

2025 VASSA Congress | 16-18 October 2025

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ACADEMIC PROGRAMME

MEETINGS | Wednesday, 15 October 2025

13:00 - 17:00	VASSA EXCO Meeting VENUE: Magnifica 1 (Ground Floor)
17:00 - 17:45	EXCO VASSA Corporate Member Meeting VENUE: Magnifica 2 (Ground Floor)
18:00 - 19:00	VASSA Corporate Member Networking Event

DAY 1 | Thursday, 16 October 2025

WORKSHOPS

08:45 – 10:15 VENUE: Magnifica 1	Clinical benefits for patients with hydrogel coils - Supported by Terumo South Africa Dr Emiliano Chisci, San Giovanni di Dio Hospital (Italy)
10:15 – 11:45 VENUE: Magnifica 2	AORTIC TAILOR MADE: Where innovation meets anatomy - Supported by Marcus Medical Prof Timothy Resch, Copenhagen University Hospital - Rigshospitalet (Denmark)
11:30 - 12:30	LUNCH VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)
OPENING PLENARY SESSION - Welcome Remarks and Introduction VENUE: Magnifica 1-3 (Ground Floor)	
12:30 - 12:40	Welcome by the Vascular Society of Southern Africa (VASSA) President Dr Pradeep Mistry
PLENARY SESSION 1 - TOPIC: Miscellaneous VENUE: Magnifica 1-3 (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Dr Nadraj Naidoo and Dr Raj Nair	
12:40 - 12:50	Non thrombotic IVL - do we have a consensus? Dr Martin Forlee, Cape Town Vascular (South Africa)
12:50 - 13:00	Acute DVT - is CDT obsolete? Dr Taalib Monareng, Charlotte Maxeke Johannesburg Academic Hospital (South Africa)
13:00 - 13:10	PE: high intermediate risk patient - an indication looking for a treatment Dr Mariusz Tarkowski, Busamed Hillcrest Private Hospital (South Africa)
13:10 - 13:25	Thrombotic complications following endothermal venous ablation Dr Raj Nair, Northern General Hospital, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (United Kingdom)
13:25 - 13:40	Cases: when it goes wrong in venous stenting Dr Iman Bayat, Northern Health, WFVS Vice President (Australia)
13:40 - 13:55	DISCUSSION
PLENARY SESSION 2 - TOPIC: Acute vascular surgery VENUE: Magnifica 1-3 (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Dr Mariusz Tarkowski and Dr Sabatta Chris Tsoetsi	
13:55 - 14:05	Endovascular clot retrieval: will it replace open and hybrid embolectomies? Dr Moinuddeen Vally, Life Peglerae Hospital (South Africa)
14:05 - 14:15	PEVAR under local for rAAA should be the standard of care Dr Jarek Kowalczyk, The Glynnwood Hospital (South Africa)
14:15 - 14:25	Acute mesenteric ischaemia: does a laparotomy first approach limit options? Prof Bhkifa Dube, Livingstone Tertiary Hospital (South Africa)
14:25 - 14:35	Proximal carotid trauma: should algorithms change to incorporate endo first approach Prof Bala Pillay, Inkosi Albert Luthuli Central Hospital (South Africa)
14:35 - 14:45	Acute upper limb DVT Dr Mbokeleng Sikhosana, Steve Biko Academic Hospital (South Africa)
14:45 - 15:00	DISCUSSION
15:00 - 15:30	— Introduction by Dr Pradeep Mistry Rutherford Lecture presented by Prof Joseph Mills, Baylor College of Medicine (United States)
15:30 - 16:00	TEA COFFEE BREAK VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)
PLENARY SESSION 3 - TOPIC: Aortic surgery VENUE: Magnifica 1-3 (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Dr Dirk le Roux and Dr Yadhier Baitchu	
16:00 - 16:15	Considerations for endovascular aneurysm repair in patients with disease in multiple vascular beds Prof Palma M. Shaw, SUNY Upstate Medical University (United States)
16:15 - 16:25	Aortic infections: not so NAIS Dr Riaz Goga, St. Augustine's Hospital (South Africa)
16:25 - 16:40	A simplified technique for parallel grafts in the treatment of juxtarenal aortic aneurysms Dr Maciej Dryjski, University at Buffalo (United States)
16:40 - 16:55	CO₂ Angiography: revolutionizing endovascular aortic procedures – how this technique has transformed my practice Dr Emiliano Chisci, San Giovanni di Dio Hospital (Italy)
16:55 - 17:10	What ADD - factors influence the radiation dose in EVAR procedures: major differences in nationwide results Dr Pekka Aho, Helsinki University Hospital (Finland)
17:10 - 17:25	Endovascular arch solutions from hybrid to full metal jacket Prof Timothy Resch, Copenhagen University Hospital - Rigshospitalet (Denmark)
17:25 - 17:35	Physician modified endografts: the answer for resource constrained settings Dr Legae Mogase, Wits Donald Gordon Medical Centre (South Africa)
17:35 - 18:00	DISCUSSION
18:00 - 19:00	WELCOME COCKTAIL - Sponsored by Baroque Medical VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)

