

Friday, November 7, 2025



5:30 - 7:30 PM

5:30 - 6:00 PM Dinner & Registration

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1.5 CE Credits



**Armstrong Ballroom, 8 Floor** 

**Sheraton New Orleans Hotel** 



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## **ACTIVITY OVERVIEW**

Systemic inflammation plays a central role in the pathogenesis of atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD), particularly among patients with chronic kidney disease (CKD), and represents a significant contributor to residual risk among patients living with these comorbid conditions. Novel and emerging treatment options seek to target this residual risk; however, their integration into clinical care is challenged by suboptimal assessment of inflammatory risk in practice. For example, while high-sensitivity C-reactive protein (hsCRP) is a valuable biomarker for quantifying residual inflammatory risk, it is significantly underutilized in real-world care. In this interactive symposium, expert faculty will seamlessly integrate real-world case vignettes with cutting-edge clinical data and panel discussions to highlight evolving considerations for the role of systemic inflammation in ASCVD and CKD; underscore the potential for emerging inflammation-targeted strategies, such as interleukin-6 inhibition, to address residual risk; and explore practical strategies to optimize the assessment of residual inflammatory risk in practice.

### **TARGET AUDIENCE**

This initiative is intended for general cardiologists, heart failure specialists, preventive cardiologists, physicians, advanced practice providers, and other healthcare providers providing cardiorenal/cardiometabolic healthcare (eg, nephrologists, endocrinologists).

#### **AGENDA**

- ♦ Introduction: Inflammation as a Key Driver of ASCVD and CKD Risk
- hsCRP as a Biomarker of Residual Inflammatory Risk: The Time for Universal Screening Has Arrived
- Exploring Novel and Emerging Therapeutic Strategies for Targeting Residual Inflammatory Risk in ASCVD and CKD
- Looking Ahead: Clinical Implications of Emerging Inflammation-Targeted Therapies for ASCVD and CKD Management (featuring interactive case vignettes)
- Conclusions and Q&A

#### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this activity, the learner should be able to:

- **Describe** the role of systemic inflammation in the development and progression of ASCVD and CKD, including the bidirectional relationship between these conditions
- Apply evidence-based strategies to optimize the use of hsCRP in assessing residual inflammatory risk and guiding treatment decisions in ASCVD and CKD
- Assess emerging therapeutic strategies that target residual inflammatory risk to reduce cardiovascular events in patients with ASCVD and CKD, including their mechanisms of action, efficacy, and safety
- Evaluate the clinical implications of emerging inflammation-targeted therapies in ASCVD and CKD, including prospective considerations for clinical integration and their potential impact on patient outcomes