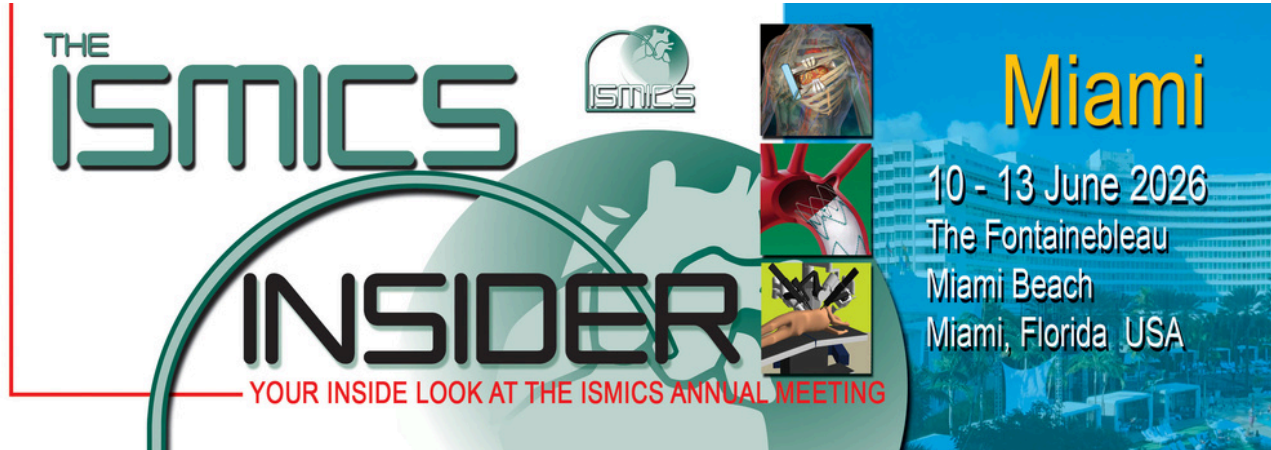




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PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

NEVER GIVE UP

During her Presidential Address, ISMICS President Dr. Gry Dahle shared a deeply personal reflection on the people and experiences that have shaped her career in surgery, research, and innovation. Through stories of influential mentors—including vascular surgeon Carl Erik Næss, Professor Erik T. Fosse, and longtime colleague and friend Kjell Arne Rein—Dr. Dahle highlighted the importance of mentorship, collaboration, and lifelong learning in advancing patient care and surgical innovation.

Dr. Dahle also celebrated the collective accomplishments of the ISMICS community, recognizing the Society's industry partners, sponsors, and exhibitors whose support helps drive innovation in cardiothoracic surgery. Concluding her remarks with a message of resilience and determination, she encouraged attendees to embrace the principles that have guided her own journey: "Never give up. Work hard. Be honest." Her inspiring address served as a reminder that meaningful progress in surgery, science, and life is built through perseverance, integrity, and the support of those who help us along the way.



SUBRAMANIAN INNOVATION AWARD

On Thursday, the Society proudly presented the Subramanian Innovation Award, with Dr. Mani Subramanian personally recognizing this year's recipient, Dr. Grzegorz Wroblewski, and presenting him with a \$5,000 award. Dr. Wroblewski was honored for his innovative paper, "Novel Cryoablation Method for Epicardial Surgical Ablation of Ventricular Tachycardia on the Beating Heart," which highlights the groundbreaking research and technological advances shaping the future of cardiothoracic surgery.

ISMICS extends its deepest appreciation to Dr. Subramanian, President of the Society from 2003-2004, for his continued generosity and steadfast dedication to advancing innovation within the specialty. Through his enduring support of this award and the Society, Dr. Subramanian continues to inspire and recognize the next generation of surgical pioneers.



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Friday, 13 June 2026

Continental Breakfast: 07.30 – 08.30

Coffee Break: 10.00 – 10.30

Coffee Break: 15.45 – 16.15

Poster Competition: 17.15 – 18.15

Saturday, 14 June 2026

Continental Breakfast: 08.00 – 09.00

Coffee Break: 10.15 – 10.45

SYMPOSIA INFORMATION

Friday, 12 June 12.00 – 13.30

Atricure - Coral 1
Edwards Lifesciences - Coral 2
EnableCV - Coral 3

ePOSTER COMPETITION



FINAL ROUND

Pearl Ballroom 3 & 4

Friday, 2 June - 17.15 – 18.15

First Round topic winners will give PowerPoint presentations with time for Q&A. Winner from each kiosk will receive \$500 USD. The individual who wins the final round will receive an additional \$500 USD

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ISMICS 2026 ePOSTER COMPETITION FINALISTS

AORTIC AND ENDOVASCULAR THERAPIES - KIOSK 1

Jing Li

Minimally Invasive Redo Aortic Root Procedure Through Right Anterior Thoracotomy Approach

ARRHYTHMIA SURGERY & INTERVENTIONS - KIOSK 2

Cassandra Witt

Experimental Efficacy Of An Advanced Radiofrequency Ablation Clamp

CORONARY REVASCULARIZATION I - KIOSK 3

Andrea Amabile

Automated Performance Metrics (apms) In Robotic Totally Endoscopic Coronary Artery Bypass (tecab): A Pilot Study

CORONARY REVASCULARIZATION II - KIOSK 4

Sahra Tasdelen

Introducing The Biaxillary Access: Cabg With Concomitant Valve Surgery Using Novel Technology

EDUCATION, IMAGING, & FACILITATING TECHNOLOGIES - KIOSK 5

Jessica Zhu

Improving Surgical Site Infection Surveillance Through Endoscopic Vein Harvesting And Remote Digital Monitoring

ERAS - KIOSK 6

Dilek Erdinli

Patient Blood Management in Totally Endoscopic Mitral Valve Surgery Within an Eras Pathway.

