



# Shock Society Newsletter

International Shock Congress – Cologne, Germany - June 28 – July 2, 2008

31st Annual Conference on Shock – 6th Congress of the International Federation of Shock Societies

complete meeting information: <http://www.shocksociety.org>



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Basil A. Pruitt, Jr., M.D.

Shock Society Colleagues:

One of the responsibilities of the President of the Shock Society is to appoint members to the standing and ad hoc committees, the activities of which propel the Society toward its goals. To that end, committee appointments have been made and the chair of each committee has been given a charge to address during the current society year. The chairs, members, and charges of each committee are posted on the Society's web page.

The recent death of Dr. Jureta Horton represented a great loss to the Shock Society. Dr. Horton's footprint on the Shock Society far exceeds that typical of a former president and reflects the magnitude of her influence as scientist and educator. The memorial comments prepared by Dr. Giroir (see below) epitomize, in superb fashion, the professional and personal characteristics that made Dr. Horton such a well loved and respected leader of our Society. A fund has been established in Dr. Horton's name to support an award for young female shock investigators. Contributions to the Jureta Horton Fund should be sent to the Treasurer of the Society (Basil Zingarelli, MD, PhD, Children's Hospital Medical Center, 3333 Burnet Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45229).

A synopsis of the deliberations of the 2007 council and business meetings of the Society is included in this letter. Since those meetings, Novo Nordisk has recognized the stature and importance of this Society in the field of shock research and education by renewing its corporate commitment to support early career investigators by granting a two year fellowship for research on hemorrhagic shock and hemostasis. A recipient will be selected by the Shock Society and the fellowship announced during the 6<sup>th</sup> Congress of the International Federation of Shock Societies. The application forms will be posted on the Society's web page.

As the membership was informed during the annual meeting in Baltimore, the Shock Society, in the spirit of international collaboration, has agreed to forego its annual meeting and participate to the fullest extent possible in the 6<sup>th</sup> Congress of the International Federation of Shock Societies in Cologne, Germany from June 28-July 2, 2008. The Congress will provide an international platform for the presentation of results of research conducted by Society members and ensure that their works will receive the attention of international leaders in the field of shock. Members can obtain information concerning the 2008 meeting and abstract submission at [www.shocksociety.org](http://www.shocksociety.org).

I look forward to working with the officers and members in a busy year of organizational consolidation in which we update and rationalize the committee structure and the bylaws of the Society and solidify its administrative infrastructure. The Congress in Cologne will provide a fine venue for celebration of the professional and administrative successes we achieve during the current year.

Basil A. Pruitt, Jr., MD, FACS  
President



**Jureta Whitfill Horton, Ph.D.**  
**February 11, 1941 – August 20, 2007**

In these few words, we honor and celebrate the life of our dearest colleague, mentor, and friend – Jureta Whitfill Horton. Born in a small East Texas town and raised on a farm, Jureta matriculated as valedictorian of her high school class, graduated Our Lady of the Lake College *magna cum laude* in Chemistry and Biology, and ultimately received her PhD from UT Southwestern in 1981. Her academic achievements are well known: Professor of Surgery; Director of the UT Southwestern Burn Center; mentor for over 30 young scientists as well as high school students and teachers; recipient of the Outstanding Teacher Award at UT Southwestern; author of >200 published articles and nearly 300 abstracts; member of 3 editorial boards and seven professional societies.

Her contribution to the Shock Society was profound; and her impact will endure. She joined the Society in 1983, benefiting generations of members with her leadership and unique brand of “can do” enthusiasm. She served as Basic Science Counselor (1991-1996), Chairperson Awards and Honors Committee (1993-4), President-Elect (1999-2000), first female President of the Society (2000-2001), and Past-President, Member of Council (2001-2005). In recognition of these and other contributions, she received the Shock Society Distinguished Service Award in 2002.

My personal reflection is that these objective honors and accomplishments, as great as they are, comprise only a small fraction of the Jureta whom I will forever remember and respect. Armed with a pencil stuck in her Texas-sized hair, Jureta was always there to lend an enthusiastic hand to young, frequently struggling investigators. She was never too busy to encourage; too tired to support; too swamped to give you personal time; too discouraged to smile and have a good laugh. She was an icon to young investigators as much for “who she was” as “what she accomplished”. Jureta was a woman of deep convictions – to science, to critically injured patients, to mentorship, to her family and church. Her life was a testament to the depth of these convictions. As colleagues and friends, we cherish this amazing woman’s legacy.

