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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear SVM Members,

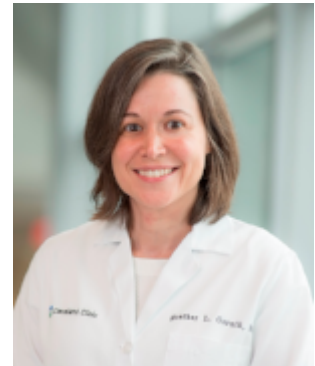
It was terrific to see so many of you in Chicago a few weeks ago. As I mentioned in my Presidential address, our annual meetings are our annual societal homecoming. I returned to Cleveland and my full outpatient clinic on Monday recharged and full engaged in vascular medicine mission thanks to the terrific content, but also because of spending time with all of you. If you were unable to attend, please save the date for our 30th SVM Scientific Sessions in 2019 (details below).

Though I'll keep this month's communication brief, I did want to pass along some exciting news to our members, now wearing my Vascular Medicine Editor-in-Chief hat. We just learned yesterday that our journal Impact Factor (IF) increased from 1.866 in 2016 to 2.393 in 2017. We still have a ways to go until the IF fully reflects the importance of the papers we publish, but this is our highest IF yet, and is an encouraging sign of progress. And so I'll close this newsletter by raising a virtual glass of champagne in toast to our Associate Editors, Editorial Board Members, and all members of our SVM community who peer review and submit manuscripts to VMJ. Please continue to send us your work.. and make VMJ the first journal choice to submit your work.

Have a terrific summer. As always, feel free to reach out to me ([gornikh@ccf.org](mailto:gornikh@ccf.org)) to talk about how you'd like to get more engaged in SVM.

In fellowship,

Heather L. Gornik, MD, FSVM



## SVM18 AWARDS

SVM presented its annual awards at the recent SVM Annual Scientific Sessions. The Jess R. Young Outstanding Vascular Medicine Educator Award is conferred upon individuals who have made an exemplary contribution to the field of vascular medicine through the education of its practitioners. The Master of the Society for Vascular Medicine (MSVM) designation is conferred upon individuals who have provided extraordinary service to the Society for Vascular Medicine. The Mark A. Creager Prize recognizes the authors of the most meritorious research article published in Vascular Medicine during the preceding calendar year. In addition to these



awards the Jay D. Coffman Young Investigator oral abstracts sessions were held and first and second place winners were selected from among 5 finalists.

[See full list of 2018 SVM award winners](#)

## **NEXT GENERATION COMMITTEE CONNECTS AT #SVM18**



The newly formed Next Generation Committee held its first in-person business meeting at the 29th Annual SVM Meeting. The committee discussed current and future creative initiatives to support the mission of SVM, broaden the awareness of vascular medicine, and support the development of the next generation of vascular medicine practitioners and leaders. The NGC had several initiatives during SVM18, including a “Meet

the Professors” candid roundtable for early career attendees with past-presidents of SVM, Dr. Mark Creager and Dr. Josh Beckman. The NGC hosted an informal social gathering on the evening of June 15, 2018 in Chicago, IL. The event was well-received with a high turn-out and over 25 early career SVM members attending, from medical students to fellows and junior faculty, to discuss careers in vascular medicine, collaborations, challenges, and growth opportunities. We were especially grateful to have current and past Trustees of SVM in attendance including Drs. Nick Leeper, Ido Weinberg, Jay G. Bishop, Paul Wennberg, Raghu Kolluri and vascular medicine leaders Diane Treat-Jacobsen, Mitch Weinberg, Guillaume Mahe and Bryan Wells. This was an extremely successful event organized by the Next Generation Committee and there was much enthusiasm at all levels to continue informal events such as these at upcoming scientific meetings to foster a sense of community and camaraderie amongst vascular medicine professionals.

## **PE TOOLKIT ([mypulmonaryembolism.com](http://mypulmonaryembolism.com))**

The SVM Pulmonary Embolism Toolkit provides free information for patients including a PE explanation, symptoms, treatment and more. It also includes important information for health care providers including diagnosing, patient assessment, anticoagulation prescriptions, cost reduction strategies, a patient handout and more.

[Visit the PE Toolkit](#)



## **SAVE THE DATE FOR 2018 SVM FELLOWS COURSE**



The SVM Fellows Course is returning for a 4th year and will be held at the Westin Atlanta Airport, December 2-3, 2018. Registration information will be available mid-summer.

