

# CLINICAL CONGRESS 2017

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## Activities and Events of Interest to International Surgeons

These education programs and activities will be of interest to surgeons from around the world who are attending Clinical Congress, especially those who are attending for the first time in 2017. This list was compiled by surgeons and American College of Surgeons (ACS) staff who support the College's international activities and programs. The list is arranged by information about registration, activities sponsored by the College's International Relations Committee, education sessions targeted especially for international surgeons, plus special lectures that will be presented by esteemed and renowned surgeons during the Clinical Congress.

The Clinical Congress 2017 is the 103rd annual meeting of the American College of Surgeons. The many lectures, exhibits, and other offerings will encourage the College's Fellows to commit to inspiring quality as they seek to constantly improve the care of the surgical patient.

**To help make the most of your first visit to Clinical Congress, please note the following:**

1. All registration activities for the Clinical Congress will be at the San Diego Convention Center, Hall D:

Sunday, October 22	7:00 am–6:00 pm
Monday, October 23	6:30 am–5:00 pm
Tuesday, October 24	7:00 am–4:00 pm
Wednesday, October 25	7:00 am–4:00 pm
Thursday, October 26	7:00–10:00 am

2. The Clinical Congress app offers access to the Clinical Congress schedule and is available for attendees via the official Clinical Congress website at [m.core-apps.com/acsc](http://m.core-apps.com/acsc). The app runs on iPhone, iPad, Android, and any major Internet provider.

Key features include the ability to search sessions by day and/or track, plan and add sessions to your calendar, receive room change notifications, access a list of exhibitors and their booth locations, and view an exhibit floor map. Attendees will also be able to follow the Clinical Congress Twitter feed, link to the online scientific abstracts published by *JACS*, read *Daily eNews Highlights*, and download to read or share the *Clinical Congress News*.

3. During your visit to the Clinical Congress, if you have questions, need assistance, or would like to visit with a College staff member concerning your membership, please visit the Become a Member area in the San Diego Convention Center, Hall D, Ground Level.

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## Events and Sessions of Special Interest to International Surgeons

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

#### **Global Health Competencies for Surgeons: Cognitive and Systems Skills (DC04)**

*Sponsored by Operation Giving Back*

8:30 am–4:00 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 7AB, Upper Level

This course will help prepare the international volunteer to understand characteristics of low-resource surgical environments, situational ethics, cultural competency, tropical diseases relevant in surgery, personal preparedness and health considerations, responsibilities as a health worker, and the scope of the essential surgical procedures as defined by the Disease Control Priorities (DCP-3).

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

#### **Humanitarian Surgical Outreach at Home and Abroad: Reports of the 2017 Volunteerism and Humanitarian Award Recipients (PS103)**

*Sponsored by Operation Giving Back*

9:45–11:15 am San Diego Convention Center  
Room 1AB, Upper Level

This plenary session showcases the 2017 Volunteerism and Humanitarian Award winners who will share insights into their motivation, accomplishments, and lessons learned related to humanitarian surgical outreach. The honorees' stories will be complemented by presentations from other innovators and leaders in surgical outreach to create a robust portrayal of this complex work. Together, they will form the basis for a lively question and answer segment at the conclusion of the session.

#### **Bombings: Ballistics, Injuries, Management, and Rehabilitation of the Wounded Warrior (PS107)**

*Sponsored by the Advisory Council for Plastic and Maxillofacial Surgery, Committee on Trauma*

9:45–11:00 am San Diego Convention Center  
Room 6B, Upper Level

The surge on bombings in the military and the civilian settings forces surgeons to prepare themselves to take care of patients with relevant injuries. This session will not cover the "mass casualty" principles of bombings but will rather focus on the pathophysiology of the injury, its treatment, and its long-term outcomes. Bomb blasts cause specific patterns of injury, some obvious and immediately discoverable and some more subtle but potentially life-threatening, with which the modern surgeon must be familiar. Injuries to air-containing organs (lungs, bowel, and ear), the unique effects to the brain, cardiac stent, and other important subjects will be described by national and international experts. The session will offer new knowledge that is not frequently discussed but, unfortunately, is very pertinent to today's world.