DAY 2 | Friday, 17 October 2025

07:00 - 07:45 VENUE: Magnifica 1-3	Smart polymer embolization; enabling versatility Review of current and future smart polymer studies - Supported by Innovative Medical Supplies - Prof Timothy Resch, Copenhagen University Hospital - Rigshospitalet (Denmark)
PLENARY SESSION 4 - TOPIC: Supraortic VENUE: Magnifica 1-3 (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Dr Helene Louwrens and Dr Pragandaran Moodley	
08:00 - 08:15	Symptomatic carotid disease: who needs treatment? Prof Gert de Borst, University Medical Center Utrecht (Netherlands)
08:15 - 08:25	Carotid intervention: journey through time Dr Ahmed Kadwa, Netcare St Augustine's Hospital (South Africa)
08:35 - 08:45	Optimisation in Carotid surgery: pre, intra, post operatively Dr Ian Grant, Wits Donald Gordon Medical Centre (South Africa)
08:45 - 08:55	Septic subclavian and carotid false aneurysms from IV Drug use: management options Dr Muhammad Zafar Khan, Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital (South Africa)
08:55 - 09:05	DISCUSSION
PLENARY SESSION 5 - FELLOWS: Professor Cobus van Marle Travelling Fellowship Award VENUE: Magnifica 1-3 (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Prof Bala Pillay and Dr Ismail Cassimjee	
09:05 - 09:15	Upper limb functionality following brachial artery trauma - a pilot study - Dr Shaheev Parthab, Inkosi Albert Luthuli Central Hospital (South Africa) - UKZN FELLOW
09:15 - 09:25	A clinical audit of digital subtraction angiograms determining its effects on infrainguinal chronic limb threatening ischaemia at Livingstone Hospital - Dr Jason Smuts, Livingstone Hospital (South Africa)
09:25 - 09:35	Is Surgical Resection of Paragangliomas and Pheochromocytomas (PPGLs) with Vascular Involvement Feasible? - Dr Marguerite Barnard, Wits Vascular Surgery (South Africa) - WITS FELLOW
09:35 - 09:45	The effect of left renal vein division and ligation on short-term renal function outcomes: a single centre retrospective audit - Dr Matheus K Masaku, Tygerberg Academic Hospital (South Africa) - SU FELLOW
09:45 - 09:55	Outcomes of carotid body tumours: a retrospective review over 10 years contrasting Shamblin classification with tumour volumetry - Dr Musawenkosi Nyembe, University of Pretoria (South Africa) - UP FELLOW
09:55 - 10:05	Predictors of treatment failure in endovenous thermal ablation in chronic venous insufficiency: a single center review - Dr Anele Mthethwa, Steve Biko Academic Hospital (South Africa) - UP FELLOW
10:05 - 10:15	Prognostic value of neutrophil extracellular traps and early inflammatory markers in predicting mortality and hospitalization after BEVAR of TAAA: follow-up - Dr Milena Michalska, Medical University of Warsaw (Poland)

