

ADA

American Dermatological Association
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Celebrating 150 Years of the American Dermatological Association

YESTERDAY, TODAY, TOMORROW

The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia • October 21 – 25, 2026



2026 Program Highlights

Celebrating the ADA Sesquicentennial Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow

A Historic Milestone

We celebrate the 150th anniversary of the American Dermatological Association with a landmark scientific meeting in Philadelphia, complemented by memorable events at the Franklin Institute, National Constitution Center, and Union League of Philadelphia. This sesquicentennial gathering honors our history while bringing together leaders, educators, and innovators to shape the future of dermatology.

Inspired by the vision outlined in Hensin Tsao's Presidential Address, the program blends reflection with forward-looking insight. From the rich history of Philadelphia to emerging topics such as artificial intelligence, the meeting highlights both the foundations and future of the specialty.



Robert Kirsner, MD, PhD

Over several days, the scientific program showcases advances in medical dermatology, skin cancer, pediatric and hospital dermatology, education, and global collaboration. A Therapeutic Hotline session will highlight cutting-edge and next-generation treatments poised to transform clinical care.

Sessions also explore the evolution of dermatologic subspecialties—including dermatopathology and aesthetics—while emphasizing leadership, professionalism, and the perspectives of journal editors and society leaders.

The meeting will honor excellence through awards and welcome new members, reflecting both tradition and renewal. As we mark 150 years of leadership and achievement, this milestone event is more than a meeting — it is an opportunity to reflect, connect, and envision the future of dermatology.

***We would like to thank our extraordinary Program Committee for helping create this fantastic program.
We look forward to welcoming you to Philadelphia for this exciting and dynamic meeting!***

Robert Kirsner, MD, PhD - ADA 2026 Program Chair



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Presidential and Historical Perspectives and Great Keynotes

- Presidential Address by Hensin Tsao, MD, PhD, highlighting leadership, innovation, and the future of dermatology.
- Interactive History Quizzes woven throughout the meeting, emphasizing forgotten diseases, treatments, training programs, and member contributions.
- Innovative keynote presentations including examining the potential impact of AI on dermatology and Humanizing Drug Development.

Comprehensive Scientific Programming

A robust, fast-moving, multi-day scientific agenda with over 100 speakers, celebrating our specialty and examining how dermatology has evolved and where it is headed:

- The Changing Face of Dermatology – workforce, identity, and transformation of the specialty.
- Dermatology Education – historical foundations and innovative training models.
- International Dermatology – global perspectives and collaboration across continents.
- Therapeutic Hotline: Next-Generation Therapies – cutting-edge treatments shaping the future of patient care.
- Leadership and Professionalism in Dermatology – defining values then and now.
- Dermatology and the Public – advocacy, access, and the specialty’s societal impact.
- Journal Editors Potpourri – insights from leading dermatology journal editors.
- Dermatology Societies Potpourri – collaboration, advocacy, and the future of organized dermatology.

Opportunity for Collaboration

- The Pennsylvania Academy of Dermatology invites the American Dermatological Association to collaborate on a meaningful initiative: a skin cancer screening for firefighters and first responders.

Subspecialty Evolution and Innovation

- Medical Dermatology: Past, Present, and Future – landmark discoveries and emerging directions.
- Dermatopathology Across the Ages – from glass slides to digital pathology.
- The Evolution of Aesthetics – historical milestones and transformative technologies.
- Skin Cancer Care Through the Years – advances in prevention, diagnosis, and treatment.
- Pediatric Dermatology – evolution of care for children across generations.
- Hospital Dermatology – from Goeckerman therapy to modern oncodermatology.

Recognition and Awards

- Young Leadership Award presentation.
- Early Career Research Awards highlighting emerging investigators.
- Formal Induction of New Members and celebration of the next generation of ADA leaders.
- Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award being presented to Henry W. Lim, MD at the 150th Anniversary Celebration of the ADA.

Distinctive Social and Cultural Events

- Opening Reception at The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia.
- 150th Anniversary Celebration at the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial at the Franklin Institute.
- Luncheon honoring our new members and spouses/guests at the Union League of Philadelphia.
- President’s Gala at the National Constitution Center.
- Optional cultural and historical activity for spouses, a Historic Philadelphia Walking Tour.
- Optional docent-guided one hour, group tour of a special exhibition “A Nation of Artists”, in celebration of the nation’s 250th anniversary.

