President’s Corner by Ravi Veeraswamy, MD

We are gearing up for **VESS 2023 in Whistler, Canada**. GET THOSE PASSPORTS READY!!! As the weather turns colder and we dream of snow - it’s a great time to check in on the many things VESS has done since the summer. **Dan Han, Max Wohlauer** and other VESS leaders were critical in supporting the first-ever national **Vascular Surgery Interest Group (VSIG)** interest group meet. They hosted an enthusiastic group of medical students and continue to foster them in collaborative, multi-institutional projects. This is a huge step forward for our specialty and introducing it to the brightest students across the country.

We also hosted the **3rd Annual VESS Virtual Residency Fair**. Starting with a panel discussion and continuing on to individual program rooms it was again a tremendous success. 39 programs and 104 students participated and shared information in what has become the unofficial launch of the MATCH season. (See full recap inside).

Our winter program is set and can be found within the newsletter. A robust offering of scientific sessions and many programs throughout the day for skiers and non-skiers alike. We received over 220 submissions and the quality of the abstracts selected was truly impressive. Many thanks to **Dr. Jeanie Ruddy** and the **Winter Program Committee** for their hard work.

We have a great meeting planned with science, snow and a super deluxe President’s dinner on Saturday night with great food, live music and... **Karaoke**...that’s right- Karaoke. So get your science, snow-gear and singing voice tuned up and see you in Whistler!

Ravi Veeraswamy
2022-2023 VESS President

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**2023 VESS CALL FOR LEADERSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

The Vascular and Endovascular Surgery Society continues to grow and be THE Society for Early Career Vascular Surgeon. The Executive Council is pleased to announce an open Call for Volunteers to serve on one or more of the many VESS Committees. Both nominations of other members and self-nominations are invited.

Active members in good standing are eligible to serve as are Candidate Members. Though not required, including a brief paragraph indicating why you would like to serve may be helpful to the Nominating Committee and Executive Council members who will consider all appointments.
Unless otherwise indicated, most terms begin following the annual winter meeting of each year with most committee business being conducted by conference call. In many instances, committee members rotate up to chair during their final year. Committee chairs and Society representatives are invited to attend the Executive Council meetings twice annually during the Annual Meeting in the winter and the spring meeting held at VAM.

To volunteer visit the VESS website ([www.vesurgery.org/about/officers-committees](http://www.vesurgery.org/about/officers-committees)) by **Wednesday, January 12, 2023**.

The following committees have openings for nominations:

**SPRING PROGRAM COMMITTEE (2 Year Term)**
Committee members work collaboratively with the SVS Program Committee to select abstracts for the VESS spring meeting in conjunction with VAM. Term begins following the 2023 Spring Meeting.

**ANNUAL (WINTER) PROGRAM COMMITTEE (2 Year Term)**
Committee members review and select abstracts for the Annual Meeting and assist in the development of the scientific program.

**COMMUNICATIONS: WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA SUB-COMMITTEE (2 Year Term)**
Reviews existing website, suggest changes and updates and new ideas.

**COMMUNICATIONS: NEWSLETTER SUB-COMMITTEE (2 Year Term)**
Develop, write and review content for three issues of the VESS Newsletter annually.

**DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION COMMITTEE (4 Year Term)**
The purpose of this committee is to identify and promote ways to address minority issues in vascular surgery and encourage women and minorities to actively participate in the Society and its committees. It is also responsible for fostering the VESS Mentor Program each year.

**FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE (3 Year Term)**
Research and implement comprehensive fundraising campaigns to support Society initiatives. Assist in the fundraising for the annual winter meeting. Help to identify industry with an interest in vascular surgery that may want to support the Society in some way.

**GRANTS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE (2 Year Term)**
Review applications and select winners for awards (Travel, Resident Research and Early Career Investigator). Also review any requests to survey the VESS membership and submit recommendation to the Executive Council.

**MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (2 Year Term)**
Assist with member recruitment strategy when necessary. Review list of applicants and present nominations for membership to the Executive Council for review before final vote during the Annual Business Meeting.

**BYLAWS COMMITTEE (3 Year Term)**
Review the by-laws from time-to-time as directed by the Council and make recommendations regarding amendments. Assist with the development of official policies & procedures for Society business.

**VASCULAR RESIDENCY EDUCATION COMMITTEE (2 Year Term)**
Develop programs (i.e.: Technology Forum, Fellows Program) and address issues of vascular trainees.

**STUDENT EDUCATION COMMITTEE (2 Year Term)**
Develop program and address issues for medical students interested in a vascular surgery career.
On Tuesday, September 20, 2022, the VESS hosted its 3rd Annual Virtual Residency Fair. This event was established two years ago by Dr. Matthew Smeds to facilitate communication between medical students, program directors, faculty and residents from around the country during the pandemic. Feedback from medical students was overwhelmingly positive.

The VESS thanks the 104 medical students who attended the event. You are the future of our specialty. We also acknowledge the program coordinators, program directors, and surgeons representing 39 residency programs around the country for your generosity of time and unwavering commitment to student education.

Ravi Veeraswamy, MD (President VESS), kicked off the meeting, welcoming the medical students to the program, and introduced Ryan Gedney, MD (PGY3) Medical University of South Carolina, who delivered a high-yield talk, titled: “Top 10 Things to Consider when Choosing a Residency.”

After that, Blake Murphy, MD (PGY2) University of Washington engaged the audience with a succinct presentation, filled with useful advice: “How to Prepare for a Virtual Interview.”

Next, Panelists Kathryn DiLosa, MD (PGY4) University of California Davis, Blake Murphy, MD (PGY2) University of Washington, Christopher Audu, MD (Clinical 4/PGY 5/6) University of Michigan, Alexandra Gobble, MD (PGY3) The Ohio State University, and Charles DeCarlo, MD (PGY5) Massachusetts General Hospital fielded questions from the audience about the Match, with topics ranging from choosing what to wear for the interview, how to follow up with programs afterward, and how influential performing a sub-I is in determining where you match. The panel discussion was moderated by Max Wohlauer, MD, Chair of the Student Education Committee.

On November 9th VESS hosted the second annual Virtual Career Happy Hour session which was a great success. Our panelists included vascular surgeons who spanned the wide range of practice environments, from private practice to academia to military, and were in varying stages of their career. We covered topics of frequently asked questions, mostly revolving around applying for jobs, negotiating, and pearls of wisdom from everyone who has gone through the process. We recorded the seminar and uploaded it to our You Tube Channel so that those who may not have been able to attend can watch it at a later time. Don’t hesitate to check it out!
I used the VESS career development grant to study monocyte epigenetic changes during the process of thrombosis. This was invaluable experience for myself and my lab: we used this skillset to acquire significant preliminary data to identify one enzyme that then became the subject of my K08 award.

Interestingly, this knowledge really became important during the COVID pandemic, when we found out that this molecule acted as a master switch to control the monocyte's role in driving Covid coagulopathy. This resulted in us winning the designation as Lefkofsky Scholar lab and $100,000 award to complement this research, and was a finalist for the Jay Coffman Research Award at the Society of Vascular Medicine.

My best advice is to find a mentor or a peer who has been successful to identify strategies and read copies of old grants to set the right framework for the type and intensity of work you need to do to get funded.

My second piece of advice is just to start writing. That is the hardest part! The VESS award was instrumental in helping me get the preliminary data for my K award and also provided some credibility to me as a young investigator on my application.