10:15 - 10:25	Outcome of cervicomedial arterial vascular injuries in intravenous drug users managed at two tertiary academic vascular surgery centres in Johannesburg - Dr Hemal Gopee, University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa) - WITS FELLOW		
10:25 - 10:35	Outcomes of popliteal artery injuries at a level 1 trauma centre: 6 year review - Dr Kewen van Rensburg, University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa)		
10:35 - 10:50	DISCUSSION		
10:50 - 11:15	TEA COFFEE BREAK VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)	— — NURSES AND ALLIED HEALTH PROGRAMME — —	
PLENARY SESSION 6 - TOPIC: Miscellaneous VENUE: Magnifica 1-3 (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Dr Duncan Anderson and Dr James Tunnicliffe		VENUE: Bridge 2 (1st Floor)	
11:15 - 11:30	The impact of cardiac conditions on the patency of endovascular and open lower extremity revascularization - Dr Maciej Dryjski, University at Buffalo (United States)	11:20 - 11:30	Opening address Dr Pradeep Mistry & Dr Dirk le Roux
11:30 - 11:45	Advances in vascular imaging and AI - Dr Alan Lumsden, Houston Methodist Hospital (United States)	SESSION 1: Pedicure and wounds SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Dr Muhammad Zafar Khan and Sr Maureen Rapholo	
11:45 - 11:55	Ideal antithrombotic strategy - Dr Ismail Cassimjee, Milpark Hospital (South Africa)	11:30 - 11:40	Role of podiatrist in high risk foot - Ms Andy Blecher, Andy Blecher Podiatrist (South Africa)
11:55 - 12:05	Lipid lowering therapy. How low to go? - Dr Neil Cloete (South Africa)	11:40 - 11:55	Vascular instruments: use and care - Sr Ntombie Xaba, Netcare Sunninghill Hospital (South Africa)
12:05 - 12:15	DISCUSSION	11:55 - 12:05	Management of renal failure pts - Dr Trevor Gernholtz, Life Vincent Pallotti Hospital (South Africa)
12:15 - 12:45	— Introduction by Prof Bhekifa Dube Kerneels Nel Lecture - Vascular trauma in Southern Africa - Dr Nadraj Naidoo (South Africa)	12:05 - 12:15	Radiation protection in theatre - Ms Ashlie Goddard, ARAD (South Africa)
12:45 - 13:45	LUNCH VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)	12:15 - 12:25	Leg ulcers: practical assessment and management methods - Sr Maureen Rapholo, Johannesburg Surgical Hospital (South Africa)
PLENARY SESSION 7 - The European Society for Vascular Surgery (ESVS) VENUE: Magnifica 1-3 (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Prof Sebastian Debus and Prof Maarit Venermo		12:25 - 12:40	DISCUSSION
13:45 - 13:55	ESVS: a growing European society with global impact - Prof Sebastian Debus, University Heart Center Hamburg–Eppendorf (Germany)	SESSION 2: Vascular nursing across the continents SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Dr Dirk le Roux and Sr Pauline Bergamasco	
13:55 - 14:05	Early intervention for CLTI saves legs and lives - Mr Jonathan Boyle, Cambridge University Hospitals (NHS) (United Kingdom)	12:40 - 12:50	Vascular nursing and training in the United States: pathways, practice and global perspective - Prof Palma M. Shaw, SUNY Upstate Medical University (United States)
14:05 - 14:25	DEBATE SVS vs. ESVS: asymptomatic carotid disease does not need an intervention - For Motion: Prof Gert de Borst, University Medical Center Utrecht (Netherlands) - Against Motion: Prof Joseph Mills, Baylor College of Medicine (United States)	12:50 - 13:00	How do deal with difficult employees in the workplace - Sr Thami Tshabala, Charlotte Maxeke Johannesburg Academic Hospital (South Africa)
14:25 - 14:35	Real world data on endovascular repair of complex aortic aneurysms- an update from the European data collection study - Prof Timothy Resch, Copenhagen University Hospital - Rigshospitalet (Denmark)	13:00 - 13:10	The role of vascular nurse - Europe perspective - Prof Maarit Venermo, Helsinki University Hospital, University of Helsinki (Finland)