New Members

Class of 2026



Adewole Adamson, MD, MPP



Travis Blalock, MD, MBA



Emily Yu-Kuang Chu,
MD, PhD



Chia-Yu Chu,
MD, PhD, EMBA



Alexandra Flamm, MD



Esther Freeman, MD



Lilit Garibyan, MD, PhD



Michel Gilliet, MD



Jennifer Ting-Wei
Huang, MD



Hana Jedlickova, MD



Kenji Kabashima, MD, PhD



Richard Keller, MD



Thomas Leung, MD, PhD



Erin Mathes, MD



Emanuel Maverakis, MD



Jennifer McNiff, MD



David Miller, MD, PhD



Haley Naik, MD, MHSc



Johannes Ring, MD



Fernanda Sakamoto,
MD, PhD



Divya Srivastava, MD

Celebrating the Sesquicentennial • Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

Wednesday Oct 21, 2026

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Registration

GRAND BALLROOM
PREFUNCTION

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

OPENING RECEPTION AT THE RITZ-CARLTON

Celebrate the start of a fantastic 2026 meeting of the ADA!
Entertainment by Scratch that Itch with Judge Marcus Williams
(spouse of ADA member Carmen Williams!), and ADA members
Jakki Junkins-Hopkins, John Zic, Markham Luke and Joe Merola
Attire: Classy Casual

GRAND BALLROOM



Marcus Williams



Jacqueline Junkins-Hopkins



John Zic



Markham Luke



Joe Merola

Thursday Oct 22, 2026

7:00 am – 1:00 pm

Registration

GRAND BALLROOM
PREFUNCTION

7:00 am – 8:15 am

Breakfast for ADA Members

PETITE BALLROOM

8:00 am – 10:00 am

Breakfast for Spouses and Guests

PLAZA BALLROOM

MORNING ACTIVITY FOR REGISTERED SPOUSES / GUESTS – PRE-REGISTRATION AND FEE REQUIRED

10:30 am – 11:30 am

HISTORIC PHILADELPHIA WALKING TOUR Fee \$25.00

Led by your personal History Maker step back in time on a guided walk through America's most historic square mile. This immersive experience blends rich historical insight with engaging first-person storytelling. Participants will **meet the tour** at the Independence Visitor Center which is located $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile from the Ritz-Carlton.

7:30 am – 8:10 am

FIRST EXECUTIVE SESSION

GRAND BALLROOM

7:30 am – 7:40 am

Opening Remarks and Welcome

Tom Helm, MD, Secretary-Treasurer
Hensin Tsao, MD, PhD, ADA President

7:40 am – 7:55 am

Presidential Address

Hensin Tsao, MD, PhD, ADA President

Thursday Oct 22, 2026 *(continued)*

7:55 am – 8:05 am

Induction of New Members

*Adewole Adamson, MD, MPP
Travis Blalock, MD, MBA
Emily Yu-Kuang Chu, MD, PhD
Chia-Yu Chu, MD, PhD, EMBA
Alexandra Flamm, MD
Esther Freeman, MD
Lilit Garibyan, MD, PhD
Michel Gilliet, MD
Jennifer Ting-Wei Huang, MD
Hana Jedlickova, MD
Kenji Kabashima, MD, PhD*

*Richard Keller, MD
Thomas Leung, MD, PhD
Erin Mathes, MD
Emanuel Maverakis, MD
Jennifer McNiff, MD
David Miller, MD, PhD
Haley Naik, MD, MHSc
Johannes Ring, MD
Fernanda Sakamoto, MD, PhD
Divya Srivastava, MD*

8:05 am – 8:10 am

Election of Officers and Directors

Tom Helm, MD, Secretary–Treasurer

8:10 am – 1:00 pm

THURSDAY SCIENTIFIC SESSION

GRAND BALLROOM

8:10 am – 8:55 am

The Changing Face of Dermatology: Who We Are, Who We've Become

Moderators: Mark Davis, MD and Mark Pittelkow, MD

The European Influence on the ADA

Lawrence Charles Parish, MD

The History of Women in the ADA

Wilma Bergfeld, MD

How the ADA Differs from Other Dermatologic Societies

Susan Taylor, MD

Q & A

8:55 am – 9:40 am

What's Old, What's New and What's the Future of Medical Dermatology

Moderator: John Zone, MD

Psoriasis

Joe Merola, MD, MMSc

Sarcoidosis

Misha Rosenbach, MD

Dermatomyositis

Ruth Ann Vleugels, MD, MPH

Q & A

9:40 am – 9:50 am

History Quiz 1: The ADA Part I

David Pariser, MD

Thursday Oct 22, 2026 *(continued)*

9:50 am – 10:10 am

Humanizing Drug Development

Introduction by Hensin Tsao, MD, PhD



David Altshuler, MD, PhD

David Altshuler, MD, PhD is an endocrinologist focused on the genetics of human disease and how insights into causal human disease biology can improve success discovering and developing novel therapeutics. From 2015 to 2026 he served as Executive Vice President and Chief Scientific Officer at Vertex Pharmaceuticals, leading internal research, external innovation, data technology and AI. During his time as CSO Vertex discovered, developed and launched TRIKAFTA® and ALYFTREK®, the first triple therapies for people with cystic fibrosis; CASGEVY™, the first approved medicine using CRISPR/Cas9 gene editing for the treatment of sickle cell disease and transfusion-dependent beta thalassemia; and JOURNAVX™, the first new class of pain medicine approved in more than 20 years. Before joining Vertex as CSO he served on the Board of Directors from 2012 to 2014.