VESS has tons to offer the young surgeon! There are a young, mid and senior level surgeons from all backgrounds with all types of research. It is a welcoming and tight knit community so the chances are high that you will find someone who can help you or would want to collaborate with you!
MENTORSHIP PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Mentorship is one of the most important tools for professional development and has been linked to greater productivity, career advancement, and professional satisfaction. The VESS Mentorship Program aims to promote career and leadership development for early career vascular surgeons. All active members of the VESS within 10 years of training or candidate members in their last year of training are encouraged to apply.

Through a one-year young surgeon/leader match, the program will pair early career vascular surgeons with mentors who are more experienced colleagues, to provide young surgeons with opportunities to further develop leadership skills and obtain guidance for achieving specific career goals. This program also will foster engagement in the Vascular and Endovascular Surgery Society (VESS).

For more information and to submit an application, Visit our website: www.vesurgery.org/resources/find-a-mentor

VESS @ Social Media

Our social media presence continues to expand. We have 3,583 Twitter followers and 967 Instagram followers.

The VESS Communications Committee sends posts on topics pertaining to our society's in-person and virtual events, awards and scholarships, and upcoming deadlines.

Additionally, as the Annual Meeting approaches, the committee releases presentation previews highlighting the speakers and their talks that are upcoming. On Youtube, the videos that are uploaded include educational and surgical technique videos as well as presentations from the VESS Winter Meeting. If you missed the meeting or want to review one of the talks you saw, check it out and be sure to subscribe to get updates on newly uploaded videos. Finally, the Communications Committee is exploring new types of content that would be beneficial to medical students learning about vascular surgery as a specialty.

Please tag us in Tweets/Instagram posts pertaining to our society, meetings, and vascular topics! Send any recommendations for social media topics to the communication committee; we are always looking for ways to engage our membership and remain current.
### PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

**Thursday, February 23, 2023**

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University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC; *University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY |
| 4:12 pm – 4:24 pm | Determining A Threshold Toe Arm Index for Wound Healing Potential in Patients Undergoing Vascular Intervention Brian H Luong, Christina M Brown, Steven Maximus Minnie Kwong; U.C. Davis, Sacramento, CA |
| 4:24 pm – 4:36 pm | Cryopreserved Arterial Allografts Versus Rifampin-Soaked Dacron for The Treatment of Infected Aortic and Iliac Aneurysms Armin Tabei, Sebastian Cifuentes, Manju Kaira, Jill J Colglazier, Bernardo C Mendes, Melissa S Schaller, Fahad Shujla, Todd E Rasmussen, Randall DeMartino; Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN |
| 4:36 pm – 4:48 pm | Novel Electronic Health Records-based Consultation Workflow Improves Time to Operating Room for Vascular Surgery Patients in An Acute Setting John Iguidbashian, Michael Schafer, Kyle Bata, Jeniann Yi; University of Colorado, Aurora, CO |
| 4:48 pm – 4:56 pm | Outcomes Following Mechnanochemical Ablation Of The Great and Small Saphenous Veins Based On Diameter Anna Beth West, Joshua Kim, Ravi R Rajani, Christopher Ramos, Jaime Benaroch-Gampel; Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, GA |
| 4:56 pm – 5:04 pm | Neutrophil-to-lymphocyte Ratio Is a Superior Prognostic Marker To Frailty in Patients Undergoing Open Lower Extremity Revascularization Lily S.F. Adler, Umin A. Jalloh, Khushi S. Patel, Emann M. Rabe*, Anoop Alla*, Samantha M. Shave*, Saum A. Rahimi**, William E. Beckerman**  
Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Piscataway, NJ; **Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, New Brunswick, NJ |
| 5:04 pm – 5:12 pm | Postoperative and Long-Term Outcomes Of De Novo Versus Post-Repair Ruptured Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms in VQI-Medicare-Linked Database Austin Fan, Sina Zarrintan, Kevin Yei, Mahmoud Malas; UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA |
| 5:12 pm – 5:24 pm | Preoperative Anemia Is Associated with Poorer Postoperative Outcomes in Patients Undergoing Infragenicular Bypass Surgery Young Kim, Shiv S Patel, Anahita Dua, Abhishek Mohapatra; Duke University, Durham, NC; *Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA |
| 5:24 pm – 5:36 pm | Risk Factors for Cerebral Hyperperfusion Syndrome Following Carotid Revascularization Ashley C. Hsu, Brian Williams, Li Ding, Fred A. Weaver, Sukgu M. Han, Kenneth R. Ziegler, Gregory A. Magee; University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA |
| 5:36 pm – 5:48 pm | Association Between Neighborhood Socioeconomic Deprivation and Likelihood Of Lower Extremity Arterial Revascularization Versus Amputation Oluwasegun Akinyemi, Terhas A Weldebsatle, Mallory Williams, Daniel Tran, David Rose, Edward Conwell, III, Kakra Hughes; Howard University College of Medicine, Washington, DC |
| 5:48 pm – 6:00 pm | Lower Extremity Extracorporeal Distal Revascularization (leedr) in A Swine Model of Prolonged Extremity Ischemia Joseph Edwards, David P Stonko, Rebecca Treffalls, Eric Lang, Hossam Abdou, Patrick Walker, Brandon Propper, Todd Rasmussen, Jonathan J Morrison; R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center, Baltimore, MD; Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD; Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD; The Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN |
| 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm | WELCOME RECEPTION                                                          |
| 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm | Industry Sponsored Symposium                                               |
Friday, February 24, 2023

