

***ATS Interest Group of  
Pulmonary/Critical Care and Sleep  
Medicine Specialists of  
South Asian Sub-Continent Origin  
(SASCO)***

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# General Objectives of this ATS Interest Group

- Bring together Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine health care practitioners and trainees and affiliated health care professionals of South Asian Sub-Continent Origin to facilitate and promote highest quality medical care.
- Promote networking among the members that leads to Clinical Knowledge and Expertise sharing, Research collaboration and Educational Initiatives.
- Conduct an annual event during the ATS International Conference that provides its members opportunities to interact and listen to experts on topics of special relevance to this group.
- Foster collaboration and communication with Thoracic Societies of the SASCO countries as well as organizations similar to SASCO in other parts of the world.
- Participate and represent the ATS in cultural, educational, and humanitarian endeavors, either directly or in cooperation with similar organizations.

# Initial Organizing Committee

- **Sanjay Sethi, MD**
  - ATS Member, Clinical Problems Assembly
  - Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care Medicine, and Sleep Medicine; University of Buffalo, State University of New York
- **Sam Patel, RPh, MBA**
  - ATS Member, Allergy Immunology and Inflammation Assembly
  - President, Medical Marketing Solutions Group LLC
    - Strategic Partner of Sunovion Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- **Miriam Rodriguez**
  - ATS Staff - Director, Assembly Programs and Program Review Subcommittee
- **Michelle Turenne**
  - ATS Staff - Senior Director, Corporate Alliances and Development

# How Can You Get Involved

- Volunteer to help ATS develop this Interest Group
  - Join the mailing list
- Share your ideas with us
  - What would you like this Interest Group to accomplish? Focus on?
- Become an advocate for the Interest Group
  - Spread the word and encourage others to sign up
- Join SASCO committees
  - Email [sasco@thoracic.org](mailto:sasco@thoracic.org)
  - Talk to us after the presentation

# Committees

- Organizing committee
- Educational Planning Committee
- Liaison committee
- Fundraising/Charitable committee

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**Sunday, May 19, 2013  
7:00 – 10:00 PM  
Loews Hotel Congress ABC**

**Keynote Speaker  
Dr. Sundeep Salvi, MD, DNB, PhD, FCCP  
“Impact of Air Pollution on Lung Health  
in the South Asian Sub-Continent”**