36TH ANNUAL
CONTROVERSIES, PROBLEMS & TECHNIQUES IN SURGERY

December 12-13, 2019
Westin New York at Times Square
COURSE DIRECTORS:
Robert E. Michler, MD
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Dear Colleagues,

It is my pleasure to invite you to join us for this year’s 36th Annual Controversies, Problems and Techniques in Surgery. New York City is the place to be during this special time of year. For many years, this annual surgery symposium has served as a conduit for information and discussion between healthcare professionals and experts on the best practices in surgical techniques and patient care. Year after year, physicians tell us how this meeting has helped them implement changes in their practices.

We are proud and excited to report that our annual meetings include many international medical professionals, New York based physicians and surgeons from across the US. The draw for these professionals is the leading-edge scientific presentations, CME credits and the excitement of New York City in the holiday season.

This year’s surgical symposium, on December 12 -13, 2019, will be held once again at the Westin New York at Times Square. Please visit the www.surgerysymposium.org website for latest program announcements and registration details.

Thank you for your loyal support of our CME accredited education program. We look forward to working with you for together, we lead the way towards creating better patient outcomes.

Warm Regards,

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Samuel I. Belkin Chair
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Professor and Chairman, Department of Cardiothoracic & Vascular Surgery
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Department of Surgery

Department of Surgery at Montefiore

High volumes and exceptional outcomes are distinguishing traits of the Department of Surgery at Montefiore Medical Center. The department's five divisions collectively perform more than 8,000 procedures on adult and pediatric patients annually. In 2013, the department received national recognition for exemplary outcomes by the American College of Surgeons’ National Surgical Quality Improvement Program.

In addition to excellence in traditional open surgery, Montefiore is a leader in minimally invasive techniques. Our state-of-the-art facilities incorporate the latest technologies and advancements, providing our patients with the best treatments and care available.

Venue Information

THE WESTIN NEW YORK AT TIMES SQUARE
270 West 43rd Street
New York, NY, 10036, United States

Group rate of $319 for a deluxe room per night is only available until November 10, 2019

A dedicated booking website has been created for your event so you will be able to make, modify, and cancel your hotel reservations online, as well as take advantage of any room upgrades, amenities, or other services offered by the hotel. To reserve for the Controversies, Problems and Techniques in Surgery please click the following link:

https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1568758773637&key=GRP

Meeting Registration

Online registration is open at:
http://www.surgerysymposium.org/registration/.

Payment can be made by credit card when you register online. If you prefer to pay by check, checks must be made payable to BSC Management. Please complete the registration form on the last page and mail it together to the address below. Please note Surgery Symposium on check.

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About the Event

For 36 years, Controversies, Problems & Techniques in Surgery has provided its audience a medium where they can hear expert opinions on what constitutes best practices in surgical techniques and patient care. We are pleased that year-to-year, attendees inform us they have taken away information from the meeting, which has helped them to implement changes in their practices and positively affect patient outcomes.

Meeting Room Locations

Thursday, December 12 and Friday, December 13
The Westin New York at Times Square - 4th Floor

Registration and Exhibits: Gershwin Foyer
Scientific Sessions: Gershwin Ballroom
Welcome Reception: TBA

Registration Desk

We strongly encourage you to register in advance. The registration desk, to pickup your badge and meeting materials or to register onsite, will be open on Thursday, December 12 and Friday, December 13 starting at 6:00am.

Guests must wear their name badge to all functions.

Accreditation & Disclosure Information

PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Robert E. Michler, MD - Course Director
W. Scott Melvin, MD - Course Director
Diego Camacho, MD
Flavio Malcher Martins de Oliveira, MD
Peter Muscarella, II, MD

Continuing Medical Education Credit Information

Accreditation
This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the American College of Surgeons and the Montefiore Medical Center. The American College of Surgeons is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™
The American College of Surgeons designates this live activity for a maximum of 12.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.
CME / Program Objectives

The Controversies, Problems and Techniques in Surgery meeting is designed for:

» General Surgeons, Cardiac Surgeons, Endocrine Surgeons, Minimally Invasive Surgeons
» Fellows/residents in general surgery programs
» Physicians in related specialties
» Medical students interested in surgery
» Researchers and administrators with an interest in surgical advances.

