



Diabetic Foot Global Conference

October 11 -13, 2018

The logo for the Diabetic Foot Global Conference (DFCon). It features a large white circle containing the letters 'DF' in a bold, sans-serif font. To the right of the circle, the word 'Con' is written in a white, elegant script font. The entire logo is set against a background of a blue and purple globe with yellow orbital lines.

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ABOUT US

DFCon is the premier international, interdisciplinary diabetic foot conference in North America. In its 18th year, the course is designed for the wide spectrum of generalists and specialists who diagnose and manage the diabetic foot. Didactic talks, panel discussions, Q&A sessions, specialty symposia and workshops will delve into diagnostic and interventional strategies for diabetic foot ulcers and amputation prevention. Featuring a world-renowned international faculty, DFCon offers the opportunity to review state-of-the-art concepts and techniques.

VENUE

Royal Sonesta Houston Galleria
2222 West Loop South
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Poster Competition

Abstract Submission Due Date: June 1, 2018

Committee Review: June 21, 2018

Poster abstract notification*: June 25, 2018

Email submissions to: jstaroso@bcm.edu

For more information visit dfcon.com

Suitable Topics:

- Diabetic limb salvage
- Lower extremity vascular disease (PAD)
- Diabetic wound care
- Wearables and diagnostics pertaining to wound care and the diabetic foot
- Preventive foot care for obese, diabetic, and PAD populations
- Any topic pertaining to at-risk diabetic foot and wound care patients
- Novel population-based epidemiologic analyses of diabetic foot care and outcomes

*All abstracts will be reviewed by the Abstract Committee and the best will be selected for poster presentations at the DFCon conference and be published on the DFCon website.

DFCon Houston invites all those engaged in the field of diabetic foot care, wound healing, limb salvage, and amputation prevention to submit an abstract for DFCon's Second Annual Poster Competition.

To enter the competition, at least one author or co-author of each submitted abstract must register for and attend the 2018 DFCon meeting.

A panel of DFCon experts will grade and accept posters for presentation. The three best poster abstracts will be rewarded; the first author of each of the three best abstracts will receive \$500 as well as a 50% reduction in DFCon registration fee and an invitation to the 2018 DFCon faculty dinner.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of the activity, participants should be able to:

1. Identify updated information to provide patient care in the discipline of vascular surgery.
2. Explain new techniques in collaborating and communicating when working with teams to ensure best practices in patient care, education and research in vascular surgery.
3. Apply quality improvement in areas of vascular surgery.
4. Utilize updated information as outlined in program as related to vascular surgery diagnosis and diseases.
5. Outline new techniques and studies along with innovative approaches related to patient care, medical knowledge, practice-based learning and improvement, and system based practices.

ACCREDITATION

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PROGRAM

Thursday, October 11, 2018

- 7:00 – 8:00 Registration
- 7:00 - 8:00 Breakfast Symposium (non CME/CPME)
- Topic A – Moderator – Dr. Bijan Najafi
- Topic B - Does It Work? Is it Evidenced Based? Is it Worth It? - Moderator – Dr. Jeffrey Ross
- Topic C - Moderator – Dr. Brian Lepow

GLOBAL SESSION

Tour Around the World

Moderators: Drs. David G. Armstrong and Joseph L. Mills, Sr.

- 8:00 - 8:20 The Battle Against Amputation: A Worldwide Tour of the Troops by our NATOe Commander – Dr. Andrew Boulton
- 8:20 - 8:40 Maintaining Bipedalism: A View of the Foot from the Continent on Which Man First Walked - Dr. Zupacalari Abbas
- 8:40 - 9:00 How New Zealand: Fighting a Tectonic Shift in Demography with a Fellowship of the Limbs – Dr. Venu Bhamidi
- 9:00 - 9:20 CPR for the Diabetic Foot: How “Check, Protect and Refer” has Changed the Game Across an Entire Nation – Dr. Duncan Stang

- 9:20 - 9:40 Bringing COALS to Coal Country: How the Coalition of Appalachian Limb Salvage is a Diamond in the Rough
– Dr. Samantha Minc
- 9:40 - 10:00 Prevention a la Milanese
– Dr. Giacomo Clerici
- 10:00 - 10:20 How the International Working Group has Brought the Diabetic Foot to the Front of the Bus - and Sicco Bus in Front of Us – Dr. Sicco Bus
- 10:20 - 10:40 Panel Discussion
- 10:40 – 11:00 Exhibit Hall Break

