



Spring 2004

27th Annual Conference on Shock in Halifax, Nova Scotia at the Casino Nova Scotia Hotel (June 5 to 8, 2004)

We are now moving rapidly toward our annual meeting of the Shock Society in Halifax, Nova Scotia. This is the time of year when we want you to consider attendance at the annual upcoming Halifax meeting (if you have missed this event in the past), committee membership, or a role as chair of a committee. We also want new members, so contact your colleagues and tell them about this exciting Society where the spirit of collaboration thrives. Registration begins at noon on Saturday, June 5th. The Program Chair, Dr. Kevin Tracey, will welcome everyone to the first session at 1:30 PM. That evening, President-elect Al Ayala will give the Presidential Keynote Address entitled "*Adequate Resuscitation*". This will be followed by the welcome reception at 8:30 PM.

There are two hundred and thirty four abstracts in the final program. Four abstracts were selected for participation in the New Investigator Competition. Eight will be presented in a Plenary Session. The program will be comprised of one Plenary Session, two Symposia, three Mini-Symposia and two Workshops. The Symposia and Workshops feature a series of lectures by accomplished investigators. It will be an outstanding opportunity to hear from these leaders in shock research as they address topics that include: *"Transferring Discoveries from the Lab to the Patient (The True Stories)"; "Disease Modeling: Networks, Responses and Outcomes"; "Hemorrhagic Shock and Ischemia"; "Endotoxin, Sepsis and Inflammation"; Allostasis and Stress Response"; "Clinical Successes in Sepsis and Trauma"; and "Cell Signaling and Adhesion Molecules". Advance registration is due by May 21st, but you can also register at the meeting. Hotel reservations should be made by May 4th. Both forms can be found in the Information Packet, or can be downloaded from the website www.shocksocieties.org found on the USA meeting site. Meeting abstracts will be sent along with the May issue of the SHOCK journal.*

The meeting venue is the Casino Nova Scotia Hotel on Halifax Harbour in the heart of historic downtown Halifax. It is located 24 miles from the Halifax International Airport and is close to shops, historic sites and ~ Continued on Page 3





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International Federation of Shock Societies (IFSS) Meeting Minutes

The International Federation of Shock Societies Executive Committee met in Munich, Germany during the 6th World Congress on Trauma, Shock, Inflammation and Sepsis. Originally, the 5th International Congress on Shock was scheduled to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in September 2003, but was cancelled due to unforeseen financial constraints. Dr. Eugen Faist, as Chair of the 6th World Congress, offered to integrate components of the International Congress on Shock into the 6th World Congress. Our President, Ulf Haglund, in conjunction with the Program Committee, assisted with this integration and the contributions of the 5th International Congress on Shock were appropriately identified and formally President Ulf Haglund called the Executive Committee Meeting. Mauricio Rocha e Silva was elected Vice-President, to assume the Presidency at the next meeting of the Executive Committee in June 2004, during the Annual Shock Society Meeting in Halifax, Nova Scotia. At the Executive Committee Meeting, Uwe Bruckner was reaffirmed as Treasurer. Mohammed Sayeed was reaffirmed as the Secretary. In addition, several issues were addressed:

1) The Executive Committee requested a reexamination of the structure and function of the A committee was appointed to IFSS. accomplish this assessment and will consist of Ulf Haglund, Mauricio Rocha e Silva and a delegate from the Japanese and Chinese Societies, to be appointed by their respective societies. Included in this assessment will be the representation of different societies in the IFSS, including correlation of appointments to the interval of the meeting and number of members on council in relation to each society membership. In addition, the relationship to the journal will be re-explored. Lastly, the issue regarding the need for both a secretary and separate treasurer will be discussed. The resolution of this committee's activities will be presented at the Executive Committee meeting in June at the annual Shock Society Meeting in Nova Scotia.

- 2) A Nominating Committee was appointed, to consist of Ulf Haglund, Ronald V. Maier, Mauricio Rocha e Silva and Jureta Horton, to present the slate of new officers to be approved by the Executive Committee at the annual meeting of the Shock Society and subsequently submitted to the IFSS membership for vote.
- 3) Due to the loss of the charter and bylaws with the change in Executive Secretary, Mauricio Rocha e Silva has agreed to reconstruct from past meetings, minutes and personal recollection the charter and bylaws for the IFSS, to be presented to the Executive Committee at the annual meeting of the Shock Society in Nova Scotia.

The next meeting for the 6th International Congress on Shock will be held in September 2007 in Cologne, Germany. The local host and Congress Chair will be Dr. Eddy Neugebauer. The plans for the World Congress are well in motion and the format and early plans portend for an excellent meeting. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will occur at the Annual Shock Society Meeting, to be held in Halifax, Nova Scotia, June 4-9, 2004.

