

President's Message

Peter Bryson, MD



Dear Colleagues,

Our Education Committee has organized an exciting Annual Clinical Meeting in Ottawa on June 22, 2007 at the SOGC meeting. As you can see from the program enclosed in this Newsletter, a wide

range of very relevant topics will be presented. Our guest speakers are Dr. Eduardo Franco, form Montreal, and Mr. Patrick Walker, a leader in the UK Cervical Cancer Screening Program.

Dr. Franco, a world expert of HPV will be speaking on "New paradigms in primary and secondary cervical cancer prevention" and "Cervical cancer screening in the era of HPV vaccination".

Mr. Walker, will be speaking on: "LEEP and pre-term labor: What's the connection?" and "Is she cured? Using HPV testing following treatment for cervical dysplasia".

Don't forget to register for the SOGC meeting (www.sogc.org) by May 18 for the reduced rate and then register for the SCC Post Graduate Course (PG) – Full Day Session.

SCC will also be celebrating its 20th anniversary with a gala evening of great food, wine, and music on June 22, 2007 at the Chateau Laurier. Ticket information is enclosed in this newsletter.

SCC goals continue to be focused on education. SCC participated in the SOGC regional meetings in Toronto on December 2006, in Banff in March 2007 and in Toronto April 2007. I and other SCC members have also been spreading the word about HPV Vaccination. The official SCC statement on the vaccination is enclosed.

I will be finishing my 2 years as your President soon. I feel very confident in our future. Dr. Jim Bentley is President-elect and will take over at our meeting in June. My main goals as immediate past president are to continue to promote the education mandate of SCC and, in particular, work to update and improve the SCC web-site, (www.colposcopycanada.org).

I hope to see you in Ottawa in June.

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HPV Update March 2007

By Jim Bentley, MD

When I last gave an update on the status of HPV vaccination I stated that a revolutionary change had occurred; that was before the rapid developments of the intervening few months.

We still have only one vaccine available to us; Cervarix[™] (GSK) is in late stage clinical development and regulatory approval has been sought in Canada and other countries. The data from their large-scale trials is not yet available.

NACI, the National Advisory Committee on Immunization, has made recommendations for the use of Gardasil[™] (Merck) in Canada. Their exhaustive document advocated vaccination of women from 9 to 13 years of age. In women aged 14 to 26 it was felt that they would benefit from vaccination even if they are sexually active or have had abnormal pap smears.

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SCC Post Graduate Course

Marie-Claude Renaud, MD

This year's program promises to be exciting. We will have two well respected international speakers: Dr. Eduardo Franco and Mr. Patrick Walker. Dr Franco will speak to us on 'New paradigms in primary and secondary cervical cancer prevention cervical cancer screening in the era of HPV vaccination'. Mr. Walker will speak to us on more basic colposcopy with two entertaining talks on 'LEEP and preterm labor' and 'IS she cured? - Using HPV testing following treatment for cervical dysplasia'.

To break tradition, Dr. Bentley will start the day with a colposcopy quiz

and the SCC panel will close the day with an addition this year 'Help is there a doctor in the room?' Dr. Wright will be addressing the difficult topic of glandular lesions. This interactive session will enable the audience to ask questions on difficult cases management or enable the audience to share with us rare pearls. Participants who have photographs of unusual cases can send them this Spring in order that they can be integrated into the presentation. You may send your pictures to jscrivener@sogc.com. Dr. Hélène Gagné from Ottawa will address the sensitive topic of Vulvodynia. Dr.

Michel Roy will test your knowledge with a colposcopic examination used in the training of residents and last but not least Dr. Bertrand will speak about 'Screening now and in the future: an ASCCP update;' and Dr. Shier will present 'LEEP revisited: Avoiding complications'.

The business meeting will be held before lunch to let you refresh for the afternoon brain teasers and keeping with tradition, there will be a lucky winner that will take home a wonderful door prize. We hope to see you in great numbers and don't forget to send those pictures!

Introducing our Guest Speakers

Patrick Walker Career Summary



Patrick Walker is a consultant gynaecologist and lead clinician for gynecological cancer and colposcopy services at the Royal Free hospital in London. He is an honorary senior lecturer in the academic department of obstetrics and gynaecology at the Royal Free and University College London School of medicine. He is the immediate past president of the British Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology (BSCCP). He is the current Secretary General of the International Federation for Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy (IFCPC). He is a previous chairman of the National Quality Assurance in colposcopy group of the English National Health Service Cervical Screening Programme (NHSCSP). He is lead assessor for obstetrics and gynaecology under the professional performance procedures for the UK General Medical Council and Convener of the Gynecological Visiting Society of Great Britain and Ireland.

