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COMMUNITY INNOVATION HUB

Celebrating the Impact of Our Members

Dear AABIP Members,

As we prepare for our 9th Annual Conference in Denver, we are collecting stories that highlight how AABIP members are making a difference in their communities—through outreach, education, advocacy, mentorship, innovation, and beyond.

These inspiring efforts will be featured in our Community Innovation Hub, a central exhibit at the conference designed to showcase the real-world impact of the AABIP community.

We Are Looking to Collect ✓

- A brief description of the work
- Who was involved (individuals or institutions)
- Photos, graphics, or related materials (if available)

If you, your colleagues, or your institution are engaged in meaningful work in your local community, we would love to spotlight it! (See examples from last year below.)

In addition, we invite current and former IP Fellows and Program Directors to share fellowship connections and stories that celebrate the programs, mentors, and relationships that have helped shape careers in Interventional Pulmonology. Help us recognize the fellowship communities that continue to strengthen and advance our field!

Please submit by Thursday, July 2, 2026, to allow adequate time for review and incorporation into conference materials.

Let's celebrate the impact our members are making beyond the walls of the hospital and share the stories that strengthen our community.

Sincerely,

AABIP 2026 Program Organizing Committee



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One Breath Bubble Challenge

This is a social media campaign to raise awareness for lung cancer and specifically to educate people about 3 main points:

- Awareness: Common, can affect non-smokers. End stigma —share the facts.
- Screening: Annual low-dose CT for at-risk individuals can save lives.
- Hope: Many effective, well-tolerated treatments available

Who was involved?
Christine Argento, Lynn Tanoue, Gerard Silvestri, Patricia Rivera, Nichole Tanner, Erin Gillaspie were organizers. Carla Lamb, Momen Wahidi, and many others participated.

Location: Baltimore, MD

Please plan to participate again in this campaign come November for Lung Cancer Awareness Month!

Christine Argento, MD
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

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Community Highlights

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NEW PLENARY SESSIONS



**Airway Diagnostic
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Year in Review**



**Peripheral
Bronchoscopic Ablation:
Emerging Techniques in
Local Therapy for Early
Lung Cancer**



**One Medicine, One Airway:
Building Human-Veterinary
Collaborations in
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EXPANDED BREAKOUT SESSIONS



PEDIATRICS

- ✓ Step by Step: Technical Walk Through for Advanced Diagnostic Interventions in Pediatrics
- ✓ Critical Pathways: Therapeutic Bronchoscopy in ECMO, Pregnancy, Pediatrics
- ✓ Diagnosis and Management of Pulmonary Hemorrhage in Pediatrics



PLEURAL DISEASE

- ✓ Advanced Pleural Ultrasonography: Techniques for Sampling and Beyond: An International Panel
- ✓ Indwelling Drama Inside the Pleural Space
- ✓ Establishing a Pleural Service
- ✓ Essential Knowledge in IP (EKIP): Non-Malignant Pleural Effusions



TECHNICAL SKILLS & CASE-BASED LEARNING

- ✓ Interactive Technical Video Review of IP Cases



THORACIC ONCOLOGY

- ✓ AABIP Tumor Board: Challenges in Multifocal Thoracic Malignancy



NEW SIMULATION EXPERIENCES

- ✓ Pleural Procedures: From Tap to Tube
- ✓ Advanced Pleural Procedures: Simulation-Based Mastery of Thoracoscopy



EMERGING THERAPIES & INNOVATION

Breakout sessions focused on advancing patient care through innovation:

- ✓ COPD Innovations: Integrating Medical and Procedural Approaches for Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema
- ✓ Precision Starts at the Scope: Leveraging Molecular Testing in Lung Cancer for Interventional Pulmonology

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Dear AABIP Colleagues,

The AABIP Program Organizing Committee (POC) is pleased to invite you to the 9th Annual Conference of the American Association for Bronchology & Interventional Pulmonology, that will take place in Denver, Colorado, August 20-22, 2026!

This year is especially meaningful as we return to the city of Denver, the home of our very first AABIP conference. This return brings us full circle, reminding us how far we've come as a community –and how much more we can achieve together.

Carrying that sense of progress forward, the AABIP 2026 conference will feature a dynamic, fully in-person program designed to enrich your practice and strengthen the connections that define our field.

The AABIP 9th Annual Conference offers a space for interventional pulmonologists, advanced bronchoscopists, critical care physicians, thoracic surgeons, otolaryngologists, trainees, APPs, Allied Health providers, respiratory therapists, nurses, industry and pharmaceutical partners to learn, collaborate, contribute and experience the latest in our ever-evolving field.