6:00 am – 7:00 am  Continental Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall
6:00 am – 9:30 am  Registration
7:00 am – 7:12 am  Minimum Asymptomatic Carotid Endarterectomy Surgeon and Hospital Volume Cutoffs
  Joshua Geiger1, James Iannuzzi2, Michael Stoner2, Adam Doyle1
  1University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, Rochester, NY; 2University of California, San Francisco, San Francisco, CA
7:12 am – 7:24 am  Association of Pre and Perioperative Vein Mapping with Hemodialysis Access - Characteristics and Outcomes
  Hannah L Wolf, Charles J Hillenbrand, IV, Gale J Tang, Andrew Warren; University of Washington, Seattle, WA
  Spencer J Lucas1, Kristopher B Johnson1, Ryan Rykhuis1, Kirby Hora1, Angela VanderHuff1, Kari Bates2, Joni Sengos1, Patrick W Kelly1
  1University of South Dakota Sanford School of Medicine, Sioux Falls, SD; 2Sanford Health, Sioux Falls, SD
7:36 am – 7:48 am  Exogenous Testosterone Replacement Therapy Is Associated with Increased Risk for Arterial Graft Infections
  Kachinani J Longwolf, Call E Johnson, Joshua J Horas, James M. Hatoring, Benjamin S. Brooke; University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
7:48 am – 7:56 am  Sex-based Disparities in Major Adverse Limb Events Highest for Femoropopliteal Intervention After Accounting for Presenting Wifi Stage for Chronic Limb Threatening Ischemia
  Emanuel A Jaramillo1, Katherine M Sanders1, Elizabeth M Lancaster1, Clara Gomez-Sanchez1, Jade S Hiramoto2, Warren J GASPER3, Michael S Conte4, James C Iannuzzi1
  1University of California, San Francisco-East Bay, Oakland, CA; 2University of California, San Francisco, San Francisco, CA
7:56 am – 8:04 am  Impact Of Direct Factor Xa Inhibitors on The Coagulation Profile and Thrombosis Rate In Patients With Peripheral Artery Disease Following Revascularization
  Ryan P Hall1, Monica Majumdar1, Sasha Suarez Ferreira1, Guillaume Goudot1, Samual Jessula1, Lois Owolabi1, Zachary Feldman1, Ryan Cassidy1, Anahita Dua1
  1Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA; 2Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine, Nutley, NJ
8:04 am – 8:12 am  Circulating Markers of Matrix Homeostasis Are Dysregulated in Hypertension-induced Aortic Stiffness
  Ryan Gedney, Victoria Mattia, Mario Figueroa, Ying Xiong, Rupak Mukherjee, Jeffrey A. Jones, Jean M. Ruddy; Medical University of South Carolina, Mt. Pleasant, SC
8:12 am – 8:24 am  Risk Of Stroke with Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Repair in The Aortic Arch
  Alexander D DiBartolomeo, Li Ding, Fred A Weaver, Sukhu M Han, Gregory A Magee; University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
8:24 am – 8:36 am  Survival and Operative Outcomes for Open and Endovascular Repair in Chronic Mesenteric Ischemia
  Daniel Lehanle, Joshua Geiger, Kshitij Desai, Michael Stoner; University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, Rochester, NY
8:36 am – 8:48 am  Pedal Arterial Calcification Is Associated with Progression from Transmetatarsal Amputation To Major Amputation Following Infrapopliteal Revascularization for Chronic Limb-threatening Ischemia
  Iris H Liu1, Bian Wu1, Rym El Khouiry2, Roberto Ferraresi1, Alexander M. Reyzelman1, Warren J. GASPER2, Jade S. Hiramoto1, Peter A. Schneider1, Michael S. Conte3
  1UCSF, San Francisco, CA; 2Sanford Health, Sioux Falls, SD; 3Sanford Health, Sioux Falls, SD; 4Sanford Health, Sioux Falls, SD
8:48 am – 8:56 am  Rectus Sheath Block Improves Patient Recovery Following Open Aortic Surgery
  Colin Cleary1, Ya-Huei LF, Aikhilesh Jain2, Prajakal Kaikanyaram2, Parth Shah2, Thomas Divinagracia2, James Gallagher III2, Elizabeth Altechson3, Mouhanad Ayac1, Kevin Finkel1, Edward Gifford1
  1University of Connecticut School of Medicine, Farmington, CT; 2Hartford Hospital, Hartford, CT; 3Hartford Health, Division of Vascular Surgery, Hartford, CT; 4Integrated Anesthesia Associates, Hartford, CT
8:56 am – 9:04 am  The Impact Of HIV On The Prevalence and Characterization Of Peripheral Arterial Disease in Kigali, Rwanda: A Pilot Study
  Dominique M Dockery1, Sai Ali1, Samuel Nussenzen1, Aron H Licht1, Ryan Cunningham1, Jeffrey Slaboy2, Kyle Benghazi2, Carla C Moreno2, Robert B Patterson3
  1Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University, Providence, RI; 2Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, RI; 3Alpert Medical School of Brown University, Providence, RI