Prior to joining Vertex, Dr. Altshuler was a Founding Core Member, Deputy Director and Chief Academic Officer at the Broad Institute of Harvard and MIT. He was Professor of Genetics and Medicine at Harvard Medical School and a physician at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH). He led international projects that characterized and cataloged human genetic variation and pioneered methods and practice of genetic analysis of common human diseases. His lab identified hundreds of genetic variants associated with risk of type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, autoimmune diseases and cancer across multiple populations. He continues to teach as senior lecturer in genetics and medicine at Harvard and MGH. Dr. Altshuler is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, the National Academy of Medicine, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He serves on the Scientific Review Board of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, the Board of Scientific Counsellors at the Broad Institute, the Scientific Advisory Board of the Sanger Institute, and the Board of Trustees of Rockefeller University. The Obama White House named Dr. Altshuler a Champion of Change for his leadership in creating and leading the Global Alliance for Genomics and Health. Dr. Altshuler received his bachelor's degree in life sciences from MIT and his M.D. and Ph.D. in genetics from Harvard Medical School. He completed his clinical training at MGH in internal medicine and in endocrinology, diabetes and metabolism.

10:10 am – 10:20 am

Q & A

10:20 am – 10:40 am

Break

10:40 am – 11:25 am

Dermatology Education: Where We've Been, Where We're Going

Moderators: Erik Stratman, MD and Mary Maloney, MD

Dermatology Education Throughout the History of the ADA– The First 100 Years

David Pariser, MD

Resident Education During the Past 50 Years

William James, MD

American Board of Dermatology: From Grandfathers and Grandmothers to Continuous Certification

Julie Schaffer, MD

Q & A

11:25 am – 12:10 pm

International Dermatology: ADA Celebrates Global Dermatology

Moderators: Jean Bolognia, MD, and Christopher Griffiths, MD, OBE

Latin America

Jorge Ocampo-Candiani, Sr., MD, PhD

Middle East/Africa

Abdul Ghani Kibbi, MD

Asia/Oceania

Dedee Murrell, MD, PhD, D.Sc

Q & A

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Thursday Oct 22, 2026 *(continued)*

- 12:10 pm – 12:20 pm **World Congress Video**
Jorge Ocampo-Candiani, Sr., MD, PhD
- 12:20 pm – 1:00 pm **In Memoriam**
Moderator: David Pariser, MD, Historian
- 1:00 pm **LUNCH ON OWN**

OPTIONAL ACTIVITY FOR ADA MEMBERS

- 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm **Skin Cancer Screenings for Firefighters and First Responders**
(A sign-up link will be sent in August)
Join a meaningful, hands-on initiative in collaboration with the Pennsylvania Academy of Dermatology.
Location: 7 minute car ride from the Ritz-Carlton



EVENING ACTIVITY FOR ALL

5:30 pm – 10:00 pm

150th Anniversary Celebration of the American Dermatological Association

Franklin Institute | Benjamin Franklin National Memorial

**Transportation will be provided*

- 5:30 pm SHARP **Member Transportation** *(Assemble at the South Penn exit of the hotel)*
- 5:45 pm **Members' Commemorative Photo on the Franklin Institute Steps**
- 5:45 pm **Spouse and Guest Transportation**
(Please meet in the Exchange Room, located near the lobby check-in desk)
- 6:00 pm **As the doors of The Franklin Institute open, the celebration begins**



Join us for a memorable evening commemorating the ADA's sesquicentennial anniversary in one of Philadelphia's most iconic and inspiring settings. Set within the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial, this special celebration will honor the Association's distinguished history, recognize the milestones that have shaped our specialty, and look ahead to the future of dermatology. **Attire: Cocktail Attire**

Immediately preceding the celebration, a historic group photograph of the ADA membership will be captured and preserved in the Association's archives as part of this landmark anniversary. Members are strongly encouraged to participate in this once-in-a-generation portrait commemorating 150 years of leadership, scholarship, collegiality, and excellence in dermatology. Together we will preserve the legacy of the ADA for future generations.

The evening will feature the presentation of the ADA Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award, the Association's highest honor, to Henry W. Lim, MD, recognizing his extraordinary contributions and enduring impact on the field of dermatology.