Much of what I have accomplished professionally can be traced to Jureta’s inspiring mentorship – and I know I am only one of many who share this common experience and lasting bond.

**MINUTES OF  
SHOCK SOCIETY COUNCIL MEETING - SPRING 2007  
Saturday, June 3, 2007 - 8:00AM EST**

**Officiating:** President Daniel Brackett

**Council Members Participating:**

Alfred Ayala	Carol Miller-Graziano
Daniel J. Brackett	Hobart Harris
Timothy Buchman	Basil A. Pruitt, Jr.
Irshad H. Chaudry	Daniel Remick
Mark Clemens	Carol L. Wells
Craig M. Coopersmith	Basilia Zingerelli

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The Meeting was called to order by President Dan Brackett.

The committee reports were presented.

Tim Buchman reported on registration at the Baltimore meeting – initial registration was **335** which, combined with on-site registration, may make this the second best attended meeting.

Dr. Brackett reported for the Membership Committee that there were **64** new members for this year.

Basilia Zingerelli for the Honors and Awards Committee reported reviewing **69** abstracts and selecting 5 finalist and 15 travel awards. One nominee for the NIA and one for the Travel Award were allowed per institution, selecting the highest scorer from any one institution. This committee selected the NovoNordisk winner from ten proposals submitted using well-defined criteria with the winner having highest point score from all judges. There was a brief discussion of how to honor winners (dinner supported by NovoNordisk) beyond award itself and what is proper for Shock as a non-profit organization. Basilia Zingarelli also discussed the mentoring committee which has been proposed by President Daniel Brackett and would sponsor activities to increase junior members' understanding of the NIH grant submission process. An Ad Hoc mentoring committee headed by Basilia and Brenda Smith to include Drs. Ayala and Hotchkiss as well as several junior members was constituted to develop an appropriate program. Initially, NIH grant writing programs sponsored by other societies like the American College of Surgeons and SUS would be investigated and perhaps a similar course incorporated into our meeting. The Ad Hoc Mentoring Committee will be reevaluated by Council next year to consider whether this should be a permanent committee authorized by a Constitutional Amendment.

The Nominating Committee reviewed the newly elected officers and council members. These were Mark Clemens (President-Elect); Basilia Zingarelli (Treasurer), Sanna Goyert (Basic Science Councilor), and Daniel Meldrum (Clinical Science Councilor). A discussion ensued about how to enlarge the pool of candidates for council and officers. Suggestions were made to include more junior members in committee appointments to give newer members involvement in the Society. President Elect Basil Pruitt agreed to consider this in new committee appointments. It was also moved and seconded that there should be a transition period for the new Treasurer (Basilia Zingarelli). The current Treasurer, Carl Hauser, agreed to continue participating in the Treasurer office activities to facilitate this transition. It was suggested that the outgoing Treasurer should serve on the Finance committee to ensure continuity. The Rules Committee had nothing to report. The Publication Committee (Dr. Craig Coopersmith, Chair) reviewed and recommended approval of the LWW 2008 increase in institutional subscription rates. The Council approved the LWW contract and institutional rate increase. During the Journal Editor's report, Dr. Chaudry brought up an issue of increased publication turn-around time for articles accepted to Shock. The question of increasing the pages/issue to reduce the backlog was discussed. This suggestion was deferred to the Publication Committee and will be reviewed at the Fall Council meeting to assess if better on-line access resolves the problem.

Dr. Hauser presented a detailed treasurer's report showing a positive balance for the Society this year. Dr. Hauser suggested the Society's financial position is stable and that an outside audit review should be considered. The possibility of employing a bookkeeper to handle the computerized budget was discussed but deferred. It was also recommended that the Society's accounts be centralized. It was noticed that a new \$30,000 charge was added to the Journal's expenses by LWV. The clarification of this change (which was thought to reflect the additional percentage of expanded journal income) was referred to the Journal Editorial Board meeting. Discussion of the meeting costs led to a motion by Carl Hauser to increase the travel award amount for the upcoming Germany meeting to \$750 to cover best available coach fare as verified by the treasurer. The motion to increase the set-aside for the Germany meeting travel awards from \$10,000 to \$20,000 and raise the travel award to \$750 was passed unanimously.

