visit www.accscientificsession.org and click on
Special Interest Groups for up-to-date information
on events for FITs at ACC.11.**

AWARDS:

Need funding to advance your research project or sponsorship to events such as ACC's Annual Meeting? The ACC and its partners provide a variety of awards specifically for Fellow in Training members.

For more information on awards offered by the ACC, go to www.CardioSource.org/researchawards. Award availability is subject to change at any time.

HELP US HELP YOU: UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION!

As a Fellow in Training, your life may be very mobile, moving from place to place for training and internships. However, this is also a time when the ACC can be a great support for you. In order for the ACC to include you on personalized correspondence based on your individual needs and interests, we rely on the information in our member database. Please take a few moments to update your information by visiting the ACC member portal at members.acc.org and enter your username (your email address) and password (your ACC member number) to make sure your contact information, volunteer interests and professional interests are up-to-date.

PATHWAY TO F.A.C.C.

Becoming a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology signals your commitment to the highest standards of cardiovascular care. By earning the right to include the initials F.A.C.C. among your credentials, you let your patients and colleagues know that you have been welcomed into one of the world's most distinguished organizations of cardiovascular professionals. The first steps toward Fellowship are completing all of your required training, including any subspecialty training and passing the corresponding Board exam (ABIM, ABP or ABTS). Then you can complete and submit your application for Fellowship. Visit www.CardioSource.org/Join and click on 'About ACC'.



GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

ACC CARDIOLOGY CAREERS: PUTTING YOU ON THE RIGHT CAREER PATH

Developed for cardiovascular specialists at all stages of their careers, ACC Cardiology Careers is an online job bank filled with thousands of targeted cardiovascular positions. Visit www.CardioSource.org/cardiologycareers and find tools and resources to help make your job search easier including a resume builder, job search advice, interview techniques and much more.

ACC VIRTUAL MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Boost your career with a mentor. The ACC mentorship program is designed to link physicians who are considering careers in cardiology (medical students and residents), fellows who are in cardiology training programs, and early career cardiologists with established cardiologists who are willing to share their knowledge and experience. Meet colleagues with similar specialties or interests and exchange knowledge, advice and much more electronically using the site. To find out more, visit accmentor.acc.org.



LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The College listens to Fellows in Training and depends on their input to influence decisions regarding future College activities. FITs are represented on committees and work groups throughout the ACC. Applications for open committee positions are accepted in late October of each year. For more information, e-mail Amalea Hjar at ahijar@acc.org or (202) 375-6213.

ADVOCACY

The ACC is the voice of cardiovascular medicine on Capitol Hill and in legislatures nationwide. Be an advocate locally. Get involved in your local chapter and fight to keep the resources you need to provide quality health care. For a list of ACC Chapters and their contact information, visit www.CardioSource.org and visit the ACC section click on "Chapters."

ACC SECTIONS – YOUR COMMUNITY

ACC Sections are a unique blend of forum and network, connecting members with shared professional interests, backgrounds or clinical specialties. The College currently has three Member Sections:

- Adult Congenital and Pediatric Cardiology
- Interventional Cardiology
- Women in Cardiology

Membership and active involvement in Sections provides a training ground for developing leadership skills and understanding the governance structure and avenues of the College. Membership in the Sections is free for Fellows in Training.

Visit www.CardioSource.org/yourcommunity for more information and to get involved today.