



Vascular and
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President's Message



It is a privilege to serve as President of the Vascular and Endovascular Surgery Society. This Society (formerly known as the Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society) is entering its 42nd year and continues to thrive. Founded in 1976 as a club for young and recently graduated Vascular Surgeons, the society has grown to a national organization and international society boasting well over 1000 members.

Focusing on young vascular surgeons in both academic and community practice, our organization offers excellent educational opportunities and networking for career growth. The meetings are a wonderful time to share research endeavors, contribute ideas in a low stress environment, learn new technologies, make new contacts, and catch up with old friends in a family friendly environment.

Our recent Annual meeting in January at the The Canyons Resort in Park City, Utah was a great success. The Scientific session included 56 excellent clinical and basic science presentations with abundant discussion. I am proud to report that over 80% of these research projects went on to be published in peer-reviewed journal; a testament to the high quality of work our members present. We continued the tradition of a fellows program and a hands-on technology forum with small breakout groups that were both well received. The registered attendance was one of the best in our history.

The Spring meeting will be held in conjunction with the SVS Vascular Annual Meeting, on June at the Gaylord National Resort in National Harbor, MD on June 8-11, 2016. The joint SVS/VESS program committee is already planning for an exciting and high quality scientific full-day Wednesday session. We hope to see you there.

The next Annual meeting will take place February 2-5, 2017 at the Steamboat Grand in Steamboat, CO. The meeting will feature interactive exciting programs, engaging speakers, and exciting social events. With nearly 3,000 skiable acres, and featuring night skiing too, it will be an outstanding venue for both education and relaxation.

I look forward to seeing all of you at these meetings and encourage you to participate, become involved and join this terrific Society!

Tom Maldonado, MD

Annual Meeting in January at the The Canyons Resort in Park City, Utah



Gore Travel Winner – (center) Justin Hurie – Wake Forest University with Sean Roddy and Ed Empero of WL Gore.



Sean Roddy (R) thanks Jeff Jim, VESS Ambassador, who sponsored 7 new members this year.



Dressed to the "nines", Executive Council members (L to R) Jon Eliason, Sean Roddy, Matt Corriere, Peter Nelson, Tom Maldonado, Jason Lee and Mark Conrad



Spring SVS/VESS Meeting

June 8-11, 2016

**Gaylord National Resort
National Harbor, MD.**

Annual VESS Meeting

February 2-5, 2017

**Steamboat Grand
Steamboat, CO.**



NEW MEMBERS

Gilbert Aidinian	William Beaumont Army Medical Center
Matthew Alef	University of Vermont Medical Center
Grady	Alsabrook Peripheral Vascular Associates
Nathan Aranson	Virginia Mason Medical Center
Joseph Ayers	United States Navy
Abdulhameed Aziz	IHA Vascular and Endovascular Specialists
Bradley Boone	Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgeons
Scott Damrauer	Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania
Rachel Danczyk	Albuquerque VA Medical Center
Steven Dubenec	Vascular Associates Camperdown
Natalia Glebova	University of Colorado Denver
Taylor S. Gwin	Louisiana State University
Christopher Healey	Maine Medical Center
Loay Kabbani	Henry Ford Hospital
Sean Matheiken	Royal Free Hospital, London, UK
Nathan Orr	University of Kentucky
Federico Parodi	Cleveland Clinic
David	Robinson Royal Prince Alfred Hospital
Mikel Sadek	New York University Medical Center
Jennifer Stableford	Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center
Adithya Suresh	Surgical Associates of Tampa Bay
Rami O. Tadros	Icahn School of Medicine/Mt. Sinai
Jose Trani	Cooper University Hospital
Shant Vartanian	University of California, San Francisco
Gabriela Velazquez	Wake Forest University Baptist Hospital
Marvin V. Weaver, Jr.	Icahn School of Medicine/Mt. Sinai
John Weber	Oklahoma Heart Institute
Jill N. Zink	American Board of Surgery

2016 - Elected to Associate Membership

Scott Chapman	Mayo Clinic Health System - La Crosse
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2016 - Elected to Candidate Membership

Shahram Aarabi	University of Washington
Matthew Abate	University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Center
Shilpa Agarwal	SUNY UPSTATE UNIVERSITY
Peter Andrawes	Staten Island University Hospital
Philip Auyang	Houston Methodist
Joshua Balderman	Washington University in St. Louis
Michael Barfield	Duke University
Andrew Baxter	NYU Langone Medical Center



