

CONTROVERSIES IN CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS

OCTOBER 2, 2026 | THE COSMOS CLUB, WASHINGTON, DC

- 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast & Registration
- 8:25 AM Welcoming Remarks
Edward V. Platia, MD
- 8:30 AM Atrial Fibrillation Ablation in the Heart Failure Patient
Zayd A. Eldadah, MD, PhD
MedStar Health
- 9:00 AM DEBATE: Stroke Prevention in Atrial Fib: Clinical Trials of Left Atrial Occlusion (LAAO) vs Oral Anticoagulation (OAC) are Now In: *LAAO IS SUPERIOR*
Manish H. Shah, MD
MedStar Health
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Glenn Meininger, MD
MedStar Health
- 9:50 am New Antiarrhythmic Drugs and EP Applications: Focus on Etripamil and Ivabridine
Susan O'Donoghue, MD
MedStar Health
- 10:10 am Break and Visit Exhibits
- 10:35 am Keynote Address –The New Pacing Gold Standard: Conduction System Pacing
Kenneth A. Ellenbogen, MD
VCU School of Medicine
- 11:25 am Your Patient Needs a Defibrillator: Which to Implant?
Athanasios X. Thomaides, MD
MedStar Health
- 11:50 am Panel Discussion
Moderator: Edward V. Platia, MD
- 12:10 pm Lunch & Exhibitor Networking

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| 1:10 pm | Cardiac Implantable Electronic Devices in Heart Failure Management
Farooq H. Sheikh, MD
MedStar Health |
| 1:35 pm | PVCs: The Asymptomatic, Minimally Symptomatic, and the Malignant Ones!
Rajiv A. Kabadi, MD
MedStar Health |
| 2:00 pm | Leadless Pacemaker: When Is It the Pacemaker of Choice?
Cyrus A. Hadadi, MD
MedStar Health |
| 2:25 pm | New Pacing Techniques for Heart Failure
David A. Strouse, MD
MedStar Health |
| 2:50 pm | Update on the Surgical Management of Atrial Fib
Yuji Kawano, MD
MedStar Health |
| 3:10 pm | Shocks! Alerts! Advisories! The Dark Side of the Defibrillator Journey
Elizabeth D. Sherwin, MD
Children's National Medical Center |
| 3:30 pm | Cardioneural Ablation for Vasovagal Syncope: Hype or Real Promise
Apostolos Tsimploulis, MD
MedStar Health |
| 3:50 pm | Of Course You're Cured! Persistent Palpitations Post-Successful Ablation
Ali H. Jary, MD
MedStar Health |
| 4:10 pm | Panel Discussion
Moderator: Edward V. Platia, MD |
| 4:30 pm | Adjourn |

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