#### **Global Surgery/Humanitarian Outreach I (SF06)**

*Sponsored by the Scientific Forum*

11:30 am–2:00 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 6D, Upper Level

Multiple presenters will discuss surgical care in diverse countries around the world.

#### **Operation Giving Back (ME114)**

*Sponsored by Operation Giving Back*

1:15–2:15 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 25A

This "meet-the-expert" session is facilitated by Girma Tefera, MD, FACS, Medical Director of the College's Operation Giving Back.



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## Latin America Day (Spanish) (PS124)

*Sponsored by the Program Committee, Federación Latinoamericana de Cirugía*

2:30–5:45 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 6D, Upper Level

The first part of this session will cover hernia repair. Hernia repair is an increasingly common operation worldwide. Ventral hernias, especially the recurrent ones, represent a challenge for the general surgeons with new techniques available and different surgical approaches. The routine use of mesh for primary inguinal hernias with so many new products on the market makes it obligatory to review this topic and give an update of the results. Robotics is becoming a reality in developed countries, and the results should be compared with the traditional laparoscopic or open techniques. The second part of the session will focus on colon surgery, new trends on the management of complicated diverticular diseases, review of sigmoid volvulus by an expert from South America where the disease is very common, the use and advantages of robotic surgery for malignant colon surgery, and an update on minimally invasive surgery (MIS) and transanal endoscopic microsurgery (TEM) resection for early malignant diseases.

## Gastric Cancer: East Meets West (and Everybody In Between) (PS127)

*Sponsored by the Commission on Cancer and the International Relations Committee*

4:15 pm–5:45 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 20A

There are significant international differences in the presentation, treatment, and outcomes of patients with gastric cancer. This session will review some of these differences, compare experience with gastric cancer in the east versus the west from a large contemporary international gastric cancer database, examine arguments for whether these differences are due to differences in inherent biology or to different treatment approaches, demonstrate the heterogeneity of gastric cancer within Asia, and discuss some of the challenges in incorporating advances seen in one part of the world into another part of the world.

## International Reception

*Sponsored by the International Relations Committee*

5:30–7:00 pm Manchester Grand Hyatt,  
Seaport Ballroom D, 2nd Level, Seaport Tower

This annual reception provides a wonderful opportunity to meet and mingle with international members and guests, College officers and Honorary Fellows, and international surgical leadership. Come make connections, share ideas, or just relax in great company. Dr. Barbara L. Bass, the new President of the College, and Dr. David B. Hoyt, Executive Director of the College, will speak briefly to welcome guests at this event.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

### Preparing for an Active Shooter Event in Your Hospital and Community: Lessons Learned from Las Vegas and Other Mass Casualty Events (PS206)

*Sponsored by the International Relations Committee and Committee on Trauma*

8:00–9:30 am San Diego Convention Center  
Room 2, Upper Level

The increase of international terrorism in recent years creates increasing challenges for both surgeons and trauma systems with respect to how to prevent and prepare for these crises. This panel session will attempt to present the experience of trauma surgeons to identify the challenges involved as well as how to prepare for and prevent intentional mass casualty events. The session will present data on health care workers and the public's views on these events. It will provide practical information on how to prevent and prepare for active intentional terror aimed at health care facilities and will provide strategies for regional and national approaches to prevention and preparation.

### International Video Session (VE14)

*Sponsored by the Committee on Video-Based Education*

12:45–2:15 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 2, Upper Level

Six surgery videos from around the world will be presented.



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## Ethics Colloquium: Ethical Challenges of Global Surgery (PS228)

*Sponsored by the Committee on Ethics*

2:30–5:45 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 17AB

This panel will consist of a pro and con discussion of a series of four cases to explore central ethical issues in global surgery. The topics addressed will include the following: What should the goals of global surgery be? Should the focus be on doing cases that could not normally be done in the local country or improving capacity of local surgeons? Should surgeons or surgical residents be allowed to do things abroad that they are not allowed to do at home? What are the appropriate standards of informed consent for global surgery? How should plans for global surgical outreach be altered in the face of great need such as natural or man-made disasters? Should standards of acceptable practice be changed for great need?

