



**GRAND SLAMS &
CATASTROPHES**
2026 PROGRAM

FEBRUARY 6-7, 2026
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GUEST SPEAKER



**Dr. Charles (Chuck) Ray,
MD, PhD**

Interim Chair, Department of Radiology and
Imaging Sciences, University of Utah Health

Charles (Chuck) Ray, MD, PhD, has been named Interim Chair of the Department of Radiology and Imaging Sciences in the Spencer Fox Eccles School of Medicine at the University of Utah, effective September 8. He will also continue in a clinical role in interventional radiology and in his role as Editor for the Journal of Vascular and Interventional Radiology. Chuck succeeds Satoshi Minoshima, MD, PhD, who led the department over a decade.

Ray is a nationally recognized leader in academic radiology. Since joining U of U Health in 2024, he has been deeply involved in strengthening the department's clinical programs, research, and educational mission. Before coming to Utah, Ray served as Chair of Radiology at the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Chicago, where he also held senior leadership roles, including Interim Executive Dean of the College of Medicine and Associate Chief Executive Officer for Strategic Alignment at the University of Illinois Hospital & Health Sciences System.

SPEAKERS

*Dr. Andrew Benko, MD, FRCPC, C.S.P.Q

Chief of Angiography and Interventional Radiology, CHUS; Associated professor, University of Sherbrooke

*Dr. Adnan Hadzimerovic MD, FRCPC

Head Vascular and Interventional Radiology Dept. of Medical Imaging, The Ottawa Hospital Assistant Professor, University of Ottawa

*Dr. Stefan Przybojewski, MBChB

Interventional Radiologist, Foothill's Medical Center, Clinical Assistant Professor, University of Calgary

*Dr. Jason Wong, MD, FRCPC, FSIR, FCIRSE

Clinical Associate Professor, Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology, Foothills Medical Centre; Cumming, School of Medicine, University of Calgary

Dr. Mathieu Béland, MD, FRCPC

Interventional Radiologist, Hôpital St-François d'Assise, CHU de Québec, Clinical Professor, Université Laval

Dr. Alessandra Cassano-Bailey, MD, FRCPC

Past President, Canadian Association of Interventional Radiology (CAIR) | Assistant Professor Radiology University of Manitoba | Interventional Radiologist Health Sciences Centre

Dr. Véronique Caty, MD, FRCPC

Vascular and Interventional Radiologist, CIUSSS Montreal East

Dr. Nevin De Korompay, MD

Interventional Radiologist

Dr. Tara Graham, MD, FRCPC

Vascular and Interventional Radiologist, Trillium Health Partners, Mississauga; Lecturer, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto

Dr. John Kachura, MD, FRCPC, FSIR

Professor, Department of Medical Imaging, University of Toronto | Interventional Radiologist, University Health Network and Mount Sinai Hospital (UHN/MSH)

Dr. Catherine Lalonde, MD, FRCPC,

Interventional Radiologist, CHU de Québec, affiliated to Université Laval

Dr. Maxime Noël-Lamy, MD

Associate professor Interventional Radiology Université de Sherbrooke, QC

Dr. Richard Owen, MD

Associate Professor Radiology and Diagnostic Imaging, University of Alberta Hospital

Dr. Neil Resnick MD, FSIR

Division Chief and Vice Chair, Interventional Radiology, Associate Professor of Radiology, University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School

Dr. Stephen Ryan MD, PhD, FRCPC

Fellowship Director, Vascular and Interventional Radiology and Assistant Professor, University of Ottawa

Dr. David Valenti, MD, FRCPC, FSIR

Division Head, Interventional Radiology, McGill University Health Centre, Director IR Fellowship Program, McGill University, Montreal

*Planning committee member

DISCLOSURE

Speakers who **did not have a relationship with a healthcare company or organization (pharmaceutical, equipment, research, etc.) in the past 24 months.**

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Speakers who **will not discuss or describe the investigational or unlabeled (“off-label”) use of a medical device, product, pharmaceutical that is classified by Health Canada as investigational for the intended use.**

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PROGRAM

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

07:00 - 07:25	Breakfast	
07:25 - 07:30	Welcome Dr. Stefan Przybojewski Dr. Jason Wong	Mt. Currie Ballroom
07:30 - 08:00	Keynote – Guest Speaker Dr. Charles (Chuck) Ray	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recognize the personal emotional toll for the operator from having a procedural complication• Describe strategies to mitigate and manage adverse outcomes• Describe technical tips and tricks to best ensure positive procedural outcomes	
08:00 - 08:45	Arterial (Under Pressure) Dr. Andrew Benko Dr. Tara Graham	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recognize a severe arterial complication• List the endovascular devices required to salvage an arterial complication• Implement strategies to fix a serious arterial complication	
Morning Snacks During the Session		
08:45 - 09:30	Venous (Deflated but Dangerous) Dr. Veronique Caty Dr. Stephen Ryan	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recognize a serious venous complication• List the differences between the management of arterial and venous complications• List endovascular devices to salvage a significant venous complication	
09:30 - 10:15	Vascular Medley Dr. Richard Owen Dr. Mathieu Beland Dr. Catherine Lalonde	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describe situations when to consult another service for definitive management• Implement effective strategies to communicate to patients and family members regarding a complication	
10:15 - 10:30	Guest Speaker - Dealer's Choice Case Dr. Charles (Chuck) Ray	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify procedural signs that would help decrease the incidence of a complication• Develop strategies to mitigate and manage adverse outcomes• Describe technical tips and tricks to best ensure positive procedural outcome	

