



Iowa-ACC Newsletter, November 2020



President's Message

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Dear Colleagues,

As you are aware, we had the Midwest ACC Jeopardy Competition last weekend. Both the teams performed extremely well making us all proud. The team from University of Iowa will be representing us at the National ACC Jeopardy competition. Please join me in congratulating them and wishing them all the best.

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CONGRATULATIONS!!





University of Iowa Cardiology Fellows' Team will represent Iowa during the National ACCFIT Jeopardy Competition

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STRONG WORK !!





MercyOne North Iowa Cardiology Fellows' Team gave a tough challenge to all the teams during Midwest ACCFIT Jeopardy Competition

The Iowa ACC Cardiovascular Team Virtual Symposium begins next week. To learn more, view the agenda and speakers and register, please click [here](#). This conference is open to all Cardiovascular team members, even if they are not ACC members. Please feel free to share with your colleagues.

As part of our efforts in encouraging and promoting Women in Cardiology, and as part of the Midwest Women in Cardiology Alliance, I would like to encourage all women cardiologist to consider submitting your photo a brief response to the following statement: "She looks like a Cardiologist who..." The deadline for this is November 30th.

We are hosting the Midwest WIC ACC Symposium for 2021! If you are a woman in cardiology who is interested in serving on the planning committee for this meeting, please contact me or Dr. Rafat Padaria at padaria@cvmedpc.com.

FELLOWS IN TRAINING UPDATE



Shubha Deep Roy, MBBS
Co-Chair, Iowa ACC FIT Council



Kurt Bjorkman, MD
Co-Chair, Iowa ACC FIT Council



Tuncay Taskesen, MD
Assistant Chair, Iowa ACC FIT Council

The past few months have been very busy for the Fellows in Training. We had an outstanding outcome of our Iowa ACC Fellows' Board-Oriented Educational Lectures Series. In all, we organized 39 lectures by 30 faculty over 12 consecutive weekends in May-July. These presentations were attended by fellows world-wide. Presentations are available for viewing [here](#). We would like to thank our meeting sponsors, Philips, Medtronic and Biosense Webster for their generous support of this lecture series.

Iowa ACC FIT co-chair and Strategic Council representative, Dr. Shubha Deep Roy was invited to be a panelist of the ACC Webinar of "Virtual Education in Cardiology Fellowship" held on Sep 16. Our Iowa ACC lecture series was hailed as a phenomenon during the tough times, these lectures helped a lot of fellowship programs and was said that it paved a way to show that large scale virtual education series are possible

In the month of August, we successfully completed the Iowa ACC and ACC Early Career Section Interventional Cardiology Board Review Lecture Series. In all we organized 16 lectures by 14 renowned faculty over 4 consecutive weekends. Presentations are available for viewing [here](#).

"It has been an honor and a privilege to serve our fellows as their representative and FIT Council Co-chair in the Iowa chapter of ACC over last 9 months. At the FIT council, it has been our endeavor to support our fellows in whichever way possible and I derive immense pleasure and satisfaction doing the same. I took over the role in a difficult time where fellows' education were hampered with onslaught of COVID-19 pandemic. But together with our Iowa ACC leadership, we were able to organize extremely successful fellow educational lecture series. On a personal level, this role has helped me to network with some amazing people in our state, other ACC chapters as well as at a national level, and I am sure this will help in my career advancement as well."

We will be calling for applications for leadership for the FIT council early next year.