

The Australasian College of Cosmetic Surgery

Raising Standards, Protecting Patients

MEDIA ALERT

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Record Attendance for Tenth Anniversary ACCS Conference

A record number of cosmetic physicians and surgeons are set to attend the annual Conference of the Australasian College of Cosmetic Surgery (ACCS) in its tenth anniversary year, between 6 and 10 May at the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre in Darling Harbour – making it the largest convention of its kind in Australia.

As increasing numbers of Australians are considering cosmetic surgery, the discipline continues to evolve rapidly. The College is bringing together a wealth of high profile international experts in cosmetic and plastic surgery, cosmetic medicine, dermatology and other areas to explore innovative new techniques, demonstrating its commitment to raising the standards of cosmetic medicine and surgery.

The 2009 ACCS conference is taking place as the Australian Medical Council considers the case for recognition of Cosmetic Medical Practice as a new medical Specialty. The College aims to set global best practice standards in patient safety and, through attendance of medical industry professionals from across the world, raise the bar of cosmetic medicine and surgery in Australasia. Information about the College's application and its submission may be found at the AMC website: www.amc.org.au

ACCS Conference 2009 will feature renowned international speakers presenting on the latest industry innovations and techniques which will include:

- Dermal Fillers / Botox
- Laser and Light Technology
- Face and Breast Surgery
- Liposuction
- Highlight: Liposuction interactive plenary session where panellists will be given cases to describe how they would have proceeded to advise patients and respond to questions from the audience on the manner they would handle the procedure

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Interview opportunities

Dr Paul E. Banwell Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeon UK

Paul E Banwell FRCS(Plast) is a fully-accredited Plastic, Reconstructive and Cosmetic surgeon based in the UK. He holds an NHS Consultant position in Plastic Surgery at the famous Queen Victoria Hospital, East Grinstead.

He graduated in 1992 (MB BS) in medicine and surgery, and continued his surgical training in London to become a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England (FRCS) in 1996.

His specialist training in Plastic Surgery took place in London (St. Georges, Roehampton & The Royal Marsden), Oxford, Salisbury and Stoke Mandeville culminating in passing the Plastic Surgery Specialist Fellowship - FRCS (Plast) - of the Royal College of Surgeons.

Paul has developed an international reputation in the fields of wound healing and skin cancer and lectures worldwide on these subjects. He has an extensive research portfolio and has published two books and over 50 papers, book chapters and monographs. He is a Visiting Professor of Plastic Surgery to Harvard Medical School and has won multiple teaching accolades within Oxford University.

During his time in the UK and abroad (North America, Europe and Australia), he has also had extensive exposure and training in aesthetic surgical practice and now lectures regularly on skin health and cosmeceuticals. He is a Faculty member of Cosmetic Courses, the premier UK Cosmetic training centre.

Paul is a full member of the British Association of Plastic and Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgeons, the British Association of Aesthetic Plastic Surgeons and the International Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery.

Dr Antonio Campo Voegeli

Specialist Dermatologist Spain

Dr Antonio Campo is a Specialist Dermatologist from Spain. In 1997 he completed PHD research in immunology of Dermatomyositis: the relationship between disease activity and plasma levels of complement split products. Since then his academic roles have included Doctor in Medicine and Surgery for the Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona (up to 1993), for which his work was high acclaimed, and Specialist in Medical and Surgical Dermatology and Venereology in the Department of Dermatology, Hospital Clinic of Barcelona, until 1997. Dr. Campo is a current Dermatologist at the Dermatological Surgery Unit, Department of Dermatology, Hospital Clinic, Barcelona and is the Director of Centro Dermatologico Barnaclinic (specialising in laser treatments) at the same Clinic. He is Founder and Associate Member of Clínica Dermatológica Campo de Felipe.

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Dr Sandrine Sebban,

Aesthetic Physician France

Educated and trained in Paris, France and Beverly Hills, California, Dr Sebban is an aesthetics specialist with 14 years of professional experience in the broad spectrum of aesthetics (including fractional skin resurfacing lasers, wrinkle injections, contour threads, peelings and mesotherapy).

