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## NEWSSTAND EDITOR'S PICKS

### [SCCT Releases New Guideline for CT Use During TAVR](#)

The Society of Cardiovascular Computed Tomography (SCCT) has released a new expert consensus document for computed tomography (CT) imaging to improve outcomes for patients undergoing transcatheter aortic valve implantation (TAVI)/transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR).

### [Takotsubo Syndrome Not Necessarily 'Benign' or Fleeting](#)

Long-term rates of mortality and recurrence following an index Takotsubo syndrome event are not negligible, and older age, physical stress, and atypical ballooning at presentation are each associated with worse prognosis, according to a new systematic review.

## Femoral Operators Get Bad Rap in Observational Studies, HEAT-PPCI Suggests

A new analysis of the HEAT-PPCI trial suggests that transfemoral operators might be unfairly maligned, with data showing that physicians experienced with the femoral approach achieve outcomes as good as those achieved by transradial operators.

## For the FITs | The Future of Cardiovascular Imaging: Considerations for FITs

The field of cardiovascular imaging is evolving at an accelerated pace. Significant advances in nuclear imaging, MRI, computed tomography (CT) and echocardiography have added to our armamentarium of improved testing to diagnose and treat heart disease. This article discusses the future of cardiovascular imaging from the view of a Fellow in Training and deliberate on several factors a cardiology fellow should keep in mind while considering a career in advanced imaging.

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## INDUSTRY PRESS RELEASES



### Abbott Offers a New Option For Physicians Treating Patients With Atrial Fibrillation

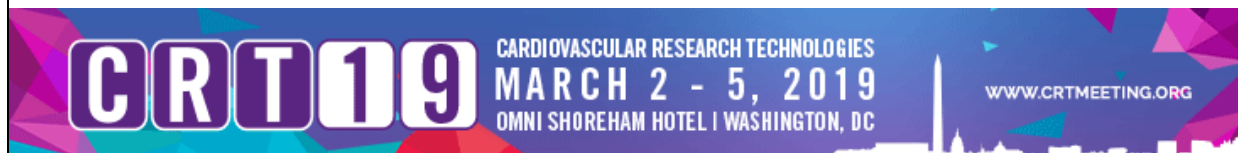
ABBOTT PARK, Ill., Jan. 21, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- Abbott (NYSE: ABT) today announced U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval of the TactiCath™ Contact Force Ablation Catheter, Sensor Enabled™, a new ablation catheter designed to help physicians accurately and effectively treat atrial fibrillation (AFib).

### Treatment of Peripheral Arterial Disease with Paclitaxel-Coated Balloons and Paclitaxel-Eluting Stents Potentially Associated with Increased Mortality - Letter to Health Care Providers



The US Food and Drug Administration has issued a “Dear Doctor” letter alerting physicians that they are evaluating a signal of increased late deaths among patients with femoropopliteal artery disease treated with paclitaxel-coated balloons and stents that was documented in a recent study.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



Society for  
Cardiovascular  
Magnetic  
Resonance

**Society for Cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance (SCMR) 22nd**

## Annual Scientific Sessions

**Date:** 02/06/2019 - 02/09/2019

**City/State:** Bellevue, WA

**Venue:** Hyatt Regency Bellevue on Seattle's Eastside

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## National Lipid Association Spring Clinical Lipid Update

**Date:** 02/22/2019 - 02/24/2019

**City/State:** Portland, OR

**Venue:** Hilton Portland Downtown

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## Chronic Total Occlusion (CTO) Summit 2019

**Date:** 02/28/2019 - 03/01/2019

**City/State:** New York, NY

**Venue:** New York Marriott Marquis

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