9:15 am – 10:15 am  OBL Session
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm  Coffee/Snacks – Visit Exhibitors
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm  VASCULAR EDUCATION SESSION
3:00 pm - 3:12 pm  Individual And Program-related Predictors of Academic Vascular Surgery Practice
  Andrea Tessa Fisher1, Arash Feraydooni1, Daniille M Mullis1, Brigitte K Smith2, Michael D Sgroi1
  1Stanford University, Stanford, CA; 2University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
3:12 pm - 3:24 pm  General Surgery Residents Are Still Interested in Vascular Surgery
  Kelly Kempe1, Libby Weaver1, Gabriella Velazquez Ramirez2, Kimberly Zamor3, William Jennings1, Peter Nelson1
  1University of Oklahoma School of Community Medicine, Tulsa, OK; 2University of Virginia School of Medicine, Charlottesville, VA; 3Wake Forest School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC
3:24 pm - 3:36 pm  Fourth Year Medical Students' Perceptions Of Vascular Surgery: Can We Improve The Pipeline?
  Tyler Arisendi1, Nicholas Schaper1, Saideep Bose1, Konstantinos C Karabetsos1, Ali Sedy1, Rhanya Branch1, Marvi Moreno1, Cole Pickney1, Ikechukwu Obay2
  1University of Rochester, Rochester, NY; 2UCLA School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA
3:36 pm - 3:48 pm  Patterns In Complex Aortic Vascular Surgery Training
  Nallely Saldana-Ruiz, Osarumen Okunbor, Belka Douglas, Matthew Smith, Elina Quiroga, Niten Singh, Sara L Zettervall; University of Washington, Seattle, WA
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm  SCIENTIFIC SESSION III
4:00 pm – 4:12 pm  5-year Outcomes of Elective Endovascular Versus Open Repair Of Popliteal Artery Aneurysms In the VISION Database
  Keyuree Satami1, Anand Brahmandam1, Xinyan Zheng1, Jialin Mao2, Raoul J Guzman1, Philip Goodney3, Cassius I Ochoa Chaa4
  1Yale School of Medicine, New Haven, CT; 2Weill Cornell Medicine, New York, NY; 3Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH
4:12 pm – 4:24 pm  Implementation Of Quality Improvement Protocol to Decrease Length Of Stay After Elective Carotid Endarterectomy
  Zach M Feldman, Sinih Lelia, Sujuan Lin, Anahita Dua, Sunitha D Srivastava, Matthew J Eagleton, Glenn M LaMuraglia, Nikolaos Zacharias
  Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA
Higher Carotid Bulb Distension Index Correlates with Increased Hypotension & ICU Utilization After Transcarotid Artery Revascularization (TCAR)
Kshitij Anil Desai, Justin Weissberg, Samuel Florentino, Michael Stoner, Leanne Grafmuller, Daniel Lehane
University of Rochester Medical Center, Rochester, NY