There's truly no better place to come together as a community than our AABIP Conference in Denver. Denver is where our story took shape, and where we'll write the next chapter. Join us August 20-22, 2026, for an AABIP Conference experience that will inspire your practice and strengthen our community!

Sincerely,

The AABIP 2026 Program Organizing Committee

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HAPPY *Father's Day!*

Today, we celebrate the father figures in our AABIP community—physicians, mentors, colleagues and leaders—who guide with knowledge, lead with compassion and shape the future of bronchology and interventional pulmonology.

Thank you for your dedication, leadership and the lasting impact you make every day.

From the AABIP Community



— JUNE 7 —
NATIONAL CANCER SURVIVORS DAY

Every survivor's story

MATTERS.



Every survivor's story begins with a diagnosis.



Early detection and timely intervention can make all the difference.



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*Celebrating freedom, resilience,
and the ongoing pursuit of
opportunity for all.*



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UPDATES FROM THE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

The Advocacy Committee released two critical member [safety communications](#) regarding Olympus Biopsy Valves and the ERBE Cryoprobe Safety Notice.

For professional advocacy, the committee contributed and submitted the “Interventional Pulmonology Productivity, Compensation, and Practice Benchmarks-The AABIP 2025 Report” to JOBIP for publication.

Looking ahead, a clinical survey regarding air embolism risks in robotic bronchoscopy is being finalized for a late June or early July rollout.

Finally, AABIP collaborated with peer organizations on a joint sign-on letter to RFK Jr. highlighting the vital public health importance of USPSTF lung cancer screening guidelines.



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AABIP ADVOCACY COMMITTEE STATEMENT

AABIP Member Communication: ERBE Cryoprobe Safety Notice

*Issued by the Advocacy Committee for the American Association for
Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology (AABIP)*

AABIP Member Communication: ERBE Cryoprobe Safety Notice

The American Association for Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology is aware of recent FDA reports and an expanded manufacturer recall involving ERBE flexible cryoprobes.

The recall identifies a risk of probe rupture or bursting during activation, attributed to manufacturing issues with adhesive integrity leading to excessive internal pressure. Although the rupture has been reported in the portion of the probe external to the patient, it produces a loud explosive sound and has been associated with tinnitus, temporary or persistent hearing loss, and minor physical injuries (e.g., hand injuries, burns) to nearby personnel.

To date, 58 complaints and adverse events have been reported, prompting expansion of the recall to include additional lot numbers across multiple probe sizes. Affected devices should be removed from use immediately. Patient and provider safety remains our highest priority. The AABIP is actively monitoring the situation and engaging with the manufacturer and clinical experts.

Pending further guidance, members should exercise heightened caution:

- Assess the necessity of cryoprobe use on a case-by-case basis
- Consider alternative diagnostic or therapeutic approaches where appropriate
- Immediately discontinue and quarantine affected lot numbers
- Adhere to manufacturer guidance and institutional safety protocols
- Remain vigilant for potential complications and ensure appropriate procedural safeguards

Facilities should follow manufacturer instructions for inventory review, product quarantine, and return/replacement.

We recognize that cryotechnology plays a critical role in interventional pulmonology, including applications such as transbronchial cryobiopsy and endobronchial tumor management. Given the seriousness of the reported events, thoughtful clinical judgment is warranted regarding when and whether to proceed with its use during this period of uncertainty. However, we have been informed by ERBE executives that more recent manufacturing of the probes includes a component that significantly mitigates the risk of the probes bursting and all probes distributed by Erbe-USA include this component with sufficient support to meet clinical demands.

The AABIP will continue to provide updates as additional information becomes available. We encourage members to report any adverse events through appropriate institutional channels and to the FDA's MedWatch program to support ongoing safety surveillance.

<https://www.fda.gov/safety/medwatch-fda-safety-information-and-adverse-event-reporting-program/medical-product-safety-information>

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AABIP ADVOCACY COMMITTEE STATEMENT

AABIP Advocacy Committee Statement Regarding Olympus Biopsy Valves

Issued by the Advocacy Committee for the American Association for
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AABIP Advocacy Committee Statement Regarding Olympus Biopsy Valves ([download pdf](#))

The AABIP Advocacy Committee is aware of the recent Olympus Field Safety Notice regarding MAJ-210 and MAJ-1218 single-use biopsy valves and the reported risk of rubber fragment detachment during bronchoscopy (see appended file). We recognize the potential for patient harm, including retained foreign bodies and procedural complications, and appreciate Olympus' transparency in communicating these findings and ongoing investigation.

