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Interventional Radiology Resources Cover Peripheral Arterial Disease or PAD

Society of Interventional Radiology Offers Publications, Patient Information Brochures in Time for September's National PAD Awareness Month

FAIRFAX, Va.—The Society of Interventional Radiology offers numerous resources just in time for September's national peripheral arterial disease (or PAD) awareness month. As recent medical studies continue to highlight the seriousness of PAD, these resources are welcome additions to libraries for interventional radiologists and primary care physicians who want to learn more about minimally invasive treatments for this disease that affects an estimated 10 million people in the United States.

New for this year is **"Aortic Diseases: Clinical Diagnostic Imaging Atlas"** (Stuart J. Hutchison, 2009, hardcover, 374 pages, includes DVD). This title in the brand-new Clinical Diagnostic Imaging Atlas Series offers authoritative guidance from a well-known cardiologist and imaging expert about when and how to perform the latest diagnostic imaging tests, interpret the results and effectively treat the emergency. Included are detailed discussions of hot topics, full-color illustrations and a DVD of procedural videos, animation and downloadable image libraries. SIR member, \$169; nonmember, \$185.

Patient information brochures, which are useful for interventional radiologists, primary care physicians, other health care professionals and laypersons, give a better understanding of interventional radiology treatments. PAD-related titles include "What You Should Know About Peripheral Arterial Disease," "Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA)," "Angiography" (English and Spanish versions), "Angioplasty," "Stent Placement" and "What Is Interventional Radiology?" SIR member, \$50 (100 brochures); nonmember, \$100 (100 brochures).

Additional resources available at SIR Web site are listed below.

"Peripheral Vascular Interventions" (Krishna Kandarpa, 2007, hardbound, 720 pages, 1,146 illustrations): This comprehensive clinical reference describes the full range of endovascular interventions currently used for peripheral vascular problems. SIR member, \$189; nonmember, \$210.

"Image-Guided Intervention: 2-Volume Set" (Matthew A. Mauro, Kieran Murphy, Kenneth Thomson, Anthony Venbrux and Christoph L. Zollikofer, 2008, hardcover, 1,928 pages): An international group of experts brings an exhaustive full-color, two-volume reference on every aspect of vascular and non-vascular interventions. Included are more than 1,600 examples of cutting-edge modalities such as MR, multislice CT, CT angiography and ultrasonography. SIR member, \$339; nonmember, \$370.

"Atlas of Vascular Anatomy: An Angiographic Approach" (Renan Uflacker, second edition, 2006, hardbound, 928 pages, 829 illustrations): This book, which presents the complete anatomy of the arteries, veins and lymphatic system by body region, includes full-color drawings that are correlated with angiographic images to guide evaluation and management of vascular disease and performance of endovascular procedures. SIR member, \$249; nonmember, \$275.

"Cardiovascular Haemodynamics and Doppler Waveforms Explained" (Crispian Oates, 2008, paperback, 192 pages): This book provides the necessary understanding of the physical principles of blood flow in the body to produce clear and diagnostically secure scans. SIR member, \$55; nonmember, \$60.

"Vascular and Interventional Radiology" (Karim Valji, second edition, 2006, hardcover, 640 pages, 1,000 illustrations): This edition provides a thorough introduction to vascular and interventional radiology with a detailed review of the full spectrum of vascular and nonvascular diagnostic and interventional procedures. SIR member, \$200; nonmember, \$215.

"Vascular and Interventional Radiology: The Requisites" (John A. Kaufman and Michael J. Lee, 2004, hardcover, 510 pages): Part of the definitive Requisites series, this volume offers all the essentials necessary to pass exams in radiology and practice in the field. SIR member, \$102; nonmember, \$115.

"CT and MR Angiography: Comprehensive Vascular Assessment" (Geoffrey D. Rubin and Neil M. Rofsky, 2008, hardbound, 1,316 pages, 2,230 illustrations): This landmark work is the first

comprehensive text on vascular imaging using CT and MR and provides a balanced view of the capabilities of these modalities and practical guidelines for obtaining and interpreting images. SIR member, \$269; nonmember, \$295.

“Handbook of Interventional Radiologic Procedures” (Krishna Kandarpa and John E. Aruny, third edition, 2001, softbound, 784 pages, 117 illustrations): This practical, take-along handbook features 20 new chapters and extensive updates throughout to keep pace with the rapid growth of interventional radiology and focuses on protocols and equipment. SIR member, \$54.95; nonmember, \$65. Also available is the **“Handbook of Interventional Radiologic Procedures CD-ROM for PDA.”** This version covers all current procedures from venous access techniques and embolizations to stent grafts and carbon dioxide angiography, providing instant access to information on protocols and equipment; indications, complications and clinical outcomes; drugs and dosages; and noninvasive studies and laboratory values. SIR member, \$59.95; nonmember, \$70.

For more information on any of these PAD resources, visit the Society of Interventional Radiology’s Web site at www.SIRweb.org (click on IR Store) or call (888) 695-9733.

September is national PAD awareness month. The Society of Interventional Radiology Foundation recommends that older Americans, smokers and diabetics take its free, online self-assessment quiz during September’s national PAD awareness month. This simple quiz—along with appropriate diagnosis and treatment—can prevent PAD from getting worst and help reduce risk of heart disease, stroke and early death. To take the free PAD risk assessment quiz to review the results with one’s own doctor, visit www.legsforlife.org. PAD screenings can be held at any time; however, in September, during national PAD awareness month, interventional radiologists provide PAD screening at selective sites through Legs for Life®. *Please note: Legs for Life® sites provide a limited number of screenings; advance appointments are required. Many interventional radiologists offer year-round screening by appointment; a link to this information is provided on the Legs for Life® site (www.legsforlife.org).* Additionally, individuals can find local interventional radiologists by visiting the Society of Interventional Radiology’s Web site (www.SIRweb.org) and clicking on its Doctor Finder (choose “Peripheral Arterial Disease” in the Area of Expertise list).

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About the Society of Interventional Radiology

Interventional radiologists are physicians who specialize in minimally invasive, targeted treatments. They offer the most in-depth knowledge of the least invasive treatments available coupled with diagnostic and clinical experience across all specialties. They use X-ray, MRI and other imaging to advance a catheter in the body, such as in an artery, to treat at the source of the disease internally. As the inventors of angioplasty and the catheter-delivered stent, which were first used in the legs to treat peripheral arterial disease, interventional radiologists pioneered minimally invasive modern medicine. Today, interventional oncology is a growing specialty area of interventional radiology. Interventional radiologists can deliver treatments for cancer directly to the tumor without significant side effects or damage to nearby normal tissue.

Many conditions that once required surgery can be treated less invasively by interventional radiologists. Interventional radiology treatments offer less risk, less pain and less recovery time compared to open surgery. Visit www.SIRweb.org.