MECHANICAL CIRCULATORY SUPPORT & PERFUSION IN MICS - KIOSK 7

Ahmed Wahba

Integration Of Minimal Invasive Extracorporeal Circulation With Minimally Invasive Cardiac Surgery

MITRAL VALVES - KIOSK 8

Maria Von Stumm

Ultra-Fast-Track Minimally Invasive Congenital Heart Surgery



THORACIC SURGERY - KIOSK 9

Silvia Fiorelli

Cervical Regional Anesthesia To Prevent Shoulder Pain After Minimally Invasive Lung Resection

VALVE | SURGICAL VALVES I - KIOSK 10

Xander Jacquemyn

Asymptomatic Mitral Valve Repair Achieves Survival Comparable To The General Population: Supporting A Proactive Approach?

VALVE | SURGICAL VALVES II - KIOSK 11

Lennart Vaglabek

Minimally Invasive Aortic Valve Replacement Reduces Intensive Care Stay In A Real-world Setting

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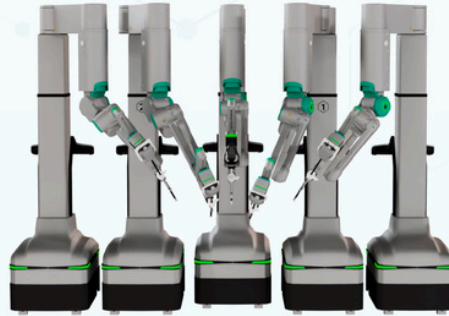
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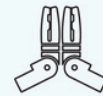
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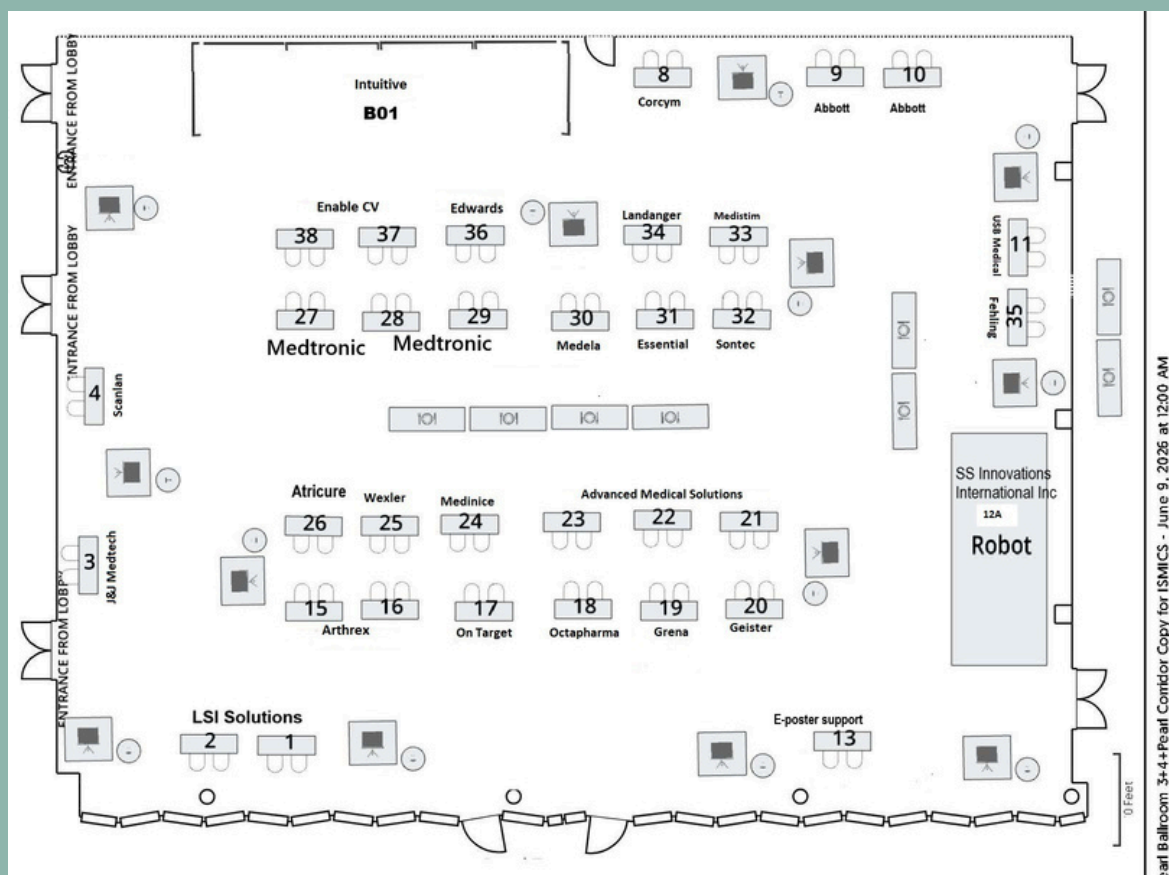


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EnableCV (37, 38)**LANDANGER (34)****Johnson & Johnson MedTech, Heart Recovery (3)****Grena LTD (19)**

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Intuitive Surgical (B01)

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Medtronic (27, 28, 29)**Photon Medics (12)****Sontec Instruments Inc (32)****Advanced Medical Solutions (21, 22, 23)****Arthrex (15, 16)**

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Edwards Lifesciences (36)

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