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SAGES 2022-Welcome Home SAGES!

This year's meeting theme "Welcome Home SAGES" is meant to celebrate seeing even more of you in Denver March 16-19, 2022. Program chairs Drs. Jacob Greenberg and Archana Ramaswamy have prepared an exciting program with opportunities to explore pioneering innovation in robotics, AI, and surgery in space! Hands-on courses are also back, along with several sessions focused on diversity and inclusion. To see the full Schedule at a Glance, go [here](#).



A reminder that SAGES 2021 On Demand Annual Meeting can still be accessed via the SAGES 2021 Meeting App or use the **Desktop Browser**. Participants may also earn more than 100+ CME credits through December 2021. Please go [here](#) to register if you aren't previously registered.

IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES

ABSITE Webinar Review/Part 1
Dec 7, 2021

ABSITE Webinar Review/Part 2
Jan 11, 2022

SAVE THE DATE - NBT Innovation Weekend
Feb 3-5, 2022
Hilton America's Houston, TX
(Details coming soon)

SAGES 2022
March 16-19, 2022

NON-OPIOID
EXPAREL
(bupivacaine liposome injectable suspension)

MORE THAN 8 MILLION ADULT PATIENTS HAVE RECEIVED EXPAREL SINCE 2012¹

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Reference: 1. Data on File. B460. Parsippany, NJ: Pacira BioSciences, Inc.; January 2021. ©2021 Pacira BioSciences, Inc. Parsippany, NJ 07054 FP-EX-US-6568 04/21



Shark Tank Applications Open Don't Miss the Opportunity to Win \$30,000

SAGES, in partnership with Varia Ventures, is continuing its initiative to educate members on entrepreneurship, and engage and showcase inventors through the now-funded Shark Tank business competition. The competition now includes financing startups through SAGES Investment Network Collaborative

(SINC).

This year's finalists will again present their idea and supporting business model to the Shark Tank judges at the SAGES annual meeting in Denver, March 16-19, 2022. All semi-finalists will have an opportunity to receive funding through **SINC**, a digital investment platform powered by Varia Ventures that allows fellow SAGES members to invest in their idea. The winner will also receive the \$30,000 first prize. For more information, please go [here](#).

Upcoming ABSITE Part 1 and 2 Webinar Review Dates

- **Tuesday, December 7, 2021**
- ABSITE Review – Part 1
- Chair: Michael M. Awad, MD, PhD
- Faculty: Jeffrey Blatnik, MD; Amber Traugott, MD and Timothy Vreeland, MD
- Program Outline:
 - 7:00-7:05PM | Welcome and Overview | Michael M. Awad, MD, PhD
 - 7:05-7:30PM | Esophagus, Stomach, Obesity | Michael M. Awad, MD, PhD
 - 7:30-8:00PM | General Abdomen, Hernia, Spleen | Jeffrey Blatnik, MD
 - 8:00-8:30PM | Colorectal & Anal Disease | Amber Traugott, MD
 - 8:30-9:00PM | Small Intestine, Biliary Disease, Flexible Endoscopy | Timothy Vreeland, MD
- **Registration**

- **Tuesday, January 11, 2022**
- ABSITE Review – Part 2
- Chair: Michael M. Awad, MD, PhD
- Faculty: Ivy Haskins, MD; Sara Hennessy, MD and Gerald Fortuna, MD
- Program Outline:
 - 7:00-7:05PM | Welcome and Overview | Michael M. Awad, MD, PhD
 - 7:05-7:30PM | Surgical Critical Care/Trauma | Ivy Haskins, MD
 - 7:30-8:00PM | Breast/Endocrine | Amy Rosenbluth, MD
 - 8:00-8:30PM | Miscellaneous (Transplant, Thoracic, Pediatric, Plastics) | Sara Hennessy, MD
 - 8:30-9:00PM | Vascular | Gerald Fortuna, MD
- **Registration**



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SAGES Member Spotlight Dr. Anna Ibele

"Initially, my involvement in SAGES was based on the relevancy of the annual meeting content to my desired clinical practice," says Salt Lake City-based Dr. Anna Ibele. "More recently, it's the quality and research initiatives SAGES sponsors."

Since joining SAGES as a resident at the University of Wisconsin, Dr. Ibele has been actively involved in the association's evolving initiatives serving on several committees, including the Pediatric, Bariatric, Research and Career Development and Foregut committees.

As a third year resident, Dr. Ibele was encouraged by Dr. Jon Gould, then on the faculty of the University of Wisconsin, to pursue her fellowship training and get involved with SAGES. Dr. Leena Khaitan is a more recent mentor, encouraging her participation and helping her launch advocacy projects as part of her work on the Foregut task force.

To read more about Dr. Ibele, please go [here](#). To learn more about SAGES membership and access an online application form, please go [here](#).

The SAGES Job Board has a new look, better functionality, and is still totally free for the surgical community to post surgical jobs at <https://www.sages.org/jobs/>. Check it out!



SAGES Guidelines Development Fellow and Public Comment Period for a New Guideline

A new SAGES Guideline on COVID will be available for Public Comment soon. Look for announcements via email and social media.

We are seeking candidates for the SAGES Guidelines Fellow position.

- The role of the Fellow is: to engage in the development of clinical practice guidelines for surgeons under the auspices of the SAGES Guidelines Committee; appraise the literature and conduct systematic reviews on high yield surgical topics; effectively guide SAGES guidelines committee working groups in the development of guidelines; and, participate in publications of developed guidelines and in research projects of the department as needed.
- This two-year position will start on July 1, 2022
- Application deadline: December 1, 2021
- For more information and to apply, please visit: <https://www.sages.org/application-for-sages-guidelines-fellow>

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