

## **Report from the Scientific Committee of IUA for 2016-17**

During the 23<sup>rd</sup> IUA European Chapter congress at Graz May 7-9, 2017 and updated.  
Chair: Dr Jawed Fareed. Secretary: Dr Evi Kalodiki.

1. This is a review and follow-up of the SC report at the IUA Lyon meeting Oct 2016.
2. Report on the activities related to the heparin centenary scientific program conducted on behalf of the IUA.
  - a. Istanbul in conjunction with the international society of thrombosis.
  - b. Report on the symposium organised in China in June 2016
  - c. Report on the Chicago meeting Oct the 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and the
  - d. International heparin workshop in Chicago on Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 2016
3. The 5<sup>th</sup> IUA international course for young vascular specialists took place again in Prague organized by Prof Karel Roztocil and Dr Jan Pitha on 6-10/7/17. This is a very popular course attended by approximately 35 young doctors of different vascular related specialties from all over the world.
4. The report of the European Commission for Accreditation of Vascular Centres, with Prof Fabrizio Benedetti Valentini as chairman appears separate on the IUA website.
5. Collaborative research projects supporting the activities of:
  - a. Pavel Poredos and Mateja Jeznovik on molecular profiling on thrombotic disorders
  - b. The Kalodiki and Lattimer project on: Local inflammatory damage measured with the markers of cell death and cellular debris significantly during the gravitational stress of prolonged standing.
  - c. Eduardo Ramacciotti and his Brazilian angiology group.
  - d. Zsolt Pecsvarady and his collaborators in Budapest.
  - e. Joint projects with the Chinese groups of Dr Yiming Yao and Dr Suzhou
  - f. Interaction with the Italian Angiologists and scientists Umberto Corneli and the Ransoni group.

All these projects are focused on the study of the role of inflammation in vascular disorders.

6. The SC had also Scientific technical exchange with
  - a. Dr Ryan McMillan at Loyola and
  - b. Dr Naz Guler from Turkey
7. Continuation of the postgraduate master in Angiology at the Sapienza university of Rome (C Allegra – P-L Antignani).
8. At Dr Fareed's recent visit in China it was discussed the possibility of the development of an Open Access J of Vascular Investigations (in collaboration with the Chinese IUA team and Prof Nicolaidis) with the same publisher (who is the publisher of Molecules J)

9. Collaboration with the Chinese on consensus statements in Vascular disorders and DVT prophylaxis.
10. To create a Breddin lectureship within the IUA in collaboration with VAS (Mariella Catalano).
11. Recent meetings supported by the IUA SC.
  - i) The Italian society for vascular investigations (SIDV) has organized:
    - a. an International course in Catania 30 Mar – 1 Apr 2017 attended by more than 200 delegates.
    - b. Practical courses in different Italian regions, of 6 months duration, with 49 students for the current year.
  - ii) May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Loyola University, Chicago, USA. Contemporary management of common cardiovascular disorders.
  - iii) May 7-9 2017, Graz, 23<sup>th</sup> IUA Eurochap organised by M Broadmann. The abstracts were published in VASA.
12. Future meetings:
  - a. Of the IUA:
    - Beijing 19-21 Oct 2017, 3<sup>rd</sup> Chinese Chapter Congress of IUA organized by Prof Yong-Quan Gu.
    - Beijing Oct 2018, 28<sup>th</sup> IUA World Congress organized by Prof Yong-Quan Gu.
    - Rome 2019, 24<sup>th</sup> EuroChap organized by Pier-Luigi Antignani.
  - b. Under the auspices of the IUA
    - Albarella, Venice 6-9 Sep 2017: VI International Interuniversity meeting, in Phlebology, Lymphology & Aesthetics, organized by Sergio Gianessini.
    - Scanno 29 Sep – 1 Oct 2017, 10<sup>th</sup> giornate angiologiche scannesi organized by the SIDV & Pier-Luigi Antignani
    - Timisoara, Romania 11-13 Oct, 2017, 8<sup>th</sup> Educational Course of Central European Vascular Forum & 15<sup>th</sup> Romanian congress of Phlebology (Claudio Allegra - Rodica Avram - Sorin Olariu).
    - VAS at Milan 1-3 Dec 2017, 14<sup>th</sup> European Angiology Days, organized by Mariella Catalano.

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