Highlights from the Resuscitation Science Symposium (ReSS)

The Resuscitation Science Symposium is proudly sponsored and supported by the Council on Cardiopulmonary Perioperative and Critical Care (CPCC) and the Emergency Cardiovascular Care Committee. ReSS represents the leading forum for resuscitation science worldwide, comprising the fields of emergency cardiac care, cardiac arrest resuscitation science, trauma resuscitation and the basic science shared by these domains. The symposium has seen tremendous growth over the past few years, and this year boasted over 550 attendees and 200 original science posters and oral presentations.

Next year’s event will take place Nov. 14 and 15 in Orlando, Fla.

Best Abstract Awards
Top-scoring abstracts from both trauma and cardiac resuscitation science garnered awards for the following investigators:

- Steven M. Bradley (Seattle, Wash.)
- Theresa M. Olasveengen (Oslo, Norway)
- Richard L. Summers (Jackson, Miss.)
- Dongmei Wu (Miami, Fla.)

Young Investigator Networking Event
Hosted by Drs. Laurie Morrison and Benjamin Abella, the 2nd Annual Young Investigator Networking Event welcomed research fellows, students and junior faculty to mingle with invited senior mentors for a relaxed evening of networking, sharing ideas and advice on building careers in resuscitation science. If you missed it, look for this event at next year’s Resuscitation Science Symposium!

Lifetime Achievement Awards
Two distinguished scholars were recognized for lifetime achievement, from trauma and cardiac resuscitation science:

**Douglas Chamberlain**
Cardiff, United Kingdom

A leading figure in cardiac arrest resuscitation science for decades, Dr. Chamberlain was a founding member of the European Resuscitation Council, served as co-chairman of the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR) for nine years as well as editor-in-chief of *Resuscitation* for six years. His work has spanned the topics of clinical delivery of CPR and resuscitation care in the field to the use of thrombolytics and defibrillation.

**John B. Holcomb**
Houston, Texas

An expert in the realm of major trauma care from combat, Dr. Holcomb retired after 27 years in the U.S. Army to lead the newly formed Center for Translational Injury Research at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center. He has lead research in massive transfusion for traumatic hemorrhage, early assessment and treatment of burn injuries and combat casualty care.
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Cournand and Comroe Young Investigator Award

This award was established to recognize the accomplishments of young investigators in the areas of research relevant to the CPCC Council. This year, five finalists presented their research as part of the CPCC programs at Scientific Sessions.

The winner was Paul Chan, MD, MSC, for his work entitled “Long-term Effects of a Rapid Response Team on Hospital-wide Code Rates and Mortality.” Other finalists presented work ranging from laboratory investigations of lung biology to clinical population studies of pulmonary hypertension.

Finalists included:
• Apor Gami, MD, MSC, Mayo Clinic
• Christophe Guignabert, PhD, Stanford University School of Medicine
• Rahn Ilsar, MBBS, University of Sydney
• Jason Katz, MD, Duke University

Dickinson Richards Memorial Lecture

Named after the 1956 Nobel Prize winner and cardiovascular physiologist at Columbia University, this keynote lecture sponsored by the CPCC is established to recognize research leaders in areas relevant to the Council. This year, Asrar Malik, PhD, distinguished professor and head of the Department of Pharmacology at the University of Illinois–Chicago School of Medicine, spoke on “Signalizing Regulation of Endothelial Barrier Function in Health and Vascular Inflammation.” Dr. Malik has been widely regarded as a leader in the field of pulmonary vascular biology and signal transduction, and continues to lead an active and diverse laboratory program.

Additional CPCC Awardees Included:
• Recognition of the Distinguished Achievement Awardee
  Charles Hales, Boston, Mass.
• Recognition of the Chairman’s Award honoree
• Recognition of the CPCC Distinguished Scientist
  E. Kenneth Weir, Minneapolis, Minn.
• Best Abstract Award (Critical Care)
  Vinicio de Jesus Perez, Stanford, Calif.
• Best Abstract Award (Resuscitation)
  Stefek Grmec, Maribor, Slovenia

CPCC Council Dinner

The annual CPCC Council Dinner (Tuesday, Nov. 11) was a memorable evening program. The featured speaker was Warren M. Zapol, MD, MGH, anesthetist-in-chief and Reginald Jenney Professor of Anesthesia at Harvard Medical School. Dr. Zapol delivered a riveting lecture on his experiences studying the diving mechanisms and physiology of the Weddell Seal during his expeditions to Byrd Station in the Antarctic.

CPCC members are encouraged to attend next year’s dinner, where CPCC FAHA inductees are honored and the Cournand and Comroe Award winner is announced.