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10:30 - 15:00	Study Break	
15:00 - 15:30	Networking	
15:30 - 16:00	Extreme IR Dr. Nevin De Korompay Dr. Maxime Noel-Lamy	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describe techniques used in more challenging procedures• Integrate successful strategies for unconventional procedures• Familiarize oneself with a diverse array of vascular and non-vascular interventional devices	
16:00 - 16:30	IR Meltdown Dr. Alessandra Cassano-Bailey Dr. Neil Resnick	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Critique steps in a challenging procedure to ensure good outcomes• Assess safety protocols during a complicated procedure	
16:30 - 17:30	Dealer's choice (extreme IR or M&M) Dr. Darren Ferguson Dr. Stephen Ryan Dr. Adnan Hadzimerovic Dr. Tara Graham Dr. Mathieu Beland	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Detect and classify red flags and common pitfalls associated with interventional radiology procedures• Formulate strategies for the avoidance and management of complications• Describe the use of common devices to mitigate a complication	
17:30 - 18:15	I Ouch Dr. John Kachura Dr. Maxime Noel-Lamy	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify the complications of percutaneous ablation• Describe the complications of liver trans-arterial therapies• Discuss the challenges of treating cancer patients	
18:15 - 19:00	IR Medley Dr. Veronique Caty Dr. Alessandra Cassano-Bailey Dr. Catherine Lalonde	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participate actively in debates and panel discussions to exchange opinions and insights• Acquire knowledge from the collective experience of both faculty and attendees, fostering a collaborative learning environment• Define and discuss the key components of Quality Assurance in Interventional Radiology (IR)	

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

07:00 - 07:25	Breakfast	
07:25 - 07:30	Welcome Dr. Adnan Hadzimerovic Dr. Andrew Benko	Mt. Currie Ballroom
07:30 - 08:15	I0uch V2.0 Dr. Nevin De Korompay Dr. Richard Owen Dr. David Valenti At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify the potential complications of percutaneous ablationDescribe the potential complications of pain management procedures for cancer patientsIdentify IR procedures for palliative patients	Mt. Currie Ballroom
08:15 - 09:15	Extreme IR Dr. Andrew Benko Dr. John Kachura Dr. Neil Resnick Dr. Stephen Ryan At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Employ less-known techniques to generate a good outcomeFamiliarize oneself with a diverse array of vascular and non-vascular IR techniquesIntegrate practical tips and tricks shared by experts to enhance success in challenging procedural scenarios	Mt. Currie Ballroom
09:15 - 09:30	Guest Speaker - Extreme IR case Dr. Charles (Chuck) Ray At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify procedural signs that would help decrease the incidence of a complicationDevelop strategies to mitigate and manage adverse outcomesDescribe technical tips and tricks to best ensure positive procedural outcomes	Mt. Currie Ballroom
Morning Snacks During the Session		
09:30 - 10:30	WTFudge, something's gone wrong Dr. John Kachura Dr. Catherine Lalonde Dr. Veronique Caty Dr. Nevin De Korompay At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Recognize common non-vascular procedure complicationsIdentify techniques that can prevent a complicationDiscuss strategies to mitigate a non vascular complication	Mt. Currie Ballroom
10:30 - 14:30	Study Break	

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

14:30 - 15:00	Networking	
15:00 - 15:45	Cases from the Audience Dr. Jason Wong Dr. Stefan Przybojewski Dr. Darren Ferguson	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Actively participate in debates and panel discussions on complications• Identify pitfalls in procedures that lead to complications• Define and discuss the key components of a good quality assurance program	
15:45 - 16:45	HIIT, I mean HIIR Dr. Tara Graham Dr. Mathieu Beland Dr. Maxime Noel-Lamy Dr. Richard Owen	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describe scenarios where complications may occur in endovascular treatment• Name bail-out techniques for an endovascular complication• Name embolization materials used for treating pseudoaneurysms	
16:45 - 17:30	Heinz 57 Dr. Alessandra Cassano-Bailey Dr. Veronique Caty Dr. Andrew Benko	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss the management of a hypotensive patient in the IR suite• Review the consequences of non-target embolization• List endovascular devices that can be used to stop life threatening bleeding	
17:30 - 18:30	Oh Sh!t Dr. Charles (Chuck) Ray Dr. Neil Resnick Dr. Stephen Ryan Dr. Nevin De Korompay	Mt. Currie Ballroom
	At the end of this session, the participant should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify warning signs of possible bad outcomes• Discuss strategies to recover from potential life-threatening situations• Identify situations that require calling for additional help	