Friday Oct 23, 2026

7:00 am – 12:25 pm	Registration	GRAND BALLROOM PREFUNCTION
7:00 am – 8:15 am	Breakfast for ADA Members	PETITE BALLROOM
8:00 am – 10:00 am	Breakfast for Registered Spouses and Guests	PLAZA BALLROOM
7:30 am – 12:25 pm	FRIDAY SCIENTIFIC SESSION	GRAND BALLROOM
7:30 am – 8:15 am	Dermatology's Impact in the House of Medicine <i>Moderator: Jack Resneck, MD</i> Our Relationships Within Health Systems and Hospitals <i>Alexa Kimball, MD, MPH</i> Our Relationships with Other Specialties in AMA and Organized Medicine <i>Marta VanBeek, MD</i> Our Relationships with Other Specialties at CPT/RUC and With Payors <i>Scott Collins, MD</i> Our Work Across the Broader Surgical Community <i>Naomi Lawrence, MD</i> Q & A	
8:15 am – 9:00 am	Hot Topics in Dermatology <i>Moderators: Mark Kaufmann, MD and Scott Collins, MD</i> Payment Policy <i>Howard Rogers, MD</i> AI <i>Ashish Bhatia, MD, PhD</i> Therapeutics <i>Eugene Bauer, MD</i> Q & A	
9:00 am – 9:10 am	History Quiz 2: The ADA Part II Members Contributions <i>David Cohen, MD</i>	
9:10 am – 9:40 am	Young Leadership Award Recipient <i>Introduction by Robert Kirsner, MD, PhD</i> Discovering The Future: Translating Skinomics Data into Better Outcomes for Patients <i>Rivka Stone, MD, PhD</i> <i>Associate Professor, Department of Dermatology and Cutaneous Surgery, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine</i>  Dr. Stone is a physician scientist and dermatologist with expertise in medical, procedural, and pediatric dermatology. Her research focuses on wound healing and cutaneous fibrosis, with an emphasis on radiation-induced skin injury and biomarker development for chronic wounds. She leads a multidisciplinary translational laboratory that applies “skinomics,” integrating high throughput genomics with clinical phenotyping to identify novel pathways and therapeutic strategies for chronic wounds and fibrosing dermatoses. Dr. Stone has received funding from the Dermatology Foundation, the Wound Healing Foundation, and the NIH, and has authored numerous peer reviewed publications in leading dermatology and translational science journals. In addition to her research, she is deeply engaged in training aspiring physician scientists at the undergraduate, medical student, and resident levels and is recognized for her leadership in advancing the science of wound healing and fibrosis and positioning dermatology at the forefront of precision medicine.	
9:30 am – 9:40 am	Q & A	

Friday Oct 23, 2026 *(continued)*

- 9:40 am – 10:25 am**
- Skin Cancer Care – Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow**
Moderators: Brett Coldiron, MD and Darrell Rigel, MD
- Melanoma Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow**
Darrell Rigel, MD
- Skin Cancer Incidence, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow**
Howard Rogers, MD
- The Future of Histology in Mohs Surgery**
Daniel Siegel, MD
- Q & A**
- 10:25 am – 10:45 am**
- Break**
- 10:45 am – 10:55 am**
- History Quiz 3: Member Contributions to Other Societies**
David Pariser, MD
- 10:55 am – 11:40 am**
- Dermatology and the Public**
Moderators: Michelle Tarbox, MD and Charles Ellis, MD
- Beyond the Star Rating: Service-Excellence Approach to Online Reviews in Dermatology**
Charles Ellis, MD
- Guiding Public Perception Through Public Health and Advocacy:
A Conversation with Derms Who Do Good Work**
Shadi Kourosh, MD, MPH
- Where the Public Goes for Skin Advice in 2026**
Lawrence Green, MD
- Q & A**
- 11:40 am – 12:25 pm**
- Pediatric Dermatology – A Specialty That is Aging Well**
Moderator: Lawrence Schachner, MD
- Yesterday in Pediatric Dermatology**
Amy Paller, MD
- Today in Pediatric Dermatology**
Ilona Frieden, MD
- Tomorrow in Pediatric Dermatology**
Lawrence Eichenfield, MD
- Q & A**

AFTERNOON ACTIVITY FOR ALL REGISTERED MEMBERS AND SPOUSES/GUESTS

12:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Luncheon Honoring the New Members

Union League of Philadelphia

Join us for a celebratory luncheon honoring our newest members, along with their spouses and guests. Held at the historic Union League of Philadelphia—just steps from the Ritz-Carlton—this elegant setting offers the perfect backdrop to warmly welcome our newest colleagues in a spirit of camaraderie and tradition. **Attire: Business Casual**

