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The Society for Cardiovascular
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Inaugural MSCAI Class of 2014

Please join SCAI in honoring our inaugural 2014 Class of Master Interventionalists of SCAI (MSCAI). These individuals have demonstrated excellence in Invasive/Interventional Cardiology over a career, manifested by a commitment to the highest levels of clinical care, innovation, publication, and teaching.



Joseph Babb, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Babb graduated AOA from Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in 1966. He received his post graduate internal medicine and cardiology training at Massachusetts General Hospital between 1966 and 1972 with a 2 year interruption to serve in the U.S. Army in Vietnam and Walter Reed. After completing training, he was faculty at The Hershey Medical Center until 1980, then Chief of Cardiology at Bridgeport Hospital in Connecticut from 1980 to 1995. Since then has been faculty at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. He performed the first PTCA at Hershey in 1980 and the first PTCA in Connecticut in 1981. He joined SCAI in 1981 and served as President 2001-2002. He was the very proud recipient of the Sones Distinguished Service Award in 2005. Dr. Babb has been engaged in invasive/interventional cardiology and medical education for his entire career and has been active in multiple medical professional societies including SCAI, ACC, AHA, and AMA. His recent focus has been in the broad areas of advocacy, medical ethics, and quality improvement.



Steven Bailey, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Steven Bailey is Professor and Chief of the Janey and Dolph Briscoe Division of Cardiology at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, Texas. Dr. Bailey has the honor of chairing the only named division within the School of Medicine, at HSC. Dr. Bailey's clinical focus is in structural and valvular heart disease as well as vascular blockages. He currently has research laboratories that are investigating the effects of NOX subtypes in promoting cardiovascular disease and translational research in the field of nanotechnologies and nanosensors. Dr. Bailey is a Past President of the Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions (SCAI) and is currently the Editor in Chief of *Catheterization and Cardiovascular Interventions (CCI Journal)* which is the official publication of SCAI. He is a fellow of the American College of Physicians, American College of Cardiology, and the Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Intervention. He is a member of the Association of University Cardiologists, Association of Cardiology Professors and the International Andreas Gruentzig Society.



Peter Block, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Block is professor at Emory University School of Medicine and the Director of Interventional Research at the Andreas Gruentzig Research Center. Following his medical education, Dr. Block served as biomedical investigator for the U.S. Navy Medical Corps. Upon completion of his post graduate training at Harvard Medical School and the Massachusetts General Hospital, Dr. Block joined their faculty in 1970 where he remained until 1993, when he moved to Oregon. At Emory University Hospital, Dr. Block helped develop the structural heart disease program as co-director from 2003 till 2009. Dr. Block is a prior member of the Board of Trustees for the Society for Cardiac Angiography as well as a fellow of both the American Heart Association and the American College of Cardiology. Dr. Block is a recognized expert in catheterization and cardiovascular interventions. His research interests are primarily in the percutaneous treatment of structural heart disease – specifically left atrial appendage occlusion, closure of patent foramen ovale, percutaneous repair of valvular insufficiency and percutaneous cardiac valve replacement. He has published over 300 scientific articles, reviews and chapters.

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Antonio Colombo, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Colombo joined the Faculty of the University of California in Irvine as Assistant Director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory in 1986. The following year, he returned to Italy where interventional cardiology was at its infancy. Dr. Colombo's major contributions in interventional cardiology have been mainly in the field of coronary stenting. His observations were pivotal in recognizing antiplatelet therapy as the oral anticoagulation following stent placement. Dr. Colombo has been one of the first to utilize coronary stents in the treatment of complex coronary artery disease, particularly in treating bifurcational lesions. These accomplishments led him to receive the honor as Best Clinical Researcher for the year 1994 by the Thorax Center, Erasmus University, Rotterdam and to the Transcatheter Cardiovascular Therapeutic Career Award given in Washington in 1998. Dr. Colombo is currently on the Editorial Board of the major international journals of *Cardiology* and *Interventional Cardiology*. He is Clinical Professor of Medicine at the University of New York and teaches at University Vita e Salute of San Raffaele Hospital.



