

# ISPRES Presents

## *Surviving the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic: An International Perspective from Regenerative Plastic Surgeons*



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF PLASTIC  
REGENERATIVE SURGEONS



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### **What:**

The International Society of Plastic Surgeons (ISPRES) is hosting a special, live complimentary webinar that will serve as an across-the-globe discussion of the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **When:**

Monday April 6 at 13:00 – 15:00 (UTC)  
9:00 AM (*New York, United States*)  
3:00 PM (*Rome, Italy*)  
5:00 (*Dubai, United Emirates*)  
10:00 PM (*Tokyo, Japan*)

### **Where:**

[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_VsoMOBZDSqmRgAM5nirUGw](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VsoMOBZDSqmRgAM5nirUGw)

### **Special Guest Speakers:**

Albert D. Donnenberg, MD, PhD, Professor of Medicine in the School of Medicine and Professor of Infectious Disease and Microbiology in the Graduate School of Public Health at the University of Pittsburgh, Director of both the UPMC and the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC Hematopoietic Stem Cell Laboratories.

Vera Donnenberg, MD, PhD, Associate Professor of Cardiothoracic Surgery in the School of Medicine at the University of Pittsburgh with a secondary appointment in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences She is also the Director of Basic Research at Pitt's Heart, Lung and Esophageal Surgery Institute.

Both our guest speakers will discuss recent research regarding the role of ACE2- Mesenchymal Stem Cells in Patients with COVID-19.

### **Chair:**

Amin Kalaaji, MD, PhD (Norway)

### **Moderators:**

Sydney Coleman, MD (United States).  
Aris Sterodimas, MD, MSc, PhD (Greece)

### **Panelists:**

#### **ASIA**

Kotaro Yoshimura, MD (Japan)

#### **AFRICA**

Ewa Siolo, MD (South Africa)

#### **CENTRAL/SOUTH AMERICA**

Nelson Piccolo, MD (Brazil)

#### **EUROPE**

Stefania de Fazio, MD (Italy)

Ramon Lull, MD (Spain)

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

Alexandra Condé-Green, MD, FICS (United States)

Brian Kinney, MD, FACS (United States)

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The novel coronavirus (COVID-19) has directly affected plastic surgeons and all other specialties around the world. A new way of life has been imposed upon us. Non-elective surgeries have been postponed and patient contact is minimal. Necessary cancellations of meetings and conferences have occurred world-wide as people in every continent have been either advised or ordered to stay home, which has also resulted in lowered or non-existent incomes.

Treatment options for those suffering from the virus are limited. During the webinar, we will discuss some possibilities involving recent research regarding the role of Mesenchymal Stem Cells in Patients with COVID-19.

This live, interactive two-hour session brings together panelists from five continents to detail their most recent experiences.

### **Other topics to be discussed include:**

1. Current status of the COVID-19 pandemic in the country and the continent the panelist belongs to.
2. What are the initiatives to support your city and your country as a specialist during this crisis?
3. Leadership roles as a plastic surgeon and as a doctor.
4. Online patient management: does it work for us plastic surgeons? How do you keep your patients engaged with your practice during this crisis?
5. What is the role of regenerative surgery and MSC in the treatment?
6. What measures are you taking in order to manage the expenses of your practice during this crisis?
7. The current forecast seems reminiscent of other challenges the world has faced. What are the resources to help you overcome the current situation in your practice?
8. How do you care for your patients through social media?
9. Which steps can you take now to prepare for future profit and growth?
10. History has shown us that after the emergency subsidies, health and beauty products and services tend to be in high demand. What are your views and what are your immediate plans once this crisis subsides?

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