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

### Women Surgeons Across the Globe: Individual and Common Challenges (TH14)

*Sponsored by the Women in Surgery Committee, International Relations Committee*

7:00–7:45 am San Diego Conference Center  
Room 6B, Upper Level

The goal of this session is for an international panel of female surgeons to bring to the table their different perspectives regarding choosing surgery as a career and pursuing it, as well as issues of advancement and combining the challenges of a career and family.

### Global Engagement (PS304)

*Sponsored by Operation Giving Bank*

8:00–9:30 am San Diego Convention Center  
Room 6E

The Global Engagement panel session will report on the strategic direction of the American College of Surgeons in global and domestic volunteerism. Moreover, a panel discussion will address the issues of (1) domestic volunteerism and why, how, and where it is needed and (2) global engagement and building a global surgery consortium. Experts will discuss why, how, and where consortia are needed. In addition, an open mic session will offer Fellows the chance to discuss the extraordinary volunteerism work they do around the globe and share their experiences.

### Challenging Trauma Cases: Here and Abroad (PS307)

*Sponsored by the International Relations Committee, Committee on Trauma*

9:45–11:15 am San Diego Conference Center  
Hall F

A panel of experts will be presented with a series of real-world trauma cases that give even the seasoned trauma surgeon pause. Audience participation coupled with the expert panel will ensure a lively debate that is both enjoyable and educational for all involved.

### Global Surgery/Humanitarian Outreach II (SF44)

*Sponsored by the Scientific Forum Committee*

9:45–11:15 am San Diego Convention Center  
Room 1AB

Multiple presenters will discuss surgical care in diverse countries around the world.

### The College's International Scholars and Travelers 2017 (PS320)

*Sponsored by the International Relations Committee*

12:45–4:00 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 9, Upper Level

The College has provided Clinical Congress scholarships to outstanding, young, academic, international surgeons. The 2017 international scholars and traveling fellows will provide cogent presentations regarding their research or practice, or the face of surgery in their nations. Brief talks by International Guest Scholars, International Surgical Education Scholars, the Carlos Pellegrini Fellow, and Exchange Fellows from Australia–New Zealand, Germany, and Japan will provide an intimate look into the art and science of surgery as practiced in diverse countries around the globe. Drs. Waddah B. Al-Refaie and Cristina R. Ferrone will moderate.

### Global Surgery/Humanitarian Outreach III (SF54)

*Sponsored by the Scientific Forum Committee*

2:30–4:00 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 6E, Upper Level

Multiple presenters will discuss surgical care in diverse countries around the world.



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## Guest Lecturers

World-renowned surgeons and other scientists will serve as distinguished guest lecturers at Clinical Congress 2017.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

### Opening Ceremony/Martin Memorial Lecture Martin Memorial Lecture Sponsored by the American Urological Association (NL01)

9:00–9:30 am San Diego Convention Center  
Hall F

*Sponsored by the Advisory Council for Urology*

**Lecturer:** David R. Williams, MD, FRCS, Oakville, ON

### John H. Gibbon, Jr., Lecture Lung Transplantation (NL02)

9:45–10:45 am San Diego Convention Center  
Room 20BC

*Sponsored by the Advisory Council for Cardiothoracic Surgery*

**Lecturer:** Shaf Keshavjee, MD, MSc, FACS, FRCS, Toronto, ON  
The John H. Gibbon, Jr., Lecture was first delivered in 1971 to honor this pioneer of open-heart surgery.

### Charles G. Drake History of Surgery Lecture The Shifting Sands of Surgical Education (NL03)

2:30–3:30 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 20BC

*Sponsored by the Advisory Council for Neurological Surgery*

**Lecturer:** John R. Potts, MD, FACS  
The Charles G. Drake History of Surgery Lecture was first delivered in 1992 to explore the historical development of surgery and to honor this leader in neurological surgery.