Michael Cowley, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Cowley attended Tulane University and received his MD (AOA) from the University of Alabama in Birmingham School of Medicine in 1972. He completed his Medicine training at the University of California San Diego and his Cardiology Fellowship at UAB in 1977. He joined the Medical College of Virginia Cardiology faculty in 1977 and was promoted to Professor in 1985. He became involved with coronary angioplasty in 1978 and worked with Dr. Gruentzig in Zurich in 1978. He has been involved in clinical investigation, research and teaching in Invasive and Interventional cardiology for more than 35 years. He has served on the ABIM Interventional Cardiology Test Committee from 1999 – 2006. He has served on numerous SCAI committees, is co-founder of the SCAI Interventional Fall Fellows Course and is a past-President of SCAI (2003-2004). He is currently Chair of the International Committee. He has published more than 200 peer review manuscripts. Dr. Cowley is currently Professor of Cardiology at Virginia Commonwealth University and maintains an active practice in Interventional Cardiology.



Larry Dean, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Dean received his undergraduate degree and his medical degree from the University of Alabama. He served his internship and residency at the University of Washington School of Medicine and received his cardiology training, including interventional cardiology, at the University of Alabama School of Medicine. He specializes in interventional cardiology and is widely published in that field. He is currently a Professor of Medicine and Surgery and Director of the UW Medicine Regional Heart Center at the University of Washington School of Medicine. He is a fellow of the American College of Cardiology, the American Heart Association and the Society of Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions and is a past president of SCAI. In addition he is a member of the American College of Physician Executives and the American Medical Informatics Association. He holds a certificate in Medical Management from the University of Washington.



Gregory Dehmer, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Dehmer is an AOA graduate of the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine. He completed his training in Medicine and then Cardiology at UT Southwestern. After a commitment to the USAF, he served on the faculty of UT Southwestern and the University of North Carolina. He is currently Professor of Medicine at Texas A&M College of Medicine and director of the Central Texas Division of Cardiology at Baylor Scott & White Health. Dr. Dehmer is a past president of SCAI and has served on the Editorial Boards of *Circulation*, *JACC* and the *American Journal of Cardiology*. He participated on the writing committees of several national documents most recently the Clinical Competency Statement for PCI and the AUC for Coronary Revascularization. He is an emeritus member of the NCDR management board and is currently Board Chair of Accreditation for Cardiovascular Excellence. Dr. Dehmer is Board Certified in Internal Medicine, Cardiovascular Disease and Interventional Cardiology and specializes in invasive and interventional cardiology. He maintains an active practice in addition to his local and national administrative responsibilities.

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Ted Feldman, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Feldman completed his Cardiology Fellowship at the University of Chicago where he remained to become Professor of Medicine and Director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory. He currently practices at Evanston Hospital, where he is Director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory, holds the Walgreen Chair in Interventional Cardiology, and is Professor of Clinical Medicine at University of Chicago Medical School. He has authored over 500 manuscripts, chapters, abstracts, and editorials and edited or co-edited several books. He is a Percutaneous Coronary Intervention Guideline co-author and has served on the American Board of Internal Medicine Interventional Cardiology test writing committee. Dr. Feldman is a past-President of the Society of Cardiovascular Angiography & Interventions. He has chaired the Annual Scientific Sessions for both SCAI and the ACC (Interventional). Dr. Feldman is an active interventional practitioner and participates in numerous clinical investigations. His major research interests include non-surgical, percutaneous repair of the mitral valve, catheter based aortic valve replacement, shunt closure for congenital heart disease and migraine headache, left atrial appendage closure, and development of new catheter devices.



