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Highlights of 2022

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As 2022 comes to a close, it is time to reflect on the past year just past and look forward to 2023.

It was the year that we all finally came together face to face for the first time since 2019, with the long awaited UIP World Congress in Istanbul.

We welcomed new members to the UIP and saw our associate member upgrade their status to full members.

Read more about our highlights of 2022 on page 2.

Holiday Closure

The UIP office will close from the 23rd of December and will reopen from the 6th of January. Please feel free to send your requests to the UIP over this time, however you may not receive a response until the office reopens.

Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year to you!



UIP HIGHLIGHTS OF 2022

2022 has truly been a remarkable year for the UIP, and we are already looking for bigger and better things for 2023. Some of our highlights from 2022 include:

1. **Our new members:** The UIP welcomed the Dutch College of Phlebology, Guatemalan Phlebology Association and the Slovak Society of Angiology as full members of the UIP. We also welcomed the Panamanian Society of Phlebology and Lymphology as an Associate member. Welcome to the UIP!

2. **UIP2022:** After a long wait due to COVID, we finally held the UIP World Congress in Istanbul. Over 1,700 attendees enjoyed 5 days of scientific discussion, education and debates on all aspects of Phlebology. Congratulations to Prof. Kursat Bozkut, the Turkish Society of Phlebology and the team at Solo Events for putting on an event that will be remembered by all for a long time.



3. **Our Executive Committee:** Elections for the new UIP Executive Committee were held in Istanbul and we welcome our new Executive, including a new President-Elect, General Secretary, Chair of Education, Chair of Science and our new Vice-Presidents. For the first time, we also have a Chair of Congresses and Events as a dedicated position on the UIP Executive. We also have welcomed one additions Vice-President to the Executive, recognising our growing

membership in Latin America and the need for more representation from the area in the Executive.

4. **Our new Committee members:** Nominations have now closed for members of the Science Committee, Education Committee and Engagement Working group. We look forward to announcing the new members of these committees over the next few weeks.

5. **A new UIP:** Recognising the need for a more robust and modern framework for the governance of the UIP, the UIP General Council voted on a new structure for the organisation. After much consultation with legal representation, the General Council was presented with a new constitution, which it adopted in the General Council meetings in Istanbul.

6. **Looking forward to UIP2023:** Planning is in full swing for UIP2023 in Miami. We look forward to seeing you all at Miami Beach from September 17-21, 2023. Abstract submission is currently open. Don't forget to register now at www.uip2023.org

7. **UIP2025 in Buenos Aires:** The UIP General Council voted for the 2025 World Congress to be held in Buenos Aires. A meeting in South America is long overdue - this will be the first UIP Congress in South America since the 2005 meeting in Rio de Janeiro. Planning has already begun. Start thinking about what you would like to see the congress as we will be releasing our Wishing Box in 2023.



**From everyone in the UIP, we wish you and your family
a Happy Holiday and a Happy New Year. See you in 2023!**

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



"I believe strongly in 'giving while living'. I see little reason to delay giving when so much good can be achieved through supporting worthwhile causes today" (Chuck Feeney).

We would like to compliment our new Executive Committee Members on earning this fantastic opportunity. All of your hard work led to this moment, enjoy the rewards of your efforts. We wish you the best of luck and are delighted to have you on board!

The year 2022 will soon come to an end, making way for new opportunities. The UIP would like to thank everyone who has helped us this year by attending our General Council Meetings, supporting our social media channels, and taking the time to collaborate with us. We are excited to meet with our colleagues in person in 2023.

The UIP cordially greets all of its Member Societies and wishes them many successes and achievements in the coming year.

We wish you a happy holiday season!

MEMBERSHIP FEES 2023



Membership fees for 2023 have been sent to member societies. Look in your email and your members dashboard for your invoice. It will also be an opportunity to update your membership details with the UIP. *Fees can be paid by credit card, PayPal or by bank transfer.*



ENGAGEMENT WORKING GROUP

2022-24 Engagement Working Group (EWG)

by **Sergio Giancesini**

The International Union of Phlebology (UIP) **Engagement Working Group (EWG)** is indeed a “working” entity made be active vein-lymphatic experts selected from all continents, with proper care in **geographical** and **gender representation**.

