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**2010 Update: Tips and Pearls in PH for the Heart Failure Clinician**  
**Sunday, September 12, 2010 - 12:30 – 15:00**  
**San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 6B - Upper Level**

<b>12:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>13:00</b>	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b>	<b>Vallerie McLaughlin, MD</b>
<b>13:05</b>	<b>Perilous Pathways in PAH: Pathogenic Mediators and Treatment Targets</b>	<b>Milton Packer, MD</b>
<b>13:25</b>	<b>Q &amp; A with Audience Response</b>	
<b>13:35</b>	<b>Hemodynamic Assessment of PH: Echo vs. Cath</b>	<b>Paul Forfia, MD</b>
<b>13:55</b>	<b>Q &amp; A with Audience Response</b>	
<b>14:05</b>	<b>Treatment of PAH -Establishing Goals to Optimize Outcomes</b>	<b>Vallerie McLaughlin, MD</b>
<b>14:25</b>	<b>Q &amp; A with Audience Response</b>	
<b>14:35</b>	<b>Evaluation and Management of Acute Decompensated Right Heart Failure</b>	<b>Teresa De Marco, MD</b>
<b>14:55</b>	<b>Q &amp; A with Audience Response</b>	
<b>15:00</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>	

**Learning Objectives:**

Upon completion of this activity, participants will be able to:

1. Apply an evidence-based approach to the diagnosis of PAH and PH secondary to heart failure, with a focus on echocardiography, vasodilator testing, and right heart catheterization.
2. Review the utilization of right heart catheterization parameters for the diagnosis of pulmonary arterial hypertension.
3. Employ state-of-the-art evidence-based treatment algorithms to optimize parenteral and oral therapies and assess implications of emerging clinical data for future management plans.



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4. Identify pathogenic mediators of PAH, with a focus on the endothelin and prostacyclin pathways and appraise implications in terms of treatment targets.
5. Identify pathophysiologic insights and therapeutic approaches that have evolved in heart failure that might apply in managing the cardiopulmonary complications of PAH.
6. List factors to consider in the differential diagnosis of acute decompensated heart failure and discuss pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic treatment options.

**Physicians:**

*Accreditation Statement:* The Heart Failure Society of America is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The Heart Failure Society of America designates this educational activity for a maximum of 2 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

**Nurses:**

This program has been designed to meet Minnesota Board of Nursing continuing education requirements and is acceptable for 2 contact hours of continuing education.

**Eligibility:**

In order to attend this satellite symposium, an individual must be registered to attend the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Heart Failure Society of America.