Saturday, October 24, 2026

7:00 am – 12:40 pm	Registration	GRAND BALLROOM PREFUNCTION
7:00 am – 8:15 am	Breakfast for ADA Members	PETITE BALLROOM
8:00 am – 10:00 am	Breakfast for Registered Spouses and Guests	PLAZA BALLROOM
7:30 am – 12:30 pm	SATURDAY SCIENTIFIC SESSION	GRAND BALLROOM
7:30 am – 7:50 am	Early Career Research Awards: Unraveling Hidradenitis Suppurativa <i>Moderator: Tom Helm, MD</i> Actinotignum schaalii Drives Metabolic Reprogramming, Immune Persistence, and Microbiome Assembly in Hidradenitis Suppurativa <i>Tammy Gonzalez, MD, University of Miami</i> Computational Discovery of Precision Therapeutics for Hidradenitis Suppurativa <i>Ernest Lee, MD, UCSF Dermatology</i> Q & A	
7:50 am – 8:35 am	Past Patterns, Present Pixels, Future Fusions: Dermopath Through the Ages <i>Moderators: Tammie Ferringer, MD and John Maize, MD</i> Early Advances in Dermatopathology: Architecture, Cytology and Clinical Outcomes <i>Dirk Elston, MD</i> Molecular Dermatopathology: Where We've Been, Where We're Going <i>Iwei Yeh, MD, PhD</i> From Slide to Insight: AI and the Digital Transformation of Dermatopathology <i>Olayemi Sokumbi, MD</i> Q & A	
8:35 am – 9:20 am	The Evolution of Aesthetics <i>Moderators: Sandy Tsao, MD and Harold Brody, MD</i> Introduction – ADA Members Impact on Aesthetic Dermatology <i>Sandy Tsao, MD</i> Layers of Time: The Role of Chemical Peels in Aesthetic Dermatology: Past Innovations and Contemporary Practice <i>Harold Brody, MD</i> Contours of Progress: A Historical and Technical Evolution of Tumescant Anesthesia and Interstitial Drug Delivery <i>Jeffrey Klein, MD</i> Restoring Form, Modulating Function: Advances in Neuromodulators and Soft-Tissue Augmentation <i>Kavita Mariwalla, MD</i> From Ablation to Transformation: The Evolution of Laser-Based Cutaneous Treatment <i>Jeffrey Dover, MD</i> Precision, Prevention and Regeneration: The Emerging Paradigm of Aesthetics <i>R. Rox Anderson, MD</i> Q & A	
9:20 am – 9:30 am	History Quiz 4: Forgotten Diseases <i>Anthony Benedetto, DO</i>	

Saturday, October 24, 2026 *(continued)*

9:30 am – 10:00 am

AI's Potential Impact on Dermatology

Introduction by Boni Elewski, MD



Rubin Pillay, MD, PhD, MBA, MSc, BSc (Hon) Pharm

Marnix E. Heersink Chair of Biomedical Innovation, Professor of Medicine, Assistant Dean School of Medicine, Executive Director, Heersink Institute for Biomedical Innovation, Chief Innovation Officer at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, Editor in Chief, Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Health

Rubin Pillay is a globally recognized physician futurist, healthcare innovator and thought leader at the intersection of AI, medical transformation and the future of medical practice. He serves as Chief Innovation Officer at University of Alabama at Birmingham and holds the Marnix E. Heersink Chair for Biomedical Innovation at the School of Medicine, where he leads strategic work in AI, digital transformation, and next-generation health system design.

10:00 am – 10:20 am

Break

10:20 am – 11:05 am

Leadership and Professionalism in Dermatology: What It Meant; What It Means

Moderator: Jane Grant-Kels, MD

Dermatology

Jane Grant-Kels, MD

Professionalism

Lionel Bercovitch, MD

Leadership

Shane Chapman, MD, MBA

The Role of Ethics in Professionalism and Leadership: Yesterday and Today

Shari Lipner, MD, PhD

Q & A

11:05 am – 11:50 am

Perspectives on the Importance of Dermatologists in the Hospital

Moderators: Misha Rosenbach, MD and Marc Grossman, MD

Inpatient Derm: Origins and Impact

Lindy Fox, MD

Society of Dermatology Hospitalists: Where Things Are and Where They're Going

Daniela Kroshinsky, MD, MPH

Oncodermatology

Mario Lacouture, MD

Q & A

11:50 am – 12:00 pm

History Quiz 5: Forgotten Treatments

John Wolf, MD

12:00 pm – 12:30 pm

Therapeutic Hotline – Next Generation Therapies

Moderator: Neal Bhatia, MD

What's New in Skin Cancer Therapies

Laura Ferris, MD

Topicals for Immune-Mediated Skin Diseases

Brad Glick, DO

Early Phase Pipeline in Dermatology

Neal Bhatia, MD

Bogus Acne Therapies

Guy Webster, MD

Saturday, October 24, 2026 (continued)

Q & A

12:30 pm

LUNCH ON OWN

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR ALL REGISTERED MEMBERS AND SPOUSES/GUESTS

1:45 pm

A “Nation of Artists” at the Philadelphia Museum of Art

FEE: \$38.00 (includes general admission)

(Tours begin at 1:45 pm at the museum. Groups of 20 will begin tour every 10 minutes thereafter)

A docent-guided group one hour tour of a special exhibition “A Nation of Artists”. In celebration of the nation’s 250th anniversary, this expansive exhibition traces the richness and diversity of American creativity across three centuries through works from the museum’s collection and the renowned Middleton Family Collection. The exhibition features more than 1,000 works across both institutions.

Participants will meet the tour independently at the museum, a ten minute drive from the Ritz- Carlton.