EWG is renewed every two years and on December 1 the new selection was announced.

A special recognition goes to **all the members of the 2020-22 EWG** who dedicated their time and expertise to assist vein-lymphatic global advancement at best. Their names and nations are reported herein, together with the newly selected members ones, to whom all the possible congratulations go as well.

Engagement Working Group

2020-2022

Chernuka L (UKRAINE)
Fazeli B (IRAN)
Golovina V (RUSSIA)
McKinnon L (AUSTRALIA)
Wong M (CANADA)

2022-2024

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Giancesini S (ITALY, chair)
Gosh S (BANGLADESH)
Intriago E (ECUADOR)
Shaydakov M (RUSSIA)

Arriaga J (MEXICO)
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Jaramillo J (CANADA)
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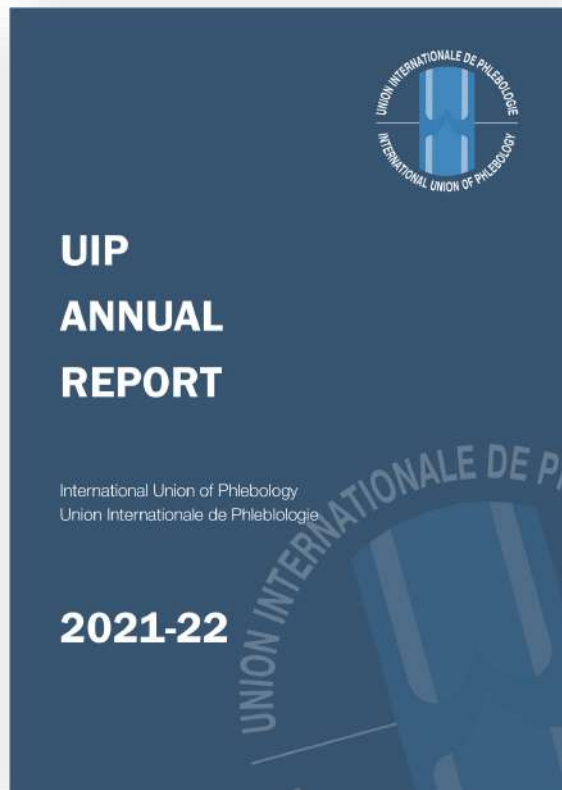
A significant number of more than valuable applications for joining the EWG were received and it's a UIP hope that all these talented colleagues will like to submit their **projects proposals** by means of the dedicated platform (<https://www.uip-phlebology.org/uip-engagement-working-group>).

Personally, I'd like to deeply thank all the colleagues and friends who have served in the EWG, together with the Executive Director and the Executive Committee who have been so supportive toward the development of such working unit.

I have no doubts the UIP community will greatly enjoy the newly selected EWG future actions and I hope all the vein-lymphatic healthcare workers will like to reach out and collaborate with such a dynamic group. With this, I'm pleased to leave the chair position to dr. Chunga who surely deserves the position and to remain at disposal of everyone for keeping on demonstrating that **UIP starts with "U"**.

UIP ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

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The UIP has published the second formal [Annual Report](#) (2021-2022) on its website.

The first UIP Annual Report was published in August 2021.

The aim of this report is to summarise the organisation's achievements and challenges and to provide a regular platform to ensure ongoing accountability and transparency within the organisation.

Here we present the 2021-2022 financial reports and a summary of activities from members of the executive committee and the administration staff.

