American Society of Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine
Advancing the Science and Practice of Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine

42nd Annual Regional Anesthesiology and Acute Pain Medicine Meeting

Highlights:
- Practice Management Portfolio (PMP) and Certificate of Attendance
- High-Fidelity Simulation Workshop for Thoracic Epidurals, Thoracic Paravertebral Blocks, and Intercostal Blocks
- Point-of-Care Ultrasound (PoCUS)
- Enhanced Recovery After Surgery (ERAS)
- Comprehensive Workshops
- More Workshops on New and Advanced Blocks

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April 6–8, 2017
Marriott Marquis
San Francisco, California

• Register now and save!
• Early-bird deadline: February 8, 2017
Dear colleagues,

Welcome to the 42nd Annual Regional Anesthesiology and Acute Pain Medicine Meeting taking place April 6–8, 2017, in eclectic San Francisco, California! Our program this year was designed from the ground up, with the help of your input and in response to the changing demands of our evolving specialty. There is something for everyone: experts, novices, clinicians, and administrators. From PEC blocks to PoCUS, from practice management to cannabinoid pharmacotherapy, we have broadened our scope and sharpened our focus on what matters most to provide you with the necessary tools to succeed in the current healthcare environment.

So, what’s different? A fancier axillary block or another way to numb the ankle? We have moved beyond the technical aspects of our specialty to train you as acute pain leaders. Our Practice Management Portfolio will teach you how to develop, manage, and grow your acute pain practice by mastering CMS compliance and maximizing reimbursement. What’s the point of learning new blocks if you can’t bill for them later? How can you negotiate contract terms if you don’t understand the economics of the service you want to provide?

To complement the business side, we have broadened our technical scope to include bedside point-of-care ultrasonography (PoCUS) and increased our course offerings in advanced block techniques. The visionaries who first described the PEC, serratus plane, iPACK, quadratum lumbarum, and transverse oblique lumbar plexus blocks were invited as faculty for our workshops. In order to maximize your exposure and learning, all sessions are more interactive than ever.

Finally, we have also incorporated more chronic pain medical management sessions in response to our growing role as inpatient pain physicians and key players in ERAS models (enhanced recovery after surgery). From methadone pharmacotherapy to major joint clinical pathways, you will learn what it takes to succeed as a holistic perioperative pain expert.

If you only attend one meeting this year, make it this one. Get all the training, MOCA 2.0 CMEs, and networking you need in one event at a beautiful venue, in an exciting city, and with on-site wine tastings to experience some of the local wine country flavors.

Kind regards,

Andres Missair, MD, EDRA
Chair, Scientific/Education Planning Committee 2017
ASRA’s special events are always memorable opportunities to network with friends old and new. The Wine and Bubbly Networking Reception and Exhibit Hall Grand Opening on Thursday features a selection of local wines and beers, as well as light hors d’oeuvres, along with the opportunity to check out a wide range of products and services offered by our exhibitors.

Residents and Fellows: Don’t miss Friday’s Meet and Greet with Fellowship Directors. Enjoy a beverage while networking with fellow trainees and North American Fellowship Directors.

The Excellence in ASRA Awards Luncheon on Saturday provides an opportunity to celebrate cutting-edge research with the Carl Koller Memorial Research Grant Update and the Gaston Labat lecture by award recipient Dr. Nigel Sharrock.

Cap off the meeting with our Saturday Evening Celebration, a private event in the iconic View Lounge atop the San Francisco Marriott Marquis. You’ll enjoy a collection of California wines and signature cocktails, accompanied by locally inspired small plates and breathtaking panoramic views of the city. Ask anyone who attended last year’s bash, this is a not-to-be-missed evening of food, drink, and ASRA friends! Entrance includes food, open bar, and entertainment.
Main Meeting

Whether you are new to the field or a seasoned expert, in private or academic practice, the 2017 meeting has something for you.

- The science of regional anesthesia: Sonoanatomy and needle placement
- Pharmacology: Evidence-based use of local anesthetics and additives
- Safety: Complication avoidance
- Advanced post-operative pain management
- Clinical pathways - Knee for speed: Total knee arthroplasty (TKA) protocols
- Perioperative surgical home: Opioid management for the acute pain physician
- Clinical pathways - Joint venture: Pain management for major joint surgery
- Acute pain: Opioid alternatives
- American Society of Anesthesiologists presidential update
- Science of regional anesthesia: Beyond the nerve target and novel approaches
- Practice Management Portfolio Part 1: Law, marketing, and strategy
- ASRA/ESRA session: Cancer recurrence, the immune system, and nerve blocks
- Practice Management Portfolio Part 2: Finance
- Postsurgical pain syndromes
- Regional anesthesia in austere environments
- Neuraxial and regional anesthesia contraindications: Fact vs. fiction
- Managing failures in regional anesthesia and acute pain
- ASRA/ESRA pediatric panel
- Advanced labor epidural management
- New technologies: Exploring the evidence for use
- Painless healthcare reform
- New developments in research

The ASRA 42nd Annual Regional Anesthesiology and Acute Pain Medicine main meeting registration includes:

- Refresher Courses
- Parallel Sessions
- ePosters and Moderated Sessions
- Exhibit Hall Access with Company Booths, ASRA Chat Room, and Internet Café
- Daily Breakfast and Breaks
- Opening Networking Reception
- Reduced Pricing to the Saturday Celebration and ASRA Awards Luncheon
- Meeting Materials and Presentations
Customize your meeting experience with these additional offerings:

26 Problem-Based Learning Discussions

Case-based, small group, problem-solving discussions at tables of 10 with an expert faculty facilitator. Choose from a broad range of topics with a focus on real life clinical issues and practical solutions and strategies. (Additional fee; includes lunch.)