Dr. Eduardo Franco's Bio



Dr. Eduardo Franco is Professor of Epidemiology and Oncology and Director, Division of Cancer Epidemiology at McGill University, in Montreal, Canada. He holds a BSc in biology from Universidade de Campinas, Brazil (1975), and MPH (1982) and DrPH (1984) degrees in public health microbiology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, in the USA. He was a Guest Researcher at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, in Atlanta (1980-84), and a post-doctoral fellow in cancer epidemiology at the International Agency for Research on Cancer in Lyon, France, at the U.S. National Cancer Institute in Bethesda and at Louisiana State University (1984). Professor Franco's research during the last 22 years has focused mainly on the molecular epidemiology and prevention of cervical cancer, upper aero-digestive tract cancers and childhood tumours and the development of epidemiologic methods of evaluating efficacy of cancer

screening strategies. He published more than 240 scientific articles and 46 chapters and two books on cancer epidemiology and prevention. He has serviced in the editorial boards of the American Journal of Epidemiology, Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention, Epidemiology, Medical and Paediatric Oncology, Cancer Detection and Prevention, PLoS-Medicine and Oral Diseases. He mentored 67 graduate students and post-doctoral fellows since 1985 and in addition to his regular teaching at McGill, he has taught several cancer epidemiology courses in the US, Latin America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East. His recent awards include: the Distinguished Services Award of the EUROGIN Society (2006), the National Cancer Institute of Canada's O. Harold Warwick Prize in cancer control research of 2004, James McGill Chair (2002), the Medical Research Council of Canada's Distinguished Scientist Award (2000), Educational Excellence at McGill University (2000) and City of Montreal's "Ambassadeur" (2000, 2007).

The Society of Canadian Colposcopists Postgraduate Course 1 – Colposcopy Update:

June 22, 2007 - 08:30 – 16:30

Learning objectives – at the end of the session, the participant will:

1. Have improved knowledge about HPV testing and vaccination.
2. Understand and know how to treat Vulvodynia.
3. Recognize the differential diagnosis of vulvar and cervical lesions.
4. Understand the complications of LEEP.

08:30–10:00 Session I – Moderator: Peter Bryson, MD

- 08:30–08:40 Welcome and introduction
Speaker: Peter Bryson, MD, SCC President
- 08:40–09:00 Warm up Colposcopy Quiz
Dr. James Bentley (touch pad)
- 09:00–09:30 LEEP and preterm labour: What's the connection?
Mr. Patrick Walker
- 09:30–10:00 Colposcopy of glandular lesions: Differentiation from other
cervical lesions
Dr. Cecil Wright
- 10:00–10:30 Break

10:30–11:30 Session II – Moderator: Susan McFaul, MD

- 10:30–11:00 New paradigms in primary and secondary cervical cancer
prevention
Dr. Eduardo Franco
- 11:00–11:20 Vulvodynia: An update
Dr. Hélène Gagné
- 11:20–12:00 SCC Annual Business Meeting
Members of the Society of Canadian Colposcopists are
requested to attend.

13:00–13:30 Session III – Moderator: Dr. James Bentley, MD

- 13:00–13:30 Is she cured? Using HPV testing following treatment for
cervical dysplasia
Mr. Patrick Walker
- 13:30–14:00 Cervical cancer screening in the era of HPV vaccination
Dr. Eduardo Franco
- 14:00–14:40 Test your knowledge: Colposcopic examination
Drs. Michel Roy and MC Renaud (touch pads will be
available)
- 14:40–15:00 Screening: Now and the Future: An update on the ASCCP
consensus conference
Dr. Monique Bertrand
- 15:00–15:30 Break

15:30–16:30 Session IV – Moderator: Dr. Marie-Claude Renaud, MD

- 15:30–16:00 LEEP revisited: Avoiding complications
Dr. Michael Shier
- 16:00–16:30 Help! Is there a doctor in the room? Bring your questions
and difficult cases for the SCC executive and Guest Speakers.
Draw for the door prize
Adjournment

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Proposed Amendments to Bylaws

To be presented to membership at the Annual Business Meeting on June 22, 2007 in Ottawa. If you are a voting member and are unable to attend the Society's Annual Business Meeting, we would ask that you kindly complete the enclosed proxy form.

Modification #1

A proposal to amend Article 2, APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP of the Bylaws as it relates to the number of endorsements required for a candidate's membership application by reducing it from two active members to one active member.

Current Bylaw

Article 2 APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

The request for Associate or Active Membership categories, in writing, must be accompanied by endorsement by two currently Active members of the Society and include a copy of the curriculum vitae of the candidate requesting admission. These documents

must be forwarded to the Membership Committee Chairperson. Membership will be immediate upon approval by the Membership Committee.

Amended Bylaw

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Modification #2

A proposal to amend Article 4, BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the Bylaws as it relates to the number of Members at Large by increasing it from two to four.

