

22ND ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING OF THE AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE OF PHLEBOLOGY

CONFERENCE WRAP UP



ACP2022 | 20 - 23 May 2022 | Coogee

It was so great to see so many of you in-person at our lovely venue on Coogee Beach in Sydney. Unfortunately the weather just wasn't on our side but highly favourable for conferencing.

The initial feedback from the conference has been overwhelmingly positive and we are very pleased that all our sessions were so well received by those attending both in-person and virtually. Thank you to our many invited speakers and to all the faculty for preparing such many and varied talks. We hope you all left the conference educated and inspired to advance Phlebology and achieve the best outcomes for our patients.

Our planning for the next conference has already begun and in order to provide the best and most relevant content for our delegates we look forward to receiving your feedback by completing the survey, which you can access via the link sent alongside this flyer.

Be sure to also click on the link in the mailout to view the photos from our wonderful photographer Ben Halcomb. He truly captured the great vibes that made this event such a wonderful success.

We hope to see you in Adelaide in 2023!



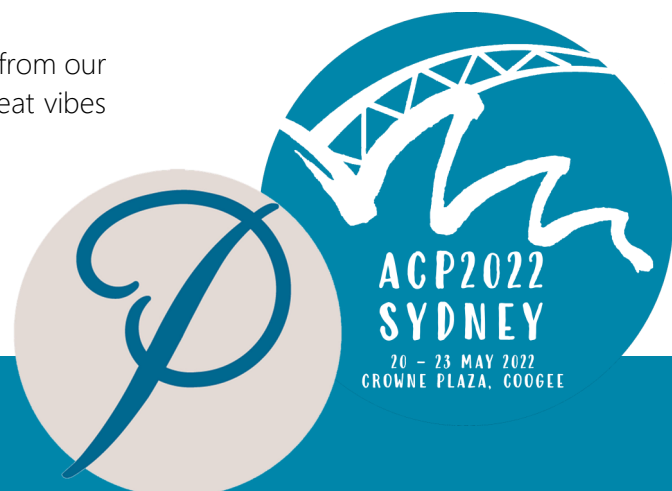
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Presentations



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Message from the President

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

After what has been a difficult few years for everyone, it was a pleasure to have so many of us back together for the annual scientific meeting for 2022. Unfortunately, barriers still exist that prevented us all meeting in person, and I do hope that those who were unable to physically be present were able to still learn and enjoy the virtual experience.

Thank you to our broad diversity of speakers who prepared and delivered a wide-ranging list of topics. That the scope of the talks ranged through topics covering much more than just leg veins was an important reminder that we are dealing on a day-to-day basis with just part of a complex organism where multiple disease processes are often interacting.

Many thanks go to the organising team of Zivka and Jan and to David Connor for his excellent job as convener. A special thank you also to Professor Van Rij who braved the trip across the ditch to join us and as ever, his talks and learned input were a highlight of the weekend. The look of surprise on his face after the grand unveiling of his portrait was priceless. Thank you also to Professors Parsi, Joshua, Villalba and Lurie for their contributions over the weekend.

Thank you to those who served as chairs and moderators for the sessions. And a final thank you to the sponsors of the event without whom we would not be able to have such an entertaining and informative meeting.

Congratulations to all the recipients of certificates, fellowships, and awards at the conferring ceremony. As I mentioned on the night, you are the future of Phlebology in Australia and New Zealand and will have an important place in taking this vital field forward. I did hear that there was some enthusiastic dancing going well into the night and even some ad hoc karaoke over the course of the evening. Great effort party-people!

Next year we are meeting in Adelaide for the first time. I for one am very much looking forward to heading to South Australia and having the opportunity to again enjoy Adelaide and its surrounds. For those of you who do enjoy good food and wine, there is no better destination in Australia with some very fine restaurants in Adelaide and in the multiple wine-making regions within easy reach of the capital. I hope that all who couldn't make it to Coogee this year will be able to attend next year in our first fully in-person event since 2019.