The Internet Committee reported that the new Shock website was now well established. Council members were urged to visit the protected area set aside for council. The committee further suggested that both the meeting minutes and other council business should be posted there. As a number of Council members were uncertain of their password for access to the restricted Council area, it was decided that when the new minutes were posted, an email would be sent to council members announcing the posting of the minutes and then including their individual Shock Society Council password. The inclusion of a job site on the Shock Society's website was favorably viewed and the Internet Committee will be working on this during the coming year. Inclusion of a fellowship site was felt to be a large undertaking which would be considered in the future.

Meeting Scientific Program chairmen were represented by Dr. Buchman and Dr. Coopersmith. Dr. Buchman presented a number of program issues for discussion. In particular, establishing hard meeting dates at least 2 years in advance to allow recruitment of outstanding speakers and maintaining firm abstract deadlines. To expand meeting participation, a one-day registration fee for local residents was tested at the Baltimore meeting, the results to be evaluated at the next council meeting. If this is a useful mechanism, it may be included in the 2009 meeting.

Dr. Buchman also suggested development of a standardized information package for program chairs. This would include an abstract score normalization procedure, clear guidelines on speaker honoraria, appropriate ratio of members/non member speakers, number of pre-reserved speaker slots needed (for example, previous Novo Nordisk awardees completed research papers, foreign society award speakers), and a list defining the responsibilities of the program chairs. Our next meeting is in Germany during the Congress managed by Dr. Neugebauer. Consequently, the council decided that Dr. Buchman, Dr. Moore (2009 meeting) and Dr. Coopersmith (2010 meeting) would work with Dr. Curreri and former program chairs to devise a meeting guidelines document before the 2009 meeting. Council passed a motion that deadlines for abstract submission will be absolute unless there are valid extenuating circumstances.

Dr. Neugebauer reported that planning for the Germany meeting is well underway. A discount airline fare is being explored with Continental Airlines. Central booking for the meeting is on the website Shock 2008.cologne.org. The site of the 2009 meeting is being finalized and will be decided between Austin TX and San Antonio TX. For the 2010 meeting, Santa Fe and Albuquerque NM are under consideration. The finalization of the 2009 meeting date and hotel arrangements as well as the preferred site for the 2010 meeting will be determined by Council in late July or August. Dr Coopersmith will seek membership input for topics for the 2010 meeting program.

The Development Committee report, given in Dr. Lederer's absence, indicated that development efforts have increased after a slow start. Support for this year's meeting was received from the Shriners Hospitals, DARPA, and Cubist Pharmaceuticals. Support for a future company-sponsored symposium was discussed.

The International Committee recommended that the Sayeed Fund be used to award a \$500 international travel prize. Carl Hauser suggested formation of a subcommittee of the Finance Committee to look into investments specific for development of Fellowship monies for Travel. Formation of this Ad Hoc Research and Education Investment Committee was recommended to President Elect Pruitt. A motion was passed to transfer up to \$40,000 from the Society funds to the Sayeed fund to be invested under the direction of the Ad Hoc Research and Education Investment Sub-Committee, allowing funding of a \$500/year travel award out of interest return.

The question of how to archive the Society records currently held by Carol Wells was raised. A suggestion of sending these records to the National Medical Library was not accepted because of the expense and the fact that they would

become their property. It was decided to reduce the number of documents by discarding some and then investigate the cost of digitalization of the remainder.

As new business, a motion was made and defeated to remove requirements for young investigator awardees to publish their selected abstract work in Shock. A second motion was passed that within 2 weeks of notification of selection as a young investigator finalist a copyright transfer will be submitted to Shock. This will allow potential finalists to decide if they wish to publish in Shock as a condition of their award and decline the award if they do not.

To implement electronic balloting and expand member participation in Council, two issues which had high priority with Council, two proposed constitutional amendments were made for approval at the business meeting. The steps for changing the constitution were revised in 2004 to require a motion by a Council member, approval by 2/3 Council, then approval by 2/3 majority at the subsequent business meeting. Council approved 2 changes to the constitution. First, to allow electronic balloting and to link voting to payment of dues, the following constitutional change was proposed.