Current Bylaw

Article 4 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall consist of:

- The President
- The immediate Past-President
- The President-Elect
- The Secretary-Treasurer
- Two Members at Large

Amended Bylaw

Article 4 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall consist of:

- The President
- The immediate Past-President
- The President-Elect
- The Secretary-Treasurer
- Four Members at Large

Society of Canadian Colposcopists

20th Anniversary Gala Evening June 22, 2007

Location: Quebec Room, Chateau Laurier Hotel

Cocktail Hour:	19:30 PM	Music being provided
President's Welcome:	20:00 PM	by the <i>Fifth Ave Trio</i> .
Dinner	20:10 PM	Black Tie – Optional
Presentation with music to follow	21:10 PM	Cost per person - \$100.00

An invitation has been sent to all Active and Retired members of the SCC. Included in the invitation is the dinner menu for the evening. A reply card has been provided and will need to be returned with your payment.

The deadline date for all RSVPs is June 1, 2007.
Space is limited, so please do not delay in responding.

If you have any questions, please contact our National Coordinator, Judy Scrivener at 613-730-4192, Ext. 320 or via e-mail at jscrivener@sogc.com.

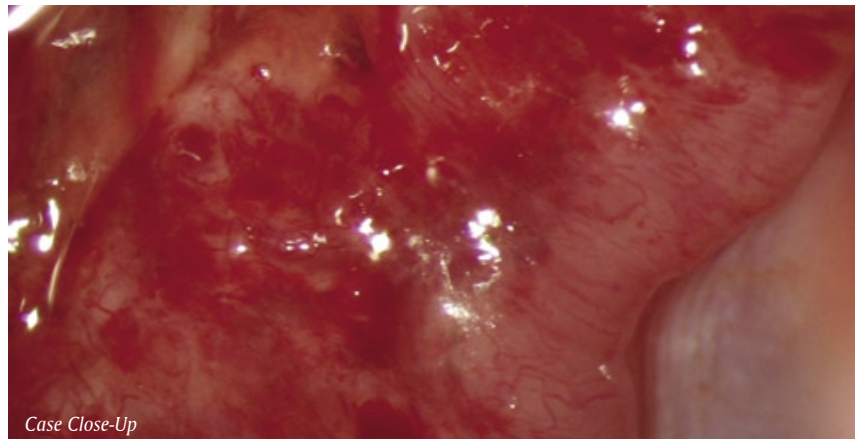
Colposcopy Clinical Corner: Spring 2007

Jim Bentley

Case;

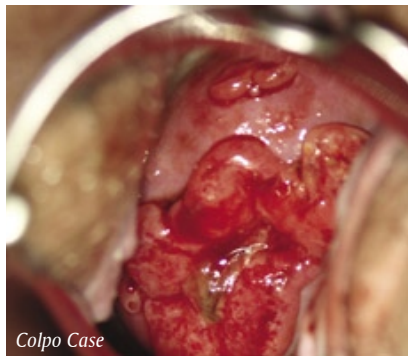
A 35 year old G2 P0 SA1 woman is referred to the colposcopy clinic because of an abnormal cervix. She is at 19 weeks gestation and gives an additional history of post coital bleeding during the pregnancy. Her Pap smear history is negative and the pap from her recent visit with her GP is not reported yet. She has no other medical problems and is a non-smoker.

You examine her and perform colposcopy. The images show the colposcopic views with the close up being from 5 o'clock on the cervix.



What is your diagnosis?

- A: Cervical polyp
- B: Products of conception
- C: Decidual reaction of the cervix
- D: invasive carcinoma



Answer:

Clinical case;
Answer: Decidual change, stromal and decidual change compatible with pregnancy effect.

Discussion:

The colposcopic differential diagnosis here is between a benign polyp, products of conception indicating an inevitable miscarriage, invasive carcinoma and decidual reaction of the cervix. In this case there was widespread change around the cervical os and a satellite lesion at 11 o'clock. The abnormal tissue is connected to the surrounding cervix and thus not a polyp or products of conception. Colposcopically it has an erythematous appearance with subepithelial

hemorrhage. The vessels are linear and thread like. There was no acetowhite changes noted. A biopsy was taken to confirm the diagnosis of cervical decidual change.

During pregnancy the cervical stroma can undergo focal decidual change. These decidualized cells come from the stroma and consist of cells with oval bland nuclei and a large eosinophilic cytoplasm. The absence of a squamous intraepithelial lesion in the overlying stroma helps differentiate from invasive carcinoma.

These changes on the cervix will regress as pregnancy progresses.

Ref: Blaustein's Pathology of the Female Genital Tract (5th Edition) 2002

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The report noted that these women would be unlikely to have been infected with all four vaccine specific types, and also stating that these women should be cautioned that the vaccine is not therapeutic. The vaccine was not recommended for women younger than 9, or for males; there is no efficacy data for men thus far. It did allow vaccination of women older than 26 on a case by case basis.