Simon Thibault
President, The Australasian College of Phlebology





Message from the Convenor

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

How great it was to see you face-to-face in Sydney. Although the weather didn't live up to expectations, it did give us all an excuse to stay inside and watch one of our best received conferences ever. For those watching at home, we hope that we captured the energy and enthusiasm that our speakers and audience brought to the meeting, and that we will see you in person sometime soon.

Thank you to our sponsors and exhibitors for supporting the meeting. Their commitment to supporting the college is instrumental in the success of the meeting.

Congratulations to those who received their long awaited certificates from the college, as well as those who received awards in recognition for their work over many years.

We are already planning a bigger and better experience for our meeting in Adelaide in 2023. Hopefully by then, COVID will be a distant memory and we can return to having more intimate sessions, such as workshops and hands-on-training. Plan for your presentations now and remember to submit abstracts when the submission portal opens.

David Connor
Convenor, ACP Conferences
Honorary Secretary, The Australasian College of Phlebology



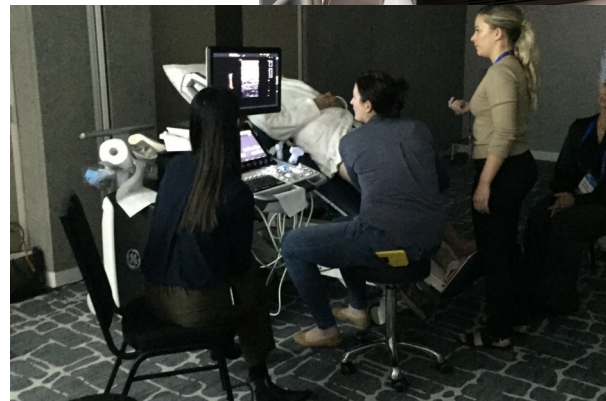
TRAINING DAY AND ULTRASOUND WORKSHOP

Trainees and Fellows enjoyed refreshing their knowledge of all things Phlebology in the morning, with several of the College's online modules presented in-person by the module instructors.

The Ultrasound workshop followed in the afternoon with 3 ultrasound stations in operation. Delegates were split into groups and had hands-on experience scanning a live patient with the ultrasound machine. We saw our faculty spending quality time with the delegates, providing a valuable learning experience for those attending.

Thank you to Rachel George-Duif, Yana Parsi and Michael Cuzzilla for their sonography expertise and to Dr Joseph Grace, Dr Andrew Stirling and Dr Adrian Lim for their knowledge and support at each station.

The workshop could not have proceeded without the Sponsorship of GE Healthcare who provided the ultrasound machines and the expert assistance from Kayo Koyanagi of GE Healthcare during the workshop. We would also like to thank Forme Medical for providing the comfortable patient beds for our stations.



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A big thank you to our Barista sponsor medi who kept our delegates stimulated and ready to face each day with full steam, pun intended.





WELCOME RECEPTION

We were delighted to see so many faces attend the Welcome Reception after such a long time.

The conversation flowed and the selection of food was superb along with the margaritas, mojitos and drinks on offer throughout the evening. It was a relaxed and wonderful way to kick start the conference.



CEREMONY & GALA DINNER

The prestigious Awards Ceremony and gala dinner is always a fabulous evening, and this year was no exception. The Pipers of Distinction and drummer lead the Academic Procession into the ceremony. A huge congratulations to all the recipients on their amazing achievements.

The Ballroom sparkled, adorned with gold candelabras and trimmings and black drapery. Thank you to our dinner sponsor, Oedema Institute by Sigvaris Group for their ongoing support and commitment.

Once the formalities were over, the evening got into full swing with everyone taking the opportunity to get up on the dance floor, enjoying tunes played by Pumphouse and selected by our delegates.

Those who departed a little earlier missed out witnessing some shenanigans by those who will remain unnamed. But most importantly everybody had fun together.



