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NEWSLETTER

President's Message

The SCVS 2009 Annual Symposium is now just around the corner – taking place March 18-21, 2009 at the Marriott Harbor Beach Resort in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. More information, including the complete scientific program and abstracts, can be reviewed by visiting the Annual Symposium web page at www.scvs.vascularweb.org.

Despite the difficult economy presently upon us, this year's program is one of the more comprehensive ones that the Society has ever produced with the purpose of providing quality education for all vascular surgeons who practice clinical medicine; be they on a university faculty or practicing within a community setting. As with previous years, the format includes specific education for each stage of Fellowship training and the SCVS greatly appreciates the support of our industry partners in this achievement. Classes on "Endovascular Interventions for Lower Extremity Occlusive Disease" and "Practice Management in Vascular Surgery" are also being conducted by the Society for Vascular Surgery on the front end of this year's Annual Symposium.

Here are some highlights of the scientific program for Ft. Lauderdale:

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Alan B. Lumsden, M.D.

From the Editor

Examination Scoring: Time for a Change

Herbert Dardik, M.D.

"Change" is in the air. It is the currency of today's politics, governmental policy and needs and in the way we practice. We are embarking on electronic record-keeping, establishing oversight and outcome committee reviews and developing a universal payment mechanism. Even educational systems are changing with the new 0-5 programs to train vascular surgeons by enabling acceleration and perhaps improving the focus on requisite needs of the specialty.

I feel it is also time to change the way tests are administered – specifically multiple choice questions. Currently, a single correct answer is set for one response of five choices. Any one of the other four are counted as wrong answers. Imagine years ago, responding to

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Tuesday, March 17

ENDOVASCULAR INTERVENTIONS FOR LOWER EXTREMITY OCCLUSIVE DISEASE

This course will provide advice on the strategy and technical aspects of complex lower extremity endovascular interventions including practical tips about lower extremity endovascular practice. Specific technical knowledge is emphasized. Breakouts sessions will permit audience participation and interaction with the faculty. Attendees are encouraged to bring cases to discuss during breakout sessions.

PRACTICE MANAGEMENT IN VASCULAR SURGERY 2009

This course will help the vascular surgeon understand the business of medicine and expand his/her practice in today's competitive market.

GORE FELLOWS PROGRAM AND RECEPTION

Wednesday, March 18

GORE FELLOWS PROGRAM CONTINUES

POSTGRADUATE COURSE-

Unusual Venous Problems and Outcomes

Moderated by: Joann M. Lohr, MD, FACS, RVT

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 1 – LE

Moderated by: Richard Neville, MD & George H. Meier, III, MD

Role of Simple and Complex Hybrid Revascularization Procedures for Symptomatic Lower Extremity Occlusive Disease

Cryoplasty for Lower Extremity Arterial Occlusive Disease: Is the Outcome Worth the Price Tag?

Endovascular Management of the Popliteal Artery: Comparison of Atherectomy and Angioplasty

Microdissection and Re-entry Devices: Limitations, Application & Utility

Achieving the Goal of Below Knee Amputation: An Argument for Strict Case Selection

National Outcomes of Endovascular and Open Reinterventions of Lower Extremity Bypass Graft Repair

Factors Associated With Survival Following Lower Extremity Bypass In Northern New England

Five Years Prospective Study of Duplex Ultrasound Arterial Mapping (DUAM) as a Primary Modality in Management of Critical Lower Limb Ischemia (CLI). Technical and Clinical Outcome after Bypass Surgery (BS) and Endovascular Revascularisation (EvR)

Screening for Peripheral Artery Disease Among Primary Care Physicians

DEDICATED HANDS-ON SESSION (Exhibits & Stations)

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 2 – AORTIC 1

Moderated by: Alan Lumsden, MD & Matthew Dougherty, MD

5 Year Follow Up Of The Talent eLPS Abdominal Stent Graft Pivotal Trial: Early And Long Term Safety And Efficacy

Hybrid Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Repair (TEVAR): Are We Pushing The Envelope Too Far?

How Often are Ruptured Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms Suitable for Endovascular Repair?

