

INTERNATIONAL ENDOSCOPY SYMPOSIUM 2026
FUTURE OF ENDOSCOPY SUMMIT
Inaugural Southern California Consortium for Operational Robotics in Endoscopy (SC-CORE)
Pacific Design Center, 2nd Floor, Los Angeles, California
Wednesday, January 28, 2026

OPENING SESSION

1:00 – 1:05 PM

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Kenneth Park

Barham Abu Dayyeh

1:05 – 1:20 PM

ENDOSCOPY 2.0 – IS ROBOTICS OPTIONAL OR THE FUTURE OF SURGICAL ENDOSCOPY

Silvana Perretta

1:20 – 1:35 PM

ROBOTIC SYNERGY – REDEFINING PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN SURGEONS AND
INTERVENTIONAL ENDOSCOPISTS

Erik Wilson

1:35 – 1:50 PM

NOVEL ENERGY MEETS ROBOTICS – REIMAGINING ORGAN-PRESERVING SURGERY

Barham Abu Dayyeh

INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVES

1:50 – 2:50 PM

INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVES ON THE FUTURE OF ROBOTICS IN ENDOSCOPY

Moderator: Omar Khateeb

Panelists:

Oliver Wagner (Intuitive)

Matt Kroh (Medtronic)
Todd Wilson (EndoQuest)
Ruthy Patel (Olympus)
Brian Dunkin (Boston Scientific)
Daehee Hong (Endorobotics)
Brady Hoffman (PROXIMIE)
Bill Wong (IDEATE Medical)
Jeremy Starkweather (ARC ENDOSURGERY)

Panel discussion followed by audience Q&A.

2:50 – 3:10 PM

COFFEE AND NETWORKING BREAK

FROM CLINIC TO CONCEPT

3:10 – 4:10 PM

FROM CLINIC TO CONCEPT – SURGEONS’ AND INTERVENTIONALISTS’ PERSPECTIVES ON ROBOTICS

Moderator: Dennis McWilliams

3:10 – 3:40 PM

LEARNING FROM SURGERY – PITFALLS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR ROBOTIC ADOPTION IN SURGERY AS WE LOOK TOWARD ROBOTIC ENDOSCOPY

Panelists:

Pearl Ma
Caitlin Houghton
Harmik Soukiasian
Nicholas Nissen
Miguel Burch
Kambiz Kosari
Trip Buckley
Christy Dunst
Ninh Nguyen
Edward Phillips
John Lipham

3:40 – 4:10 PM

DESIGNING THE ROBOTIC ENDOSCOPY OF TOMORROW – ENDOSCOPIST PERSPECTIVE

Panelists:

Manoel Galvao Neto

Jacques Bergman

Joo Ha Hwang

Kenneth Chang

Rashmi Advani

Jennifer Kolb

Raman Muthusamy

Simon Lo

David Carr-Locke

Rabindra Watson

NOVEL ENERGY

4:10 – 4:50 PM

NOVEL ENERGY IN ENDOSCOPY AND SURGERY – TOWARD A NEW THERAPEUTIC PARADIGM

Moderator: Barham Abu Dayyeh

Panelists:

Robert Neal (Galvanize)

Stacey Pugh (Endogenex)

John Baust (Phase Therapeutics)

Niraj Shah (Creo Medical)

Nicholas Nissen

Srinivas Gaddam

Jacques Bergman

Harmik Soukiasian

Jason Samarasena

Jennifer Phan

Panel discussion followed by audience Q&A.

FEATURED LECTURE & CLOSING

4:50 – 5:05 PM

INNOVATION'S JOURNEY – TRIALS, TRIBULATIONS, AND TRIUMPHS

Natan Zundel

5:05 – 5:15 PM

CLOSING REMARKS AND SC-CORE MISSION

Kenneth Park

5:15 – 5:20 PM

GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS

NETWORKING & FACULTY EVENTS

5:30 – 7:00 PM

RECEPTION AND NETWORKING

Pacific Design Center – 7th Floor, Green Building

7:00 PM

FACULTY DINNER