Respectfully Submitted, Ronald V. Maier, M.D. Chair, International Shock Societies Committee



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The hotel has a fitness facility, pool, nightlife. whirlpool, steam room and sundeck. Visit the new Interlude Spa located on the second floor of the hotel premises. Restaurants range from fine dining to casual buffets featuring seafood, local and global cuisine. Additional information about the meeting site and nearby activities can be found at www.casinonovascotiahotel.comT. We look forward to a scientifically stimulating, enjoyable meeting. Hope to see you there!



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The time for the annual meeting is rapidly approaching. Kevin Tracey has put together an excellent program and the theme of our Society in encouraging collaboration between basic scientists and clinicians is alive and well. Encouraging clinician interest in basic science and fostering translational research through clinical trials is profiled throughout the meeting.

The year has been significant for increased opportunities for research and a clinical consortium sponsored by NHLBI should be defined by the upcoming meeting. It will represent the first NIH sponsored prehospital research effort. In addition, a report on the Glue Grant, a multicenter evaluation of the inflammatory response following injury will be given. During the year we have also further solidified our relationship with the NIH and the American Heart Association. Research findings in shock will also be presented through an annual meeting sponsored by the American Heart Association known as ReSS (Resuscitation Science Symposium), November 5^{th} and 6^{th} in New Orleans. All of these efforts continue to develop better interaction between basic scientists and clinicians and further promote the mission of the Shock Society.

The International Shock Society met in Munich and a report by Ron Maier describes developments in this area. Overall the meeting in Munich was very successful and a special thanks goes to Dr. Eugen Faist and Dr. Rocha e Silva for putting the meeting that had to be postponed in September into the meeting in March with great success.

As I complete my term as President two thoughts come to mind

First, one needs to only look at the abstracts and participants on the program this year to realize that the Shock Society has never been in a better state of maintaining the legacy of youth as we go into the future. The participation of the young investigators is the future of this organization and we are well represented in this year's meeting.

Secondly, the Society continues to do well. The management transition is essentially complete. I'd like to thank all the officers and members for their patience during these challenging times the last couple of years. Please recognize that the future of our Society is stable and we can approach the future with great enthusiasm. I look forward to seeing all of you in Halifax and hope you have a safe journey there in just six weeks.

David B. Hoyt, M.D.



New Members SHOCK 2003-2004 *****

Rajesh Aneja **Robert Barber** Katherine Barsness **Charles Caldwell** Steve Calvano Ing-Jun Chen Han-Ming Chen Victor Convertino James Cross Russell Delude Annane Djillali Hongkuan Fan Alison Fox-Robichaud Claudia Goettler Rajan Gupta David Hackam Michael Handrigan William Hanes Kenneth Helmer Diru Henrich Frank Hildebrand Nelson Horseman Amin Jaskille Jianxin Jiang Yan Jiang Jeffrev Johnson Edward Kelly Oliver Kempski Elizabeth Kovacs Aseem Kumar Hari K. Ondiveeran Claudio Lagoa Manuel Lorenzo Lin Mantell **Richard Marchase** Alan Marr Mali Mathru Stefan Mayr Daniel Meldrum David Mercer Christina Metz

Welcome New Members!

Melinda Morin Carol Nicholson Patrick O'Neill Yves Ouellette Octavia Peck Mario Perl Lee Quinton Faisal Qureshi Loring Rue, III Kathy Ryan Rubina Saeed Tara Sander David Santone L Keith Scott Frank Sebat Mark Shapiro Margaret Shumate Ziad Sifri Gopal Singh Kristen Singleton Brenda Smith Xiaoyan Sun Albert Swafford, Jr. Janos Szebeni Lindita Tabaku Toru Takahashi Xiaovu Tan Hiroyuki Tanaka Jodie Taylor Jyrki Tenhunen Manuel Torres Eric Toschlog Sumreen Vaid Virginia Vega Eric Weatherford Jeannette Wilmanski Andrew Windsperger Florian Wittmann Xianren Wu Huan Yang Jay A. Yelon



Noteworthy News... about a Shock Society Member

Manuel B. Torres, M.D., a Shock Society member, was recently recognized by the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma with a second place award for his basic science presentation at the National Resident Research Competition, held in Tucson, Arizona on March 11, 2004.

Congratulations Dr. Torres!



Halifax's Public Gardens is located in the central downtown core and has been recognized as a National Historic Site since 1984.

The Grand Parade and City Hall located in downtown Halifax.