Toe and Flow Teamwork

Moderator: Dr. Lawrence Lavery

- 11:00 - 11:10 Battling a Great Barrier to Act Against Amputation Across Australia
– Dr. Pete Lazzarini
- 11:10 - 11:20 Minding Your V's in Limb Preservation: Victory? Value? or Just Volume?
– Dr. Michael Comer
- 11:20 - 11:30 A Decade of Limb Salvage Surgery
– Dr. Jose Luis Lazaro Martinez
- 11:30 - 11:40 Toe-Ron-Toe: The Provenance of Promise: Providence or Persistence in Canada's Most Prominent Province
– Dr. Ahmed Kayssi
- 11:40 – 11:50 Renegotiating NAFTA: A North American Free Toes Alliance - Dr. Carlos Hinojosa

11:50 – 12:00 Can the Emperor of All Maladies Adopt the Orphan of All Maladies? What Cancer Can Teach Us About the Diabetic Foot, Amputation, Prevention, and Remission - Dr. Lynne Tudhope

12:00 – 12:20 Panel Discussion

12:20 – 1:30 Overlapping Lunch Symposium
(non CME/CPME)

Topic A - Vascular Topic Moderator
– Dr. Miguel Montero-Baker

Topic B - Podiatry Topic Moderator
– Dr. Jeffrey Ross

Out-of-the-Box – New Innovations

Moderator: Dr. David G. Armstrong

1:30 – 1:45 Wound Care in a Box
– Dr. Naveen Krishnan

1:45 – 2:00 That's Tubular, Dude...Surfing the World of Self-Assembling Nanotubes
– Dr. Vivek Kumar

2:00 – 2:15 Should We Begin Doping our Skin? Novel Techniques to Enhance Performance of Deficient Diabetic Soles
– Dr. Geoff Gurtner

2:15 – 2:30 Climb Aboard the Sole Brain – How Brain Computer Interfaces Will Transform How Our Patients (and we) Move Through the World – Dr. Charles Liu

2:30 – 2:45 When will Augmented and Virtual Reality become Reality Reality? / AR and VR Medical Animation and Clinical Stimulation – Dr. Daniel Wasser

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- 2:45 – 3:00 Creating a GPS for Vascular Surgery
– Dr. Alan Lumsden
- 3:00 – 3:20 Panel Discussion
- 3:20 – 3:40 Exhibit Hall Break

Complex Foot Problems

Moderator: Dr. Lawrence Lavery

- 3:40 – 3:55 Bringing the Heel to Heal
– Dr. Venu Bhamidi
- 3:55 – 4:10 Seoul 2 Sole – How Transpacific
Microvascular Partners Can Save Limbs
– Dr. JP Hong and Dr. Ketan Patel
- 4:10 – 4:25 Flipping the Script: Is Venous
Arterialization A Viable Treatment for the
High Risk Foot? – Dr. Vince Rowe
- 4:25 – 4:40 What Can We Learn from Military
Rehabilitation? Lessons from the Center
for the Intrepid – Ryan Blanck
(This lecture is not approved for CME Credit)
- 4:40 – 4:55 Can't Stand the Pressure: How
Advances in Activity Monitoring will
Transform How We Offload the Diabetic
Foot – Dr. Bijan Najafi
- 4:55 – 5:10 Panel Discussion
- 5:10 – 6:30 Welcome to #DFCon18 Reception –
Open Exhibits (non CME/CPME)

Friday – October 12, 2018

- 7:00 – 8:00 Registration
- 7:00 – 8:00 Overlapping Breakfast Symposia
(non CME/CPME)
- Topic A - Moderator
– Dr. Miguel Montero-Baker
- Topic B - Moderator – Dr. Jayar Chung
- Topic C - Moderator – Dr. Ramyar Gilani

Video Session

Moderator: Dr. Joseph L. Mills, Sr.

- 8:00 – 8:10 After the Debridement / Rebooting the Wound - Taking the Chronic Wound and Making it Acute – Dr. Chris Attinger
- 8:10 – 8:20 Pedal Loop
– Dr. Roberto Ferraresi
- 8:20 – 8:30 From Debridement / Rebooting the Wound – Taking the Chronic Wound and Making it Acute
– Dr. Brian Lepow
- 8:30 – 8:40 Like a Bridge over Troubled Matrix: How Cultured Tissue Products can Augment or Replace Skin Grafting
– Dr. Jeffrey Ross
- 8:40 – 8:50 SCIP the Skin Graft:
Use a SCIP Flap Instead
- Dr. JP Hong and Dr. Ketan Patel
- 8:50 – 9:00 Charcot Foot: Potential Pearls from Parkland – Dr. Javier LaFontaine

9:00 – 9:20

Exhibit Hall Break

Diabetic Foot in Remission: Toward More Ulcer Free, Hospital Free...Activity Rich

Moderator: Dr. Michael Comer

9:20 – 9:35

Maintaining Remission Induced Frailty by Offloading – Dr. Bijan Najafi

9:35 – 9:50

Prophylactic Diabetic Foot Surgery – Dr. John Steinberg

9:50 – 10:05

Are We Remiss in Reducing Restenosis – Dr. Joseph L. Mills, Sr.

