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## 1992 Annual Meeting Preview

### Scientific program highlights

#### Founders Lecture

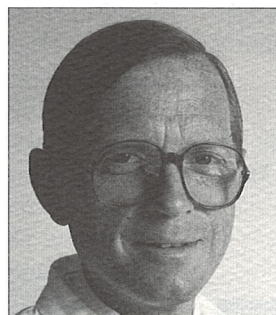
Dr. Edgar Biemer, professor of surgery at the University of Munich, will deliver the Founders Lecture titled "Reconstruction of the Extremities by Free Tissue Transfer — Seventeen-Year Personal Experience."

Professor Biemer studied medicine and trained in plastic surgery at universities in Frankfurt, Vienna and London. He established the first replantation center in Germany in 1975 and has published many articles on microsurgery. Professor Biemer is president of the International Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery and is a founder and the first secretary of the Germany Speaking Group for Microsurgery of Peripheral Nerves and Vessels.

#### Bone Symposium

"State-of-the-art" presentations on the physiology of osteogenesis, bone morphogenic protein, conventional bone grafting, free bone transfer, osteocutaneous transfer, allografts and the Ilizarov technique will be included in the symposium.

The panel will include the following:  
James A. Nunley II, MD, moderator



Dr. Edgar Biemer

Gary E. Friedlander, MD  
Andrew J. Weiland, MD  
Jesse B. Jupiter, MD  
Fu-Chan Wei, MD  
Robert D. Fitch, MD

#### Audiovisual Theatre

The Audiovisual Committee has received an enthusiastic response to the call for videotape abstracts. A large selection of tapes covering basic science, microsurgical technique and the

clinical aspects of microsurgery will be available for viewing in the audiovisual theatre. The theatre will be open during exhibit hours.

#### Scientific Technique Sessions

Monday afternoon's program will offer the following eight instructional courses:

##### *Consult an Expert*

Graham D. Lister, MD, Donald Serafin, MD, and Peter J. Stern, MD

##### *Techniques of Peripheral Nerve Repair*

Thomas M. Brushart, MD

##### *Techniques in Designing and Performing Cosmetic Free Flaps*

Joseph Upton, MD, Neil F. Jones, MD, John Siebert, MD

##### *Techniques in Toe-to-Thumb Transfer*

James B. Steichen, MD

##### *Techniques in Pediatric Brachial Plexus Reconstruction*

Vincent R. Hentz, MD, Richard Meyer, MD

##### *Techniques in Functioning Microneurovascular Muscle Transfer—Extremities*

Ralph T. Manktelow, MD

##### *Technical Refinements in Mandibular Reconstruction*

Saleh M. Shenaq, MD, M. Shusterman, MD

##### *Techniques in Composite Tissue Transfer*

Robert C. Russell, MD

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# Annual Meeting set for Scottsdale

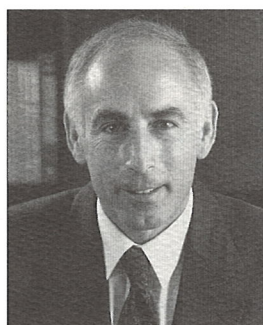
*From the President*

Plans for the Eighth Annual Meeting, of the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, which began more than 18 months ago are now complete. Your officers, council members and the various committees have been extremely active over the past year. This was evidenced at the very productive Mid-Year Council Meeting held April 25 in Chicago.

For the Annual Meeting, we will gather November 7-9 at the Scottsdale Plaza Resort in Scottsdale, Arizona. The council and committee meetings are scheduled for Saturday, November 7,

along with the evening Welcoming Reception. The Annual Meeting will officially open on Sunday, November 8, with scientific sessions all day on Sunday and Monday, November 9. Dr. Richard Goldner and his Program Committee have put together an outstanding program, thanks to the large number of abstracts that were submitted by you, the membership. One of the highlights of Sunday's program will be a symposium dealing with the various bone-grafting techniques including conventional grafting, bone-growth factors, allografts, the use of free vascularized bone grafts, and the Ilizarov technique.

We are fortunate that on Monday morning Dr. Edgar Biemer, professor of surgery at the University of Munich will deliver the Founders Lecture titled "Reconstruction of the Extremities by Free Tissue Transfer—Seventeen Years Personal Experience." As you know, Dr. Biemer is an outstanding speaker and is well known for his many contributions in



Andrew J. Weiland, MD

the field of reconstructive microsurgery.

Opportunities for sporting activities and social events will be numerous. Instead of the usual black tie banquet, we have organized a Western Intrigue party that will be held outdoors. This will include a band specializing in '50s, '60s, '70s and country-western music. In

addition, a unique show will be presented by "Doc" Eason, a professional magician. I am sure that this will be a special event for everyone. I have also been informed that all guests will receive a genuine leather bullwhip to be used at their discretion.