29 Hands-On Workshops

Learn in a small environment using live models and specialized equipment. Choose from Interactive Demonstration Workshops (1.5 hours); Comprehensive Workshops (3.75 hours); Hands-On Workshops (2 hours); and our all-new Special Session Workshop, which will provide 3.75 hours of focus on Point-of-Care Ultrasound for the Regional Anesthesiologist. Learn how to use bedside ultrasound to diagnose acute respiratory complications such as pneumothorax, diaphragmatic paresis, gastric contents, and airway anatomy.

You Asked, We Answered: More Workshops on New and Advanced Blocks

Workshops cover PECs and serratus plane blocks, iPACK blocks, transverse oblique lumbar plexus and quadratum lumborum blocks, and brachial plexus anatomy. Check out our High-Fidelity Simulation Workshop for Thoracic Blocks, which covers thoracic epidurals, thoracic paravertebral blocks, and intercostal blocks.

Our Comprehensive Workshops feature in-depth, clinically-focused workshops with low attendee-to-faculty ratios, and cover a variety of peripheral blocks for the upper and lower extremities, as well as truncal procedures.

Get your ABA MOCA 2.0™ Part IV High-Fidelity Simulation CME credits by attending the High-Fidelity Simulator for Thoracic Blocks workshop or the Simulation Workshop Crisis Management for the Regional Anesthesiologist, led by the Stanford stimulation team.

New in 2017!

ASRA’s new Practice Management Portfolio (PMP) provides attendees with an overview of important managerial, legal, and financial issues to help you manage your practice or establish a new acute pain service while maximizing reimbursement. To earn your certificate of participation, you’ll need to attend one of four PMP-specific PBLDs, one of two PMP Parallel Sessions, and two PMP-specific Interactive Sessions. This track of programming is only $100 if you sign up before February 8th.

Also new this year, join Journal Editor Marc Huntoon, MD, for an Ask the Expert Interactive Session offering “Practical Advice for Publication Success.” There is no additional charge for this session!

CME-CPD

Educational Objectives

After participating in this educational activity, participants should be able to:

- Describe the role of the Acute Pain Service in the perioperative surgical home and implement strategies to support ERAS (Enhanced Recovery After Surgery) pathways.
- Review current basic science, clinical, and translational research with regard to its applicability to regional anesthesia and acute pain medicine practice.
- Describe current methods of regional anesthetic/analgesic techniques for perioperative and acute pain management.
- Perform a risk/benefit analysis of specific regional anesthetic techniques to select optimal choices for surgical anesthesia and perioperative pain control.
- Identify the barriers to implementation of current regional anesthetic/analgesic techniques into practice, and discuss strategies to overcome these barriers.
- Incorporate modern opioid and non-opioid systemic analgesic agents and multimodal analgesic protocols into perioperative and acute pain medicine.
- Describe emerging pharmacologic products and technologies of potential future use in regional anesthesia and pain medicine and identify pros and cons of their actions.
- Describe both short- and long-term outcome variables that are improved by effective regional anesthesia and pain medicine.
- Identify key aspects of the Affordable Care Act relevant to the practice of regional anesthesia and pain medicine services and describe their challenges and opportunities.
- Assemble a valuable network of international colleagues for consultation and future self-directed learning.
- Identify obstacles and implement strategies for safe and effective regional anesthesia delivery under adverse conditions (natural disasters and war).
- Fulfill knowledge base and technical skills requirements for the ASRA-ASA Ultrasound-Guided Regional Anesthesia (UGRA) Education and Clinical Training Portfolio.
- Claim American Board of Anesthesiology (ABA) Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology (MOC&A) Part II Patient Safety and Part IV High-Fidelity Simulation CME credit.

Practice Management Portfolio (PMP)

After this completing the portfolio, participants should be able to:

- Assess the essential financial, accounting, strategic, and marketing competencies to provide the most efficient and effective patient care.
- Align stakeholder interests and incentives within their healthcare system.
- Evaluate the current legislative environment and impact of the planned implementation phase contributing to major transformations in the reimbursement methodology.
- Discuss practice case scenarios facilitating rapid implementation of all techniques into practice.

Accreditation and Credit Designation Statements:

The American Society of Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The American Society of Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 23.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

For full CME-CPD information, including information about American Board of Anesthesiology® (ABA) Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology Program (MOC®) Part II Patient Safety CME and Part IV High-Fidelity Simulation CME, ASRA-ASA Ultrasound-Guided Regional Anesthesia (UGRA) Education and Clinical Training Portfolio, and more, visit www.asra.com/page/1342/cme-cpd.
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ASRA Reduced Rate: $275 (plus tax/fees)

Reservations:
Reservation Center: 1.888.575.8934
(mention ASRA and meeting name)
ASRA Rates Online: www.asra.com

Reservations Deadline: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 or until sold out!