



TUESDAY - PICS~AICS

THE PICS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD GOES TO DR. HORST SIEVERT

By Karim Diab, MD



From left-to-right: Drs. Horst Sievert, John P. Cheatham and Ziyad M. Hijazi.

The new winner of the *PICS Achievement Award* was honored as part of the PICS 2011 last night. This award is designed to encourage and recognize investigators of promise, who have contributed exceptionally to the field of interventional cardiology in congenital and structural heart disease, and upon whom progress in this field is dependent. The first *PICS Achievement Award* was given in 1997 to Dr. C. Mullins. Other *PICS* awards (not given on yearly basis) included the *Pioneer Award*, first time given to Dr. T. King in 2007, and the *Founders Award*, given to Dr. Hijazi in 2006.

Highlights of this year's *PICS Achievement Award Winner*:

- Born in the little town of Ibbenburen, Germany on Dec, 24, 1954 (the day Germans celebrate Christmas).
- Married to Nicola and has 4 children
- Earned his M.D. from the University of Frankfurt in 1979.
- Finished his residency in internal medicine at the General Hospital of Offenbach and his cardiology training at the University of Frankfurt.
- Board certified in Internal Medicine, Cardiology, Vascular Medicine and ICU in Germany.
- Currently Professor of Internal Medicine, Cardiology and Vascular Medicine at Johann Wolfgang Goethe at the University of Frankfurt.
- Director of the Department of Cardiology and Vascular Medicine at Sankt Katharinen - Frankfurt.
- Manuscript reviewer for more than 25 journals.
- On the editorial board and/or editor of 8 journals.
- Has published over 150 articles in peer reviewed journals, contributed to more

than 75 books/book chapters, and is a regular speaker at national and international cardiology meetings with more than 1000 lecturers given to date!

- Reported on the first percutaneous LAA closure with a dedicated device in 2001.
- A superb interventionalist in structural heart disease, known to be the person that industry goes to for new device testing in Europe. or as Dr. J. Cheatham called him "the test pilot" for devices and new sophisticated technologies in structural heart disease intervention.
- Recipient of multiple awards and winner of 10 major awards for special work done in interventional cardiology including: endovascular treatment of aortic aneurysms, percutaneous LAA closure and others.
- Has been the course director / organizer of more than 200 courses and workshops in cardiology and intervention.

Congratulations Horst!

THE PICS FOUNDATION AWARD

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From left-to-right: Drs. Ziyad M. Hijazi, William E. Hellenbrand, Charles S. Kleinman, John P. Cheatham and Thomas Jones

Yesterday, the PICS Foundation also presented an award to Dr. Charles S. Kleinman in acknowledgement of his tireless efforts, dedication and contributions to the field of Interventional Echocardiography and for his contributions as a member of the *PICS* faculty since its inception.

TUESDAY PICS PREVIEW

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Welcome to the third day of PICS!

After a completing a full day of live cases, didactic lectures, hot debates and an oral abstract session, *PICS* continues on

Tuesday with more live case transmissions, as well as lectures focusing on management of coarctation of the aorta, "Meet the Expert" breakout session, a Heart/Brain symposium, and a mini PFO Summit.

Today, there will be an early breakout session starting at 7:00 am for fellows-in-training to give tips and views from colleagues and pioneers in the field to the junior cardiologists.

After Dr. G. Wernovsky tells us "why he left the cath lab" at the time, the morning session starts with more live cases transmitted from Yale in Connecticut and Montreal Heart Institute in Quebec. The live transmissions will be again taking place in the morning until early afternoon in the main Grand Ballroom Hall. Drs. Pollak, White and Fahey will transmit live cases of closure of PAVMs. Case demonstrations from Montreal Heart institute (Drs. Ibrahim, Asgar and Bonan) will include percutaneous placement of Edwards Sapein XP heart valve for severe AS, PFO closure using the Helex device and transseptal access and LAA closure.

During the morning, and in between the live case transmissions, there will also be some didactic lectures: Dr. D. Balzer will discuss closing silent PDAs, always a controversial issue, Dr. M. Gewillig will talk about transcatheter tricuspid valve replacement.

There will also be a session on the new AHA guidelines for pediatric catheter intervention and how these translate into clinical practice.

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PICS~AICS 15th GALA Dinner Cruise - The Odyssey Cruise will dock at the Seaport World Trade Center and is a short walk from the hotel.

