

Session Title

Effective Surgery for Lymphedema

Plenary Session: Saturday, October 25 at 3:30pm

Learning Stream: 1, 2 and 3

Session Summary and Goals

Current effective surgical options for lymphedema will be reviewed in detail. Integration of surgery into a complete system of lymphedema treatment will be emphasized.

Objectives will include:

- Understand pathophysiology of lymphedema;
- Understand the difference between fluid vs. solid predominant lymphedema and how this relates to patient selection for surgery
- Understand the different surgical options for lymphedema;
- Understand the appropriate selection of surgical lymphedema options
- Understand the close integration of lymphedema therapy into an optimum surgical treatment plan
- Understand the integration of surgical options for lymphedema into a comprehensive lymphedema treatment system



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