ONSITE INFORMATION

REGISTRATION DESK HOURS

Friday, February 6 6:30 am - 7:00 pm
Saturday, February 7 6:30 am - 6:30 pm

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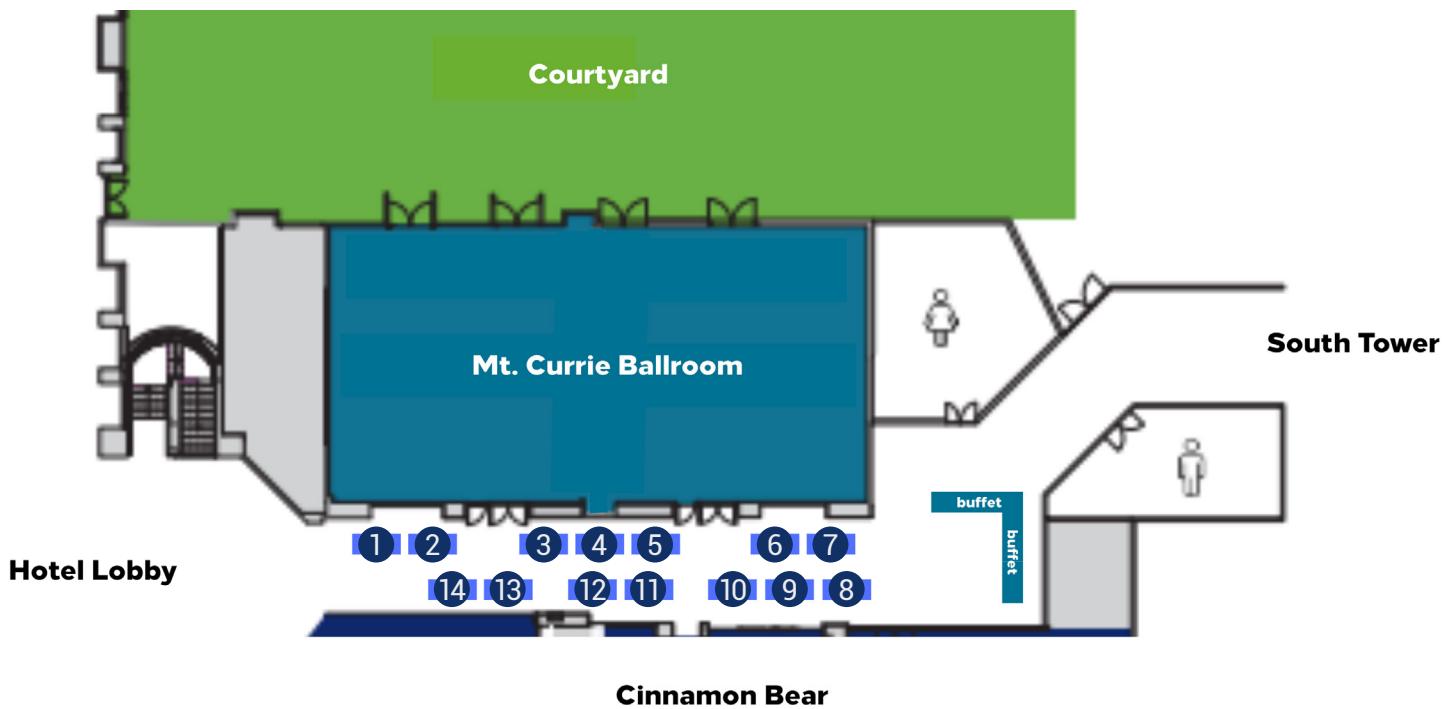


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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of the meeting, participants should be able to:

- Identify common errors that may lead to procedural complications.
- Describe steps and methods to mitigate procedural complications.
- Describe vascular and non-vascular interventional techniques for salvage once a complication occurs.
- Describe common causes of systems medical errors in interventional radiology.
- List requirements for proper patient informed consent.
- Describe methods to communicate to the patient regarding a complication.
- Recognize and assess the medicolegal implications that may arise from complications in interventional radiology.

REGISTRATION

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		COUPON CODE
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Fellow/Resident	\$328	GSC70
Nurse/Technologist	\$328	GSC70
Student	\$0	GSC100

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Physician	\$1,849	
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Student	\$0	GSC100

Members

AFTER DECEMBER 20, 2024

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Physician	\$1,322	
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Nurse/Technologist	\$397	GSC70
Student	\$0	GSC100

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AFTER DECEMBER 20, 2024

		COUPON CODE
Physician	\$2,219	
Fellow/Resident	\$1,110	GSC50
Nurse/Technologist	\$1,110	GSC50
Student	\$0	GSC100

HOTEL INFORMATION

Hilton Whistler Resort

4050 Whistler Way,
Whistler, BC V8E 1H9

A preferential rate has been negotiated for the attendees. You will receive a private link on your receipt to book your room when you will register.

Room Rate: \$429.00



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