14:35 - 14:45	Current knowledge on the drug eluting technology: what did BEST-CLI, Basil-3 and SWEDEPAD teach us and who we should believe - Prof Maarit Venermo, Helsinki University Hospital, University of Helsinki (Finland)	13:10 - 13:20	Effective running of a busy vascular unit - Sr Pauline Bergamasco, Wits Donald Gordon Medical Centre (South Africa)
14:45 - 14:55	Methods and current evidence to prevent spinal cord ischemia following TAAA repair - Prof Sebastian Debus, University Heart Center Hamburg–Eppendorf (Germany)	13:20 - 13:35	DISCUSSION
14:55 - 15:10	DISCUSSION	13:35 - 14:15	LUNCH VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)
PLENARY SESSION 8 - TOPIC: CLTI VENUE: Magnifica 1-3 (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Dr Mbokeleng Sikhosana and Dr Siphumelele Ngema		SESSION 3: Atherosclerosis and aneurysms SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Dr Ismail Cassimjee and Sr Thami Tshabalala	
15:10 - 15:20	Iliac disease - choosing the correct stent for the disease pattern - Dr Sabatta Chris Tsotetsi, Steve Biko Academic Hospital (South Africa)	14:15 - 14:25	Atherosclerosis and aneurysms - Dr Matheus Masaku, Stellenbosch University (South Africa)
15:20 - 15:30	Reintervention strategies in previous Aorto-Bifem - Dr Sindiswa Ntloko, Ethekwini Hospital and Heart Centre (South Africa)	14:25 - 14:35	Vascular anatomy / vascular assessment of atherosclerosis and aneurysms - Ms Belinda Stevens, Milpark Vascular Practice(South Africa)
15:30 - 15:40	The occluded common femoral with inflow or outflow disease: hybrid outcomes - Dr Yahir Baithchu, Panorama Mediclinic (South Africa)	14:35 - 14:45	ESVS 2024 practice guidelines on the management of aorto-iliac aneurysms - Prof Philippe H. Kolh, University of Liège (Belgium)
15:40 - 15:50	Athletes's iliac endofibrosis: the evolution the role of the inguinal ligament - Dr Lewis Levien, Netcare Sunninghill Hospital (South Africa)	14:45 - 15:00	DISCUSSION
15:50 - 16:00	DISCUSSION	15:00 - 15:05	5 MINUTE BREAK VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)
16:00 - 16:30	TEA COFFEE BREAK VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)	SESSION 4: Aortic aneurysms SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Ms Ashlie Goddard and Dr Prashil Naran	
PLENARY SESSION 9- TOPIC: Aorta VENUE: Magnifica 1-3 (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Dr Taalib Monareng and Prof Asha Malan		15:05 - 15:15	Radiation protection and principles in theatre: ensuring safety in a clinical and surgical environment. - Mr Yaseen Lorgat, ARAD (South Africa)
16:30 - 16:40	Update on FEVAR registry - Dr Pradeep Mistry, Vascare (South Africa)	15:15 - 15:25	Spinal Cord Esc protocol - post aortic surgery - Dr Prashil Naran, Johannesburg Surgical Hospital (South Africa)
16:40 - 16:50	Bridging stents for complex EVAR - it's a jungle out there - Prof Timothy Resch, Copenhagen University Hospital - Rigshospitalet (Denmark)	15:25 - 13:35	Nursing Care - Sr Amritha Maharaj, Netcare Sunninghill Hospital (South Africa)
16:50 - 17:00	Carotid-Carotid bypass: is it a benign procedure that is underutilised? - Dr Helene Louwrens, Stellenbosch University (South Africa)	15:35 - 15:45	EVAR,FEVAR,BEVAR IBD setup - Sr Promise Mathebula, Johannesburg Surgical Hospital (South Africa)
17:00 - 17:10	Factors influencing radiation exposure in FEVAR/BEVAR procedures: insights from a multi-year registry study - Ms Ashlie Goddard, ARAD (South Africa)	15:45 - 15:55	Preparation for emergency aortic surgery EVAR to open - Sr Elsie Phuti Neluheni
17:10 - 17:20	Lithotripsy in hostile access during EVAR: techniques and rationale – exploring the "how" and "why" behind its application - Dr Emiliano Chisci, San Giovanni di Dio Hospital (Italy)	15:55 - 16:40	ABI Training - video - Sr Amritha Maharaj, Netcare Sunninghill Hospital (South Africa)
17:20 - 17:30	Cases: when it goes wrong - Prof Timothy Resch, Copenhagen University Hospital - Rigshospitalet (Denmark)	16:40 -17:00	DISCUSSION
17:30 - 17:45	DISCUSSION		
18:00 - 21:00	PRESIDENTS DINNER <i>By Invitation Only</i>		

