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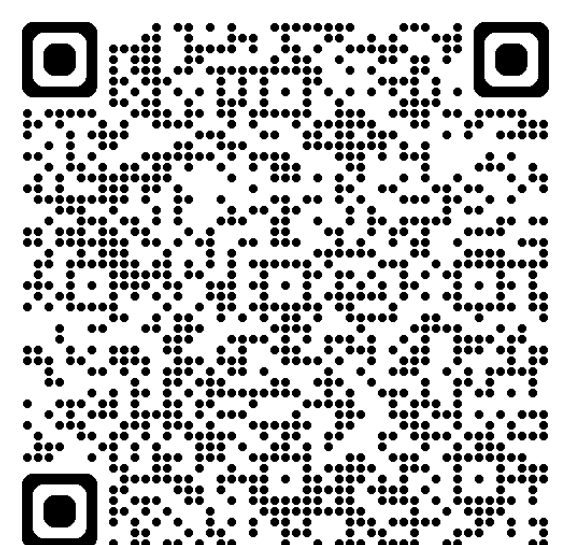
**50th International
Conference on Screening
for Lung Cancer**

**18th Conference on Early
Lung Cancer Research
on Treatment**

October 22 - 24, 2026

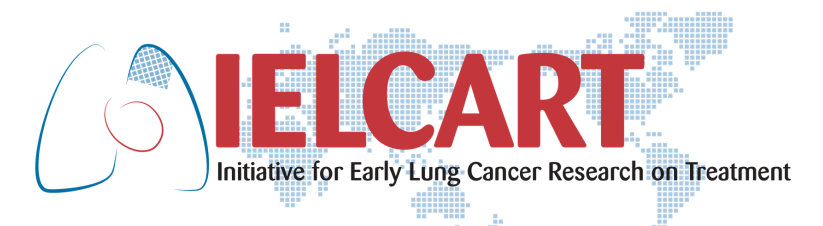
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Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
1425 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10029

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Mission Statement

Our mission is to achieve early diagnosis and treatment, ultimately leading to prevention or cure of illnesses detected through low-dose chest CT, through the rapid dissemination and advancement of research across a diverse and collaborative network.

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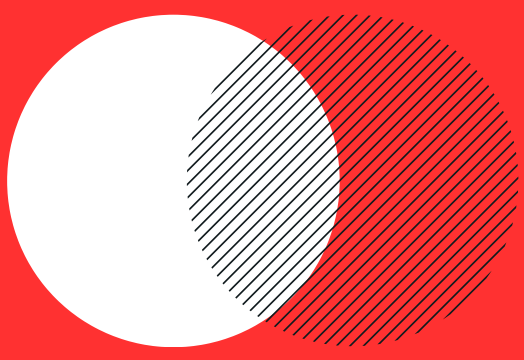
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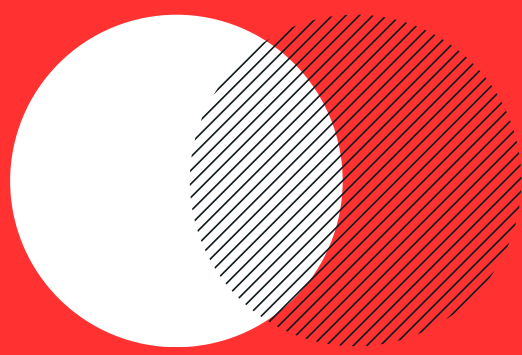
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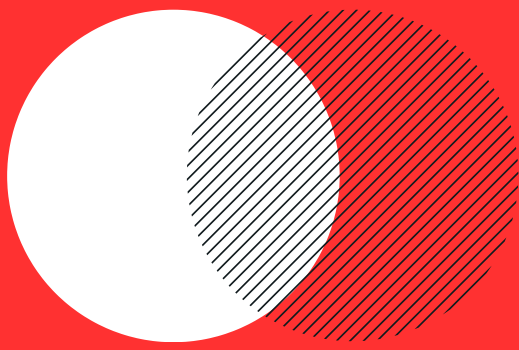
Thursday, October 22, 2026