Ziyad Hijazi, M.D., MPH, FSCAI

Dr. Hijazi is Professor of Pediatrics; Clinical Chief of Pediatrics, Sidra Medical and Research Center, Doha-Qatar; Chairman, Department of Pediatrics, Weill Cornell Medical College-Qatar; and past President, SCAI and former Director, Rush Center for Congenital & Structural Heart Disease. He has published nearly 300 manuscripts in peer reviewed medical journal and has edited 6 books. His area of interest is development of novel devices and techniques to treat congenital and structural heart disease in children and adults.



Morton Kern, M.D., FSCAI

Upon completion of his cardiology fellowship at the Brigham and Women's Hospital at Harvard in 1982, Dr. Kern became the associate director of the Cath lab at University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio. In 1985, Dr. Kern became Cath Lab Director at St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri. His interests in coronary physiology and hemodynamics have led to the production of the "The Cardiac Catheterization Handbook" and its companion "The Interventional Cardiac Cath Handbook," the most widely used textbooks both nationally and internationally on the subject. He is the clinical editor of the popular *Cath Lab Digest*, a monthly publication about cardiac catheterization. He is also widely published in the areas of coronary blood flow and hemodynamic studies. In 2005, Dr. Kern moved to California becoming Chief of Cardiology then Medicine this year at the Long Beach Veterans Administration Hospital, and Professor of Medicine, University California Irvine. Dr. Kern is a past president of SCAI. Dr. Kern continues to perform and teach cardiac catheterization and percutaneous coronary interventions.



Charles Mullins, M.D., FSCAI

Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics, Baylor College of Medicine, is the Director Emeritus of Cardiac Catheterization laboratories, Texas Children's Hospital. Dr. Mullins has been actively involved with the development and teaching of interventional catheterization procedures for congenital cardiac defects to Fellows and colleagues locally, in the U.S. and around the world for over 40 years.

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Carlos Ruiz, M.D., Ph.D., FSCAI

Dr. Ruiz was born and raised in Barcelona, Spain, and completed his medical degree at the University of Barcelona. He trained at the Mayo Clinic and the University of Southern California, and in 1991 was named the Director of the Pediatric and Adult Catheterization Labs at Loma Linda University Medical Center and Children's Hospital. In 1999 he moved to Chicago where he was Chief of Pediatric Cardiology at the University of Illinois, Chicago until 2006 when he moved to Lenox Hill Heart and Vascular Institute of New York and New York University in New York City. He is currently the Director Congenital & Structural Heart Disease for North Shore LIJ Health System. Dr. Ruiz is full professor of pediatrics and medicine. He has served on the editorial board of many prestigious cardiology journals, and has published over 250 manuscripts in peer-reviewed journals in addition to many book chapters.



Carl Tommaso, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Carl Tommaso graduated from Tufts University and New York Medical College. He was medical resident and Chief Medical Resident at Roger Williams General Hospital, Brown University Program in Medicine. He was a cardiology fellow at Northwestern Memorial Hospital. Prior to moving to Chicago, he was the Director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory at University of Maryland Hospital. In Chicago he was Chief of the Division of Cardiology at Lakeside Veteran's Administration Hospital. He is currently the Director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory at Skokie Hospital, NorthShore University HealthSystem. He is currently an Associate Professor of Medicine at Rush University Medical School. Dr. Tommaso served as President of the SCAI in 2000-2001. He has over 30 years' experience in Interventional Cardiology, and is boarded in Internal Medicine, Cardiovascular Disease and Interventional Cardiology. He currently serves on several writing committees including Percutaneous Valve Disease, STEMI and Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory Standards.