A 15 Year Comparative Analysis of Open and Endovascular Repair for the Ruptured Descending Thoracic Aorta

The Impact of Obesity on Perioperative Outcomes of Open and Endovascular Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Repair from the National Surgical Quality Improvement Program

Outcomes of Elective Surgery in Chronic Type B Aortic Dissection

Celiac Artery Interaction in Thoracic Endovascular Aneurysm Repair

Effect of Early Plasma Transfusion on Survival in Patients with Ruptured Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm

Does Intentional Accessory Renal Artery Occlusion During Endovascular Abdominal Aneurysm Repair Affect Outcomes?

COOK FELLOWLUMINARIES PROGRAM

EXHIBIT HALL HOURS

Wednesday	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
<i>Welcome Reception</i>	5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Thursday	7:00 am - 11:30 am
Friday	7:00 am - 11:00 am
	12:00 noon - 2:00 pm

Thursday, March 19

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP BREAKFAST SESSIONS

SIG 1 Difficult Aortic Endografts

Moderators: O. William Brown, MD & Samuel R. Money, MD

SIG 2 Issues in Dialysis Access

Moderator: Alan M. Dietzek, MD

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 3 – AORTIC II

Moderated by: Michel Makaroun, MD & Gilbert Upchurch, MD

Treatment Options for Delayed AAA Rupture Following Endovascular Repair: Outcomes of a Prospective Analysis

Early Outcomes of Endovascular vs. Open Thoracic Aortic Aneurysm Repair in the National Surgical Quality Improvement Program (NSQIP)

Endovascular Repair of Infraarenal Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms Based on Size: Comparison of Patient Outcomes Using Modular Stent Graft Designs

ICU Admission APACHE III Score Predicts Hospital Mortality in Thoracoabdominal Aneurysms (TAAA) Repair and Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms (AAA) Repair

Duplex Ultrasonography Alone is Sufficient For Mid-Term EVAR Surveillance: A Prospective Cost-Analysis Study

EVAR vs. Open Surgery for Ruptured Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms

Early and Late Outcomes of Open Thoracoabdominal Aortic Aneurysm Repair in Patients Younger than 50 Years

Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Repair of Aortobronchial Fistulas

EVAR Using an Anatomical Fixation Technique and Concomitant Suprarenal Orientation: Results of a Prospective, Multicenter Trial

DEDICATED HANDS-ON SESSION (Exhibits & Stations)

REGISTRATION HOURS

Wednesday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday	7:00 am - 12:00 noon
Friday	7:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	7:00 am - 10:30 am

Speaker-Ready Room Hours

Tuesday	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday	7:00 am - 12:00 noon
Friday	7:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	7:00 am - 11:00 am

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 4 – DIALYSIS

Moderated by: Joann Lohr, MD & Anil Hingorani, MD

Comparison of the Efficacy of Upper Arm Transposed Arteriovenous Fistulae and Upper Arm Prosthetic Grafts: Analysis of 358 Matched Procedures

Upgrading Small Caliber Veins (< 3mm) for Arteriovenous Fistulas: Primary Balloon Angioplasty plus Balloon Angioplasty Maturation

Frequency And Importance Of Variant Brachial-Basilic Vein Anatomy: An Observational Study Using Doppler Ultrasound Vein Mapping

Hemoaccess Placement in patients with Challenging Central Vein Occlusion

Preoperative Vein Mapping for Hemodialysis Access: Is It Beneficial?

Distinguished Visiting Professor

J. Michael Bacharach, MD, MPH, FACC

North Central Heart Institute

Evolution of Vascular Care:

Collaboration or Competition

SOCIETY FOR VASCULAR MEDICINE (SVM) SCIENTIFIC SESSION

CONCURRENT LUNCHEON SYMPOSIA

Symposia 1: EndoLogix, Inc

Strategies for Successful Endovascular Treatment of the Challenging AAA Neck

Speakers: Jeffrey P. Carpenter, MD, Cooper University Hospital, Camden, NJ / William D. Jordan, MD, UAB Hospital, Birmingham, AL

Symposia 2: Gore & Associates

COOK FELLOW LUMINARIES PROGRAM CONTINUES

SCVS VASCULAR TOP GUN COMPETITION

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SCVS YOUNG VASCULAR SURGEONS DINNER SYMPOSIUM

Supported by Medtronic, Inc.