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President, International Union of Phlebology (UIP)

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UIP NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

On September 15, 2022, the International Union of Phlebology General Council voted the new Executive Committee, which is comprised of:



Kurosh Parsi (Australia)
President



Sergio Giancesini (Italy)
President-elect



Kursat Bozkurt (Turkey)
General Secretary



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The American Vein & Lymphatic Society with the American Venous Forum, Canadian Society of Phlebology, and Mexican Academy of Phlebology & Lymphology welcomes you to the vibrant city of Miami Beach, Florida! Gather with your peers from across the globe to learn the latest science and best practices in venous and lymphatic medicine. Network with medical practitioners from each continent to broaden your perspective of venous and lymphatic medicine and improve your practice through an international exchange of ideas.

In-Person UIP World Congress in Miami Beach + On-Demand

The UIP 2023 World Congress will be convening September 17-21, 2023, at the Miami Beach Convention Center. In Miami Beach, up to six scientific sessions will run concurrently throughout the day discussing scientific abstracts, superficial and deep venous disease, lymphedema and lipedema, ultrasound and venous imaging, venous nursing, and more. Additionally, the Innovation Pavilion will provide dedicated time for attendees to interact with exhibitors. All in-person attendees will also receive access to all online sessions including livestream and on-demand content.

At-Home UIP World Congress Livestream + On-Demand

The option to attend online only will be available for all registrants. The At-Home UIP World Congress includes access to three all-day livestream channels of selected sessions occurring in Miami Beach. After the in-person event, video recordings of all sessions will be made available online for on-demand viewing. Additionally, attendees will be able to connect each with other and with exhibitors through messaging and information requests on the Congress Event website and mobile app.

Conference Schedule (subject to change)

SUNDAY, SEPT 17	MONDAY, SEPT 18	TUESDAY, SEPT 19	WEDNESDAY, SEPT 20	THURSDAY, SEPT 21
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Sunday, **September 17, 2023**

Conference Schedule

2:00 PM – 5:00 PM EDT	Superficial Venous	Deep – Pelvic – Thrombosis	Lymphedema – Lipedema	Basic Science	Ultrasound & Imaging	UIP Society Sessions	Exhibit Hall
5:00 PM – 5:30 PM EDT	Break						
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM EDT	Opening Ceremonies						
7:30 PM – 11:00 PM EDT	Dinner & Welcome Party						

* Non-CME Event

Livestream



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Why present at the UIP World Congress?

This is an international gathering of venous & lymphatic medical professionals; the largest vein and lymphatic conference in the United States. There will be over 2,000 leaders in venous and lymphatic medicine.

Presenters will have their research published by the Phlebology Journal. **Submissions close: April 3, 2023**

Please go to <https://www.myavls.org/annual-congress-2023/abstracts.html> for more information.

You can access the [submission guidelines here](#).



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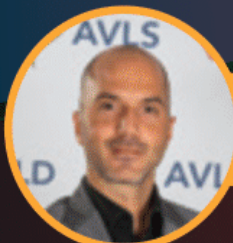


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UIP WORLD CONGRESS 2025



During the UIP 2022 XIXth World Congress, on September 15, 2022, the International Union of Phlebology General Council voted the new venue for the UIP World Congress 2025.

The venue elected was **Buenos Aires, Argentina.**

Wishing Box—Buenos Aires 2025



Planning has begun for the UIP World Congress in Buenos Aires in 2025.

Start thinking now about what you would like to see at the Congress, as we will be releasing our **"Wishing Box"** for your suggestions in early 2023.

UIP EDUCATION MODULES

The UIP is proud and excited to introduce online phlebology educational modules to improve and standardise education and training in phlebology across the globe. The education modules are designed to provide a basic and standardised understanding of various aspects of phlebology.

The online module system was developed as part of the Australasian College of Phlebology (ACP) training program under the auspices of the UIP. Each module covers a topic that is managed by an instructor who is an expert in the field.

