The biannual Vascular Access Society (VAS) Congress is the most important international meeting for vascular access experts – vascular surgeons, interventional radiologists, nephrologists, dialysis nurses and technicians... – simply for all who take care of dialysis access patients.

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SESSION TOPICS

Endovascular vs. Surgical fistula creation
What is the best access: Fistula, graft or catheter?
PD catheters
Maturation – Expert case discussion
Recent clinical trials
Guidelines
Vascular access centers
Vascular access overview
Dedicated devices for vascular access
Central vein occlusive disease

Endovascular techniques
Cardiovascular effects of hemodialysis access
Central venous catheters for hemodialysis access
Outcome of vascular access
Doppler Ultrasound by nurses
Cannulation techniques
Care protocols of fistulae
Video session
My worst case

PRE-CONGRESS HANDS-ON WORKSHOP FOR PHYSICIANS

Ultrasound
Interventional Procedures incl. Fistula creation
Surgical procedures
Catheters

PRE-CONGRESS HANDS-ON WORKSHOP FOR NURSES

Arteriovenous fistula evaluation through physical examination
Vascular Access Ultrasound
Ultrasound guided cannulation
CVC – Handling and implantation