

## 30th ANNUAL VEITH SYMPOSIUM

The annual VEITHsymposium was held in New York City, November 20-23, 2003.

The 30th annual VEITHsymposium featured more than 150 abstracts and discussions, addressing controversies associated with clinical practice and research, advancements in technology, and pharmacology. Frank J. Veith, MD, the William J. von Liebig Chair in Vascular Surgery, Montefiore Medical Center, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York, comments that the symposium offers a fast-paced format of shortened 8-minute presentations that always strive to cover both sides of any controversy. This year's symposium featured 170 speakers, the highest number yet offered at a VEITHsymposium. Also, live case transmissions via satellite helped demonstrate new techniques and emerging technologies.

Some of the featured discussions centered on the controversy of intimal hyperplasia prevention by drug-eluting stents. Also explored were the value of drug-eluting stents versus brachytherapy and the possibility of carotid artery stenting becoming the new gold standard for treating high-grade stenosis in carotid arteries. Dr. Veith and Norman Rich, MD, Uniformed Services University Medical Center, Stanford, California, led a discussion on the primary board status for vascular surgery. "Primary board status for vascular surgery is a clinical imperative for our patients," said Dr. Veith. "The issue of specialty status recognition has taken on a renewed urgency in the context of our American healthcare system."

A particular highlight of this year's meeting was an address by former US Senator Bob Dole, who was diagnosed with an AAA in 1998 and treated with an endovascular graft. Speaking to a standing-room-only crowd, Senator Dole discussed the very serious need for global AAA awareness and screening initiatives, all the while managing to deftly intersperse humorous social and political commentary.

## FEBRUARY 2004

**17th Annual International Congress in Endovascular Interventions**  
February 8-12, 2004  
Scottsdale, AZ

- [www.endovascularcongress.org](http://www.endovascularcongress.org)
- Phone: (602) 604-5030
- Fax: (602) 604-5020

**Cardiovascular Biointerventions**  
February 12-14, 2004  
The Phoenician  
Scottsdale, AZ

- [wwwcardiacbiointer.org](http://wwwcardiacbiointer.org)
- Phone: (404) 459-6990; (800) 251-1569
- Fax: (404) 459-6917
- E-mail: [cbi2004@mocerimgmt.com](mailto:cbi2004@mocerimgmt.com)

**Joint Interventional Meeting (JIM)**

February 12-14, 2004  
Rome, Italy

- [www.jim-vascular.com](http://www.jim-vascular.com)
- Phone: +39 02 2395541
- Fax: +39 02 70639370
- E-mail: [info@dephacongress.com](mailto:info@dephacongress.com)

**Stanford Summit Debate: Techniques in Interventional Radiology**

February 12-14, 2004  
Resort at Squaw Creek  
Lake Tahoe, CA

- [www.radiologycme.stanford.edu](http://www.radiologycme.stanford.edu)
- Phone: (888) 556-2230; (650) 473-5052 outside US
- Fax: (650) 473-5062
- E-mail: [radiologycme@med.standford.edu](mailto:radiologycme@med.standford.edu)

**SRES 04: Surgical & Radiological Endovascular Symposium**

February 29-March 3, 2004  
Avantura Spa Palace  
Riviera Maya, Mexico

- [www.sres04.com](http://www.sres04.com)
- Phone: +33 4 95 09 38 00
- Fax: +33 4 95 09 38 01
- E-mail: [anne@mcocongress.com](mailto:anne@mcocongress.com)

## MARCH 2004

**American College of Cardiology (ACC) 53rd Annual Scientific Session**  
March 7-10, 2004

New Orleans, LA  
• Phone: (301) 897-2663  
(800) 253-4636; ext. 663  
• E-mail: [njayacha@acc.org](mailto:njayacha@acc.org)

**International Society for Cardiovascular Surgery 26th World Congress**  
March 21-25, 2004

Maui, HI  
• Phone: (978) 927-8330  
• Fax: (978) 524-0498  
• E-mail: [Yvonne@prri.com](mailto:Yvonne@prri.com)

**Society of Interventional Radiology (SIR) 29th Annual Scientific Meeting**

March 25-30, 2004  
Phoenix Civic Plaza  
Phoenix, AZ  
• [www.sirweb.org](http://www.sirweb.org)  
• Phone: (703) 691-1805  
• Fax: (703) 691-1855  
• E-mail: [annualmeeting@sirweb.org](mailto:annualmeeting@sirweb.org)

## APRIL 2004

**Charing Cross International Symposium Vascular & Endovascular Controversies**  
April 4-6, 2004  
Imperial College  
London, England