07:00 - 07:45 VENUE: Omega	IVL: coping with calcium - Supported by Vertice - Dr Mark Portou, Royal Free Hospital (United Kingdom)	— — NURSES AND ALLIED HEALTH PROGRAMME — — VENUE: Bridge 2 (1st Floor)	
PLENARY SESSION 10 - TOPIC: Vascular access VENUE: Omega (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Dr Pragandaran Moodley and Dr Moinuddeen Vally		SESSION 5: Miscellaneous SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Sr Promise Mathebula and Mr Yaseen Lorgat	
08:00 - 08:10	The marginal vein: predictors of success and strategy in fistula creation - Dr Muhammed Zaki Shaik (South Africa)	08:00 - 08:10	Humorous moments in theatre - Mr Yaseen Lorgat, ARAD (South Africa)
08:10 - 08:20	Cephalic arch restenosis - management options and outcomes - Dr Siphumelele Ngema, Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University (South Africa)	08:10 - 08:20	Stressful situations in theatre - Sr Ntombie Xaba, Netcare Sunninghill Hospital (South Africa)
08:20 - 08:30	Management of central venous stenosis - pushing the boundaries - Prof Asha Malan, Life Rosepark Hospital & Mediclinic Bloemfontein (South Africa)	08:20 - 08:30	Introduction to Iodinated contrast media, CIN and precautions - Mr LeRoy Feldtman, Axim (South Africa)
08:30 - 08:40	Endovascular AVF - is it economically feasible - Dr George Manyangadze, Glynnwood Hospital (South Africa)	08:30 - 08:40	Surgical safety on theatre - Sr Ntombie Xaba, Netcare Sunninghill Hospital (South Africa)
08:40 - 08:50	Restenosis of graft anastomosis - is DCB the answer? - Dr Dirk le Roux, Wits Donald Gordon Medical Centre (South Africa)	08:40 - 08:55	DISCUSSION
08:50 - 09:05	DISCUSSION	08:55 - 09:25	TEA COFFEE BREAK VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)
09:05 - 09:35	TEA COFFEE BREAK VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)	SESSION 6: Carotid disease and medical management & VTE SESSION CHAIRPERSON: Dr Zuko Booli and Ms Greta Tunicliffe	
PLENARY SESSION 11 - TOPIC: PAD VENUE: Omega (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Dr Mueen Saley and Dr Iman Bayat		09:25 - 09:35	Diagnosis and imaging - Ms Greta Tunicliffe, Cape Town Vascular (South Africa)
09:35 - 09:45	Best CLI and BASIL -2- incorporating evidence into GVG algorithms - Prof Joseph Mills, Baylor College of Medicine (United States)	09:35 - 09:45	Medical management - Dr Marguerite Barnard, University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa)
09:45 - 09:55	Vessel preparation - horses for courses (POBA Prep/Atherectomy/IVL) Is it time to rethink our strategy for treating iliac calcification? - Dr Mark Portou, Royal Free Hospital (United Kingdom)	09:45 - 09:55	Surgical management - Dr Zuko Booli, Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital (South Africa)
09:55 - 10:05	Diabetic foot management: arch enemy - Dr Sindiswa Ntloko, Ethekwini Hospital and Heart Centre (South Africa)	09:55 - 10:05	Post operative care Dr Henri Pickard, Kingsbury Hospital (South Africa)
10:05 - 10:15	DCB - BTK - do we need evidence? Limus or Taxel - Dr Anthony Sander, Groote Schuur Hospital (South Africa)	10:05 - 10:15	VTE & pulmonary embolism - Dr Prashil Naran, Johannesburg Surgical Hospital (South Africa)
10:15 - 10:25	Cases: no flow post intervention - troubleshooting - Dr James Tunncliffe, Cape Town Vascular (South Africa)	10:15 - 10:30	DISCUSSION
10:25 - 10:40	DISCUSSION	10:30 - 10:40	10 MINUTE BREAK VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)
PLENARY SESSION 12 - World Federation of Vascular Societies (WFVS) VENUE: Omega (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Prof Palma Shaw and Dr Pradeep Mistry		SESSION 7: Vascular access SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Dr Ian Grant and Ms Reena Moodley	