On behalf of the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to Scottsdale and to thank the membership for their activities on behalf of the Society over this past year.

*Andrew J. Weiland, MD  
President*

## Reconstructive Microsurgery

The mission of the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery is to promote, encourage, foster and advance the art and science of reconstructive microneurovascular surgery; and to establish a forum for teaching, research and free discussion of reconstructive microsurgical methods and principles among members.

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## Scenic Scottsdale has much to offer

The nostalgic Old West meets the cosmopolitan New West in this beautiful sun belt city. Traditional adobes blend with modern structures, while the palm trees and saguaro cactus salute the flawless blue sky.

The 70-degree November climate will be perfect for enjoying tennis, swimming, horseback riding, hot-air ballooning or one of the many golf courses in the area. Visitors to the area may also visit the Phoenix Zoo or the Desert Botanical Garden, two of the many places to tour while in the region.

The irresistible balmy climate is only the first of many attractions. A favorite of dealers and collectors, Scottsdale has become one of the world's foremost art communities. Shopping is not to be missed either, with the Borgata pedestrian



Scottsdale visitors can enjoy a taste of the Old West when visiting nearby Rawhide, an 1880's western town.



mall, the Pedegral Marketplace and the Scottsdale Fashion Square, offering a variety of fine shops and boutiques.

### Housing

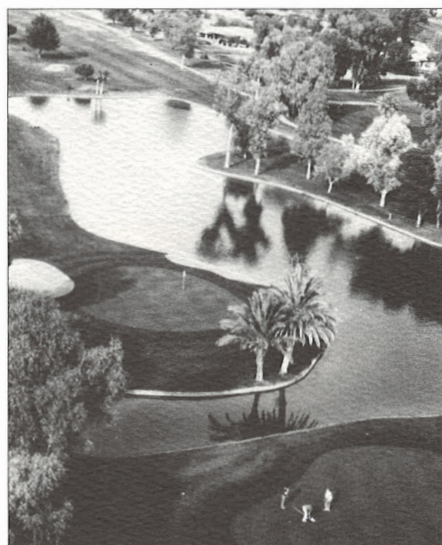
The luxurious Scottsdale Plaza Resort will serve as the host hotel for the meeting. The hotel offers five pool areas on the property, five tennis courts and racquetball courts. This 400-room hotel offers a variety of accommodation options for our meeting, ranging from deluxe rooms to bi-level suites. Reservations may be made by completing a housing form in the preliminary program brochure or by calling the hotel directly at (602) 951-5152.

### Membership Reminder

Active ASRM members are required to attend at least one of every three annual meetings to maintain their membership status. If you need to know your attendance record, please contact the secretary:

James A. Nunley, MD  
Duke University Medical Center  
Box 2919  
Durham, NC 27710  
(919) 684-4033

The preliminary program for the 1992 ASRM Annual Meeting has been mailed to all members. If you have not received a program, please contact the ASRM Central Office at (708) 228-9717.



Enjoy one of Scottsdale's area golf courses and take advantage of the irresistible balmy climate.

## '92 Annual Meeting at-a-glance

### Saturday, November 7, 1992

7 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Council and Committee meetings
noon - 6 p.m.	Registration
6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.	Welcoming Reception

### Sunday, November 8, 1992

6:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Registration
6:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Exhibits
6:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Audiovisual Theatre
6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.	Continental breakfast
7:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.	Scientific Session
9:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 a.m. - noon	Scientific Session
noon - 1 p.m.	Lunch
1 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.	Scientific Session
1:50 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Bone Symposium
3:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Break
4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Scientific Session
6:30 p.m. - 11 p.m.	Presidential Reception and Banquet

### Monday, November 9, 1992

6:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Registration
6:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Exhibits
6:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Audiovisual Theatre
6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.	Continental breakfast
7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Scientific Session
9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Break
10 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Scientific Session
11 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.	Founders Lecture: Professor Edgar Biemer, "Reconstruction of the Extremities by Free Tissue Transfer—Seventeen-Year Personal Experience"
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.	Members Business Meeting
2 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.	Scientific Session
3:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.	Break
4:15 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Scientific Technique Sessions I
5:15 p.m. - 6 p.m.	Scientific Technique Sessions II



Saint Tropez, France, May 21-23, 1993

## ASRM to co-sponsor international meeting

### *Combined meeting of the American, French, Italian and Spanish Microsurgical Societies*

The American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery has accepted an invitation from the Groupe Pour L'Avancement De La Microchirurgie to participate in a combined meeting in Saint Tropez, France, from May 21-23, 1993. Located on the coast of France, this resort is very

easy to reach from Paris or London. A further attraction of this combined meeting is that it will precede the First European Congress of Hand Surgery in Brussels, to be held May 26-29, 1993.