Friday, March 20

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP BREAKFAST SESSIONS

SIG 1: Challenging Cases I Wish I Hadn't Done

Moderator: Alan B. Lumsden, MD & Michel Makaroun, MD

SIG 2: Wound Care Management

Moderator: David L. Steed, MD

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 5 – CAROTID

Moderated by: Keith Calligaro, MD & Robert McLafferty, MD

Is CAS Being Performed Preferentially in High Risk Surgical Patients?

An Analysis of 4001 Carotid Artery Stenting Procedures Performed in New York and Florida (2005-2006): Procedure Indication, Stroke Rate, and Mortality are Equivalent for Vascular Surgeons and Non-Vascular Surgeons

Responsivity to Carotid Baroreceptor Stimulation for the Treatment of Resistant Hypertension

Carotid Artery Stenting in the Nation: The Influence of Hospital and Physician Volume on Outcomes

Predictors of Clinically Significant Post-Procedure Hypotension Following Carotid Endarterectomy and Carotid Angioplasty with Stenting

A Simplified Approach to Velocity Criteria in the Duplex Ultrasound Diagnosis of Asymptomatic Carotid Artery Stenosis

Gender Impact on Clinical Outcomes After Endovascular and Open Carotid Interventions: Analysis of 645 Procedures

Cost Analysis of Carotid Endarterectomy and Stenting

Regional Variation Across the United States in the Management of Carotid Artery Disease

DEDICATED HANDS-ON SESSION (Exhibits & Stations)

International Panel

Jonathan Earnshaw, MD, United Kingdom
Will Wisselink, MD, Amsterdam, Netherlands
Jacques Bleyen, MD, Belgium

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS:

“Something to be Proud of But We Ain’t Done Yet!”

Alan B. Lumsden, MD, Houston, TX

POSTER COMPETITION, FIRST ROUND

Moderated by: Thomas C. Bower, MD & Alan Dardik, MD

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 6 – OTHER

Moderated by: William Quinones-Baldrich, MD & Samuel R. Money, MD

Graft Preservation in Early Groin Infections Using Vacuum-Assisted Closure Without Muscle Flap Coverage: A Consecutive Patient Series.

Quality of Life of Trauma Patients with Vascular Injuries Requiring Revascularization

Noninvasive Assessment of Heterogeneous Lower Extremity Perfusion Deficits Using an Emerging Spectroscopic Imaging Technology Before and After Successful Revascularization

Popliteal Artery Injuries in an Urban Trauma Center with a Rural Catchment Area

Cool Excimer Laser Assisted Angioplasty (CELA) Vs Tibial Balloon Angioplasty (TBA) in Endovascular (EvR) Management of Infragenicular Tibial Arterial Occlusion in Critical Lower Limb Ischaemia (CLI) TASC DE. A Pivotal Observational Analogy Congregate Proportional Analysis Over 36 months; Six L Trial

Mechanical SilverHawk Atherectomy as First- Line Stand-Alone Therapy for SFA Lesions

Single Institution Experience of Initial Participation in a Statewide Multi-Institution Third Party Payer Sponsored Peripheral Vascular Intervention Quality Improvement Initiative

Endovascular Training Fellowships: Results of a National Survey

POSTGRADUATE COURSE- New Applications of Noninvasive Vascular Laboratory

Moderated by: Joann M. Lohr, MD, FACS, RVT

Saturday, March 21

INNOVATIVE AND INTERESTING VEIN CASE REPORTS SESSION

Moderated by Alan B. Lumsden, MD

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 7 – VISCERAL

Moderated by: Thomas Bower, MD & Charles Shanley, MD

Impact Of Metabolic Syndrome On The Outcomes Of Percutaneous Renal Angioplasty And Stenting

Anatomic Measurements and Factors Associated with Embolic Events during Superior Mesenteric Artery Stenting: Implications for Use of Embolic Protection Devices

Minimally Invasive Laparoscopic and Endovascular Treatment of Median Arcuate Ligament Syndrome (MALS)- A 4-Year Review

Outcomes of Endovascular and Open Treatment for Chronic Mesenteric Ischemia

POSTER COMPETITION FINAL ROUND

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 8 – VENOUS

Moderated by: O. William Brown, MD & TBD

Short Saphenous Vein Radiofrequency Ablation: Is There An Increased Risk of DVT?

