



16th International Conference on Cochlear Implants and Other Implantable Technologies



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As Conference Program Chairs, we are pleased to announce that the 16th International Conference on Cochlear Implants and Other Implantable Auditory Technologies will be held March 18–21, 2020 in Orlando, Florida. The conference theme is: *Expanding Indications for Cochlear Implantation*. The program aims are to identify the outcomes of cochlear implant recipients who exceed current candidacy criteria for cochlear implantation, determine the patient and device variables that contribute to patient performance, and explore different practice models to continue to provide the best care as the volume of cochlear implant recipients increases.

We are thrilled to announce that the John Niparko Memorial Lecture will be given by Konstantina Stankovic, MD, PhD on degeneration and regeneration of the inner ear. Dr. Stankovic is Chief, Division of Otolaryngology and Neurotology and Director of the Molecular Neurotology and Biotechnology Lab at Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Harvard University. This special lecture at the Opening General Session on Thursday, March 19 recognizes Dr. John K. Niparko's enduring commitment to cochlear implant research and clinical care and honors his significant contributions to the field.

In addition to the Niparko Address by Dr. Stankovic, this year's scientific program has been organized to include six special lectures by leaders in the field on specific topic areas, allowing them to share their work as keynote speakers.

These speakers include:

- **Oliver Adunka, MD (USA)** on electric-acoustic stimulation in adult cochlear implant recipients
- **Matthew Carlson, MD (USA)** on early cochlear implantation in children
- **Teresa Ching, PhD (Australia)** on language development in pediatric cochlear implant recipients
- **Bruce Gantz, MD (USA)** on measures beyond those conducted in the sound booth to assess the effectiveness of cochlear implant use
- **René Gifford, PhD (USA)** on bimodal and bilateral cochlear implantation
- **Paul van de Heyning, MD, PhD (Belgium)** on cognition and cochlear implantation



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MARCH 18:
Pre-Conference Activities

MARCH 19-21:
CI2020 International

LOCATION:
Hyatt Regency Orlando

ORGANIZERS:
American Cochlear Implant Alliance
University of North Carolina

Anticipated session topics at CI2020 International include SSD Surgery and Device, Intelligent Mapping in Expanded Indication Subjects, EAS in Adults, Beyond Speech Perception, (Re)habilitation and Education Strategies, Increasing CI Market Penetration and much more!

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The program will offer the traditional panel discussions and podium and poster presentations. In addition, a new feature will be a point/counter-point session on controversies in cochlear implantation. The scientific committee generated topics specific to expanding indications for cochlear implantation to include:

- Candidacy for Cochlear Implantation: Determining Who May Benefit
- Surgical Considerations: Treating Patients with More Hearing
- Mapping: Considerations of Patient and Device Variables
- Aural Rehabilitation: Treatment Targets for the Individual Patient
- Objective Measures: Beyond Behavioral Evaluation
- Postoperative Outcomes: Demonstrating the Benefit of Expanded Indications
- Practice Management: The Cochlear Implant Program in the Face of Expanding Indications

We are grateful to the scientific and conference committee members for their efforts to ensure that this will be a thought-provoking and informative meeting. We are looking forward to sharing our Southern hospitality in Orlando, Florida!

CI2020 in Orlando

Registration

Conference registration for CI2020 is now open at <http://ci2020orlando.org/site/index.php/registration>.

The Early Bird Deadline is January 21, 2020. Register early and save.

Hotel

Book your stay at the Hyatt Regency Orlando, an iconic hotel in the heart of everything Orlando has to offer. All conference events take place at the Hyatt. Space is limited and reservations received after Monday, February 17, 2020, or after the room block fills, are subject to rate and space availability. Visit <http://ci2020orlando.org/site/index.php/hotel-travel> to make your reservation.

CEU/CME

Continuing Education credits, including CEU and CME, will be provided at the CI2020 International conference. Visit <http://ci2020orlando.org/site/index.php/continuing-education> for additional details on credits and providers as they are confirmed.

Travel Discounts

Visit <http://ci2020orlando.org/site/index.php/hotel-travel/travel> for special travel discounts for the CI2020 meeting.

(Re)Habilitation Connect Forum

To be held Friday, March 20 from 12:30–5:00. The Forum and a reception following the close of the session is free to conference registrants. Attendees are encouraged to sign up as part of regular registration.

Student Scholarships

Student scholarships are available for a limited number of students and will be awarded competitively to students who are undergraduate or graduate students, residents, or fellows in hearing science. Applications are due on December 13, 2019 and can be found here: <https://www.acialliance.org/page/CI2020>

From Data to Delivery: Implementing Research-Based Intervention

A Special (Re)Habilitation Connect Forum to be held
Friday, March 20, 2020 from 12:30-5:00 PM at
CI2020 International in Orlando

A reception following the close of the Forum is free to session registrants

Maya Angelou once said, “Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better.” As the ACI Alliance has grown in number and in reach, the awareness of the need to engage and support therapy practitioners and educators in a better way also has grown. This knowledge, in addition to the overwhelming positive response regarding the (re)habilitation sessions and opportunities at CI2019 in Miami, has led to a new offering for CI2020 specifically for therapy practitioners and educators or anyone interested in therapy and education.

In addition to (re)habilitation presentations throughout the regular scientific program, the ACI Alliance is proud to announce an afternoon forum on Friday, March 20 entitled: *From Data to Delivery: Implementing Research-Based Intervention*. During this (re)habilitation-focused afternoon, attendees will have the opportunity to participate in sessions designed to provide clinically-applicable, research-based information on topics related to:

- Complexities of family-centered care
- Reading and cognition
- Working with older children and teens

If as a therapy practitioner or educator you have wished for more in-depth information and more immediately applicable take-aways from the presentations you have attended at ACI Alliance meetings, this forum is for you. Please join us as we all strive to make our best better.



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