*The final list of nominees arranged as a ballot, and containing more than one name for each vacancy to be filled, will be sent electronically to the members (current with dues).*

Second, the following proposal for expanding the number of Council members was passed for approval at the business meeting.

*The current officers, the three past presidents, the Editor(s) of the official Society Journal(s), the Chair of the Scientific Program Committee, the Chair of the Publications Committee, and eight additional councilors shall constitute this Council.*

Council also voted to initiate two changes to allow increased communication with active members by dropping individuals from membership roles if dues are unpaid for 2 years. In accordance with this focus on active membership the following motion was also passed. Council members are expected to attend annual meetings and will be removed if this expectation is unmet. The discussion included that the president should be notified if a reasonable Council member absence from Council meeting was necessary and would not trigger this removal. Council meeting was adjourned.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Carol L. Miller-Graziano, PhD*

## **SYNOPSIS FROM THE JUNE 2007 SHOCK SOCIETY BUSINESS MEETING**

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The Meeting was called to order by out-going President Dan Brackett.

As a first order of business the new officers were introduced. Dan Brackett gave an introduction and overview of our new President Basil Pruitt. Mark Clemens (president-elect), Basilia Zugerelli (Treasurer), Sauna Goyert (Basic Science Councilor) and Daniel Meldrum (Clinical Science Councilor) were introduced. Dr. Buchman gave the scientific meeting report stating that this was the second most heavily attended Shock Society meeting. A recap of some of the meeting sessions and the introduction of 1 day meeting registration were mentioned. Dr. Brackett summarized for the membership committee welcoming the 64 new members and reminding the membership that recruiting efforts need to be continuous. Dr. Zingarelli reported that 69 abstracts were submitted for the new investigator or travel award competition. The travel award and young investigator winners were to be introduced at the banquet. Novo Nordisk support of the Shock Society Investigator award was gratefully acknowledged and members were urged to congratulate both the current awardees and the past awardees during the meeting.

Dr. Chaudry the Shock editor cited a 17.5% increase in journal submissions to 430 manuscripts and thanked the European and Japanese editorial offices as well as the member reviewers for their efforts in successful maintenance of the journal's submission and publication efforts. The new commentary section of the Journal was also highlighted. Dr. Hauser provided a brief Treasurer's report, summarizing the fiscal solvency of the

Society. The Internet committee reminded members of the new Shock Society website and urged everyone to visit it. In particular on-line voting will be a feature for the coming year.

The upcoming joint Shock Society meeting in Cologne was highlighted by Dr. Neugebauer. The next US Shock Society meeting 2009 will be held in San Antonio. Dr. Coopersmith solicited the members for topics and sessions for the 2010 meeting which will be held in the Pacific Northwest. Dr. Smith gave a general discussion of the new ad hoc mentoring committee whose purpose is to coordinate and structure the multiple new investigator support activities of the Shock Society. In particular, the committee is charged with developing new ideas for aggressive promotion of the careers of young Shock Society investigators. Our new President Dr. Pruitt gave a brief overview of his plans for the coming year highlighting plans to include younger investigators on Society committees and having a mid-year strategy meeting for Shock Society council.

A number of constitutional amendments needed to be approved by the membership to implement electronic balloting and expand member participation in Council. The steps for changing the constitution were revised in 2004 to require a motion by a Council member, approval by 2/3 Council, then approval by 2/3 majority at the subsequent business meeting. The membership unanimously approved two changes in the constitution. First, electronic balloting and linking voting to payment of dues was accomplished by the following constitutional change.

*The final list of nominees arranged as a ballot, and containing more than one name for each vacancy to be filled, will be sent electronically to the members (current with dues).*

Second, the number of Council members was expanded as follows.

*The current officers, the three past presidents, the Editor(s) of the official Society Journal(s), the Chair of the Scientific Program Committee, the Chair of the Publications Committee, and eight additional councilors shall constitute this Council.*

This change was accompanied by increasing the term of council members from 3 years to 4 years with the following amendment.