Education Modules



Basic: Year 1

- ✓ Basic Sciences 1
- ✓ Clinical Sciences
- ✓ Venous Interventions 1
- ✓ Patient Management



Advanced—Year 2

- ✓ Basic Sciences 2
- ✓ Venous Interventions 2
- ✓ Venous Thromboembolism
- ✓ Conservative Management

Advanced—Year 3

- ✓ Pelvic Venous Insufficiency
- ✓ Venous Interventions 3
- ✓ Vascular Dermatology and Vascular Anomalies 1
- ✓ Lymphoedema and Lipoedema

Fellowship—Year 4

- ✓ Venous Obstruction
- ✓ Venous Interventions 4
- ✓ Vascular Dermatology and Vascular Anomalies 2

Important Information

- ✓ *Subscription to the modules is for one-year access to all modules within the system.*
- ✓ *UIP registrants can determine at which pace they would like to continue through the program.*
- ✓ *Your one-year subscription will also provide you with access to the Royal Society of Medicine (RSM) online library which will assist you in completing your online modules.*
- ✓ *The fee for the subscription varies depending on what program you choose and your country.*



UIP SOCIETIES: Past, Present & Future

Peruvian Society of Phlebology and Lymphology (*Sociedad Peruana de Flebología y Linfología*)



Board of Directors first meeting

The history of phlebology in Peru is a journey through the whole of Latin American Phlebology. It begins with Dr. Juan Chunga Chunga who tells us that a group of German doctors arrived in Peru to treat varicose veins in patients with the sclerosis technique, which they carried out in the same medical centre where he worked.

He had the opportunity to learn from his German colleagues (Dr Spitz and Dr Strike), who at that time used the "air-block" technique; and, when he was able to experience the great relief they caused in patients, he was extremely interested and decided to follow this path. Therefore, Dr Chunga felt the need to continue learning about phlebology and so in 1987 he attended the Pan-American Congress of Phlebology held in the city of Quito, Ecuador under the presidency of Dr. Diaz Bautista.

In that Congress he contacted the directors of the Pan-American Society, Dr. Edgardo Altmann Canestri, Dr. César Sanchez, Dr. Dalaglio, Dr. Luis Fandos, among others. He asked them to allow

him to attend their centres and train with them and it was from that moment on that he travelled for a long time to Argentina, during the golden age of phlebology in that country.

Dr Juan Chunga continues his participation with the Argentinean Society of Phlebology and the Pan-American Society of Phlebology, and it is during the congress of the latter held in 1996 in Brazil, that the directors headed by Dr Laudenor Pereira decide to support Dr Chunga for the creation of the **Peruvian Society of Phlebology and Lymphology (SOPEFLI)**,

In October of the same year, the First Board of Directors of the Peruvian Society of Phlebology and Lymphology was sworn in before the Peruvian Medical College, with Dr. Juan Chunga as its founding president, and here we would like



SOPEFLI oath of office

to make a special mention to Dr. Hugo Barriga Serna, vascular surgeon, who was a founding and honorary member of our society, and who to date continues to participate with us actively training new generations of phlebologists.

With the society formed, in 1998 we held the First National and International Congress of Phlebology and Lymphology in our country. We were honoured to have the disinterested support of Drs. Salvador Nieto and Jorge Podolsky from Argentina; Giuseppe Botta and Analissa Piccinetti from Italy; Kurt Hoerdenen from Switzerland; Tomás Alberti from Venezuela; Guillermo Villafana from Spain, among others.



SOPEFLI fellowship meeting

UIP SOCIETIES: Past, Present & Future

Peruvian Society of Phlebology and Lymphology (Sociedad Peruana de Flebología y Linfología)



First International Congress—SOPEFLI, 1998

The scientific activity of the society has been constant, because of this work and the support of colleagues from different countries, it has achieved recognition by the International Union of Phlebology, by the Pan-American Society of Phlebology and Lymphology, as well as other national societies, and in our country over the years has been forming groups of doctors who now exalt the Peruvian Phlebology.

And it is with these colleagues that since 2013 in Boston and to date the SOPEFLI has had an active participation in the world congresses and chapters of the UIP, as well as in congresses of the various societies of Phlebology around the world.