Differences in Long-Term Outcomes in End-Stage Kidney Disease Patients with Chronic Limb-Threatening Ischemia
Stephanie Lynn Rakestraw, Zdenek Novak, Michael Y Wang, Emily L Spangler, Emily B Levitan, Jayme E Locke, Adam W Beck, Danielle C Sutzko
UAB, Birmingham, AL

Dynamic Imaging Is the Ideal Modality for The Diagnosis of Popliteal Artery Entrapment Syndrome
Amir Ghaffarian, Benjamin Starnes, Elina Quiroga, Nam Tran, Niten Singh
University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Outcomes of Aortobifemoral Bypass Based on Configuration of The Proximal Anastomosis
Sahaj Shah, Gayatri Pillai, Benjamin A Greif, Evan J Ryer, James R Elmore, Gregory G Salzler
Gelseiner Medical Center, Danville, PA

Type IV Hypersensitivity Reaction After Cyanoacrylate Venous Closure
Leigh Ann O'Banion1, Amna Ali1, Mariya Kochubey1, Yuefi Yari1, Joshua Fallentine1, Jae Hak Otr1, Hank R. Patel2, Michael Y Shao3, Nishant Agrawal5, Emely Carmona6, Eric S. Hager6, Misaki Kiguchi7; 1UCSF Fresno, Fresno, CA; 2UC Merced, Merced, CA; 3Georgia University School of Medicine, Washington D.C., DC; 4Northwestern University of London Asia, Chicago, IL; 5Northshore University Health System, Chicago, IL; 6University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA; 7MemStar Washington Hospital Center, Washington D.C., DC

Median Arcuate Ligament Syndrome: A Video Case Report
CJ Hillenbrand, Benjamin Starnes, Niten Singh
University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Characteristics and Outcomes of Patients Undergoing Infranigual Bypass in The Endovascular Era
Randall Bloch, Enn McIntosh, Frank Pomposelli, Scott Prushik, Katie Shean, Mark Conrad; St. Elizabeth’s Medical Center, Boston, MA

Tevar Acutely Increases Left Ventricular Work in An Animal Model
David P. Stonko, Joseph Edwards, Hossam Abdou, Patrick Walker, Rebecca N. Treffalls, Randall R. DeMartino, Bernardo C. Mendes, Caitlin W. Hicks, Jonathan J. Morrison; Johns Hopkins, Baltimore, MD

