

**14th Annual meeting of the European Venous Forum, in
collaboration with the Balkan Venous Forum and the
Serbian College of Phlebology**

Thursday 27th June – Sunday 30th June 2013

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

THURSDAY 27th June 2013

08.30 – 10.30 Venous Disease: Past, Present and Future goals

Chair: Michel Perrin, Norman Rich

(10 minute presentations followed by 5 minutes discussion)

- 08.30 – 08.45 **History of Venous Trauma**
Norman Rich (USA)
- 08.45 – 09.00 **Serbian College of Phlebology**
Miljko Pejic (Serbia)
- 09.00 – 09.15 **American Venous Forum**
Bo Eklof (Sweden)
- 09.15 – 09.30 **European Venous Forum**
Michel Perrin (France)
- 09.30 – 09.45 **Balkan Venous Forum**
Dragan Milic (Serbia)
- 09.45 – 10.00 **Baltic Venous Forum**
Uldis Maurins (Latvia)
- 10.00 – 10.30 **Panel Discussion**
- 10.30 – 11.00 **Coffee Break and visit to Exhibition**

**11.00 – 13.00 Contemporary Treatment of Chronic Venous Disease and Venous
Ulcers**

Chair: Alun Davies, Eberhard Rabe, Kuzman Girov, Dragan Milic,
Tiziano Porretta

(15 minute presentations followed by panel discussion)

- 11.00 – 11.15 **Epidemiology of Chronic Venous Disease and Venous Ulcers in
Europe**
Eberhard Rabe (Germany)
- 11.15 – 11.30 **Contemporary Treatment of Chronic Venous Disease and Venous
Ulcers**
Alun Davies (UK)
- 11.30 – 11.40 **Treatment of Venous Leg Ulcers, Bulgarian experience**
Kuzman Girov (Bulgaria)
- 11.40 – 11.50 **Non-Surgical Treatment of Venous Leg Ulcers**
Dragan Milic (Serbia)
- 11.50 – 12.00 **Multicentre clinical trial using Tubulcus compression system in
the treatment of venous ulcers**
Tiziano Porretta (Italy)
- 12.00 – 12.30 **Discussion**

12.30 – 13.00 Popliteal Vascular Entrapment Forum Meeting**Chair:** Norman Rich, Luca Di Marzo*(7 minute presentations followed by panel discussion)*

- 12.30 – 12.37 **Popliteal Vascular Entrapment Syndrome. Historical overview**
Norman Rich (USA)
- 12.37 – 12.44 **Contemporary Treatment of Popliteal Vascular Entrapment Syndrome**
Luca di Marzo (Italy)
- 12.44 – 12.51 **Minimal Invasive Procedure in the treatment of Popliteal Vascular Entrapment Syndrome. Is it feasible?**
Dragan Milic (Serbia)
- 12.51 – 13.00 **Discussion**
- 13.00 – 14.00 **Lunch and visit to Exhibition**

14.00 – 16.00 What is new in the International Guidelines on VTE?**Chair:** Anthony Comerota, Joseph Caprini,*(15 minute presentations followed by panel discussion)*

- 14.00 – 14.15 **Grading and Rationale of Recommendations**
Andrew Nicolaides (Cyprus)
- 14.15 – 14.30 **Highlights of Prophylaxis**
Joseph Caprini (USA)
- 14.30 – 14.45 **Highlights of Treatment**
Anthony Comerota (USA)
- 14.45 – 15.00 **VTE Prophylaxis in Asia**
Liew NC (Malaysia)
- 15.00 – 15.15 **Serbian Guidelines in prophylaxis**
Zivan Maksimovic (Serbia)
- 15.15 – 15.30 **Successful Implementation of Guidelines**
Andrea Obi (USA)
- 15.30 – 16.00 **Panel Discussion**
- 16.00 – 16.30 **Coffee break and visit to Exhibition**

16.30 – 18.30 Compression Therapy and Local Ulcer Treatment**Chair:** Tanja Planinsek Rucigaj, Hugo Patsch*(10 minute presentations followed by 5 minutes discussion)*