Robert Beaulieu
Jaime Benarroch-Gampel
Joseph-Vincent Blas
Mina Boutrous
Brandon Cain
Jason Cook
James Davis
Thomas Desmarais
Bryan Ehlert
Anna Eliassen
Sagar Gandhi
Megan Gardner
Elizabeth Genovese
Danielle Horne
Frances Hu
Senthil Jayarajan
Nii-Kabu Kabutey
Joseph Karam
Manar Khashram
Jerry Kim
Christopher Kinsella
Shameem Kunhammed
Charles Leithead
Joyce Lu
Mark Lytle
Adeola Odugbesi
Anna Ohlsson
John Ohman
Zachary Osborne
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George Pontikis
Thomas Reeve
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Sean Wengerter
Greg Westin
Max Wohlauer
Henry Zhan
Yin Zhao

Johns Hopkins Hospital
Washington University in St. Louis - Barnes Jewish Hospital
Greenville Health Systems
St. Louis University
UAB
Washington University in Saint Louis / BJC Hospital
Mayo Clinic
Washington University/ Barnes Jewish Hospital
The Johns Hopkins Hospital
University of Michigan
Greenville Health System
Indiana University Vascular Surgery
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center
University of Michigan
Emory University School of Medicine
Washington University/Barnes Jewish Hospital
University of California, Irvine
Washington University in St Louis School of Medicine
University of Otago
Harbor-UCLA Medical Center
Saint Louis University
ST LOUIS UNIVERSITY
UAB
Albany Medical College
Eglin AFB Medical Center
SUNY Upstate Medical University
University of Washington
Washington University in St. Louis
Mayo Clinic
University of Cincinnati Medical Center
Loyola University Medical Center
Wake Forest School of Medicine
Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center
Cleveland Clinic
University of Alabama - Birmingham
University of Colorado
University of New Mexico
Duke University
Mount Sinai
NYU Medical Center
Cleveland Clinic
Texas A&M HSC College of Medicine
University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine



2016-2017 VESS Committees

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VESS CALL FOR ABSTRACTS 2017

2017 Call For Abstracts

The Vascular and Endovascular Surgery Society (VESS) is now accepting abstracts for their 27th Annual Meeting to be held **February 2-5, 2017** at the **Steamboat Grand** in **Steamboat Springs, CO**. Abstracts 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 7-minutes for presentation, followed by 4-minutes for audience questions and discussion. Case reports and rapid fire presentations are allowed 4-minutes, followed by 3-minutes of Q & A. Please Note: Time allotments are subject to change based on the final program. The VESS accepts the following papers:

- Standard Papers
- Case Reports
- Rapid Fire Presentations

Submission Instructions

Abstracts must be submitted electronically via the VESS website (www.vesurgery.org). **All online submissions must be completed by Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 11:59 pm (EDT)**. Abstracts must be authored, co-authored or sponsored by a member of the VESS. 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 by the presentation date 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 VESS meetings for a period of two years. Case reports and rapid fire presentations are exempt from this requirement, but are encouraged to submit manuscripts for consideration. Presentation at the VESS Annual Meeting does not guarantee acceptance by the journal.

Disclosure Requirements

One of the founding principles of the VESS is the acknowledgment of interaction between industry and surgeons to facilitate rapid development of technology for vascular surgery and the treatment of vascular disease. VESS 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.

About VESS

The Vascular and Endovascular Surgery Society (VESS) – formerly the Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society, founded 1976 – is a national society with over 1,000 members and a nearly 40-year history dedicated to issues most germane to the young vascular surgeon. The mission of the VESS is to improve the science and art of vascular surgery and endovascular therapies and to provide interchange of medical knowledge and information. Active membership is limited to the first 15 years after fellowship training. Members strive to promote basic and clinical research that directly improves outcomes for our patients. The structure of the Society and the meetings are conducive to developing long-term relationships. Relationships are built and grown with colleagues, friends, mentors, trainees and our industry partners.

The Annual Meeting is the leading forum for face-to-face interaction with young vascular surgeons who represent the future of our specialty. Senior leaders in vascular surgery have the opportunity to mentor junior partners and trainees. Many VESS members are already key opinion leaders. The atmosphere at the Annual Meeting recognizes the extraordinary contribution industry provides to the ever changing field of vascular surgery with new devices, technologies and therapies.

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To submit your abstract, please visit: www.vesurgery.org

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Changing of the Guard



Newly elected VESS president, Tom Maldonado, presents outgoing president, Sean Roddy with the VESS Gavel Plaque