10:40 - 10:50	When endovascular therapy is the only reasonable approach to revascularization in patients with diabetes - Prof Palma M. Shaw, SUNY Upstate Medical University (United States)	10:40 - 10:50	Dialysis unit requirements - Ms Reena Moodley, Life Fourways Hospital (South Africa)
10:50 - 11:00	CLTI disease patterns in ASIA in comparison to North America (VQI data) - Dr Chong Tze Tec, Singapore General Hospital (Singapore)	10:50 - 11:00	Diagnosis and Intra op radiology - Mr Kivash Ragoonanan, ARAD (South Africa)
11:00 - 11:10	Global vascular companionship - a step toward vascular health equity - Dr Iman Bayat, Northern Health (Australia)	11:00 - 11:10	Bleeding post-operative patient in the Ward Dr Muhammad Zafar Khan, Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital (South Africa)
11:10 - 11:20	The use of artificial intelligence in managing aortic diseases - Prof Philippe H. Kolh, University of Liège (Belgium)	11:10 - 11:20	Endovascular and surgical management - Dr Ian Grant, Wits Donald Gordon Medical Centre (South Africa)
11:20 - 11:30	Robotics in vascular surgery and digital surgery - Dr Alan Lumsden, Houston Methodist Hospital (United States)	11:20 - 11:30	Post operative care - Dr Mohammed Docrat, Sefako Magatho Health Science University (South Africa)
11:30 - 11:45	DISCUSSION	11:30 - 11:40	Antimicrobial catheter lock - Sr Stephanie Viljoen, JTS Medcare Solutions (South Africa)
11:45 - 12:45	LUNCH VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)	11:40 - 11:50	Dialysis peritoneal and haemodialysis how its done! - Mr Jonathan Maree, Tygerberg Hospital (South Africa)
PLENARY SESSION 13 - TOPIC: Miscellaneous VENUE: Omega (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Dr Sabatta Tsotetsi and Dr Anthony Sander		11:50 - 12:05	DISCUSSION
12:45 - 12:55	Pelvic venous congestion syndrome - Dr Laura Redman, Netcare Christiaan Barnard Memorial Hospital (South Africa)	12:05 - 13:05	LUNCH VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)
12:55 - 13:05	Nutcracker syndrome: can anchoring of stent shift management in favour of endovascular approach - Dr Iman Bayat, Northern Health (Australia)	13:05 - 14:05	WOUND CARE SYMPOSIUM: Facilitator: Ms Johlene Sander, Wound Care Consultant (South Africa) What's new in wound care for lower limb injuries - Sr Anne Berzen, Wound Healing (South Africa)
13:05 - 13:15	Robotic vascular surgery - Dr Alan Lumsden, Houston Methodist Hospital (United States)	14:05 - 16:30	JOINT ETHICS SESSION Satellite VENUE: Bridge 2 (1st Floor)
13:15 - 13:30	DISCUSSION		
13:30 - 14:00	TEA COFFEE BREAK VENUE: Magnifica 4-5 Vista Room (1st Floor)		
PLENARY SESSION 14 - ETHICS VENUE: Omega (Ground Floor) SESSION CHAIRPERSONS: Prof Martin Veller and Prof Jay Pillai			
14:00 - 14:15	HPCSA perspective on complaints against surgeons Prof Martin Veller, University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa)		
14:15 - 14:30	Multidisciplinary teams - do they add real value to patient outcomes? or does the 'loudest voice win' Prof Philippe H. Kolh, University of Liège (Belgium)		
14:30 - 14:45	Reported outcomes: do we need them in South Africa or does it create unintended incentives Dr Ismail Cassimjee, Milpark Hospital (South Africa)		
14:45 - 15:00	Ergonomic risk factors in the operating room Ms Waheeda Essop, Essop-Dolinschek Occupational Therapists (South Africa)		
15:00 - 15:15	Expanding SA medical education into Africa and beyond. How we can use our resources to support others using current technologies Dr Jessica Trusler, Medtalkz (South Africa)		
15:15 - 15:30	DISCUSSION		
15:30 - 15:45	THANK YOU AND CONGRESS CLOSURE		
16:15 - 17:00	VASSA AGM VENUE: Omega (Ground Floor)		
18:30 - 22:00	CONGRESS DINNER & AWARDS VENUE: Protea Hotel by Marriott Stellenbosch - Magnifica 1-3		