



**SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION FOR VASCULAR SURGERY**  
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**Abstract/Video Submission Deadline: Friday, August 31, 2012 ~ 11:59 pm EDT**

## **FOUNDERS' AWARD**

### **Submission Guidelines**

The Founders' Award allows for an Extended Abstract not to exceed 1,500 words, representing original research on a basic science or clinical vascular subject should be submitted by a Trainee (i.e. student, resident or fellow) currently in a program located in one of the states comprising the membership of the Southern Association for Vascular Surgery.

The material must concern peripheral arterial, venous or lymphatic disease and must not have been presented, submitted or published elsewhere. A manuscript suitable for publication in the *Journal of Vascular Surgery* will be required at the time of presentation. Judging will be based on the quality of the extended abstract, and authors will be notified prior to this year's meeting.

Submitting authors will be prompted to answer the following questions during the submission process:

- What quality gap (limitation or problem) with the practice of vascular surgery does this research address?
- In what way might the results of this project supplement or inform, our clinical or research knowledge or strategies?

### **NEW STEP THIS YEAR:**

#### **Self-Assessment Questions**

Because the ABS requires self-assessment to maintain your Board Certification and Maintenance of Certification (MOC), The SAVS is developing a self-assessment exam for SAVS attendees at the January Annual Meeting. To meet this need each submitting author must submit two (2) pertinent questions to test the attendee's understanding of the main points of your presentation. For each question please provide one (1) correct answer (which will be supported by your data and presentation) and three (3) incorrect answers.

#### **Award**

The 2013 award will consist of \$5,000 and will be presented at this year's meeting in Paradise Island, Bahamas.