At this time, the notice does not call for product removal but emphasizes strict adherence to inspection protocols and proper technique when inserting and withdrawing endotherapy devices. We strongly encourage all interventional pulmonology teams to review this guidance, reinforce best practices with procedural staff, and maintain heightened vigilance during bronchoscopic procedures.

Patient safety remains our highest priority. We support continued reporting of any adverse events through institutional channels and regulatory systems, and we look forward to further updates as additional data and root cause analyses become available. AABIP remains committed to working collaboratively with clinicians, industry partners, and regulatory bodies to ensure safe and effective use of bronchoscopic technologies.

We encourage members to report any adverse events through appropriate institutional channels and to the FDA's MedWatch program to support ongoing safety surveillance.

<https://www.fda.gov/safety/medwatch-fda-safety-information-and-adverse-event-reporting-program/medical-product-safety-information>

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[1] Drafted by George Cheng, MD and Laura Frye, MD and reviewed and approved by the AABIP Advocacy Committee, May 10th 2026.



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- **August 20–22, 2026**
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Common Ground Event: Nursing in IP



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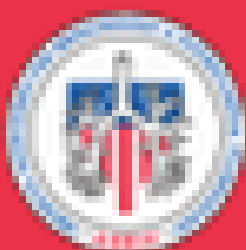
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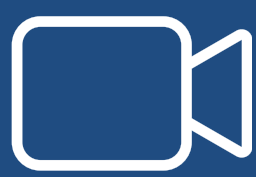
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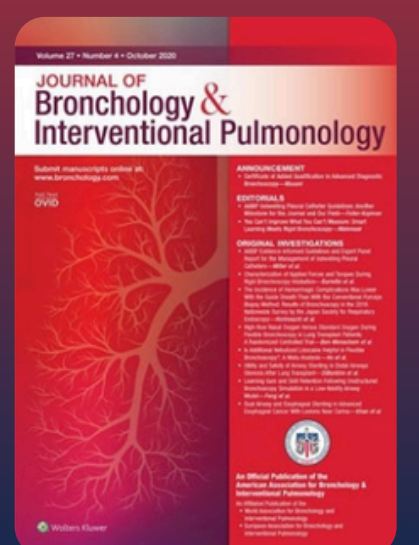


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ALL TAP, NO GAIN: LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE TAP-IT TRIAL

Circulation / 2025
Signe Gargaard et al
DOI: [10.1161/CIRCULATIONAHA.124.073521](https://doi.org/10.1161/CIRCULATIONAHA.124.073521)



The clinical question

Does upfront therapeutic thoracentesis improve outcomes in patients with acute heart failure with reduced left ventricular EF and a non-negligible pleural effusion compared to standard therapy alone?

Take Home Message

Routine therapeutic thoracentesis performed upfront in patients hospitalized with acute heart failure and pleural effusion does not improve clinical outcomes including days alive out of the hospital, rehospitalization, length of stay, or quality of life. While shown to be safe, thoracentesis should be reserved for carefully selected patients who remain symptomatic or have refractory effusions. Guideline-directed medical therapy and diuresis should remain the cornerstone of acute heart failure management.



