

23RD ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING OF THE AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE OF PHLEBOLOGY

CONFERENCE WRAP UP



ACP2023 | 6 - 9 May 2023 | Adelaide

It was so great to see so many make their way to Adelaide from all over Australia and to also see the return of our New Zealand colleagues in-person. The Hilton Adelaide was centrally located and overlooked Victoria Square which was hosting Tasting Australia while we were there.

The initial feedback from the Training Day and conference has been extremely positive and we were pleased to hear that all our sessions were well received and attended. A huge thank you to our international speakers for making the long trip and to our local speakers and faculty for preparing such informative and varied talks. We hope you all left feeling a little more educated and informed to advance Phlebology and to achieve the best outcomes for our patients.

Planning for the next conference has already commenced for Fiji, with many already contributing ideas and content to provide a good mix and format for next year's program. We also look forward to receiving your feedback and input by completing the survey via the link.

To access all the conference photos from our wonderful photographer John Kruger, click on the link in the mailout. He truly captured some great images.

We hope to see you next year in Fiji!



102
Delegates



58
Presentations



12
Exhibitors





Message from the President

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

Following our recent ACP Adelaide 2023 conference, I am pleased to report that the meeting was a great success! It was excellent in scientific content and was very well attended. The trainees ultrasound workshop and training day was well received for education, networking and discussion.

The poster session was of high quality and the International speakers were outstanding. Thanks to those who attended.

We also enjoyed a rich social program and celebrated reconnecting with colleagues.

We encourage your future participation and attendance. Please join us next year in Fiji.

Dr Lisa Marks

President, The Australasian College of Phlebology





Message from the Convenor

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

What a great way to spend a few days. Having all our colleagues and friends back under the one roof for the first time in 4 years was long overdue and a welcome relief from virtual conferences. Listening to and reading some of the initial feedback we have had, it is heart-warming to hear such a positive response to the conference, the venue and the city. Lisa Mark and Neil Piller advocated strongly for the meeting to be held in Adelaide and Adelaide didn't disappoint.

The training day, with streams dedicated to both Advanced and Basic level trainees, as well as our mixed round table and lectures provided our trainees with the opportunity to interact with the faculty in a more intimate environment than previous events, and I hope that we can continue to make these a permanent fixture of our training day.

Thank you to all our speakers, chairpersons, moderators, poster presenters and workshop speakers. In particular, thank you to our International speakers, who travelled from afar to give their unique insights on Phlebology. There is a tremendous network of international colleagues out there and I hope you have benefitted from some of their experience.

Congratulations to our new Fellows of the College and to all our new graduates, as well as to those who received awards to recognise their achievements in Phlebology.

Thank you to our Major Sponsor for the meeting, Sigvaris and to all our exhibitors. Without their unfailing support, we would not be able to bring to you a conference of the same standard. Please continue to support those who support our college and our conference.

We look forward to updating you all soon on the plans for our 2024 conference once dates are confirmed. The enthusiasm to take our conference to Fiji has been overwhelmingly positive and we can't wait to take the meeting there. Start planning your presentations now so you can submit your abstracts once the submission portal opens.

Finally, please join me and many other of your Australian and New Zealand colleagues at the UIP World Congress of Phlebology in Miami in September. If you are planning on coming, let me know – let and we can show the world the strength of Phlebology Down Under.

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



TRAINING DAY

Saturday was all about our trainees and providing the opportunity to learn and engage with our Fellows who shared their knowledge and experience.

The round table discussions were well received and designed to target the trainees level of experience, we saw lots of engagement between the instructors and trainees.

Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed on the day and to all the Faculty members who gave up their valuable time to share their knowledge.



HANDS-ON-WORKSHOP

The return of the Hands-on-Workshop on Monday afternoon comprised of 5 stations where delegates rotated between each station.

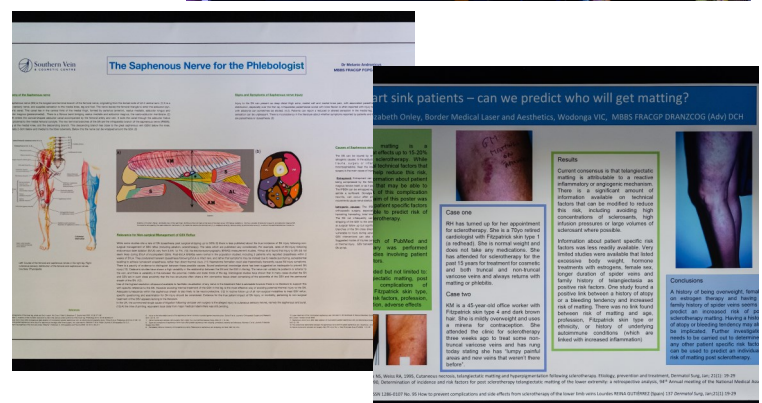
This provided a unique opportunity for our suppliers to be able to demonstrate and explain in more detail how their equipment and products benefit the work that you do.

Thank you to Sigvaris, Fuji Sonosite, Device Consulting, Lohmann & Rauscher and GE Healthcare and all the participants for taking part.



POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Delegates were treated to a nice glass of bubbly while enjoying the poster session. A big thank you to all the speakers who contributed to the Poster session and the delegates who took the time to review the posters and ask questions.





WELCOME RECEPTION

Mason Loyde set the mood playing an acoustic set while the conversations flowed as we reacquainted during the Welcome Reception. We were delighted to see so many smiling faces after such a long time.

The banquet staff created an amazing Grazing Table that looked too good to eat and we enjoyed the chance to taste some boutique wines from around South Australia. Thank you to Sam & Patrick passing on some tips for how to better appreciate wine.

CEREMONY & GALA DINNER

The Awards Ceremony and Gala Dinner did not disappoint again this year. While guests waited to be seated they were amazed by our magician.

The Academic Procession was led by Brian and Elise, City of Adelaide Pipe Band. A huge congratulations to all the recipients on their amazing achievements and thank you to our Chancellor Prof. Andre van Rij who confers our certificates each year, clearly guiding our recipients on stage. The Ken Myers Oration was delivered by A/Prof. Susan Neuhaus AM CSC, who shared stories from her astounding career and inspirational life's work.

The Ballroom was transformed into a circus theme and once the formalities were over the evening kicked off with performances from Cirque Nocturne who showcased their physicality and amazing circus skills. The dance floor got into full swing with everyone up and grooving to music by Justin from Supreme Sound. And for those that slipped out early missed an impromptu stellar Grease performance by Steve Benson and Sam Dunn, as well as a cabaret line to the musical stylings of Joseph Grace.

Thank you to our dinner sponsor, Sigvaris Group for their continued support and commitment.

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MEDAL RECIPIENTS



Dr Paul Hannah
Award of Excellence for
Training and Education in
Phlebology



Dr Erika Mendoza
Award of Excellence for
Development and Education
in Superficial Venous Duplex
Ultrasound



Dr Sriram Narayanan
Award of Excellence in the
Diagnosis and Management
of Pelvic Venous Disease



Dr Kim Jackman
2023 President's Medal for
Sclerotherapy

NEW FELLOWS



A/Prof. Fred Joshua
Honorary Fellow



Prof. Vaughan Keeley
Honorary Fellow



Dr Alan O'Grady
Fellow

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.

Congratulations also to our medal recipients who were recognised for their hard work and dedication in the field. And finally congratulations and welcome to our new College Fellows.

FELLOWSHIP GRADUATES



Dr Anuya Deshpande



Dr Zach Kidman



Dr Jarrod Newell

TRAINING GRADUATES



Dr Tamsyn Newell



Dr Mary Swan



Dr Kim Jackman



Dr Balram Dhillon



Dr Heidi Faustmann



Dr Manjunath Nadiger



Dr Sophie Otlowski



Dr Shiva Sethuraman

A Delegate's Perspective

Having been somewhat isolated for a few years I was very excited to catch up with the college staff and friends at this Adelaide meeting. I thought this would be a key highlight for me and I was not disappointed. The basic training program was well thought out and I must say I enjoyed the talks which were very appropriate for the trainees. The active discussion showed a group of trainees who are very interested and keen to progress in the area of phlebology. I could see the same mesmerizing looks I once exhibited in my early days. It was nice to see that has not changed.

The scientific program immediately did not capture my attention. I always find it difficult to gauge a talk by the heading. The international speakers were few as compared to past meetings and I thought to myself I may not pick up much. How wrong could I have been.

Without any exaggeration I found every talk very well presented and key points were made well.

I found Dr Erika Mendoza from Germany gave very passionate talks and in such a way I finally started to understand the concepts of Chiva. Erika was delighted to talk during the breaks and one could tell that she enjoyed being with us in Adelaide.

Equally so Dr Sriram Narayanan from Singapore made pelvic vein disease understandable which was presented with easily understandable dialogue. I felt for the first time I understood what was being presented. This represents a natural gift for communication. His calm demeanor and wit throughout this meeting was a pleasure to experience.

Prof Vaughan Keeley presented a very important talk on Lymphoedema and his broad experience in this area was evident.

Prof Van Rij once again rivetted my attention with basic science which of course is not so basic but vital to understand.

Prof Kurosh Parsi once again presented a range of topics and not without some controversy which I find produces fantastic questions and debate which pushes the boundaries of what we do and why and whether we should be doing it at all.

All in all, I sat through every talk and found myself immediately reflecting on the changes I will need to make to provide better care for my patients. This is what attending meetings is all about.

I always enjoy the ceremony where we acknowledge the achievement of the trainees and respect the individuals who provide the knowledge upon which we base our assessments and treatments.

The Ken Myers Oration presented by A/Prof. Susan Neuhaus was both moving and humbling and clearly demonstrated the courage and boundaries that some practitioners face to simply just help people. In my view this was the best oration we have ever had delivered.

I cannot wait to attend FIJI next year. I can only imagine the work that will need to be done to organize this meeting and hope everyone makes the effort to attend.

Dr. Louis Loizou
Fellow, The Australasian College of Phlebology





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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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