Zoltan Turi, M.D., MPH, FSCAI

Dr. Zoltan Turi received his M.D. from Columbia, trained in internal medicine at St. Luke's in New York and in cardiology at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. He was subsequently Professor of Medicine at Wayne State, UC San Diego, Hahnemann, and Cooper University Hospitals. Dr. Turi has done extensive research in coronary, peripheral and structural heart disease, and is the author of over 150 peer reviewed papers, book chapters and invited editorials. He has worked extensively in developing countries, and was a major force in clinical trials establishing balloon mitral valvotomy and left atrial appendage occlusion. He has taught hemodynamics, angiography, structural heart disease, and access and closure techniques to a whole generation of cardiologists. He received both the Dack (ACC) and Hildner Awards (SCAI) for his contributions to peer review. He is currently Professor of Medicine and Associate Director of Cardiology at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.



Barry Uretsky, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Uretsky is a Professor of Medicine, Director of Interventional Cardiology Fellowship at University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, and Director of Interventional Cardiology at Central Arkansas Veterans Administration Hospital. He graduated from Wesleyan University and Temple University School of Medicine. Dr. Uretsky received his Internal Medicine and Cardiovascular training from Boston City Hospital and Boston University Medical Center. Dr. Uretsky was Co-Director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory and Associate Professor of Medicine at the University of Pittsburgh for 15 years before moving to the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas as Chief of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory for 12 years and as Chief of Cardiology for the last five years before moving to Arkansas. Dr. Uretsky has 30 years of experience in interventional cardiology and endovascular procedures. He is triple board certified: Internal Medicine, Cardiology, and Interventional Cardiology. He has participated in promulgation of national and international guidelines and participated in over 100 multi-center trials.

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George Vetrovec, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. Vetrovec received his medical degree from the University of Virginia and his Cardiology Specialty training at the MCV Campus of Virginia Commonwealth University. Since 1976, Dr. Vetrovec has been on the faculty of Virginia Commonwealth University achieving the rank of full Professor (AOA) in 1986. Dr. Vetrovec's University administrative experience includes: Chairman of Cardiology 1991-2009, Director of the Cardiac Catheterization laboratory (continuing) and Associate Chairman of Medicine for Clinical Affairs 1986-2009. Dr. Vetrovec is a past President of the Society for the Cardiac Angiography and Interventions, past trustee of the ACC and has served on the Board of the AHA. He was co-chair of the SCAI/ACC Interventional Board Review Course for the first 5 years (7 programs) and has served on the ABIM Cardiology Board Exam Committee. Scholarly interests involve improving the management of coronary artery disease through interventional techniques. He has co-authored over 300 papers, edited two texts on interventional cardiology and serves on multiple journal editorial boards. In addition to administrative, research and teaching, Dr. Vetrovec remains an active clinical, interventional cardiologist.