Dr Sebban is a consultant for various French magazines: "Le quotidien du médecin", "Santé Magazine" and "ELLE" and a regular speaker in TV broadcasts on Esthetic Medicine. She has been running her private practice since September 1996 and is author of the book "Gagner 10 ans en 3 mois".

Dr Pierre Fournier

Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeon France

Dr Pierre F. Fournier is a Board Certified Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgeon from Paris. After serving 3 full years in the French Free Navy during the Second World War, in 1946 aged 21 Dr Fournier spent 6 years at de "Faculté de Medecine de Paris". He completed his post graduate studies in 1958 as a Resident in General Surgery in The Paris Hospital Group, and spent a further three years as a Senior Registrar in General Surgery, at St Charles Hospital in London.

Dr Fournier opened his private practice in 1963 and after a few years practicing general surgery associated with the limited cosmetic operations of that time, he dedicated his practice entirely to Aesthetic Surgery. In 1968 the French Society of Aesthetic Surgery was created and as a valued member, Dr Fournier began teaching, attending Scientific Meetings and publishing in the French Society of Aesthetic Surgery Journal.

In 1968 he popularised in France and abroad, the inflatable breast prosthesis developed by his friend Cosmetic Surgeon H.G. Arion. In 1978 he had the privilege to work with Dr Giorgio Fisher, the Father of Liposuction Surgery, as well as with Y.G. Illouz in 1981, who simplified Fisher's technique.

In 1985 Dr Fournier developed the Syringe Technique of Liposculture and gave new life to the old procedure of fat grafting, that he called Syringe Lipofilling. Dr Fournier's interests lie in all facets of Cosmetic Surgery of the face and body, including the Strombeck technique of breast reduction, abdominoplasty, body contouring, facial Chemosurgery, cervico facial lifts blepharoplasty and rhinoplasty.

Dr Fournier was elected life time Honorary President of the French Society of Aesthetic Surgery in 1988 and is a member or honorary Member of numerous foreign plastic and aesthetic societies, including Honorary Member of the American Society of Cosmetic Surgery. He is the Author of the book "Syringe Liposculpture my Technique" which has been published in French and English and has contributed many articles in books by Dr Mel Shiffman.

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3) Dr Daniel Fleming, President, Australasian College of Cosmetic Surgery

Dr Fleming has been practicing exclusively in the field of cosmetic surgery for 14 years and has taught cosmetic surgery to plastic surgeons, cosmetic surgeons, general surgeons, dermatologists and other doctors in the USA, United Kingdom, Europe, China and Australia. He has lectured at numerous meetings and conferences in Australia and internationally.

Dr Fleming is recognised as one of the most experienced doctors in Australia for breast implant surgery having performed more than 2500 of these procedures. He has developed an algorithm to assist surgeons to improve their patients' satisfaction and safety by avoiding operative planning mistakes made during breast implant consultations.

4) Dr John Flynn, CEO of the Australasian College of Cosmetic Surgery

Dr Flynn has been practicing cosmetic surgery for 20 years and is a key trainer for the college. He has taught cosmetic surgeons, physicians, plastic surgeons, ophthalmologists, and dermatologists in Australia and overseas.

For a full list of speakers please visit: <u>www.accs.org.au</u>

For further information or interviews, contact:

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The Australasian College of Cosmetic Surgery is a multi-disciplinary body of cosmetic, general and plastic surgeons, cosmetic physicians, dermatologists, ear nose and throat surgeons, ophthalmologists, and other health practitioners who practice in cosmetic medicine and surgery. The goal of the ACCS is to ensure the safe provision of cosmetic medical and surgical procedures to the Australian community the through supply of appropriately trained and certified medical practitioners. The College has made a full application to the Australian Medical Council to have Cosmetic Medical Practice recognised as a new Medical Specialty. That application may be viewed at:

www.cosmeticmedicalpracticesubmission.info

For additional information about the ACCS, please visit: <u>http://www.accs.org.au/</u>