*Councilors shall be chosen by the membership of the Society for four year terms, two to be elected each year.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Carol L. Miller-Graziano, PhD*

**2007-2008  
OFFICERS and COUNCIL**

**OFFICERS**

President Basil A. Pruitt, Jr.  
President-Elect: Mark Clemens  
Secretary: Carol Miller-Graziano  
Treasurer: Basilia Zingarelli

**COUNCIL**

Basil A Pruitt, Jr., M.D., President (2008)  
Mark Clemens, President-Elect (2008)  
Carol Miller-Graziano, Secretary (2009)  
Basilia Zingarelli, Treasurer (2010)  
Irshad H. Chaudry, Editor, SHOCK (2007)  
Patricia A. Molina (2008)  
Ori D. Rotstein (2008)  
James Lederer (2009)  
Hobart Harris (2009)  
Ping Wang (2010)  
Eileen Bulger (2010)  
Sanna Goyert (2011)  
Daniel Meldrum (2011)  
Daniel Brackett, Past President (2010)  
Richard Hotchkiss, Past President (2009)  
Alfred Ayala, Past President (2008)  
Craig M. Coopersmith, Publications Chair (2008)  
Ernest E. Moore, Program Chair (2009)

**STANDING COMMITTEES**

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

Paul Wischmeyer, Chair (2008)  
Robert N. Cooney Vice-Chair (2009)  
Jean Nemzek (2010)  
Steven E. Wolf (2011)  
Laurie Kilpatrick, ad hoc (2009)  
Cynthia Otto, ad hoc (2009)  
Nilofer Qureshi, ad hoc (2009)  
Edward R. Sherwood, ad hoc (2009)  
Jonathan McDunn, ad hoc (2011)  
Douglas Faunce, ad hoc (2011)  
Alfred Ayala, Past President  
Edwin Deitch, Past President

**DEVELOPMENT**

James A. Lederer, Chair (2009)  
David B. Hoyt (2010)  
Basil A. Pruitt, Jr. (2008)  
David N. Herndon (2011)  
Ernest E. Moore, ex-officio (2009)

**FINANCE**

Basilia Zingarelli, Chair  
James Lederer (2009)  
Mark G. Clemens (2008)  
Carl J. Hauser, ad hoc (2008)

**INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

Alfred Ayala, Chair  
Richard Hotchkiss  
Daniel J. Brackett  
David B. Hoyt  
Irshad H. Chaudry, ex-officio  
Basil A. Pruitt, Jr., ex-officio  
Daniel Traber, ex-officio  
Mauricio Rocha E. Silva, ex-officio

**INTERNET**

Gary An, Chair (2010)  
Wolfgang G. Junger (2009)  
Timothy G. Buchman (2009)  
Peter Burke (2010)  
Irshad H. Chaudry, ex-officio

**LAB ANIMAL ISSUES**

Cynthia Otto, Chair (2008)  
Lillian D. Traber (2010)  
Robert A. Johnson (2010)  
Piper Wall (2010)

**MEMBERSHIP**

Joseph Cuschieri, Chair (2009)  
Patrick Greiffenstein, Vice-Chair (2010)  
Daniel J. Brackett, Past-Chair (2008)  
Asit De, ad hoc (2008)  
Michelle Henry-Stanley, ad hoc (2010)

## **MENTORSHIP COMMITTEE**

Brenda Smith, Co-Chair  
Basilia Zingarelli, Co-Chair  
Richard Hotchkiss  
Alfred Ayala  
Robert Barber  
Keith Borg  
David Shepherd  
Jessica Clark  
Irshad Chaudry, Senior Advisor  
Daniel J. Bracket, Senior Advisor

## **NOMINATING**

Daniel J. Brackett, Chair (2011)  
Richard Hotchkiss (2010)  
Alfred Ayala (2009)  
David B. Hoyt (2008)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Craig M. Coopersmith, Chair (2008)  
Frederick A. Moore, Vice-Chair (2010)  
Deborah Carlson (2008)  
Charles E. Wade (2009)

## **RULES**

John G. Younger, Chair (2008)  
David Geller (2009)  
Iris Garcia (2009)  
Rosemary Kozar (2010)

## **SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

Ernest E. Moore, Chair (2009)  
Craig M. Coopersmith, Chair (2010)  
Sanna Goyert (2008)  
David Hackam (2008)  
Anirban Banerjee (2009)  
Marc G. Jeschke (2010)