This news has recently been eclipsed by the federal budget announcement. The government has launched a national program with \$300 million put into a third-party trust for allocation to the provinces and territories on a per capita basis. This funding lasts for three years. It

remains to be seen if the provinces will fund more than one cohort of school-based vaccination. Several provinces including Nova Scotia plan to institute vaccination in the next academic year.

Meanwhile around the world Australia had sanctioned vaccination with a catch up in schools and offered to women up to age 25. In the United States several States including Texas, New Mexico and Virginia have made vaccination mandatory for school aged girls.

If this enthusiasm for HPV vaccination continues we may see a significant clinical impact sooner than initially anticipated.



Announcing a New CD ROM Training Module!

We're happy to announce the addition of yet another new CD ROM to the suite of Educational CD ROMs already offered. This module has been approved by SOGC under the Maintenance of Certification Program.

"Diseases and Abnormalities of the Vulva, Vagina and Adjacent Sites" – CD-ROM in PPP, by Dr. Cecil Wright with co-contributors: S.C Peter Bryson, Clemente Moreno Collado, Paul D. Indman, Christopher D. McKinney, Leonora Chavez Mercado, Richard Moore, John L. Powell, Teresita M.R. Rojas S., R. Michael Shier. This CD contains 597 frames (416 high quality illustrative images - no cervigrams) in many cases with supportive histology in a Powerpoint presentation®. The cost for SCC and Non-SCC Members is \$125 (plus taxes and shipping costs).

Other Educational Tools available are:

CD ROMs

"Interpreting Blood Vessel Patterns in Colposcopy by analysis of 92 true colpophotographs in a Powerpoint presentation". There are 113 frames and some histological images and schematics are included. The author is V. Cecil Wright. The cost for SCC members is \$60.00 CAD plus applicable taxes and shipping.

"Carbon Dioxide Laser Surgery for Lower Genital Tract Disease contains 246 frames" (text, schematics, colpo and macrophotographs) in a power point presentation. Authors are V. Cecil Wright, MD Biomedical Communications, Houston, 2006. Cost - SCC Members \$85 CAD; Non-SCC Members \$115 CAD (plus taxes and shipping costs).

"Understanding Cervical Colposcopy" CD ROM in PowerPoint format by Dr. Cecil Wright. This CD has 240 very high quality colpophotographs. A complete learning package on colposcopy of the cervix. The cost for SCC members is \$85 CAD plus applicable taxes and shipping.

"100 Case Colposcopy Challenge: Cervix, Vagina, Vulva, and Adjacent Sites" CD ROM in PowerPoint format by Dr. Cecil Wright. This CD has over 150 high quality colpophotographs with cytology and histology correlates for many cases. The cost for SCC Members is \$85.00; Non-SCC Members \$125.00 (plus taxes and shipping costs)

"Essentials of Colposcopic Interpretation: Cervix, Vagina and Vulva" - CD-ROM in PPP, by Dr. Cecil Wright and Dr. R. Michael Shier. This CD has 723 high quality descriptive images (642 true colpophotographs, 14 photos, 17 cytology, 30 histology, 20 schematics). Cost - SCC Members \$115.00; Non-SCC Members \$150.00 (plus taxes and shipping costs).

To order any of these educational materials, please visit our website www.colposcopycanada.org where you can download the order form or contact Judy Scrivener via e-mail at jscrivener@sogc.com or by telephone at 613-730-4192, Ext. 320 and she will forward you a copy of the form.

Calendar

3rd GYN CME

Toronto, Ontario

April 20-21, 2007

SOGC 63rd Annual Clinical Meeting

Ottawa, Ontario

June 21-26, 2007

19th FMC du Quebec

Le Château Bonne Entente,
Québec

September 20-22, 2007

26th Ontario CME

Toronto, Ontario

November 29-December 1, 2007

IFCPC 13th World Congress of Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy

New Zealand

October 19-23, 2008

2008 ASCCP Biennial Meeting

Orlando, Florida

March 17-21, 2008

March 22, 2007 Press Release

THE SOCIETY OF CANADIAN COLPOSCOPISTS STRONGLY ENDORSES THE NACI STATEMENT ON HPV VACCINATION

On March 22, 2007, the Executive of the SCC issued a press release indicating its support of the NACI recommendations for the use of the HPV vaccination published in February 2007. In addition the SCC applauds the Conservative Government's allocation of \$300 million in the recent federal

budget to enable provinces and territories to provide the HPV vaccination to Canadian women and girls.

"With this funding, along with the NACI recommendations, we can conclude that HPV vaccination is now the standard of care", states Dr. Peter Bryson,

President of the Society of Canadian Colposcopists and Head of the Division of Gynaecologic Oncology at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario.

To read the press release in its entirety, please visit our website at www.colposcopycanada.org.