Simultaneous Endochemical and Endovenous Thermal Ablation

Office-Based Minimally Invasive Venous Ablation: The Vascular Group Experience

Growing Utilization of IVC Filter Placement from 2001-2005: Analysis of NIS

Percutaneous Thrombolysis for Phlegmasia Cerulea Dolens

President's Message

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2009 Enrichment Programs for Fellows and Young Vascular Surgeons:

- ♦ Gore Fellows Program: The SCVS is proud of its long-standing relationship with Gore & Associates who will, once again, be conducting their informative educational program designed exclusively for clinical vascular fellows. Gore & Associates has also expanded their 2009 format to include sessions on both Tuesday, March 17th, and Wednesday, March 18th.
- ♦ Cook Fellowluminaries Program: Dedicated to the needs of 5th year residents that have been accepted to a vascular Fellowship, this program is being conducted by Cook, Inc. with sessions on Wednesday, March 18th and Thursday, March 19th.
- ♦ SCVS Vascular Top Gun Competition: Supported by Boston Scientific and Gore & Associates, this exciting competition, that includes a dinner during the final round on Thursday, March 19th, provides an opportunity for 2nd year/senior Fellows to fine-tune their surgical skills in a safe, simulated environment. Endovascular and Anastomotic simulation will be involved.
- ♦ SCVS Young Vascular Surgeons Dinner Symposium: Supported through an educational grant from Medtronic, this program, held on Thursday evening March 19th, is designed for vascular surgeons who have completed fellowships and

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have been working for five years or less. The programming features talks pertinent to the needs and interests of our younger peers.

Post Graduate Courses and Special Interest Group (SIG) Breakfast Sessions:

Dr. Joann Lohr, SCVS Vice President, has put together two excellent PG courses that address "Unusual Venous Problems and Outcomes" and "New Applications of Noninvasive Vascular Laboratory". In addition, our SIG program this year will have morning sessions titled, "Difficult Aortic Endografts", "Issues in Dialysis Access", "Challenging Cases I Wish I Hadn't Done", "Wound Care Management", and "Innovative and Interesting Vein Case Reports".

Society for Vascular Medicine (SVM) Scientific Session

I am also pleased to announce that, after extensive dialogue with the SVM, a special session will be conducted by three members of their leadership; one of whom will be Dr. J. Michael Bacharach – the 2009 SCVS Distinguished Visiting Professor – who will deliver his talk titled "Evolution of Vascular Care: Collaboration or Competition"

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With kind regards,
Alan B. Lumsden, MD
President, 2008-2009

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a question dealing with the etiology of peptic ulceration. The only possible and correct answer would have been "acid" or a related response but checking off "bacteria" or other microbiological responses would have been dead wrong, yet this etiologic shift became Nobel Prize material for two Australian physicians. Times have changed and so should the system for the single 100% correct answer for multiple choice examinations. I propose a system that would provide graded credit for each response to a question.

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For example, the best response would be given a 5. The next best, a 4 and so on. The absolute wrong answer (assuming 5 responses to each question) would be a 1. In a 100 question multiple choice examination, the total and absolute failure would be equated to 100; absolute success to 500. A 400 would not be a failure, in that the second choice response, a shade off absolute perfection and perhaps to be accepted as debatable, is quite close.

This approach recognizes those who may be "too bright for their own good in exam taking" and the shades of responses that throw a near-correct response into the failure category. Furthermore, what is correct today may be the wrong answer in the future and the converse is equally true. Time for a change in our testing methods.

Herbert Dardik, MD, Editor



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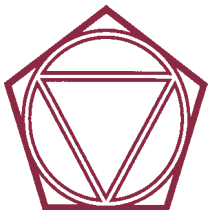
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