In 2016 the Peruvian Society of Phlebology and Lymphology was recognised as a medical association by the committee of qualification of scientific medical institutions of the Medical College of Peru, and the same Medical College of Peru awarded a special recognition to its founding president, Dr. Juan Chunga Chunga, with the honour of extraordinary merit.

Drs. Juan Chunga Chunga and Juan Chunga Prieto, together with other members of the SOPEFLI, edited the first book on Phlebology in Peru "Flebology: for the clinician", a book that was later re-published by the Peruvian Medical

Association, making it not only freely available but also part of the medical libraries of our country.

Many years have passed since the founding of our society and we have held several congresses and diploma courses for the training of colleagues interested in treating phlebopathic patients properly, in which we have always had the support of colleagues, masters of phlebology worldwide, but so far we lack a state or private university that teaches phlebology as a medical specialty. As a society we must continue working for the development of phlebology in Peru because in the absence of this specialty, the patient is lost in our health system and is not properly cared for.



Honouring the merits of Dr Chunga in SOPEFLI

SOPEFLI currently has about 50 members who are always active in different areas of our country, taking social campaigns to remote areas and trying to meet the needs of our population. And our current President Dr. Juan Chunga Prieto has a very active participation in the UIP and in various international societies, but at the same time he has tried to take the SOPEFLI towards the future, updating it in the legal part, and also calling young doctors to continue developing Phlebology in Peru.

Each month, the UIP invites one Member Society to provide a brief summary of its past, present and future activities to be included in the newsletter.

If you would like to see your society in this section, please email us at communications@uipmail.org.

PHLEBOLOGY ABTRACTS

New publications in Phlebology



Click on the name to
access the article!

Prevalence of left iliac vein compression in an asymptomatic population and patients with left iliofemoral deep vein thrombosis: A multicenter cross-sectional study in southern China

Qiaohua Zhu, Lun Yang, Huiyan Zhu, Wei Kong, Ruizhi Feng, Jun Luo, Minming Chen, Dehua Wu, Qirong Yu, Ruyan Zhang, Meihua Luo



Conservative therapy significantly reduces patients' chronic venous disease symptoms: A Caribbean insight into the VEIN Act Program

Isaac Dialsingh, Saeed Rashaad Mohammed, Rei Sebastian Medford, Emerson Budhoo, Ian White-Gittens, Dale Maharaj



Evaluation of anomalies of major veins of the superficial venous system of lower limb in adults on color doppler: An observational study

Manohar Kachare, Pooja Jaisinghani, Sanjay Kulkarni



An online survey of pelvic congestion support group members regarding comorbid symptoms and syndromes

Steven J Smith, Michael Sichlau, Luke E Sewall, B Holly Smith, Brenda Chen, Neal Khurana, Peter C Rowe



Re: "Modification of protocol with one extra drop of endovascular cyanoacrylate improved closure rates in incompetent great saphenous veins"—time to rethink the instructions for use for VenaSeal™?

TY Tang, A Tiwari, CJQ Yap, SXY Soon, CLJ Wong



Relationship between great saphenous vein recanalization, venous symptoms reappearance, and varicose veins recurrence rates after endovenous radiofrequency ablation

Daniele Bissacco, MD, Silvia Stegher, MD, Fabio Calliari, MD, Renato Casana, MD, Santi Trimarchi, MD PhD, Marco P Viani, MD



Does eradication of superficial vein incompetence after superficial vein thrombosis reduce the risk of recurrence and of deep vein thrombosis? A pilot study evaluating clinical practice in Örebro county, Sweden

Håkan Åström, Lena Blomgren



Double dosing or one extra drop? In response to Letter to the Editor on our recent article "Modification of protocol with one extra drop of endovascular cyanoacrylate improved closure rates in incompetent great saphenous veins"

