

Plastic Surgery Research Newsletter

From the Chairman

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Steven R. Buchman, MD

It has been a magnificent year for the Plastic Surgery Research Council. The coming year promises to build upon our successes and continue our strong growth; preserving and enhancing our reputation as the premier scientific organization in our specialty. One of the opening innovations for the coming year is the

publication of our first newsletter. We hope that the fresh new format will improve communication and provide informative updates to the membership of the PSRC. We invite suggestions and encourage participation in the development of this newsletter, as it evolves, in order to enrich the content and to maximize its usefulness.

The highlight of this past year was the 48th Annual Meeting of the PSRC held at the beautiful Bellagio hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, and was hosted by the University of Nevada School of Medicine. Bill Zamboni, Chairman of the Research Council 2002-2003, organized the Annual Meeting which was held from April 23-26, 2003. Dr. Zamboni put together an engaging opening program that kicked off with a personal retrospective of his experience in the trials and tribulations of becoming the Chairman of his own Department of Surgery. Lectures were also given on the topics of tort reform in Nevada and the intricacies of the patent process. The morning ended with an amusing talk about the history of Las Vegas by the current Mayor and a look at the inside of the casino business from an expert in the field. Dr. Bruce Williams delivered a memorable keynote lecture entitled "From Bench to Bedside" capping off the scientific program at the conclusion of the first day of the meeting.

The 32 members of the 2003 Scientific Program Committee assembled an outstanding contemporary collection of original presentations that made this year's program an exceptional one. The superb assembly of high quality papers was painstakingly grouped together within each scientific session, according to specific subjects, fostering vibrant discussion and thought provoking questions. It was a tremendous year for abstract submissions as a total of 258 were received on our web site and the quality of work was quite impressive. Overall there was a record number of

presentations this year, 78 oral and 107 poster presentations were accepted, a 6% increase over last year and the maximum that the program would allow. In order to heighten the impact and to better convey the import of the research, the program amalgamated presentations of full papers with an increased number of poster/brief podium presentations. Our hope was to significantly improve the overall scientific tenor of the meeting by utilizing different modes of presentation and increasingly incorporate diverse venues for discussion. Two first-rate morning breakout sessions : "An Academic Career; Getting Started" by Paul Cederna and Michael Neumeister and "The Next Generation of Biomaterials for Tissue Engineering" by Mark Randolph served as a wonderful supplement to the scientific program.

The Scientific Program committee impartially and comprehensively scored all of the presentations and posters at the meeting in order to come to an overall consensus for the most deserving recipients of the Snyder, Gingrass, Crikelair, Hardesty, and Shenaq awards. The distinguished awards that the Plastic Surgery Research Council bestows each year are a result of intense competition among the authors of numerous high quality papers representing the very best research in our field. The winners are to be congratulated. Please see a listing of the winners on page 6.

New officers of the PSRC were elected at the Business meeting in Las Vegas. Chris Forrest from the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto was chosen as the Chair-Elect and the Scientific Program Chair for next year's meeting in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Other election results can be found on page 3. Bill Zamboni remains on the executive committee for another year as Past Chair and development committee chair.

Membership now includes 203 Active, 20 Associate, 318 Senior, 6 Senior Associate, and 54 Resident Members. These figures include the 18 new members added this year. The list of newly elected members can be found on page 4. With these additions, the membership total currently stands at 601.

At the time of the business meeting, PSRC assets were \$285,917.60. This figure includes Award accounts and does not include some outstanding conference bills that remain to be paid. The status of the PSRC Accounts are listed below.

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STATUS OF ACCOUNTS

Prepared on April 15, 2003

<u>Bank Accounts</u>	<u>As of 4/12/02</u>	<u>As of 4/15/03</u>
CASH in checking	\$24,138.31*	\$41,300.60
<u>Morgan Stanley Accounts</u>		
Money Market	\$148,109.14*	\$109,412.00
Crikelair	\$ 11,978.73	\$ 12,463.00
Snyder	\$ 15,682.42	\$ 16,131.00
Baronio	\$ 58,983.24	\$ 71,083.00
Shenaq	\$ 5,392.57	\$ 5,812.00
Hardesty	\$ 4,079.85	\$ 4,386.00
<u>TOTAL at Morgan Stanley</u>	<u>\$244,225.95</u>	<u>\$219,287.00</u>

- Checking and Money Market Accounts on 4/15/03 have \$64,000 in conference funds pending billing from Las Vegas meeting.
- \$55K was paid to Bellagio as deposit in January.