- 16.30 – 16.45 **The Value and Efficacy of Compression**
Hugo Patsch (Austria)
- 16.45 – 17.00 **Compression and Ulcer Healing**
Giovanni Mosti (Italy)
- 17.00 – 17.15 **Intermittent pneumatic compression**
Mehmet Kurtoglu (Turkey)
- 17.15 – 17.30 **How to choose the dressings for treatment of venous leg ulcer**
Tanja Planinsek Rucigaj (Slovenia)
- 17.30 – 17.45 **Effects of polarized light (480-3400nm) on the immune parameters in the process of the healing of chronic wounds of different etiology**
Jasmina Begic-Rahic (Bosnia and Herzegovina)

- 17.45 – 18.00 **Hard to heal chronic venous ulcerations – the recommendations for local therapy"**
Javorka Delic (Serbia)
- 18.00 – 18.30 **Panel Discussion**
- 18.30 **Opening Ceremony**
Welcome by Slavica Djukic-Dejanovic, Minister of Health, Serbia followed by
Welcome Reception in the Exhibition Area

FRIDAY 28th June 2013

- 08.30 – 10.30 Abstract Session 1** 6 papers
(10 minute presentations followed by 10 minutes discussion)
- 10.30 – 11.00 **Coffee Break and visit to Exhibition**
- 11.00 – 12.30 Abstract Session 2** 4 papers
(10 minute presentations followed by 10 minutes discussion)
- 12.30 – 13.00 EVF Invited Lecture: Venous Thromboembolism Update 2013**
Jo Caprini (USA)
- 13.00 – 14.00 **Lunch and visit to Exhibition**

14.00 – 16.15 Chronic Venous Disease
Chair: Dragan Milic, Seshadri Raju
(10 minute presentations followed by 5 minutes discussion)

- 14.00 – 14.15 **Pathophysiology**
Andrew Nicolaides (Cyprus)
- 14.15 – 14.30 **CEAP Classification**
Bo Eklof (Sweden)
- 14.30 – 14.45 **Why I prefer Foam**
Nick Morrison (USA)
- 14.45 – 15.00 **Why I prefer Laser**
Uldis Maurins (Latvia)
- 15.00 – 15.15 **Why I prefer RF**
Lars Rasmussen (Denmark)
- 15.15 – 15.30 **Why I prefer Surgery**
Dragan Milic (Serbia)
- 15.30 – 15.45 **Management of Obstruction**
Peter Neglen (Cyprus)
- 15.45 – 16.00 **Management of Deep Venous Reflux**
Seshadri Raju (USA)
- 16.00 – 16.15 **State of the Art of Endovenous Technology for Treatment of Superficial Veins and Perforators**
Thomas Proebstle (Germany)
- 16.15 – 16.30 **Coffee break and visit to Exhibition**
- 16.30 – 18.30 Abstract Session 3** 6 papers
(10 minute presentations followed by 10 minutes discussion)

SATURDAY 29th June 2013

08.30 – 10.30 Abstract Session 4 6 papers
(10 minute presentations followed by 10 minutes discussion)

10.30 – 11.00 **Coffee break and visit to Exhibition**

11.00 – 13.00 **Prizes/Awards Session:**

Prize Winning Presentations from American Venous Forum

11.00 **Characterization of chronic post thrombotic intraluminal venous obstruction**

C Oostra¹, AJ Comerota², WT Gunning¹, A Lynn², Z Fayad². 1 University of Toledo Medical Center, Toledo, Ohio, 2 The Toledo Hospital, Toledo, Ohio, USA

11.20 **Vitronectin gene-deletion, Pai-1 gene-deletion and LMWH treatment: Effect on thrombus resolution and vein wall remodeling in a mouse model of DVT**

AT Obi, JA Diaz, DM Farris, KJ Roelofs, N Ballard-Lipka, PK Henke, TW Wakefield; University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA

Prize Winning Presentations from Japanese Society of Phlebology

11.40 **Ablation performed from the body surface using high-intensity focused ultrasound (HIFU) can induce vein occlusion in vivo ~ developing non-invasive treatment for varicose vein**

J Suzuki, T Miyata*, C Kamiya, T Kitaoka, J Deguchi, O Sato, Department of Vascular Surgery, Saitama Medical Center, Saitama Medical School, *Division of Vascular Surgery, Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo, Japan

12.00 **A rodent model of acquired hind-limb lymphedema with histological changes similar to human disease**

R Sugisawa, N Unno, H Tanaka, M Suzuki, N Yamamoto, Y Mano, M Sano, T Saito, H Konno; Division of Vascular Surgery (RS,NU,HT,MS,NY,YM,MS,TS) and Second Department of Surgery (RS,NU,HT,MS,NY,YM,MS,TS,HK), Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Shizuoka, Japan

EVF Pump Priming Grant

12.20 **Modelling a venous valve**

C Zervides, European University of Cyprus, School of Sciences, Department of Health Sciences, Nicosia, Cyprus

12.40 **American College of Phlebology (1 presentation)**

13.00 – 14.00 **Lunch and visit to Exhibition**

14.00 – 15.00 Annual General Meeting (Members Only)

15.00 – 16.00 Abstract Session 5 3 papers
(10 minute presentations followed by 10 minutes discussion)

16.00 – 16.30 **Coffee break and visit to Exhibition**

16.30 – 18.30 Abstract Session 6 6 papers
(10 minute presentations followed by 10 minutes discussion)

19.30 Gala Dinner at the White Castle

SUNDAY 30th June 2013

08.00 – 9.30 Phlebology in the Balkans: Past, Present and Future goals SESSION 1

Chair: Elena Goranova, Mehmet Kurtoglu, Edmond Kapedani
(10 minute presentations followed by 5 minutes discussion)

- 08.00 – 08.15 **Management of varicose veins and pelvic congestion syndrome during the pregnancy**
Elena Goranova (Bulgaria)
- 08.15 – 08.30 **Local treatment of Chronic Venous Ulcers**
Irena Dimitrovska (FYR Macedonia)
- 08.30 – 08.45 **Treatment of DVT**
Mehmet Kurtoglu (Turkey)
- 08.45 – 09.00 **Epidemiology of Venous Disease in Albania**
Edmond Kapedani (Albania)
- 09.00 – 09.15 **Our experiences with endovenous therapy of varicose veins**
Matjaz Vrtovec (Slovenia)
- 09.15 – 09.30 **Multimodal treatment of superficial venous system of the lower limbs**
Daniela Radu (Romania)
- 09.30 – 11.00 **Abstract Session 1**
(5 minute presentations followed by 3 minutes discussion)
- 11.00 – 11.30 **Coffee Break and visit to Exhibition**
- 11.30 – 12.00 Balkan Venous Forum invited lecture**
CCSVI and MS. Fact or fiction?

12.00 – 13.30 Phlebology in the Balkans: Past, Present and Future goals SESSION 2

Chair: Gianoukas Athanasios, Gyozo Szolnoky, Bekim Ademi
(10 minute presentations followed by 5 minutes discussion)

- 12.00 – 12.15 **Epidemiology of Venous Disease in Kosova**
Bekim Ademi (Kosovo)
- 12.15 – 12.30 **Current management of superficial vein thrombosis**
Gianoukas Athanasios (Greece)
- 12.30 – 12.45 **Foam sclerotherapy. Our experience**
Anel Okic (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
- 12.45 – 13.00 **Contemporary Treatment of Lymphoedema**
Gyozo Szolnoky (Hungary)
- 13.00 – 13.15 **Treatment of Varicose Veins in Croatia**
Kresimir Candrljic (Croatia)
- 13.15 – 13.30 **Surgery of Vena Cava Inferior**
Davor Music (Monte Negro)
- 13.30 – 15.00 **Abstract Session 2**
(5 minute presentations followed by 3 minutes discussion)
- 15.00 End of the meeting**