

MT. RUSHMORE DIABETIC FOOT RECONSTRUCTION FORUM 2026

CME & CPME CREDITS
JUNE 25 - 27

TOPICS:

Transverse Tibial Transport (TTT)
Technique in Limb Salvage

Charcot Foot Reconstruction: Surgical
Approaches & Controversies

Ilizarov & External Fixation in Diabetic
Foot Surgery

Multidisciplinary Team Approach to
Diabetic Foot Limb Preservation

Innovation & Technology in Diabetic
Foot Care

JUNE 25 - 27 AT SANFORD RESEARCH IN SIOUX FALLS, SD

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SECTION 1

International & Domestic MDT
Model of Diabetic Foot Disease
Care: History and Current Status

Thursday Morning: June 25

7:00AM – 10:35AM

Event Center Opens at 7AM US Central

Moderators:

Dr. Alan Yan

Dr. Adam Nichols

Dr. Tim Ridgway (USA): Welcome to USD: The U.S. Rural Medical Landscape and Our Task in Combating Diabetic Disease in the Landscape of Medical Students and Residential Education

Dr. Chris Manu (UK): Diabetologist: Role of the Principal Care Physician in an MDT Model of Diabetic Foot Care

Dr. Nina Petrova (UK): 25 Years of Experience in Diabetic Foot Care & Charcot Disease Research: What We Know Today

Dr. John Steinberg (USA)*: Functional Limb Salvage: 30 Years of Experience in an MDT Model in the U.S.A. for Complex Limb Salvage

Dr. Lawrence Lavery (USA): Disease Management for the Diabetic Foot: Risk Stratification and Prevention Strategies

Dr. Alan Y. Yan & Dr. Adam Nichols (USA): Discussion and Q & A



SECTION 1 KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Prof. Michael Edmonds (UK)*: 40 years of Experience in Combating Diabetic Foot Disease: establishing of MDT model from Kings College in London

PLATINUM SPONSORS:



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SECTION 2

Multidisciplinary Perspective in Diabetic Foot Disease & Reconstruction

Thursday Afternoon: June 25

10:35AM – 4:10PM

Lunch: 11:35AM – 12:35PM

Begins 10AM US Central

Moderators:

Dr. Alan Y. Yan

Dr. Darrel Richards

Dr. Joseph Mills (USA): WiFi, MAD & Desert Foot: What the MDT Team Needs to Know in DF Limb Salvage

Dr. Chris Attinger (USA)*: Key Angiosome Concepts in Foot Ankle Limb Salvage Reconstruction Surgery

Dr. Peter Bellezza (USA): Advanced Applications of Matriderm Dermal Scaffold in Soft Tissue Trauma and Limb Salvage Reconstruction

Dr. Meredith Hayes (USA): Modalities, Algorithms & Challenges in MSK Imaging Diagnosis of Diabetic Foot Disease, Charcot & Osteomyelitis: What Clinicians Need to Know

Dr. Don Bambino Geno Tai (USA): Infectious Diseases Insights and Updates in Diabetic Foot Infection and Limb Salvage: Optimizing Multidisciplinary Decision-Making

Dr. Christopher Gross (USA): AI Modeling in Amputation Prediction in Diabetic Foot Disease

Prof. Sicco Bus (Netherlands)*: Evidence & Rationales of Orthotics, Prosthetics in Diabetic Foot Disease & IWGDF Guidelines

Dr. Armin Koller (Germany)*: 30 Years of Charcot Reconstruction Experience: What & Why I do it differently in Germany

Dr. Alex Wee (UK)*: Offloading and Prophylactic Surgery of the Diabetic Foot: Experience from UK NHS system

Dr. Dane Wukich (USA)*: The Story Behind: Charcot Foot Reconstruction IWGDF Guidelines & Updates

Dr. Alan Y. Yan & Dr. Darrel Richards (USA): Discussion Q & A and Summary

Conference Reception To Follow:
Location: Sanford Event Barn – All Are Welcome



SECTION 2 KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Dr. Rodica Busui (USA): Diabetic Epidemics & Diabetic Foot Complications: A Global Challenge

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SECTION 3

Diabetic Foot Charcot Reconstruction Surgical Technique & Innovation

Friday Morning: June 26

7:00AM – 10:55AM

Moderators:

Dr. Alan Y. Yan, Dr. Mark Graeber

SECTION 3.1

Wound Care, T.T.T. Surgery in Ischemic Diabetic Foot Disease

Friday Afternoon: June 26

10:55AM – 1:00PM

Lunch: 12:30PM – 1:00PM

Moderators:

Dr. Alan Y. Yan

Dr. Joe Wilkinson, Dr. Adam Nichols

Dr. Alan Yan (USA): From Dabbling to Dedication: The Establishment of the Sanford Limb Salvage Center and a Global Convention in the U.S. for Diabetic Limb Reconstruction

Dr. Venu Kavarthapu (UK): Charcot Classification & Reconstruction Strategies: The Kings Way

Dr. Roslyn Miller (UK): MIS Surgery in Charcot and Diabetic Foot Disease

Dr. Alexander Kirienko (Italy): The Magic of Ilizarov in Diabetic Charcot Reconstruction

Dr. Gang Li (China)*: Clinical & Basic Science Research in T.T.T.: Overview & Updates

Dr. QiKai Hua (China): History, Origin & Current Status of T.T.T.