4:30 pm

Mandatory Photo Session for All New Members,
Board Members and their Spouses/Guests



PAVILION BALLROOM

5:30 pm – 10:00 pm

President’s Gala

National Constitution Center

Transportation provided; or you may make your own way

5:30 pm Transportation via private motor coaches begins

5:45 pm The doors open, ushering in an unforgettable evening

Join us for the President’s Gala honoring ADA President Hensin Tsao: a celebration of his dynamic year of leadership and progress.

Set within the iconic National Constitution Center, the evening begins with a cocktail reception, followed by an elegant dinner and dancing. A refined atmosphere with a vibrant disco-inspired flair will carry the celebration into a lively and memorable night.

This gala serves as the grand culmination of our meeting—celebrating our shared accomplishments while looking ahead to the future of the ADA. **Attire: Black Tie**



Celebrating the Sesquicentennial • Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

Sunday Oct 25, 2026

7:30 am – 11:05 am	Registration	GRAND BALLROOM PREFUNCTION
7:00 am – 7:30 am	Board of Directors Meeting	
7:30 am – 9:45 am	Farewell Breakfast for ADA Members and Spouses/Guests	PETITE BALLROOM
8:15 am – 11:05 am	SUNDAY SCIENTIFIC SESSION	GRAND BALLROOM
8:15 am – 9:00 am	Journal Editors Potpourri <i>Moderator Murad Alam, MD</i>	
8:20 am – 8:24 am	JAAD: <i>Dirk Elston, MD</i>	
8:24 am – 8:28 am	JAMA Derm: <i>Kanade Shinkai, MD, PhD</i>	
8:28 am – 8:32 am	Dermatologic Surgery: <i>Desiree Ratner, MD</i>	
8:32 am – 8:36 am	International Journal of Dermatology: <i>Keyvan Nouri, MD, MBA</i>	
8:36 am – 8:40 am	Journal of Cutaneous Pathology: <i>Adam Rubin, MD</i>	
8:40 am – 8:44 am	Journal of Investigative Dermatology: <i>Erwin Tschachler, MD</i>	
8:44 am – 8:48 am	Society for Pediatric Dermatology: <i>Andrea Zaenglein, MD</i>	
8:48 am – 9:00 am	Q & A	
9:00 am – 11:00 am	The History and Future of Sister Societies <i>Moderators: Darrell Rigel, MD and David Pariser, MD</i>	
9:00 am – 9:05 am	American Contact Dermatitis Society: <i>Alexandra Flamm, MD</i>	
9:05 am – 9:10 am	Association of Academic Cosmetic Dermatology: <i>Laurin Council, MD</i>	
9:10 am – 9:15 am	American Academy of Dermatology: <i>Murad Alam, MD</i>	
9:15 am – 9:23 am	American Board of Dermatology: <i>Mary Gail Mercurio, MD; Warren Heymann, MD</i>	
9:23 am – 9:31 am	American Society Mohs Surgery: <i>Brett Coldiron, MD; Glenn Goldman, MD</i>	
9:31 am – 9:39 am	American Society for Dermatologic Surgery: <i>Roger Ceilley, MD; Kavita Mariwalla, MD</i>	
9:39 am – 9:44 am	American Society of Dermatopathology: <i>Beth Ruben, MD</i>	
9:44 am – 9:49 am	American Society of Mohs Surgery: <i>George Murakawa, MD</i>	
9:49 am – 9:54 am	Association of Professors of Dermatology: <i>Sewon Kang, MD</i>	
9:54 am – 9:59 am	Global Vitiligo Foundation: <i>Semal R. Desai, MD</i>	
9:59 am – 10:07 am	Medical Dermatology Society: <i>Misha Rosenbach, MD; Arturo Saavedra, MD, PhD</i>	
10:07 am – 10:15 am	Rheumatologic Dermatology Society: <i>Victoria Werth, MD; Joe Merola, MD, MMSc</i>	
10:15 am – 10:23 am	Skin of Color Society: <i>Susan Taylor, MD; Nada Elbuluk, MD</i>	
10:23 am – 10:31 am	Society for Investigative Dermatology: <i>Rhoda Alani, MD; Luis Garza, MD</i>	
10:31 am – 10:36 am	Society of Dermatology Hospitalists: <i>Daniela Kroshinsky, MD, MPH</i>	
10:36 am – 10:44 am	Society of Pediatric Dermatology: <i>Lawrence Eichenfield, MD; Anita Haggstrom, MD</i>	
10:44 am – 10:52 am	Women's Dermatologic Society: <i>Wilma Bergfeld, MD; Ashley Wysong, MD</i>	
10:52 am – 11:00 am	Q & A	
11:00 am – 11:05 am	Announcement of 2027 Nominees <i>Tom Helm, MD</i>	
11:05 am	Meeting Adjourns	

General Information

Welcome to The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia

HOTEL INFORMATION

The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia
10 Avenue of the Arts, Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania, USA, 19102

Tel: 215-523-8000

Luxury Hotel in Philadelphia

The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia is a historic Philadelphia hotel housed in a magnificent neoclassical bank building dating back to 1908. This hotel downtown Philadelphia, PA seamlessly blends timeless architecture with modern elegance, offering luxury hotel rooms, grand meeting spaces, and a refined 30th floor Club Lounge. As a premier luxury hotel in Philadelphia, it delivers an elevated experience inspired by local culinary traditions and community spirit, all with personalized service that defines true hospitality.