- [www.cxsymposium.com](http://www.cxsymposium.com)
- Phone: +44 (0) 20 7381 1333
- Fax: +44 (0) 20 7381 8838
- E-mail: [info@cxsymposium.com](mailto:info@cxsymposium.com)

## Peripheral Angioplasty & All That Jazz

April 13-16, 2004

Marriot Hotel  
New Orleans, LA

• [www.completeconferencemanagement.com](http://www.completeconferencemanagement.com)

• Phone: (888) 334-7495

## Endovascular Symposium: Mainland to Maui 2004

April 26-29, 2004

The Westin Hotel  
Lahaina, Maui, HI

• Phone: (562) 933-0100

## Society for Cardiac Angiography and Interventions (SCAI)

April 28-May 1, 2004

Sheraton Harbor Island  
San Diego, CA

• [www.scai.org](http://www.scai.org)

• Phone: (301) 581-3450; (800) 992-7224

• Fax: (301) 581-3408

• E-mail: [info@scai.org](mailto:info@scai.org)

## MAY 2004

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### The Paris Course on Revascularization (EURO PCR)

May 25-28, 2004

Palais des Congrès, Porte Maillot –  
Paris

Paris, France

• [www.europocr.com](http://www.europocr.com) or [www.europcronline.com](http://www.europcronline.com)

• Phone: +33 5 34 45 26 45

• Fax: +33 5 34 45 26 46

• E-mail: [europa@europa-organisation.com](mailto:europa@europa-organisation.com)

## JUNE 2004

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### Vascular Annual Meeting

June 3-6, 2004

Marriott Hotel  
Anaheim, CA

• [www.vascularweb.com](http://www.vascularweb.com)

• Phone: (978) 526-8330

• Fax: (978) 526-4018

## Intervention 2004

June 3-5, 2004

• [www.intervention2004.com](http://www.intervention2004.com)

• Phone: (404) 459-6990; (800) 251-1569

• Fax: (404) 459-6917

• E-mail: [i2004@mocerimgmt.com](mailto:i2004@mocerimgmt.com)

## American Society of Neuroradiology (ASNR)

### 42nd Annual Meeting

June 5-11, 2004

Washington State Convention &  
Trade Center  
Seattle, WA

• [www.asnr.org](http://www.asnr.org)

• Phone: (630) 574-0220

## A Live Symposium of Complex Coronary and Vascular Cases VII

June 16-18, 2004

Mount Sinai Hospital  
New York, NY

• [www.mssmtv.org/cc](http://www.mssmtv.org/cc)

• Phone: (425) 844-8449

## JULY 2004

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### 12th Annual New Devices Seminar for the Cardiac and Peripheral Vascular Laboratories

July 1-4, 2004

Disney's Yacht & Beach Club Resort  
Orlando, FL

• [www.newdevicesseminar.com](http://www.newdevicesseminar.com)

• Phone: (412) 473-6643

• Fax: (412) 473-6631

• E-mail: [newdevices@msx.upmc.edu](mailto:newdevices@msx.upmc.edu)

## A Course in Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Therapies (Summer in Seattle)

July 20-24, 2004

The Westin Seattle  
Seattle, WA

• [www.summerinseattle.com](http://www.summerinseattle.com)

• Phone: (425) 788-9060

## SEPTEMBER 2004

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### European Society of Vascular Surgery (ESVS)

#### XVIII Annual Meeting

September 17-19, 2004

Innsbruck Congress Centre  
Innsbruck, Austria

• [www.esvs.com](http://www.esvs.com)

### Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiological Society of Europe (CIRSE)

#### Annual Meeting and Postgraduate Course

September 25-29, 2004

Barcelona, Spain

• [www.cirse.org](http://www.cirse.org)

• Fax: +41 1 384 93 39

• E-mail: [office@cirse.org](mailto:office@cirse.org)

### Transcatheter Cardiovascular Therapeutics (TCT)

September 27-October 1, 2004

Washington Convention Center  
Washington, DC

• [www.tctmd.com](http://www.tctmd.com)

• Phone: (212) 434-6300

## OCTOBER 2004

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### New Cardiovascular Horizons

October 14-16, 2004

New Orleans Marriott Hotel  
New Orleans, LA

• [www.newcvhorizons.com](http://www.newcvhorizons.com)

• Phone: (337) 261-0944

• E-mail:

[conference@newcvhorizons.com](mailto:conference@newcvhorizons.com)

### Vascular InterVentional Advances (VIVA)

#### The National Education Course for Peripheral Vascular Interventions

October 19-22, 2004

Mandalay Bay Resort  
Las Vegas, NV

• [www.vivapvd.com](http://www.vivapvd.com)

• Phone: (800) 600-2525

• Fax: (312) 337-0818