Dr. Yongsheng Chen (Singapore): How to Start and Incorporate T.T.T. Surgery: Singapore Experience

Dr. Patricio Fuentes: T.T.T. Surgery in Difficult Foot and Ankle Nonunion: Updates & Advances

Dr. Filippo Vandenbulcke (Italy): Complications & Challenges in Charcot Surgery with Ilizarov

Dr. Gonzalo Bastias (Chile): Modern Surgery in the Acute Charcot foot: Breaking the Paradigm

Dr. Patrick Burns (USA): Plantar Approach Charcot Midfoot Reconstruction with External Fixation

Dr. Vinod Panchbhavi (USA): Challenges & Controversies in Charcot Diabetic Foot Ankle Surgery

Dr. Alan Y. Yan, Dr. Joe Wilkinson & Dr. Adam Nichols: Discussion Q&A Session

Dr. Mikhail Samchukov (USA): Industry Session (Orthofix) From Ilizarov to T.T.T.: History & Surgical Technique

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SECTION 4

Cadaver & Saw Bone Lab

Friday Afternoon: June 26

1:00PM – 5:00PM

Lab portion of forum will be conducted in a rotating style, with repeat sessions of two for each lab

Lab 1: Diabetic Foot Management Basic Skills Lab:

Dr. Adam Nichols, Dr. Lawrence Lavery, Dr. Mark Graeber, Dr. Darrel Richards, Dr. Joe Wilkinson: Total Contact Casting, Clinical DF Exam and Wound Care Essential Techniques

Dr. Jeff Tredwell, Dr. Lawrence Lavery: Daps Health: Remote Monitoring of Diabetic Foot Complication

Lab 2: T.T.T. Surgical Techniques:

Dr. QiKai Hua, Dr. Mikhail Samchukov, Dr. Vinod Panchbhavi: T.T.T. Surgical Techniques Cadaver and Saw Bone Lab

Lab 3: Ilizarov Surgery Lab:

Prof. Alexander Kirienko, Dr. Filippo Vandenbulcke, Dr. Vinod Panchbhavi: Ilizarov Surgery Saw Bone Lab and Cadaver Dissection

Dr. Baofu Wei, Dr. Alan Yan: Safe Zone Cadaver Dissection

Dr. Emiliano Malagoli: The A.B.C. of Ilizarov Surgery in Foot and Ankle Surgery

SECTION 5

Fireside Talks & Debates
on Diabetic Foot Charcot
Reconstruction

Saturday Morning: June 27

Begins 9AM US Central
Suncatcher Acres Lodges
42216 236th St.
Fedora, SD 57337

Tickets sold separately (max. 50 attendees)

9:00AM - 10AM: Arrival at Lodge & Breakfast

10:00AM - 11:30AM:

Dr. Roslyn Miller, Dr. Venu Kapu, Dr. Alan Yan, Dr. Lawrence Lavery, Dr. Patrick Burns, Dr. Gonzalo Bastias, Dr. Alexander Kirienko, Dr. Vinod Panchbhavi, Dr. Filippo Vandembulcke, Dr. Emiliano Malagoli:

Fireside Debate on Diabetic Foot Charcot Reconstruction: Case Discussion, Acute Correction vs. Later Reconstruction, MIS vs. mis, Beaming vs. Plating vs. Ex Fix

11:30AM - 1:00PM: Catering Lunch / Summary & Farewell. Looking Ahead to 2027

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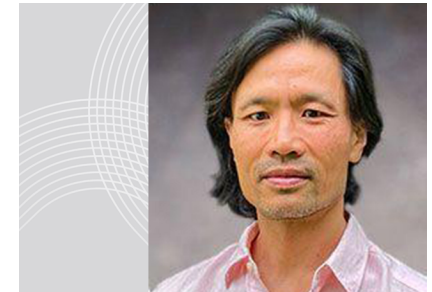
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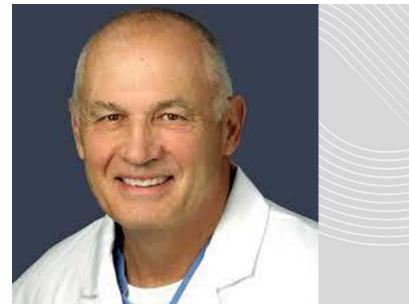
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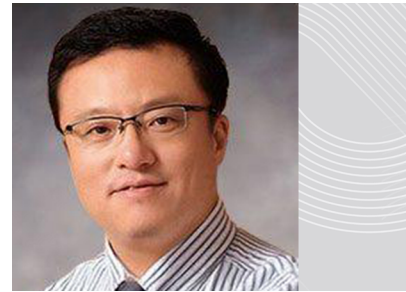
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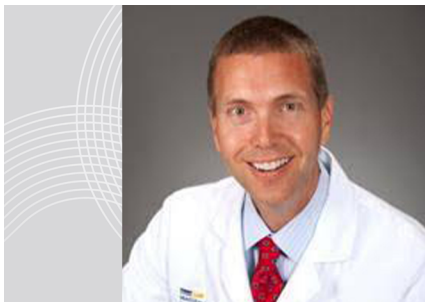
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