PSEF Accounts

Gingrass	\$ 25,799.00	\$ 25,330.00
TOTAL at PSEF	\$ 25,799.00	\$ 25,330.00
<u>TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS</u>	<u>\$ 294,163.26</u>	<u>\$285,917.60</u>

The future of the PSRC looks bright. The current state of our organization is strong and is underscored by robust growth in membership, fiscal stability, escalating attendance and participation at our annual meetings, and an ever-increasing quality in the scientific investigation among our members. Perhaps the most important catalyst to assure the continued future success of the PSRC is the enthusiastic participation of our membership. The reputation and character of our organization in many ways depends on the innovation of our members and the ability to emphasize the value and relevance of the role of research in our specialty. In that spirit, I invite you to take this opportunity over the next year, to encourage the outstanding young physician/scientists in our field, both residents and attendings, to join the PSRC and to become engaged as vibrant and active members in our organization.

Finally, I would like to invite everyone to attend our 49th Annual Meeting of the PSRC to be held June 9-12, 2004 hosted by the University of Michigan Medical School in Ann Arbor, Michigan. I look forward to seeing you all there and I will be working diligently throughout the next year to build upon the successes of the past in order to ensure an even better future of this great organization.



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PSRC Chairman

Baronio Fund Donors have committed themselves to the ongoing support of students and residents attending the annual meeting of the PSRC. Interest on their donations has been used to designate Baronio scholars annually from among those registered, and to thereby defray a portion of the cost of their Annual Meeting registration. The mechanism was designed to reduce the barriers to entry at PSRC activities for those who will represent the future of the organization. Donors to the Baronio Fund are defined by level of Contribution: Friend, Patron, Gold Patron, and Baronio Patron. All of the sponsored Baronio Scholars have been selected by Baronio Patrons and some Scholars have been selected more than once. Concern by Donors below the level of Baronio Patron has prompted a re-evaluation of the system. With the help of Peter Johnson who initiated the program and with the help of the donors I would like to open a discussion as to the most equitable way to move forward. Current suggestions include: 1) Allowing only a one-time scholarship to an individual (no repeat awards) 2) Devising an equitable method for selection of the scholars 3) Putting a portion of the money aside as an endowment that would grow to benefit the educational objectives of the PSRC or 4) Starting a separate endowment fund that would be exclusively targeted to benefit the educational objectives of the PSRC. I encourage all members of the PSRC to participate in the discussion and let us know your opinion so that the current system can be improved to satisfy all participants and the objectives of past and future donors. Contact the Executive Office with your suggestions at psrc@sover.net.

Steven R. Buchman, MD
PSRC Chairman

2003 Baronio Scholars

Richard B. Schaefer, MD - Milwaukee, WI
 Carrie A. Fathke, BA - University of Washington
 Jenny B. Lynch, MD - University of Michigan
 Kacey G. Marra, PhD - University of Pittsburgh
 Gordon K. Lee, MD - UCLA
 Kimberly Lu, MD - University of Washington
 Himansu Shah, MD - University of Nevada

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Historian's Message

Next year's PSRC meeting in Ann Arbor will be the 49th annual meeting of our organization, and the Toronto meeting in the year 2005 will be the 50th anniversary of the PSRC. Plans are underway to mark the 50th anniversary with a special celebration in Toronto. Drs. Forrest and Kuzon will be recruiting assistance of our membership to make this a memorable event. We will be assembling a "team" in the next few months to work on several projects, including an update to Dr. Randall's history of the PSRC,

presentations on the achievements of the PSRC for the Toronto meeting, and planning a gala banquet for this event. If you have ideas or an interest in working on a project for the 50th anniversary celebration, please step forward and we'll get to work.