Industry Funding Negatively Impacts Publication of Vascular Surgery Trials
Mary A Binko, Katherine Reitz, Rabih A Chaer, Edith Tzeng, Mohammad H Eslami, Natalie D Sridharan
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Insulin Dependence Is Associated with Poor Long-term Outcomes but Equivalent Perioperative Outcomes Following AAA Repair
Clay P Wask,1 Caron Rockman,1 Virendra Patel,1 Neal Cayne2, Glenn Jacobowitz2, Karan Garg3
1New York University, New York, NY; 2Columbia University, New York, NY

Use Of Direct Oral Anticoagulants Over Warfarin Improves Survival and Patency in Infra-geniculate Bypasses with Vein Conduit Compared to Prosthetic
David P Ebert2,1 Saideep Bose2,1 Bernardo Colvard21 "University Hospitals - Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH; 2Saint Louis University, St Louis, MO

Outcomes Of Patients Treated for Complex Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms Using Fenestrated Grafts with A Double-Wide Scallop for Celiac Artery Incorporation
Nolan C Cirillo-Penn1, Emanuel R Tenerio1, Randall R DeMartino2, Gustavo S Oderich2, Bernardo C Mendes2
1Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN; 2University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, Houston, TX

7:00 pm – 10:00 pm PRESIDENT’S DINNER
2023 VESS Annual Spring Meeting
(In conjunction with SVS/Vascular Annual Meeting)

June 14-17, 2023
Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center,
National Harbor, MD

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS!

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS 2023 VAM


TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIPS

VAM will be offering travel scholarships via a competitive application process that will open on December 5, 2022 and will close January 9, 2023, so make sure you apply if you are an interested medical student or general surgery resident! (Visit www.vascularweb.org for more information)
The Student-Run VESS VSIG DISCOVER team, comprised of 14 diverse medical students from across the country, planned and executed their first event on November 10, 2022. The “Why Vascular?” virtual panel event aimed to introduce Vascular Surgery as a specialty to medical students who are not yet decided on their residency choice. The DISCOVER team marketed the event at their local VSIGs, on social media, and at student sections of several national societies including the ACS. The event attracted many medical students from across the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada, and the Caribbean with over 120 students attending the virtual panel. The attendees were largely made up of M1’s (53%) and M2’s (30%), but also attracted some M3’s, M4’s, and even masters, MD-PhD students.

The panel, which included attendings (Drs. Ravi Rajani, Gabriela Velazquez, Todd Berland), residents (Dr. Christopher Audu), and a MS4 applying into vascular surgery this year (Aron Licht), shared their career path and answered a variety of questions from current students that ranged from why they chose vascular surgery to what their typical days look like in a given week. The panelists shared what work life balance looked like in their lives, things they found challenging in vascular surgery, and discussed the different paths to becoming a vascular surgeon. The event was well received by the attendees who responded with overwhelmingly positive feedback: “Great turnovers and transitions from moderator to panelists! Loved the diversity among panelists!” “This was really helpful and I hope to attend more events in the future to get a better sense of how I can become a great applicant for vascular surgery.”

The recording from the virtual event will be available soon on the VESS Youtube page and on the Audible Bleeding podcast.

In addition to events for the DISCOVER team, the VESS VSIG continues to work on several ongoing projects-SPECIALIZE (aimed at M3’s and M4’s), peer mentorship, technology team building resources helpful for medical students, and more! If you are a student or know a student who would like to be a part of the VESS VSIG, please reach out to vessvsig@gmail.com today!
Register for the 2023 Annual Meeting Today!

VESS 47th Annual Winter Meeting

FEBRUARY 23-26, 2023
Fairmont Chateau Whistler
Whistler, British Columbia, Canada

Early Bird Deadline: January 20, 2023

Get Those Passports Ready!!