10:05 – 10:20

Using Data to Drive Remission – Dr. Sicco Bus

10:20 – 10:35

Panel Discussion

10:35 – 11:05

The 14th Annual Edward James Olmos Award For Advocacy in Amputation Prevention – Summit Room

11:05 – 12:00

Poster Presentations and Awards

12:00 – 1:00

Lunch Symposium (non CME/CPME)

Topic A - Moderator
– Dr. David G. Armstrong

Topic B - Moderator – Dr. Neal Barshes

Monoclonal Antibodies: Diabetic Foot Vaccine? / Antibiotic Stewardship

Moderator: Dr. Brad Spellberg

1:00 - 1:15

Is the Best Antibiotic the one We Never Gave? – Dr. Brad Spellberg

Edward James Olmos Award for Advocacy in Amputation Prevention



A centerpiece of the conference is the presentation of the Edward James Olmos Award for Advocacy in Amputation Prevention. The award is named in honor of the celebrated actor and director Edward James Olmos, who has been active in raising awareness of the ravages of diabetes and the importance of limb preservation in the Latino community.



- 1:15 – 1:30 Is There a Diabetic Foot Vaccine in Our Future? – Dr. Warren Joseph
- 1:30 – 1:45 A Bone to PICC: Does Anyone Need IV Antibiotics Anymore?
- Dr. Benjamin Lipsky
- 1:45 – 2:00 Can Transforming Monoclonal Antibodies into Antimicrobial Busy Bodies Prevent Amputation on Anybody? - Dr. Brett Sellman
- 2:00 - 2:15 Infection in Remission: Is Osteomyelitis Really a Big Deal?
- Dr. Jose Luis Lazaro-Martinez
- 2:15– 2:30 Panel Discussion
- 2:30 - 2:45 Break

Peripheral Artery Disease

Moderator: Dr. Joseph L. Mills, Sr.

- 2:45 – 3:00 SPINACH - Making Limb Salvage Salad from Spinach Alone
– Dr. Nobuyoshi Azuma
- 3:00 – 3:15 Global Vascular Guidelines: A New Pathway for Limb Salvage
– Dr. Michael Conte
- 3:15 – 3:30 Complex Endovascular Therapy
– Dr. Miguel Montero-Baker
- 3:30 – 3:45 PCSK9 Inhibitor – A Medical Therapy for CLI? – Dr. Leo Clavijo
- 3:45 – 4:00 Best CLI Trial
– Dr. Matt Menard
- 4:00 - 4:15 Panel Discussion

Saturday – October 13, 2018

6:30 – 7:00 Registration and Breakfast

Unopposed Company Supported Workshops
(non CME/CPME)

8:00 – 10:00 Workshop 1

Workshop 2

Workshop 3

10:00 – 12:00 Workshop 4

Workshop 5

Workshop 6

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch / Exhibits

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch Symposium (non CME/CPME)

Topic A

Topic B

Vascular Moderator: Dr. Gary Gibbons

1:00 – 1:20 Committing HARRISey – Working Together to Heal a Hole in the System in Harris County, Texas – Dr. Ramyar Gilani and Dr. Edward Poythress

1:20 – 1:40 BASIL – Dr. Andrew Bradbury

1:40 – 2:00 An Intimate Conversation: Why Vascular Surgeons Should Do Basic Science – Dr. Katherine Gallagher

2:00 – 2:20 The Use of High-dose Statins and Amputation Prevention in PAD
– Dr. Shipra Arya

Conclusions

Moderators: Drs. Joseph L. Mills, Sr. and David G. Armstrong

2:20 – 2:35 Measuring What We Manage: Using Regional Data to Improve Outcomes
– Dr. Neal Barshes

2:35 – 2:50 Future of Diabetes Foot Care
– Dr. Gary Gibbons

2:50 – 3:05 A Worldwide Registry: Where Can I Sign Up?
– Dr. Sicco Bus

3:05 - 3:20 Mood for the Sole: The Role of Behavior and Depression on Healing Remission in the Diabetic Foot - Dr. Loretta Vileikyte

3:20 – 3:40 Summary Judgement: A 20 Minute Roundup by this Frontier's Jurist-in-Chief
– Dr. Andrew Boulton

3:40 – 3:45 Closing Remarks
– Dr. Joseph L. Mills, Sr. and Dr. David G. Armstrong

