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# Live Surgery Workshop & Cadaver Dissection a Big Success!

by *Dominic A. Brandy, M.D.*

(Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania)

The second annual "Live Surgery Workshop and Cadaver Dissection on Scalp-lifting, Circumferential Scalp Reduction, Scalp Extension and Strip Mini/micrografting," ran from July 29th through July 31st and was considered a huge success by the participants who attended.

During the first morning of the course Dr. James Bridenstine gave a thorough review of anatomy; Dr. Dominic Brandy discussed conventional scalp reduction, scalp-lifting, circumferential scalp reduction and scalp extension; Dr. David Zipfel presented the advantages and disadvantages of scalp-lifting; and Dr. Paul Rose reviewed adjuncts, such as the CO2 laser, that can be utilized with scalp-lifting and circumferential scalp reduction. Dr. Raymond Konior then reviewed his personal approach to scalp-lifting. Videos were subsequently shown to reinforce the material reviewed during the morning sessions.

After the morning didactic session the participants were transported by coach line to Dr. Brandy's surgical facility at which time the faculty answered questions. During the live surgery workshop, a scalp-lift, circumferential scalp reduction, bitemporal scalp reduction and occipital artery ligation were performed. After a long grueling day, the participants were treated to a beautiful boat cruise along the Three Rivers of Pittsburgh.

The following morning Dr. James Bridenstine reviewed the history of hair transplantation; Dr. Dominic Brandy reviewed his systematic approach to mini/micrografting; and Dr. Paul Rose discussed strip donor harvesting techniques. Dr. David Zipfel then informed the attendees how to avoid the complications of hair transplantation and Dr. Michael Meshkin elaborated on the NoKor needle. As a finale, Dr. David Narins, who attended last year's meeting, taught the participants how to take all of the information discussed and apply it to the real world. In the afternoon live surgery workshop, two hair transplantation procedures, along with a Frechet transpositional flap were performed. After another exhausting day, an outdoor dinner party at the Brandy's residence gave attendees a chance to relax and exchange ideas.

Sunday morning the participants were transported to the University of Pittsburgh where the highlight of the course, the cadaver dissection, took place. Jan Hart, the Anatomy Curator in the Department of Neurobiology, did a masterful job of preserving the cadaver heads utilized during this course. Each attendee had an abundance of hands-on experience performing all of the procedures aforementioned.

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