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FELLOWSHIP TRAINING GRADUATES



Dr Niloofar Yazdani Boroujeni



Dr Ganesha Param



Dr Darren Ng



Dr Gilles Laur

Congratulations to all of our training graduates, especially our Fellowship graduates who completed four years of study to be admitted as Fellows of the Australasian College of Phlebology.

TRAINING GRADUATES



Dr Lucy McKinnon



Dr Farshid Niknam



Dr Preshy Varghese



Dr Melanie Andronicus



Dr Katie Cook



Dr Thomaz de Campos Silva



Dr Timothy French



Dr Elizabeth Onley



Dr Nicholas Teo

A Delegate's Perspective

ACP2022 was held at the Crowne Plaza in Coogee, NSW. After a hiatus of two years from face-to-face conferences, the annual scientific meeting was back in hybrid fashion, with both face-to-face and virtual platforms. It was finally a chance to reconnect with colleagues after a tough few years.

The opening plenaries were a great way to kick off proceedings with updates on CVD guidelines and classifications. It is always a pleasure to listen to Prof. Andre Van Rij speak. It is also good to know that there is an app for the SVP classification! Prof. Fred Joshua's talks around other medical conditions and their implications for phlebology had everyone thinking outside the box. I honestly think he is the Australian version of House M.D. with the numerous examples of complex patients he treats.

From the opening session to the final day close, there was a varied mix of topics discussed including but not limited to – lymphoedema, lipoedema, cyanoacrylate closure, patent foramen ovale, venous obstruction and usage of medicare item numbers. I found the quality of the talks impressive, relevant, and learnt something in all of them. Special mention to Dr. Gilles Laur who brought a great passion and energy to his presentations.

I particularly enjoyed the Informed Consent and Treatment Planning session. It consisted of John Devereux (School of Law, University of Queensland), Alison Rowe (MIGA legal), Dr. Chris Lekich (Phlebologist and Barrister) and Prof. Kurosh Parsi all presenting on this important topic. The following panel discussion brought up some fierce discussion, further highlighting the importance we place on informed consent in our practices. I'm sure that we all have taken away some action items to implement on our return.

For the ACP trainees, the full day Phlebology Training Course held one day prior is a must. And anytime you see 'Masterclass' presented by Prof. Kurosh Parsi it is a non-negotiable to be there. Having been present at the Masterclass in previous conferences, it is an amazing opportunity to learn from one of the best in the world when it comes to phlebology, ask questions, and learn all important examinable content.

The social functions kicked off with a Welcome Reception on the Friday night, seeing colleagues for the first time in what feels like forever. The conferring ceremony was most certainly a highlight for me and to receive my ACP Fellowship and be a part of this college is a true honour. 'Black and Gold' was the theme for the gala dinner that followed, providing an entertaining night of good food, wine, and dance.

The 2022 version of the ACP annual scientific meeting was our first step back to the good old days of face-to-face conferences and I am looking forward to ACP 2023 in my hometown of Adelaide! I hope to see you all there.

Dr. Darren Ng
Fellow, The Australasian College of Phlebology





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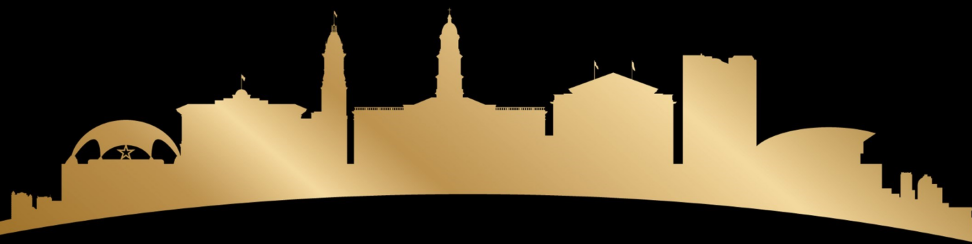


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On behalf of the organising committee we hope you had a fabulous time. We enjoyed every minute and look forward to seeing you all next year!





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