



PVSS at SVS/VAM RECAP

For those of you who could not join us for the PVSS spring meeting in San Francisco, by all accounts, it was another very successful event. The joint collaboration with the Society for Vascular Surgery – Vascular Annual Meeting (SVS/VAM) continues to be enhanced each year.

The Program Committees from each society reviewed and scored all submitted abstracts and jointly met to select the best of the best. The PVSS Scientific Session featured 24 outstanding papers from institutions across the country.

The PVSS program was featured in *Vascular Connections* (the official Newspaper of Vascular Annual Meeting) and the following is excerpted from Dr. Philip Goodney's article. "The agenda is outstanding offering new insights into the treatment of patients with vascular disease. Outcomes in endovascular management of proximal thoracic aortic disease, patient selection for carotid revascularization, findings from the SVS national registry, and results from regional and national efforts in preventing readmission and vascular trainee education will be presented. Further papers to address topics in dialysis fistula maturation, chronic mesenteric ischemia and IVC filters will be presented as well. The 2012 Academic and Travel Award winners will review the results of the research they have performed over the last year, supported directly by career development research funding from the PVSS".

In keeping with its mission of fostering and mentoring young surgeons, The PVSS Program Committee invited candidate members to discuss all of the PVSS papers presented.

The PVSS co-sponsored the General Surgery Resident/Medical Student Welcome Reception on Wednesday evening as well as the SVS Women's Leadership/Diversity & Inclusion Committee Reception on Thursday. Both receptions were well-attended and provided a great opportunity to tout the benefits of PVSS membership!

The sheer number of expanded educational opportunities and social activities offered during the 4-day SVS/Vascular Annual Meeting completely reinforced the PVSS leadership decision in 2012 to move its Annual Meeting activities (Member Business Meeting, Banquet, et al) to the winter venue, where the focus can be solely PVSS.

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Norman M. Rich Military Vascular Surgery Paper Competition

by Zachary Arthurs, MD, PVSS Military Liaison Chair

This year marks the 5th Anniversary of the Norman M. Rich Military Vascular Surgery Paper Competition. In 2008, **Col Darrin Clouse** current President of the PVSS, **Col Todd Rasmussen**, and **Col Charles Fox**, as PVSS's military liaison committee, created this award for an outstanding resident manuscript. The Society for Military Vascular Surgery selects the manuscript for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society. The winner presents the award winning manuscript at the PVSS sessions of VAM each year. **Dr. Rich** has long been a pillar of Military Vascular Surgery, and one of his legacies is his unwavering commitment to developing young military vascular surgeons. With the support of PVSS, this Award continues to foster the development of the next generation of military surgeons.

The first award recipient, **CPT Wayne Causey**, with co-authors **CPT Lionel Brounts**, **LTC Niten Singh**, **Col Darrin Clouse**, **COL Tom Curry**, and **Charles Andersen**, presented "Vascular Surgery Knowledge and Exposure Obtained During Medical School and the Potential Impact on Career Decisions," at the Peripheral Vascular Surgery Papers Session in Denver, Colorado on 12 June 2009.

This year, an independent panel of judges selected CPT Causey's paper, "Pharmacologic Attenuation of the Hyperdynamic Response after Aortic Occlusion", for presentation at the Peripheral Vascular Surgery Papers Session in San Francisco, California. CPT Causey will complete his General Surgery Training at Madigan Army Medical Center in July 2013, and he will then continue his Vascular Surgery training at the University of California, San Francisco. Senior mentors and co-authors LTC Niten Singh and LTC Matthew Martin both practice surgery at Madigan Army Medical Center, Tacoma, WA. LTC Matthew Martin serves at Chief of Trauma Surgery. LTC Niten Singh serves as the Director of Endovascular Surgery and will be transitioning from military service June 2013. LTC Singh will be joining the Academic Faculty of University of Washington, Seattle, WA.