ASRM has agreed to take part in the meeting by presenting free papers and by participating in clinical panels, the themes of which include head and neck, thumb reconstruction, skin coverage of upper extremities, lymphatics, leg reconstruc-

tion, replantation, oesophageal reconstruction and brachial plexus.

Michael B. Wood, MD, ASRM past president, will serve as program chairman for this meeting.

For further information, contact Graham D. Lister, MD, University of Utah -3C127, 50 N. Medical Drive, Salt Lake City, UT 84132.

### 1991-92 Committee Chairmen

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Michael B. Wood, MD

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## Combined Tissue Transfer Symposium a success

Attendees gave high marks to the Current Concepts in Microsurgical Tissue Transfer Symposium held March 18-22 in St. Louis, MO. The program was co-sponsored by ASRM and the Plastic Surgery Educational Foundation (PSEF) and chaired by Robert C. Russell, MD and Roger K. Khouri, MD.

The meeting facilities, exhibitors and scientific program were all exceptional. A total of 21 national and international

faculty members spoke on the anatomy of the most commonly used flaps, technical innovations, "how to" tips for practicing microsurgeons, and free tissue transfers by anatomic area. Free paper presentations by attendees were offered at the end of each day. Evening videotape sessions included tapes provided by the PSEF, and a cadaver dissection session was sponsored by Washington University School of Medicine. The evaluations demon-

strate the program's excellence — 85% of the attendees rated the program good-excellent.

The meeting also provided a forum to view commercial exhibits by 14 companies. Finally, we are very grateful to our sponsors for the significant corporate support provided for this important program.

*Robert C. Russell, MD.*

## New staff at Central Office

The ASRM Council recently renewed its contract with Associated Management Services, Inc. (AMS), a subsidiary of the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons.

Elaine Larkin-Leighton became the ASRM account executive in December, 1991.

As account executive, Elaine serves as our contact person in the Central Office and coordinates the staff activities on our behalf.

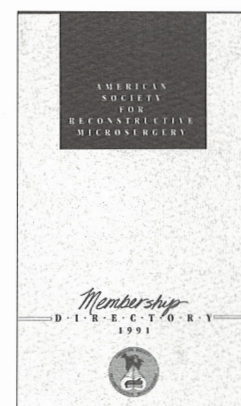
She has worked for ASPRS for three years and is the ASPRS educational programs manager. Prior to working for ASPRS, Elaine worked for the Arthritis Foundation, Illinois Chapter. She holds a master of public health degree from the



**Elaine Larkin-Leighton**

University of Michigan and a bachelor's degree from Northwestern University.

Elaine may be reached at the Central Office at (708) 228-9717.



## 1993 roster updates to mail soon

The membership roster will be reprinted in early 1993 for distribution to all ASRM members. All active, corresponding and associate members will soon receive an update form in the mail, along with a request for a photograph if one was not provided for the 1991 roster. The roster production will be coordinated by Robert C. Russell, MD.

## Surgical Specialties Corporation sponsors Society newsletter

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## Correction

The editor regrets the following errors from the Winter 1991 issue of *Reconstructive Microsurgery*:

- p. 5 Photograph incorrectly identified Dr. J. Brian Boyd, MB, MD, FRCS(C), FACS as Mr. Martyn Webster.
- p. 7 Richard E. Brown, MD, lives in Springfield, Illinois, not Springfield, Missouri.

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# Microsurgery calendar...

## **September 17-20, 1992**

American Association for Hand Surgery Annual Meeting, Capitol Hilton, Washington, DC. Contact: Robert Becker, 435 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611; (312) 644-0828.

## **September 20-25, 1992**

ASPRS/PSEF/ASMS Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC. Contact: ASPRS, 444 E. Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005; (800) 766-4955.

## **November 7-9, 1992**

American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery Eighth Annual Meeting,

Scottsdale Plaza Resort, Scottsdale, AZ. Contact: ASRM, 444 E. Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005; (708) 228-9717.

## **November 11-14, 1992**

American Society for Surgery of the Hand 47th Annual Meeting, Convention Center, Phoenix, AZ. Contact: Paul S. Scheid, ASSH, 3025 S. Parker Road, Suite 65, Aurora, CO 80014; (303) 755-4588.

## **May 21-23, 1993**

Groupe Pour L'Avancement De La Microchirurgie Combined Meeting of the American, French, Italian and Spanish Microsurgical Societies, Saint Tropez,

France. Contact: Graham D. Lister, MD, University of Utah, 50 N. Medical Drive, Salt Lake City, UT 84132; (801) 581-7719.

## **September 25-27, 1993**

American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery Ninth Annual Meeting, Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Kansas City, MO. Contact: ASRM, 444 E. Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005; (708) 228-9717.

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