CI2024 Vancouver: 17th International Conference on Cochlear Implants and Other Implantable Technologies

The ACI Alliance Conference Program Committee has been preparing for the 2024 ACI Alliance international meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia. We are thrilled to be working with an outstanding and motivated committee of audiologists, physicians, scientists, speech language pathologists, psychologists, and educators in the planning of our annual conference. The diversity of our committee reflects the ACI Alliance commitment to address the multidisciplinary nature of our field and the critical role of each discipline in patient outcomes. We were excited to see many hundreds of abstracts addressing a wide variety of themes. We hope the meeting further motivates our field to think beyond the ear and improve the patient journey, and ultimately improve hearing healthcare.

The meeting theme for CI2024 is Cochlear Implantation: Facilitating the Patient Journey. Conference sub-themes will address several important underlying factors contributing to patient outcomes including:

- Successful Pathways to Cochlear Implantation: A Global Perspective Optimized Models for Cochlear Implant Workflow
- Effects of the COVID Pandemic on Cochlear Implant Outcomes
- Socio-emotional Health in Cochlear Implant Users
- Listening Impacts on Literacy and Learning in Children with Cochlear Implants
- CI in Single Sided Deafness for Adults and Children: Candidacy, Provision, Outcomes
- CI Provision at Both Ends of the Age Spectrum: Under 6 months and over 90 years

Invited Speakers:

Niparko Memorial Lecture - “Successful Pathways to Outcomes in Bilateral Cochlear Implantation” | Ruth Litovsky, PhD, University of Wisconsin – Madison

Keynote Presentations -
“Cochlear Implantation of Individuals with Asymmetric Hearing Loss and Single Sided Deafness: Results, Expectations and Gaps in Knowledge” | Jill Firszt, PhD, Washington University School of Medicine

“Maturation of the auditory system requires auditory experience within an early critical period” | Andrej Kral, MD, PhD, Chaired Professor of Auditory Neuroscience, Hannover Medical School
**Schedule at a Glance**

**Conference Dates - July 10 – 13, 2024**

**Meeting Location - Vancouver Convention Centre, Vancouver, BC**

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**Wednesday, July 10:**
- CI Manufacturer Satellite Symposia
- 1:00 PM (PT) - 4:45 PM (PT)

**Thursday, July 11:**
- **Cochlear** Breakfast Symposium 7:30 AM (PT)
- General Session—Niparko Lecture
- Concurrent Sessions: Podium Presentations | Panels
- Poster Highlights
- General Session—Keynote Presentation
- Poster Exhibits Session
- Welcome Reception | Exhibits

**Friday, July 12:**
- **MED-EL** Breakfast Symposium 7:30 AM (PT)
- General Session—Keynote Presentation
- Concurrent Sessions: Podium Presentations | Panels

**Saturday, July 13:**
- **Advanced Bionics** Breakfast Symposium 7:30 AM (PT)
- Concurrent Sessions: Podium Presentations | Panels

**Full Program Published - March 2024**

**Poster Exhibit Session | Thursday Afternoon, July 11, 2024**

Explore CI concepts, research and case studies in the Poster Exhibit Session where authors will be available to discuss their poster content. Student Poster Competition posters will be designated among the posters exhibited.

**(Re)Habilitation Connect Forum | Friday Afternoon, July 12, 2024**

The conference will hold the featured (Re)Habilitation Connect Forum—an afternoon seminar for attendees from across the care continuum—with presentation and discussion on CI aftercare among educators, speech-language pathologists, therapists, audiologists, psychologists, physicians, and others supporting the CI journey.

The pediatric session will explore variabilities in outcomes for children who have received cochlear implants and suggest approaches or intervention strategies to address those variabilities.

The second segment will address adult rehabilitation in cochlear implant programs. Discussion will revolve around the relative paucity of evidence on adult rehabilitation and how to move the needle in the right direction.

A moderated panel discussion will follow each of the pediatric and adult segments.

Following the Forum segments, we will Continue the Conversation with refreshments. We are grateful to Hearing First for sponsoring the reception.

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**CEU and CME will be offered from the same providers that have been available in the past. Tier 1 Hours for audiologists will be offered.**

**Important Links**

Register at: [https://ci2024vancouver.org/registration/](https://ci2024vancouver.org/registration/)

Discounts available for Members | Early Bird Registration Rates Ends: **April 19, 2024**

Conference Website - [www.CI2024vancouver.org](http://www.CI2024vancouver.org)

ACI Alliance Detailed Information - [https://www.acialliance.org/page/CI2024](https://www.acialliance.org/page/CI2024)

Hotels and Meeting Venue - [https://ci2024vancouver.org/meeting-venue-and-hotel/](https://ci2024vancouver.org/meeting-venue-and-hotel/)

Reservations now open: multiple hotel options | Group Rates Expire: **Friday, June 14, 2024**