08:30—09:00	Introduction to Meeting • Welcome Address • Special Anniversary Recognition	D Yankelevitz, R Flores D Yankelevitz, N Altorki
09:00—09:30	Keynote Lecture Transforming Cancer Care: Advancing Lung Cancer Cure Through LDCT Screening Moderators: J Mulshine, A von Eschenbach	
09:30—11:00	Session 1: The Impact of I-ELCAP on Early Lung Cancer Management Moderators: F Grannis, J Mulshine • Introduction to Session • Surgery • Pathology • Radiology • Management System, Common Data Element, Study Design • Global Health Perspectives and Tobacco Control	J Mulshine N Altorki W Travis M Oudkerk R Smith C Heulton
11:00 - 11:20	Coffee Break	
11:20—12:20	Session 2: Comprehensive Cardiac Screening - The Next Decade's Main Opportunity Moderators: P Raggi, M Cham • Overview of coronary artery calcification • I-ELCAP Experience • Lessons from European trials • Where are we heading?	A Agatston J Shemesh M Oudkerk M Naghavi
12:20—13:00	Session 2: Panel Discussion Moderators: P Raggi, M Cham Panelists: A Agatston, M Naghavi, M Oudkerk, J Shemesh	
13:00—14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00—15:00	Session 3: Initiatives Impacting Screening Implementation Moderator: C Aldige • Big Trial • AIRS • Kazakhstan National Program • BMS Foundation - Multinational Lung Cancer Control Program (MLCCP) • MIDRC	M Naghavi K Myers A Ainakulova, A Panina C Grimes M Giger
15:00—16:00	Session 4: I-ELCAP: A View Towards the Future Moderator: I Gipp • IELCAP Levels of Collaborations • Teaching File and Learning Center • AIRS & ScreeningPlus • Databases and Truthing • AGILE^{DxRx} • Approaches Enabling Rapid Learning • Who To Screen?	D Yankelevitz D Shaham R Avila K Myers M Oudkerk R Yip E Taioli
16:00—16:20	Coffee Break	
16:20—16:25	Thanks to Original Ten I-ELCAP Members	D Yankelevitz
16:25—17:00	Session 5: Endgame Moderators: C Heulton, H Koong • TBN	R Malone



Friday, October 23, 2026

09:00–09:30	Session 6: Protocol Updates Moderator: L Seijo • Why time intervals for follow-up? • Annual vs. Biennial Screening • Updates on Malignancy Prediction of Lung Nodules • LungRADS	P Qin D Yankelevitz B Huet E Kazerooni
09:30–10:10	Session 6: Panel Discussion Moderator: L Seijo Panelists: M Heuvelmans, E Kazerooni, M Silva, D Yankelevitz	
10:10–11:10	Session 7: Technical Innovations Moderator: M Cham • Diagnostic Innovations • Therapeutic Innovations • AI Applications	*Special Session* Details on Last Page
11:10 - 11:30	Coffee Break	
11:30–12:00	Session 8: Measurement Uncertainty Moderator: N Obuchowski • Lung Nodule • Coronary Vessels • Emphysema	A Jirapatnakul R Avila S Fain
12:00–12:40	Session 8: Panel Discussion Moderator: N Obuchowski Introduction (<i>10 Minutes</i>) Panelists: R Avila, S Fain, M Giger, A Jirapatnakul, K Myers	N Obuchowski
12:40–13:40	Lunch Break	
13:40–14:40	Session 9: Building Sustainable Lung Cancer Screening Programs Moderator: J Lewis • Introduction • Reimbursement Incentives • Strategies to Enhance National Screening Uptake • Screening and Smoking Cessation • The Croatian Model • Patient Retention • Practical Challenges in Implementing National Lung Cancer Screening Programs	J Lewis B Pyenson R Smith C Healton M Samarzija A Manowitz Y Kim
14:40–15:10	Session 9: Panel Discussion Moderator: J Lewis Panelists: F Grannis, C Healton, B Pyenson, M Samarzija, R Smith	
15:10–15:50	Session 10: Diagnostic Challenges Moderator: J Mulshine • Early Diagnosis vs. Risk • Bronchoscopy vs. Needle • Malignancy Probability Models in Diagnostic Workup • Blood Test	R Yip A Ainakulova, A Panina Y Ahuja L Montuenga
15:50–16:10	Coffee Break	
16:10–17:00	Session 11: Teaching File and Diagnostic Panel Moderators: D Shaham, M Silva Panelists: M Cham, M Heuvelmans, E Kazerooni, L Seijo	



Saturday, October 24, 2026

09:00–10:00	Session 12: Therapeutic Updates Moderators: K Lau, F Hirsch • Surgery • Radiation Oncology • Ablations • Neoadjuvant Approaches • Neoadjuvant Vaccine	W Rzyman R Samstein B Pua K Kelly N Altorki
10:00–11:00	Session 13: Therapeutic Case Review Moderators: D Yankelevitz, N Altorki Panelists: R Flores, K Lau, B Pua, W Rzyman, R Samstein	
11:00–11:30	Coffee Break	
11:30–12:30	Session 14: Therapeutic Controversies Moderator: K Kelly • Impact of Surgical Trials • Added Value of Robotic Surgery • Immunotherapy for Multifocal Disease • Staging of Subsolid Lesions	N Altorki R Flores R Samstein L Gros
12:30–13:15	Session 14: Panel Discussion: <i>Are Therapeutic Options Widening for Early-Stage Lung Cancer?</i> Moderators: F Grannis, K Kelly Panelists: R Flores, F Hirsch, K Lau, R Samstein	
13:15–13:30	Closing Statements and Future Meetings	D Yankelevitz, N Altorki