HOTEL INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS

Should the ADA group rates be fully committed, you may contact the hotel directly or through their website, for the current rates and availability.

Website link:

[The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia | Downtown Luxury Hotel](#)

There are many other hotels in close proximity to The Ritz-Carlton Philadelphia. Below is a selection of nearby options within easy walking distance.

Within 2 blocks:

- W Philadelphia
- Element Philadelphia
- Roost Midtown

Within 4 blocks:

- Notary Hotel Philadelphia, Autograph Collection
- Loews Philadelphia
- Roost East Market
- Canopy by Hilton

DINING

Latin Cuisine, Grilled to Perfection

Experience unmatched culinary excellence at The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia. Enjoy an expertly crafted meal with delicious cocktails in the elegant ambiance of our Lobby Lounge or explore our in-room dining options for a more private experience. Whether it's a romantic dinner for two or a lively gathering with friends, your next meal at our iconic Center City location is sure to be memorable.

AQIMERO

Located in the Ritz-Carlton lobby, Aquimero is a standout Latin American restaurant Philadelphia, offering modern, sustainable flavors by chef Richard Sandoval. Enjoy refined downtown Philadelphia dining, including breakfast in downtown Philadelphia daily.

IN-ROOM DINING

The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia provides in-room dining for those looking to eat in the comfort of their room. All items are delivered using China/Glass/Silver and a more traditional service process.

EXPLORE

A City Rooted in American History & Culture

Philadelphia, PA is a city with it all. Renowned art collections at the Barnes Foundation and Philadelphia Art Museum. Performing arts at the Kimmel Center and Merriam Theater. Shopping on Rittenhouse Row and Market Street. And important historic sights including Independence Hall and Terminal Market. These attractions, and others nearby, are easily explored from the hotel.

EXPERIENCES

Explore Philadelphia from Center City. With a historic address, the Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia places Philadelphia's top destinations right at your fingertips. Our hotel is located just steps from Dilworth Park, Love Park, and the Philadelphia Convention Center, and a moment's drive from stadiums and legendary music venues.

RITZ KIDS

With its museums, kid-friendly attractions, walkable neighborhoods, and rich culinary scene, Philadelphia is the ideal destination for a family vacation. The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia welcomes young guests with Ritz Kids, a fun and educational program designed especially for children. Through hands-on activities, hotel guests learn about the history and culture of the city and connect with fellow adventurers.

General Information

GUEST ROOM FEATURES & AMENITIES

- Restaurant
- Spa
- Fitness Center
- 24 Hour Room Service
- Daily Business Center
- Meeting Space
- Same Day Dry Cleaning
- On-Site Laundry
- Room Service
- Wake-Up Calls
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Free Coffee/Tea in Lobby

POLICIES AND PAYMENTS

- Accepts: Cash, Credit Cards

SERVICES

- 24-hour Front Desk
- Concierge desk service
- Property has elevators
- Vending Machine

HOTEL POLICIES

Check-in: 4:00 pm

Check-out: 12:00 pm

Minimum Age to Check In: 21

Smoke Free Property

Pet Policy: Pets Welcome

Off-Site Parking:

Wanamaker Building

99 South Juniper Street

Philadelphia, PA, 19102

0.1 Miles

Parking: Valet

Daily: \$70.00

Electric Car Charging Station

TRANSPORTATION

Philadelphia International Airport

Distance from Property: 9.0 Miles

Phone Number: +1 215-937-6497

This hotel does not provide shuttle service.

Nearby

Bus Station

30th Street Market Station

Subway Station

Suburban Station

City Hall

Train Station

Amtrak 30th Street Train Station



General Information

MEETING REGISTRATION

The Board of Directors has established an Annual Meeting early registration fee of \$745.00 and a spouse/guest fee of \$545.00 for members registered by September 21, 2026. Children's registration fee is \$200.00 which includes opening reception and breakfasts only. Children will be given a badge to identify that they are part of the group.

A physician spouse/partner who accompanies the physician and who would like CME Credit must attend the educational session and pay the member registration fee of \$745.00.

Registrations received on or after September 21, 2026 are increased to \$945.00 for members and \$745.00 for spouse/guests.