William M. Kuzon, Jr., MD
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Potential Change of ByLaws

Comments on this change can be directed to the PSRC Parliamentarian Paul S. Cederna, MD at cederna@umich.edu

ARTICLE III (MEMBERSHIP)

Section 1. Categories of Membership

Membership shall be restricted to those who are engaged in fundamental research applicable to Plastic Surgery as demonstrated by published works of merit. There shall be four categories of members.

1. Active: These shall be qualified Plastic Surgeons under the age of 50 who have completed an approved residency in Plastic Surgery prior to application for membership. Active Members have the power to vote on issues concerning the Council. The Active Membership of the Council shall serve as the Membership Committee.

2. Associate: These shall be individuals without qualification for Active or Senior membership but whose contributions make their inclusion in the Council desirable. They shall have no voting privileges

3. Senior and Senior Associate: Active and Associate Members will progress to Senior and Senior Associate Membership at the end of the Business Meeting during the year in which they are 50 on January 1. They shall have no voting privileges.

4. Resident: ~~Resident Members are plastic surgery Residents who have attended at least one meeting and completed the Resident Member Application process.~~ **[Candidates for Resident membership are plastic surgery residents who have completed the Resident Member Application process and have attended one meeting of the Council prior to the election to membership, which may include the meeting during which the application is made.]**

New Members Elected in Las Vegas

John Dryden Bauer, MD

University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston

Charles P. Chalekson, MD

Redondo Beach, CA

Jaiho Chung, MD, PhD

University of California at Los Angeles

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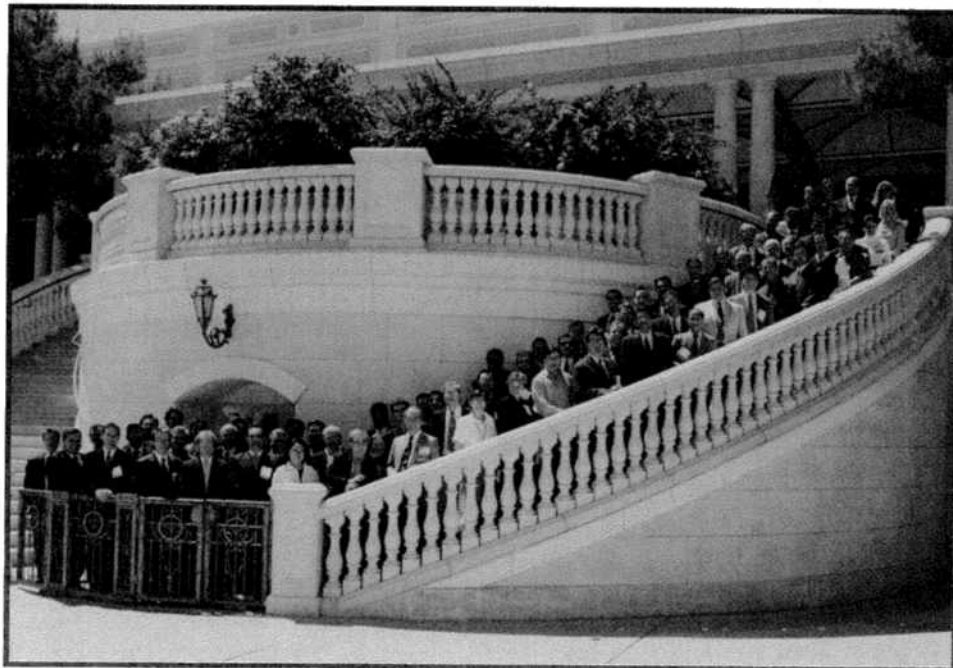
PSRC Hockey Game

The annual Plastic Surgery Research Council Hockey Game was played with vigor and stamina in the Santa Fe Ice Arena in Las Vegas. As the fans cheered and the goals were scored, excitement grew in anticipation of sneaking a peek at the Zamboni that would soon soar over the ice. Suddenly, as if on cue, from the mist on the ice the eminent machine appeared. To our surprise and delight, however, this Zamboni was not there to clean the ice but rather to clean our clocks. This Zamboni was of the William variety known for the skating skills of Gretzky, the slap shot power of Lemieux, and the determination of Orr. Indeed, the other 6 players were dwarfed in the shadow of the Zamboni. Alas, each had their

scoring opportunities, their puck handling tested, and their pride bruised, but all of this was worth the great presence of the Zamboni and the sportsmanship of the game of hockey.

