



STS CANDIDATE CONNECTION

A newsletter for STS Candidate Members

Update Your Profile

Stay up-to-date with Society mailings and information. When you graduate or change programs, please remember to update your contact information—including name, address, phone number, and e-mail address—by [logging into your account](#). You can also send your information to membership@sts.org.

Visit STS at AMA Medical Student Event

Join more than 300 medical students at the [AMA Medical Specialty Showcase](#) on Saturday, June 11, at the Hyatt Regency Chicago. While there, be sure to stop by and see STS between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at the Riverside East Exhibit Hall. Bring your fellow students who are not yet Pre-Candidate Members to learn more about the benefits of STS membership and the cardiothoracic surgery specialty.



Please add stsheadquarters@sts.org to your e-mail contacts or safe-sender list to help ensure delivery of STS e-mails.

Call for Abstracts: Be a Part of the STS 53rd Annual Meeting

Join leaders in cardiothoracic surgery by submitting your scientific abstract(s) for presentation consideration at the [STS 53rd Annual Meeting](#), January 21–25, 2017, in Houston, Texas. Oral, poster, and surgical video submissions will be accepted until **Friday, June 10, 2016, at 11:59 p.m. CT**.

When submitting your abstract(s), make sure to apply for some of the special awards that are available. The STS President's Award honors an outstanding scientific abstract submitted by either a resident or young investigator who has completed cardiothoracic surgical training within the past 5 years. Additionally, the Thoracic Surgery Directors Association is offering the Benson R. Wilcox Resident Award, which recognizes an exceptional scientific abstract presented by a 2-year, 3-year, 4/3-year, or Integrated 6-year U.S. ACGME-accredited cardiothoracic surgery resident.

Take this opportunity to be part of the foremost educational event in cardiothoracic surgery. Visit www.sts.org/abstracts for directions on how to submit your abstract.

Submit a Proposal for Tech-Con 2017

After a successful first year, STS/AATS Tech-Con will again focus on cutting-edge technologies in cardiothoracic surgery that are not yet FDA approved, but may be approved for use in 1-3 years. If you would like to submit your proposal on new technology under development, [click here](#). If you have questions, please contact education@sts.org. **The deadline to submit a proposal is Friday, June 10, 2016, at 11:59 p.m. CT.**

Recruit a Medical Student or Resident and Receive a Free STS Gift

Encourage others interested in cardiothoracic surgery to apply for [Pre-Candidate](#) or [Candidate](#) Membership. STS members receive many valuable benefits, such as a free subscription to *The Annals of Thoracic Surgery*, reduced rates for educational events, and networking opportunities with the most influential cardiothoracic surgeons in the world. Congratulations to all those that have [become STS members](#) since the beginning of this year. **Special offer!** Recruit a new member and the Society will send both you and your peer a special STS-branded gift. To claim your gift, e-mail the applicant's name to Kristin Schukar at kschukar@sts.org. *Note: application must be completed in order to receive your gift, and supplies are limited.*

Congratulations to Cardiothoracic Surgery Resident Winners



The Thoracic Surgery Foundation recently awarded the [Nina Starr Braunwald Research Fellowship](#) to Kimberly A. Holst, MD, from the Mayo Clinic, and Jennifer L. Philip, MD, from the University of Wisconsin. The award is given to female residents working in cardiac surgical clinics or laboratory research programs. The 2017 TSF Awards Program opens in July. To learn more, visit www.thoracicsurgeryfoundation.org/awards.

The 2016 JCTSE-TSDA Cardiothoracic Surgery Resident "Top Gun" competition was held last week at the AATS Annual Meeting. Top Gun is designed to stimulate a healthy and constructive competition among cardiothoracic surgery residents and raise awareness about the benefits of simulation and deliberate practice in the cardiothoracic surgical community. Congratulations to this year's finalists and to the winner, Elizabeth H. Stephens, MD, PhD, from New York Presbyterian Hospital-Columbia.