Registration for members includes admission to all general and executive sessions, daily breakfasts, Opening Reception, 150th Anniversary Celebration of the ADA, Luncheon Honoring the New Members, and the President's Gala. If you wish to register a spouse/guest, please indicate his/her name on the advance registration form. The spouse/guest registration entitles admittance to the spouse/guest breakfasts, Opening Reception, 150th Anniversary Celebration of the ADA, Luncheon Honoring the New Members, and Saturday's President's Gala.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

In order to qualify for a refund of fees, cancellation notice must be received in writing to the headquarters office no later than October 1, 2026. A refund will then be issued, less a \$50 administrative fee. According to standing policy, reaffirmed by the Board of Directors on February 3, 2011, there will be no refunds after the October 1, 2026, cut-off date. Please note: there is no provision for partial registration fees or refunds for activities not attended.

ACCREDITATION

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences at Old Dominion University and The American Dermatological Association. Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences at Old Dominion University is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

CREDIT DESIGNATION

Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences at Old Dominion University designates this live activity for a maximum of 15.25 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Members and guests are reminded that conflict of interest disclosure is required of all speakers and participants.

BYLAWS ARTICLE III, SECTION 4(B.1)

If any Active Member shall fail to attend at least one (1) Annual Meeting out of any three (3) consecutive Annual Meetings without an excuse acceptable by the Board of Directors, such member's membership shall terminate upon presentation by the Secretary to the Board of Directors of a report of such failure. This report shall be presented to the Board of Directors at their next meeting following the Annual Meeting, at which the delinquency becomes complete and such member or members shall be notified by mail of the termination of their membership.

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

Attendance at the scientific programs of the annual membership meeting shall be limited to members, spouses/guests of members and guests invited by the Board of Directors.



Sesquicentennial Meeting | October 21st to October 25th, 2026

ADVANCE REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT ATTENDEE NAME

Register Online
at ADA1.org!

NAME _____ PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____ SPOUSE/PARTNER EMAIL _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE/REGION _____ ZIP CODE _____

REGISTRATION FOR THE MEETING DOES NOT RESERVE A HOTEL ROOM.

MEMBER REGISTRATION AND SPOUSE/GUEST REQUESTING CME REGISTRATION

Includes: Educational Sessions, Executive Sessions, Breakfasts, Opening Reception, Luncheon Honoring New Members, 150th Anniversary Celebration, President's Gala

☐ Registered by September 21, 2026: \$745

☐ Registered after September 21, 2026: \$945

ADA SPOUSE/GUEST

☐ Registered by September 21, 2026: \$545

☐ Registered after September 21, 2026: \$745

Spouse/Guest Name(s) _____

CHILDREN * Registered Children – Includes: Breakfasts and Opening Reception only

☐ \$200 per child _____ # of children = \$ _____

Children Name(s) _____

*Registered Spouses/ Guests - Includes: Breakfasts, Opening Reception, Luncheon Honoring New Members, 150th Anniversary Celebration, President's Dinner

TOTAL GUEST FEES \$ _____

SPECIAL EVENTS *(Registered Spouses and Guests)*

		# OF ATTENDEES
Wednesday, October 21	Opening Reception (6:00 pm - 8:00 pm)	_____
Thursday, October 22	150th Anniversary Celebration at the Franklin Institute (6:00 pm – 10:00 pm) ☐ Featured Selection ☐ Vegetarian Selection <i>(Please let us know if you have any significant dietary restrictions)</i>	_____
Friday, October 23	Luncheon Honoring our New Members at the Union League (12:45 pm – 3:00 pm) ☐ Featured Selection ☐ Vegetarian Selection <i>(Please let us know if you have any significant dietary restrictions)</i>	_____
Saturday, October 24	President's Gala at the Constitution Center (5:30 pm – 11:00 pm) ☐ Beef ☐ Fish ☐ Vegetarian <i>(Please let us know if you have any significant dietary restrictions)</i>	_____
Sunday, October 25	Farewell Breakfast (7:30 am – 9:45 am)	_____

TOUR FOR SPOUSES / GUESTS ONLY

		# OF ATTENDEES
Thursday, October 22	Historic Philadelphia Walking Tour (10:30 am – 11:30 am)	_____ @ \$25
Saturday, October 24	A "Nation of Artists" Tour at the Philadelphia Museum of Art <i>(Includes general admission)</i> <i>(Beginning 1:45 pm at the museum - One hour tours)</i>	_____ @ \$38

TOTAL MEMBER AND SPOUSE/GUEST FEES

\$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD

To register on our website, please go to ada1.org. Should you wish to pay by check, please make checks payable in US dollars to ADA and MAIL WITH REGISTRATION FORM to: ADA, 6861 NW 45th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33319. If paying by credit card, complete the information below and FAX to: (954) 252-2093 OR EMAIL to: Ameriderm1930@gmail.com. PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY

Credit Card # _____

Exp. Date _____ Security Code _____ Signature _____

Address of Credit Card Billing _____

Refunds, less a \$50.00 administrative fee, will be available for cancellations received in writing at the society office on or prior to October 1, 2026. After that date, no refunds will be provided. There will be no provision for partial registration fees or refunds for activities not attended.