[See pictures and details from last year's course](#)

## **BOARD REVIEW COURSE**

The 2018 SVM Board Review Course (BRC) is now available! Download vasospastic disorders for **free** and get started. The BRC is an important resource preparing physicians for the American Board of Vascular Medicine certification examinations in general vascular medicine and endovascular interventions.

[View more details](#)



**A SUCCESSFUL #SVM18**



Thanks to everyone who made SVM's first-ever meeting in Chicago a roaring success. Over 300 attendees contributed to a fantastic week of educational sessions, roundtable discussions, networking and fun. The 2018 Annual Scientific Sessions had the third highest attendance in SVM history! We look forward to seeing everyone in McLean, VA next year.

The mobile app was a great way to connect at the meeting, don't lose touch! 93% of users found the mobile app helpful, fostering communication is one reason:

TOTAL PROFILE VIEWS

 1,474

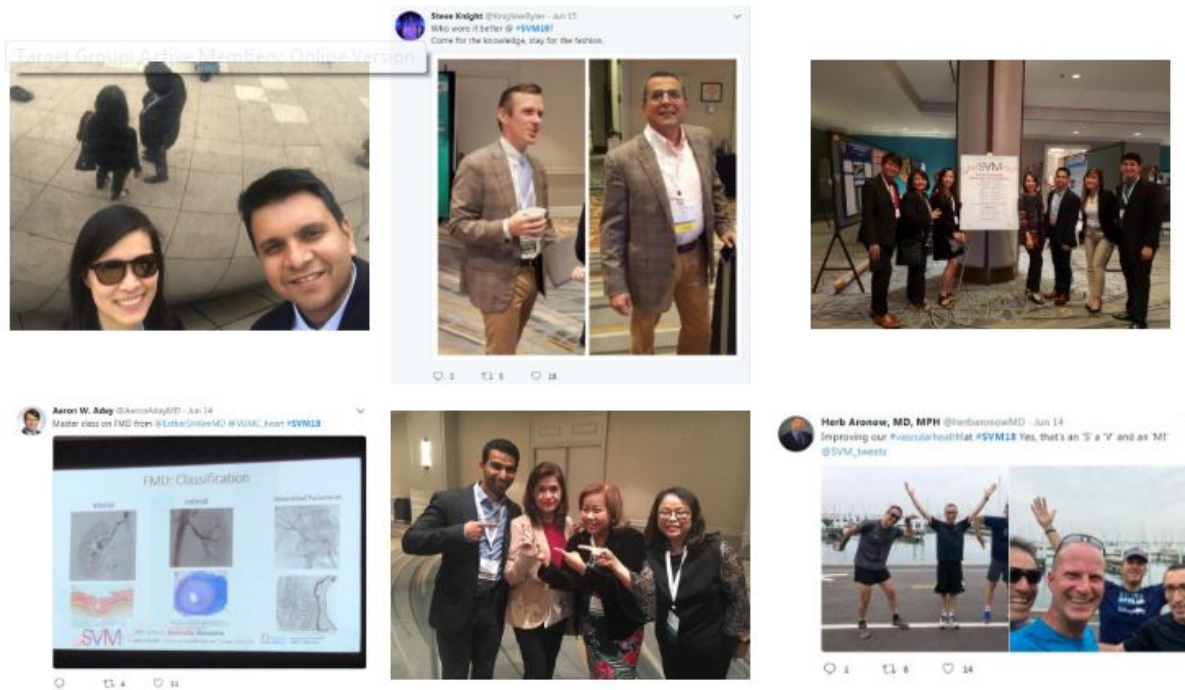
TOTAL MESSAGES  
SENT/RECEIVED

 620

TOTAL BUSINESS CARDS /  
CONTACT INFO EXCHANGED

 75

Here are just a few of the images uploaded to the mobile app and Twitter. Find more on the [SVM Facebook page](#).



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In a tight battle for Vascular Jeopardy supremacy, Dr. Alec Schmaier of the Next Generation Committee and Brigham and Women's Hospital took home first place. The Next Generation Committee was everywhere at #SVM18 and really helped make the meeting enjoyable and connective.

**FROM VASCULAR MEDICINE**

*Vascular Medicine* is SVM's premier peer-reviewed journal, featuring the latest clinical and scientific information in vascular medicine. Heather Gornik, MD, FSVM, of the Cleveland Clinic, serves as Editor-in-Chief and many senior SVM members serve on the Editorial Board. Learn more about [Vascular Medicine](#) and [CME opportunities](#) for SVM Members. Follow the journal on twitter at [@VMJ\\_SVM](#).



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