7:00-7:30 pm - Transportation to Seaport World Trade Center. Depart Hotel from the Concourse Level "D Street Door"

7:30-8:15 pm - Cocktails onboard the Odyssey Cruise Ship

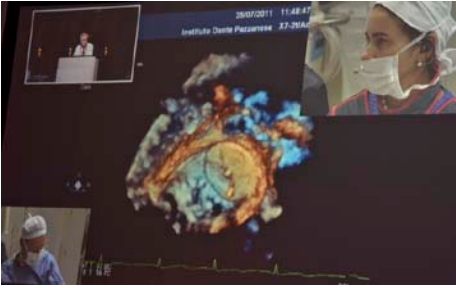
8:15-10:00 pm - Dinner Cruise

10:00-10:30 pm - Transportation to Westin Waterfront Hotel

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Monday Live Cases Highlights in Pictures



Dr. C. Pedra and his team presented an adult case of LAA closure in a 62 y.o lady with chronic atrial fib.



Drs. S. Quereshi and T. Momenah presented a very interesting case on implanting a Melody TV in a 12 ½ year old with h/o VSD s/p closure and TV replacement.



Dr. D. Schranz and his team performed a case of LPA stenting followed by percutaneous Edwards-Sapien valve implantation in a 31 y.o. patient with TOF s/p repair.

After more live cases from New Haven and Montreal, the afternoon will continue with the finals for oral abstracts followed by the traditional and always interesting *PICS* session of "My Nightmare Case in the Cath Lab." As usual, you will hear your colleagues share their experience with complicated cases in the cath lab, and whether or not they were able to escape the difficulties. You will be asked to vote for the best case, so try to remember the details!

More live cases will be transmitted in the afternoon, followed by a comprehensive session on management of coarctation of the aorta from the neonate to the adult. Several didactic lectures will tackle this topic: management of the neonate including interventional alternatives to surgery in the sick neonate, when to intervene in coarctation in the setting of HLHS, bare vs covered stents and their long-term effects, and when to do CT vs MRI follow-up imaging for coarctation.

We will then have the second *PICS* Hot Debate with Dr. J. Moore and Dr. M. Ilbawi debating on stenting vs surgical repair in children with coarctation. This promises to be an interesting and fun match up!

The afternoon will continue with the "Meet the Experts" breakout session, which will take place in three separate rooms. As usual, these sessions will give attendees the opportunity to discuss challenging cases with world renowned faculty. Be sure to bring your toughest cases to the table!

The late afternoon sessions will feature the Heart Brain Symposium, followed by the mini PFO Summit. This will include lectures on LAA occlusion with an overview of available devices, the risk of stroke associated with ASDs, and prevention of thromboembolic events after percutaneous left heart valve interventions.

The mini PFO symposium will again focus on the PFO/stroke relation. Lectures will include: discussion of the cognitive impairment in patients with R-to-L shunting, guidelines for echo diagnosis and quantification of shunting, how to use TCD in this setting, management of common problems post PFO closure, as well as the neurologist's view on PFO relationship to

stroke. The day will end with discussing the PFO/Migraine relationship dilemma.

After two long and informative days of *PICS*, we all deserve a cruise night aboard the *Odyssey* for the *PICS-AICS* Gala dinner! Be there to witness amazing views of the Boston harbor and to have a fun evening.

CITY AWARD TO DR. ZIYAD M. HIJAZI

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Dr. Hijazi being recognized by the City of Boston.

A surprise announcement took place shortly prior to the early morning start of the live cases at *PICS* on Monday with an award given to Dr. Ziyad Hijazi from the Mayor of Boston, Thomas. M. Menino, in recognition of his efforts and contributions to the field of cardiology, and recognizing this day as "Dr. Ziyad Hijazi Day."

"Congrats Z!"
From the team at CCT

LIVE CASES FOR TODAY

8:00-9:20 am - Live Cases (New Haven, Montreal); **Panelists:** BG Alekyan, Michael deMoor, Roberto Cubeddu, Robert Siegal, Omar Galal

11:00 am-12:10 pm - Live Cases (New Haven, Montreal); **Panelists:** Robert Vincent, Carlos Zabal, Howard Weber, Jou-Kou Wang, Miguel Granja

2:00-2:45 pm - Live Cases (Montreal); **Panelists:** Geoff Lane, Eustaquio Onorato, Mansour Al-Joufan, Wei Gao, Young Choi

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