### I.S. Ravdin Lecture in the Basic Sciences Microbiome Medicine: This Changes Everything (NL04)

4:15–5:00 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 5AB, Upper Level

*Sponsored by the I.S. Ravdin Surgical Society*

**Lecturer:** John C. Alverdy, MD, FACS  
The I.S. Ravdin Lecture in the Basic Sciences has been sponsored by the I.S. Ravdin Surgical Society since 1964 to honor I.S. Ravdin, MD, FACS, by promoting the application of the basic sciences to surgery.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

### Herand Abcarian Lecture The Rationale for and Reality of the New ACS CoC National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer (NL05)

8:00–9:00 am San Diego Convention Center  
Room 33ABC

*Sponsored by the Advisory Council for Colon and Rectal Surgery*

**Lecturer:** Steven D. Wexner, MD, PhD(Hon), FACS, FRCS, FRCS(Ed)  
The Herand Abcarian Lecture was established by the Chicago Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons in 2006 to honor Herand Abcarian, MD, FACS, a colon and rectal surgeon, by addressing issues of relevance to the surgical community at-large and focus on emerging issues in surgery.

### Excelsior Surgical Society/Edward D. Churchill Lecture Battlefield to Bedside: Bringing Precision Medicine to Surgical Care (NO06)

9:45–10:45 am San Diego Convention Center  
Room 5AB, Upper Level

*Sponsored by the Advisory Council for General Surgery*

**Lecturer:** Eric A. Elster, MD, FACS  
This lecture is named for the Excelsior Surgical Society, a group of 80 medical officers who met for the first time in 1945 at the Excelsior Hotel in Rome, Italy. It also honors Col. Edward D. Churchill, a famous surgeon and consultant to the U.S. Army in the World War II Italian Theatre, who presented the first keynote address at this meeting.

### Scudder Oration on Trauma Trauma: Still the Cornerstone of Acute Care Surgery (NL07)

12:45–1:30 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Hall F

*Sponsored by the Committee on Trauma*

**Lecturer:** L.D. Britt, MD, MPH, DSc (Hon), FACS, FCCM  
The Scudder Oration on Trauma evolved from the Oration on Fractures (1929) to honor Charles Locke Scudder as a founding member of the College and a major contributor to the surgery of trauma.



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## Olga M. Jonasson Lecture

### A Quiet Pioneer Who Started a Revolution (NL08)

2:30–3:30 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 20BC

*Sponsored by the Women in Surgery Committee*

**Lecturer:** Kathryn D. Anderson, MD, FACS, FRCS

The Olga M. Jonasson Lecture was established by the Women in Surgery Committee to honor the memory of Olga Jonasson, MD, FACS, who died in 2006. This lecture is a testimony to leadership and education in surgery and a reflection of the capacity of women to reach academic pinnacles.

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

### Distinguished Lecture of the International Society of Surgery

#### Right for the Patient, Right for the Citizen:

#### Professionally Led Changes in Health Care (NL09)

8:00–9:00 am San Diego CC  
Room 5AB, Upper Level

*Sponsored by the U.S. Chapter of International Society of Surgery*

**Lecturer:** Clare Marx, CBE, DL, PRCS, FACS (Hon)

The Distinguished Lecture of the International Society of Surgery was established in 1990 and endowed by the U.S. Chapter of the International Society of Surgery to recognize the Society's worthwhile activities by honoring distinguished international surgeons.

## John J. Conley Ethics and Philosophy Lecture

### Empowerment Failure: How Physician Communication Breakdowns Undermine Patient Autonomy (NL10)

9:45–10:45 am San Diego Convention Center  
Room 20BC

*Sponsored by the Committee on Ethics*

**Lecturer:** Peter A Ubel, MD

The Ethics and Philosophy Lecture is sponsored by the Committee on Ethics and has been generously supported since 1991 by John J. Conley, MD, FACS, to explore ethical issues in surgery.

## Commission on Cancer Oncology Lecture

### The Evolving Enigma of Regional Lymph Nodes in Surgical Oncology (NL11)

12:45–1:45 pm San Diego Convention Center  
Room 5AB, Upper Level

*Sponsored by the Commission on Cancer*

**Lecturer:** Daniel G. Coit, MD, FACS

The Commission on Cancer Oncology Lecture was established in 1988 to explore major developments in oncology and to focus on the surgeon's role in caring for cancer patients.

## For more information about International Membership in the College

and to access an online application form, go to [facs.org/member-services/benefits/international](http://facs.org/member-services/benefits/international) or visit the Become a Member area in the San Diego Convention Center, Hall D, Ground Level, during Clinical Congress.



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