Upon completion of this course, the participants will be able to:

» Describe state of the art care for colorectal cancer, perioperative anticoagulation and hernia repair.
» List the options for inguinal hernia repair
» Have the data to consider hernia prophylaxis following incision
» Describe and perform various options for common bile duct pathology
» Provide better care in special populations of patients including, cirrhosis, pregnancy and the morbidly obese
» Be able to discuss with patients the benefits of evidenced based medicine
» Better evaluate medical data based on data collection systems and trials

Disclosure Information

In compliance with the ACCME Accreditation Criteria, the American College of Surgeons must ensure that anyone in a position to control the content of the educational activity has disclosed all relevant financial relationships with any commercial interest. All reported conflicts are managed by a designated official to ensure a bias-free presentation. Please see the insert to this program for the complete disclosure list.
# AGENDA AT A GLANCE

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Special Events

WELCOME RECEPTION
Thursday, December 12, 2019
5:15pm
Please join the Montefiore Medical Center Sponsors, Alumni, Speakers, and attendees for a happy hour type reception in TBA at the Westin New York at Times Square.

CLOSING AWARDS
Friday, December 13, 2019
1:00pm
Be sure to stay until the end of the meeting to see if you are the winner of an Apple Watch. All attendees can enter to win by visiting each of the sponsors of the meeting. You must be present to win.

FACULTY DINNER
Thursday, December 12, 2019
New York Yacht Club
37 West 44th Street
New York, NY 10036 USA
6:30pm Cocktails and 7:00pm Dinner
By invitation only. Symposium speakers and faculty please RSVP to our email invitation to confirm your attendance at the New York Yacht Club at 7:00pm for dinner.

Local Attractions

NEW YORK CITY PASS
See all the finest NYC attractions like MOMA, Circle Line Boat Tour, Guggenheim Museum, Top of the Rock, Ellis Island, and The 9/11 Memorial and Museum all for 44% off regular admission with your City Pass.

RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL
Plan ahead and pick the date that fits perfectly into your holiday plans! You don't want to miss the Radio City Christmas Spectacular®, a one-of-a-kind celebration that brings together family, friends, and loved ones. The Rockettes® ring in the season with brilliant dance numbers, ice skaters swirl across the stage, and Santa spreads cheer to all in this immersive theatrical experience.

Tickets to the Rockettes Christmas Spectacular

CENTRAL PARK
A short cab ride from the Westin, Central Park is an urban park in the central part of the borough of Manhattan, New York City. It was initially opened in 1857, on 778 acres of city-owned land, later expanding to its current size of 843 acres. Lights and sounds of Christmas fairs all around make the park lively this time of year.

Ground Transportation

The recommended limousine service is offered by Capricorn Luxury. For detailed information on rates, vehicles, and timing please call 212-872-4585. Lyft or Uber cars are a good way to get around the city once you have arrived. The Subway can take you where you want to go with ease just ask at the Westin concierge.

Weather Information

Winter is a beautiful season to experience New York. During this time you will experience highs of 42°F during the daytime and frosty lows of 31°F after dark.

What to Pack

Business attire is appropriate for the Scientific Sessions.
Good walking shoes, a warm coat, hat, and gloves are always advised for enjoying NYC in December. Be sure to pack your workout gear to take advantage of the Westin fitness facilities.

For additional NYC information visit: www.nycvisit.com or www.nycgo.com
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REGISTRATION FORM

For faster and secure online processing, go to surgerysymposium.org/registration/

Registrant Information Please print your name as you would like it to appear on your name badge.

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PROFESSIONAL SPECIALTY

Registration Fees (for Thursday & Friday Symposium to be held at the Westin Times Square New York)

□ Practicing Physician $895 $ ____________
□ Practicing Physician – ONE DAY ONLY $500 $ ____________
□ Thursday □ Friday
□ Resident/Fellow $495 $ ____________
□ Non MD Health Professional $495 $ ____________
□ Montefiore Health System Alum (10% off)

Montefiore Medical Center & Einstein Faculty

□ Physician No Charge $ ________ 0
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Grand Total $ ____________

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Full payment must be received with the registration form via a check or by credit card by filling out the information below. NO BALANCE DUES ARE PERMITTED.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Notification of cancellation must be submitted in writing: emailed to carrie@bscmanage.com. Cancellations received before December 2, 2019 will be refunded less a $50 administrative fee. No refunds will be given after December 2, 2019, including no-shows.

Alumni status will be verified. Registrations submitted at the incorrect rate will be corrected and charged accordingly without notice.

MEETING CONFIRMATIONS will be emailed to the email address provided in the “Registration Information” section above.

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