

# DUKE UNIVERSITY COOPERATIVE CARDIOVASCULAR SOCIETY

Collaboration  
that Advances  
Careers

## WHO WE ARE

DUCCS supports the scholarly interests of its members by providing research and educational programs. DUCCS also serves as a resource for fellows graduating from the Duke Cardiovascular Disease Fellowship Program who are interested in developing their own clinical-research and/or education programs. We are:

- A clinical-research network comprising Duke Cardiology fellowship and faculty alumni, alumni associates, and active cardiology faculty
- Clinical and academic physicians interested in clinical research
- An international community of clinicians in 45 states and 16 countries
- A university without walls

## DUCCS SUBGROUPS

DUCCS subgroup members have specific fields of interest and expertise in common. Current subgroups include:

- DAVINCI: Imaging (MRI)
- ElectroDUCCS (EP)
- Heart Failure
- OncoDUCCS (Cardio-oncology)
- Peripheral Artery Disease
- ThromboDUCCS (Clotting and anticoagulation)
- StentaDUCCS (Interventional)

## OUR SERVICES

### Clinical Research

- Access to clinical trials
- Physician and research coordinator recruitment assistance
- Assistance for investigator- and sponsor-initiated studies

### Career Development/Employment

- Mentorships between fellows and graduates
- Networking events at national meetings
- Career guidance for current fellows

### Continuing Education

- Duke symposia
- Access to Duke faculty
- Fellowship training program development
- DUCCS visiting professorship

### Alumni/Social

- Receptions and gatherings at national scientific sessions

## Our Mission

To enhance the professional careers of our members through collaborative efforts in cardiovascular research and continuing education.

## Why Work with the DUCCS Network?

- Comprises highly trained cardiologists interested in clinical research
- Features vetted, high-enrolling, high-quality sites
- Provides outstanding centralized site management
- Oversees site initiation development and ongoing support



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Cardiovascular Society.

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## CURRENT STUDIES

**PRIME-HF:** Multicenter, randomized, open-label study of in-hospital initiation of ivabradine following stabilization for acute heart failure versus usual care consideration of outpatient initiation in 450 patients from 50 U.S. sites. Endpoints include assessment of the uptake of ivabradine at 180 days post-discharge as well as quality of life, heart rate, beta-blocker use/dose and clinical outcomes.

**ST LEUIS:** Smartphone Twelve Lead Electrocardiogram Utility in ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction assesses the effectiveness of an iPhone app and device in diagnosing STEMI compared with a standard 12-lead ECG. This is a true DUCCS collaboration, with DUCCS president Dr. Brent Muhlestein as PI and a participant group composed entirely of DUCCS member sites.

## RESEARCH HISTORY

- CARS
- PRAISE
- EXCEL
- Sema tilide SVT
- The GUSTO studies
- FIRST
- MTN
- EPILOG
- PARADIGM
- NIASPAN
- MUSTT
- IMPACT
- SVT Pacing
- ESPRIT
- ORBIT
- MALHEARTS
- ENTICES
- PARAGON
- PRAISE-2
- ATLAST
- AMISTAD
- PURSUIT
- Dofetilide
- Reperfusion Index
- PAC-A-TACH
- UTOPIA
- IMPACT-II
- LEXUS
- AFIB
- EPIC-II
- Lilly AMI
- STAFF Studies
- ALAN
- PRIME
- STRRIDE
- RENAAL
- SADHART
- TOPCAT
- TACT
- RELY
- RELY-ABLE
- PROMISE
- BI-TTR
- RAID
- TAO
- BRIDGE
- GUIDE IT
- PITCH HF

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