Author: Salil Kulkarni, MD
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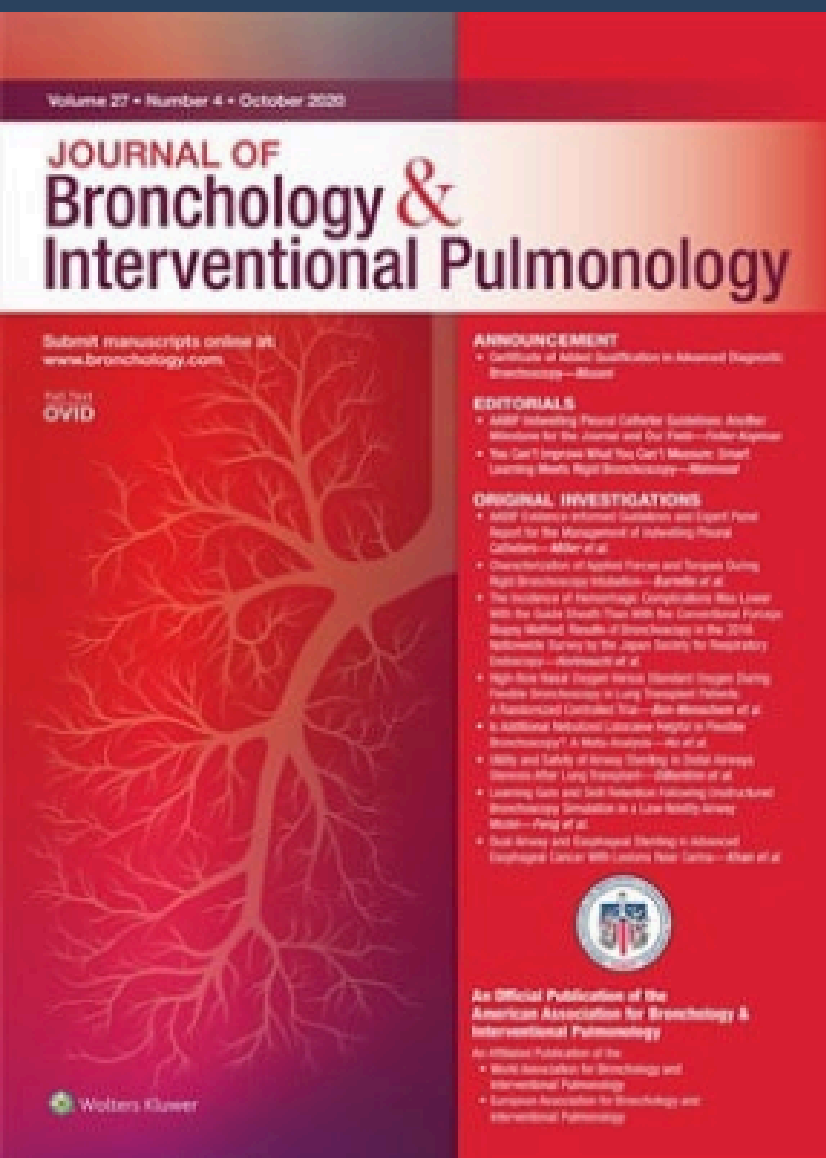
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THE NEW ERA OF
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With Guest George Cheng, MD,
PhD & Host Bertin Salguero, MD



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Journal of Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology JOBIP

The Bronchology Brief: Video Section Editor Journal of Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology

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We are launching a new initiative to highlight key publications through short video interviews. Each quarter, one manuscript will be featured in a 5–10-minute Q&A video with the authors, summarizing the article's key points.

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Requirements:

- Interest in interventional pulmonology and medical education.
- Previous media or interview experience is helpful but not required.
- This is a voluntary role with no financial remuneration.

Please contact me at amusani@northwell.edu if you would like to be considered for this exciting opportunity.

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Ali Musani, MD

Chief Editor

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- To recognize the indications and techniques currently available for bronchoscopic and percutaneous Intratumoral therapy
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- Recognize the role of advanced bronchoscopic and percutaneous tools in the diagnosis and treatment of lung cancer



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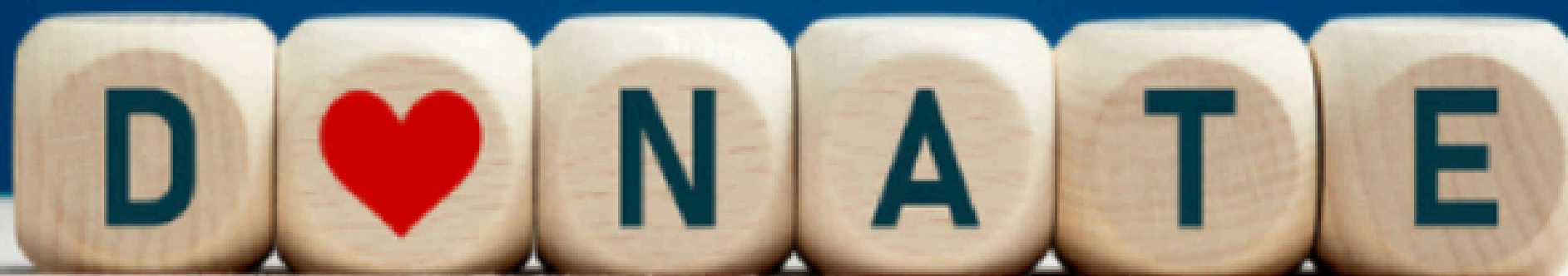
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