Next year, there is promise of an even grander match with perhaps some of the Detroit Red Wing NHL old timer players ready to sport their skill and challenge the adventurous Research Council Skating Baronios in Michigan. We hope to add to our ranks and crush the opposition. Thanks to those fans who have always been their to support our team.

Michael Neumeister, MD
PSRC Skating Baronios



Membership Photograph at 2003 Annual Meeting

To obtain a copy of this photograph, please contact the PSRC Executive Office at psrc@sover.net or 1-603-643-2325

2003 PSRC Award Winners

CLIFFORD C. SNYDER, MD - PAST CHAIRMAN AWARD

Presented to the plastic surgery resident or fellow presenting the best paper at the annual meeting of the Plastic Surgery Research Council.

Awarded to Jonathan Hutter, MD,
University of Washington

Bone Marrow Contribution to Cutaneous Wound Healing

Hutter JH, Wilson L, Fathke C, Isik FF

JOHN F. CRICKLAIR, MD - RESEARCH AWARD

Presented to the high school or college student presenting the best paper at the annual meeting of the Plastic Surgery Research Council.

Awarded to Catherine R. Pelo, BA,
NYU Medical Center

High Glucose Impairs the Response to Hypoxia via a VEGF-Promoter Dependent Mechanism

Pelo CR, Galiano RD, Derderian CA, Levine JP, Gurtner GC

THE SHENAO INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH AWARD

Presented to the best oral presentation at the annual meeting of the Plastic Surgery Research Council by a graduate of a foreign medical school (outside the US or Canada) who is currently performing plastic surgery research.

Awarded to Nicola C. Petrie, MB ChB MRCS
Laboratory of Wound Repair and Gene Transfer

High-level PDGF-B gene Therapy by Transplantation of a Stable Cell Line Impairs Wound Healing

Petrie NC, Vranckx JJ, Hoeller D, Yao F, Eriksson E

PETER J. GINGRASS, MD - MEMORIAL AWARD

Presented to the medical student or non-plastic surgical resident presenting the best paper at the annual meeting of the Plastic Surgery Research Council.

Awarded to Oren M. Tepper, MS
NYU Medical Center

A Novel Mechanism for Ischemia-Induced New Blood Vessel Growth that Recapitulates Embryologic Vasculogenesis

Tepper OM, Capla JM, Galiano RD, Ceradini DJ, Bhatt KA, Kleinman M, Pelo CR, Baharestani S, Levine JP, Gurtner GC

J. K. HARDESTY, MD - BEST POSTER AWARD

Presented to the individual presenting the best poster at the annual meeting of the Plastic Surgery Research Council. This award is sponsored by Robert A. Hardesty, MD in honor of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J.K. Hardesty.

Awarded to John A. LoGiudice, MD
Plastic Surgery/Medical College of Wisconsin

Functional and Histologic Effects of Nitric Oxide Preconditioning in a Rat Muscle Flap Model

LoGiudice JA, Matloub HS, Yan JG, Zhang LL, Agresti M

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Mark Your Calender

50th Annual Meeting

May 18-21, 2005

University of Toronto - Toronto, Ontario

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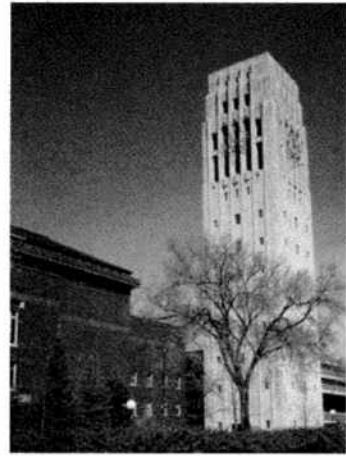
49th Annual Meeting

June 9-12, 2004

University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, Michigan

Abstract Deadline:

Midnight EST, Monday, November 24, 2003



Burton Tower, Ann Arbor, Michigan

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