Yiu Che Chan



PHLEBOLOGY ABTRACTS

FEATURED ARTICLE



Routine use of concurrent fluoroscopic imaging during superficial endovenous interventions: A position statement of the International Union of Phlebology, the Australasian College of Phlebology, the Australia and New Zealand Society for Vascular Surgery, the American Venous Forum, the American Vein and Lymphatic Society, the European College of Phlebology and the Interventional Radiology Society of Australasia

Authors: Kurosh Parsi, Peter Subramaniam, Alun H. Davies, Antonios Gasparis, Peter Gloviczki, William A Marston, Mark Meissner, Christopher Rogan, and Andre van Rij

International evidence-based guidelines recommend preoperative duplex ultrasound mapping in the assessment of chronic venous disease, and concurrent ultrasound imaging to guide superficial endovenous interventions such as endovenous laser ablation, radiofrequency ablation, cyanoacrylate adhesive closure, and sclerotherapy (ultrasound-guided sclerotherapy). Other imaging modalities such as venography, alone or in combination with computed tomography scan or magnetic resonance imaging, may be included in the preoperative assessment of a small and select group of patients to exclude central venous obstruction, certain deep venous pathologies, pelvic origin extrapelvic varices, and complex vascular malformations. The signatory scientific and medical societies recommend against the routine use of fluoroscopy and other radiation-based imaging in the investigation and treatment of superficial venous disease.



Access the full article here:

www.doi.org/10.1177/02683555221112735



PHLEBOLOGY ABTRACTS

HIGHLIGHTED ARTICLE



Ultrasound patterns of venous disease in patients with venous leg ulcers and morbid obesity

Authors: Jana-Lee Moss, Matthew Pugliese & Toby Richards

Background/Aims

Obesity affects over two-thirds of the Australian population and is associated with increased risk of venous leg ulceration (VLU). Management is challenging to both patients and staff. Surgical treatment of superficial venous incompetence in patients with VLU reduces ulcer healing time and recurrence, but this has not yet been investigated in patients with obesity. We aimed to determine in patients with VLU and morbid obesity if their ultrasound pattern of superficial venous incompetence was like those patients without morbid obesity.

Methods

Consecutive patients attending the outpatient leg ulcer clinic from January to December 2019 were eligible for inclusion if they had an active or healed VLU. Age, gender, BMI, and ulcer sidedness were collected from the electronic medical record and assessed against findings of venous duplex ultrasound. Primary outcome was the proportion of patients with morbid obesity with superficial venous incompetence. Secondary outcomes included the proportion of patients with morbid obesity who were investigated with a duplex ultrasound, and any presence of deep venous incompetence.

Results

Of 231 patients that attended 156 were eligible for inclusion. 103 patients had full data and were used for the primary outcome analysis. There were 29 patients (28.2%) with morbid obesity. They were younger than those without morbid obesity (69.0 vs 73.0 years, $p = .026$) with no difference in gender, active or healed ulcer classification (CEAP C5/6), or ulcer sidedness. We found no difference in the proportion of patients with morbid obesity with superficial venous incompetence on ultrasound (72.4% vs 79.7%, $p = .423$). Patients with morbid obesity were equally as likely to undergo ultrasound investigation (73.2% vs 75.8%, $p = .748$).

Conclusions

In patients with VLU there appeared no difference in the proportion of patients with morbid obesity with superficial venous incompetence. Directed studies are needed to determine the effectiveness of intervention in this patient population.

Access the full article here:

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PHLEBOLOGY ABTRACTS

HIGHLIGHTED ARTICLE



Effects of different routes of administration and doses of Sulodexide on leukocyte-endothelium interaction and tissue perfusion on an animal model of low flow and high pressure in veins

Authors: Maria das Graças Coelho de Souza PhD, Iasmim Bento Leal, Fatima Zely Garcia de Almeida Cyrino & Eliete Bouskela PhD

Objectives

To assess the effects of different doses and routes of Sulodexide on leukocyte-endothelium interaction and tissue perfusion in a model of venous hypertension and low blood flow.