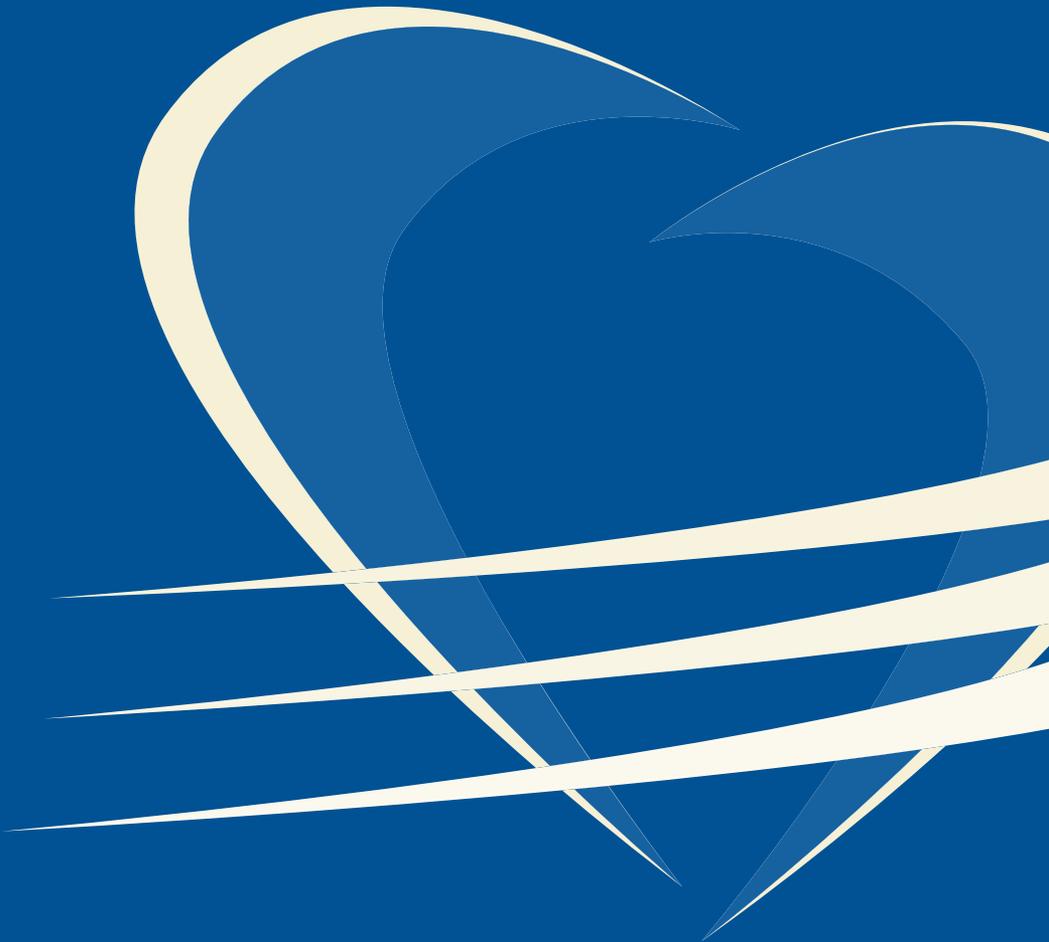
Bonnie Weiner, M.D., MSEC, MBA, FSCAI

Dr. Weiner received her BA from Mills College in Oakland, California (1970) and her MD from the University of Oregon Medical School (1974). She has since received Masters of Science in E-Commerce and MBA degrees (2003, 2004). Dr. Weiner is a past-President of SCAI (2007-8). Dr. Weiner is the Director of Interventional Cardiology Research and Director of the Fellowship training program in Cardiovascular Medicine at Worcester Medical Center and is Professor of Medicine at the University of Massachusetts Medical School (UMMS). From 1977-2002 she her career at UMMS included being catheterization laboratory director and initiating the interventional program and in 1978 as well as the subsequent training program. Recent publications include documents on quality and competency as well as research evolving from the quality activities from the accreditation and external peer review activities of Accreditation for Cardiovascular Excellence (ACE). She is the Executive Director for Medical Affairs of a research and data management company (Boston Biomedical Associates), the President of Imaging Core Lab Services and Chief Medical Officer of ACE.



Christopher White, M.D., FSCAI

Dr. White graduated AOA from Case Western Reserve in Cleveland, Ohio in 1978 and completed his Medicine and Cardiology training in the Army. Following Cath Lab Director jobs at Letterman in San Francisco (1983-85) and Walter Reed (1985-88), he joined the Ochsner Clinic in New Orleans. In 1994, Dr. White traveled to Glasgow, Scotland as the Director of Invasive Cardiology for HCI. In 1997 he returned to Ochsner as the Chairman of Cardiology. He has received teaching and mentoring awards at Letterman and Ochsner. He was honored as the Physician Leader of the Year at Ochsner in 2005. He currently serves as Professor and Chairman of Medicine at Ochsner Medical Center. Dr. White was Editor-in-Chief of *Catheterization and Cardiovascular Interventions* between 2000 and 2010 and currently is an Associate Editor for *JACC Cardiovascular Interventions*. He has published more than 200 peer-reviewed manuscripts and co-invented a coronary angioscope, a laser angioplasty catheter, and the Wiktor™ coronary stent. Dr. White maintains an active interventional practice in both coronary and peripheral vascular disease.



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