This year also marked the inaugural meeting of the Society of Military Vascular Surgery which was held in conjunction with the Annual Peripheral Vascular Surgery Meeting in Park City, UT. The two organizations have shared membership and past Presidents since their origination. The merger has added a dedicated Military Vascular Session to the PVSS focused on vascular surgery challenges unique to the military but also shared by civilian counterparts. PVSS is excited and honored to again bring the Norman M. Rich Award to VAM 2013.



Norman Rich, MD (right) and Col. W. Darrin Clouse, MD



Cpt. Wayne Causey, MD



Cpt. Wayne Causey, MD and Col. Darrin Close, MD

Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society 2014 Annual Meeting

January 30 – February 2, 2014
Steamboat Grand
Steamboat Springs, CO



Call For Abstracts
Submission Deadline:
Friday, September 13, 2013
11:59 pm (EDT)

Presentations for the Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society should have the following characteristics:

- Original, significant scientific work
- Major updates and/or significant follow-up on established procedures and/or research
- Additional definition of previous studies that modify, in a major way, an understanding of techniques or technologies

Submission Categories

Abstracts accepted for presentation will be allotted 8-minutes for presentation, followed by 7-minutes for audience questions and discussion. Case reports are allowed 5-minutes, followed by 5-minutes of Q & A. Please Note: Time allotments are subject to change based on the final program. The PVSS accepts the following papers:

- Standard Papers
- Case Reports

Submission Instructions

All abstracts must be submitted electronically via the PVSS website (www.pvss.org). All online submissions must be completed by Friday, September 13th at 11:59 pm (EDT). Abstracts must be authored, co-authored or sponsored by a member of the Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society. Work must not have been previously presented or published elsewhere.

Maximum word count: 300 words

Minimum word count: 50 words

Language: English only

Images/tables: 25 word penalty – maximum of three (3) images/tables/graphs

Content: No reference can be made to authors or institution within the abstract body; title should be Title Case; do not bold or underline words; after acceptance, only changes to the title and author block will be accepted (if made by the given deadline)

Format:

Introduction/Objectives
Methods
Results
Conclusion

Manuscript Submission Requirements

Acceptance of a standard paper by the Program Committee for presentation at the Annual Meeting signifies the author(s) acknowledges the requirement to submit a full manuscript for consideration to the Annals of Vascular Surgery and will comply. Authors who indicate at the time of submission that they plan to submit to Annals of Vascular Surgery and fail to do so will be prevented from presenting at future PVSS meetings for a period of two years. Case reports are exempt from this requirement, but are encouraged to submit manuscripts for consideration. Presentation at the PVSS Annual Meeting does not guarantee acceptance by the journal.

Disclosure Requirements

One of the founding principles of the PVSS is the acknowledgment of interaction between industry and surgeons to facilitate rapid development of technology for vascular surgery and the treatment of vascular disease. PVSS does not object to that relationship, but requires that all those submitting abstracts and presenting papers disclose financial or consulting relationships. The need for disclosure extends to unrestricted laboratory grants. In addition, off-label use of an FDA-approved product or any use of a non-FDA approved device must be disclosed. When you submit an abstract, you will be required to provide disclosure information for all authors.

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WHY
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- PVSS is the pre-eminent society devoted to young vascular surgeons and trainees
- Great meetings where members can present their research in an environment conducive for educational and clinical impact
- Membership includes subscription to the Annals of Vascular Surgery, one of the prominent journals in the field
- The yearly winter meeting allows academic interchange at a beautiful mountain venue. Accepted abstracts lead to manuscript submission to the Annals of Vascular surgery
- The yearly spring meeting is held in conjunction with the Society for Vascular Surgery – the premier Vascular Annual Meeting. Accepted abstracts lead to manuscript submission to the Journal of Vascular Surgery
- Young members are encouraged to become active participants in meetings and Society committees.
- Members are eligible for research and travel grants
- Membership dues are modest for active members – and free to candidate members
- Becoming a member facilitates networking with other leading vascular surgeons around the country and throughout the world

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