Methods

Six weeks after venous hypertension induction, through external iliac vein ligation male hamsters (*Mesocricetus auratus*) received Sulodexide at 1, 2, or 4 mg/kg/day or saline (placebo) by subcutaneous or intramuscular routes during 2 or 4 weeks. After treatments, leukocyte rolling and adhesion, functional capillary density (FCD), and venular diameter were evaluated on the affected hindlimb.

Results

Subcutaneous and intramuscular treatments with Sulodexide after 2 and 4 weeks, significantly reduced leukocyte rolling and adhesion and increased FCD. Sulodexide did not affect venular diameter and intramuscular treatment was more effective in reducing leukocyte adhesion than the subcutaneous one.

Conclusion

This preliminary study demonstrated that Sulodexide significantly decreased leukocyte-endothelium interaction and improved tissue perfusion in hamsters subjected to venous hypertension and low blood flow.



Access the full article here:

<https://doi.org/10.1177/02683555221114539>



PHLEBOLOGY ABTRACTS

HIGHLIGHTED ARTICLE



Pilot single-arm study to investigate the efficacy and safety of endovenous Microwave ablations for treatment of varicose veins in Singapore – one year results of the MAESTRO registry

Authors: *Tjun Yip Tang, Karen Ka Wing Chan, Charyl Jia Qi Yap, Sze Ling Chan, Shereen Xue Yun Soon, Vanessa Khoo & Julian Chi Leung Wong.*

Objectives

Aim was to report a prospective two-centre Singaporean experience using Endovenous Microwave Ablation (EMA) to treat symptomatic primary great saphenous vein reflux. We evaluated 1-year safety, efficacy and patient satisfaction.

Methods

50 patients (63 limbs; 29 females; mean age 58.0 ± 12.1 years) were included. Patients were reviewed at 2-weeks, 3-, 6- and 12-months and underwent Duplex ultrasound assessment. Three quality of life (QoL) questionnaires were completed.

Results

The truncal closure rates at 2-weeks, 3-, 6- and 12-months were 63/63 (100%), 59/59 (100%), 58/58 (100%) and 59/60 (98.3%), respectively. There was 100% technical success and no serious adverse events. There were sustained improvement of QoL questionnaire scores from 2 weeks to 12 months.

Conclusion

EMA is a safe and efficacious venous ablative technology at 12 months and is associated with a high rate of target vein occlusion and sustained QoL improvement.

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UIP SOCIETIES: NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to our new Members!

We would like to extend our gratefulness to the new Member Societies that joined the UIP during the World Congress.



**Panamanian Society of
Phlebology and Lymphology**
Panama



**Slovak Society of Angiology &
Slovak Medical Society**
Slovakia



**Guatemalan Phlebology
Association**
Guatemala



Dutch College of Phlebology
Netherlands

UIP 2023 XX WORLD CONGRESS



**XIX WORLD CONGRESS OF
THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF PHLEBOLOGY**
Lütfi Kırdar Convention and Exhibition Center - ICEC / Istanbul, Turkey
12th - 16th September, 2022



Thank you for your participation and interest in UIP 2022



Go to www.uip2022.org/congress-photo-album to
have a look at the Conference photos!



UPCOMING EVENTS

One of the main UIP visions is to **promote productive relationships among societies**. With this vision, we report both **events with UIP auspices and events without**, so to inform everyone about possible educational activities. The hope is also to offer a tool useful for the colleagues organizing future meetings, so to avoid overlapping among events.

For more information about events visit: <http://www.uip-phlebology.org/events>

If you would like your event to appear in the UIP Newsletter, contact us at communications@uipmail.org



FEBRUARY 2023

Venous2023 - 35th American Venous Forum

22-25 February, 2023

San Antonio, Texas, USA

APRIL 2023

47th Annual Congress of the Canadian Society of Phlebology

28-29 April, 2023

Montreal, CANADA

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Adelaide, AUSTRALIA

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11-13 May, 2023

Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA

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Romanian Congress of Phlebology

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Timisoara, ROMANIA

JUNE 2023

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Rotterdam

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