

WFNS Vascular workshop is scheduled to be held at the Neuroscience Institute in Cape Town on December 3, 2023 as a pre-congress course of the WFNS meeting. The workshop will be hosted by the Cerebrovascular Disease and Therapy Committee of WFNS in cooperation with the local organizers.

The main goal of the course is to teach the neurosurgeons indications criteria together with technical nuances of key neurosurgical vascular procedures, carotid endarterectomy and the ECIC bypass. The program includes presentations by experienced neurosurgeons specialized in vascular neurosurgery presenting the latest data on indications together with new developments in surgical techniques of these two pivotal themes of vascular neurosurgery. We will teach you how to indicate your patients for either of these procedures, how to take advantage of the latest developments in cerebrovascular neurosurgery diagnostic tools, as well as how to perform the surgeries. Results of the latest clinical studies will be presented. The course includes both theoretical and practical lectures, operative videos as well as a practical.

The practical part of the workshop will provide the attendees the possibility to perform carotid endarterectomy or superficial temporal artery dissection on cadavers. Further, the practical part of the course will include performing the ECIC bypass using laboratory vascular models prepared by the Takayama Company including the Takayama micro-instruments. The 40 attendees will be split in two groups by 20 in order to assure as much time for practical training as possible.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to the WFNS Vascular course. For more information, please review the course agenda and the faculty information. The course is designed for those with no experiences in vascular surgery as well as those neurosurgeons with some experience in vascular neurosurgery. Be sure to book your spot at the course in time as the space is limited and no additional positions will be available!

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