

Editor's foreword

Welcome to the November 2025 edition of the *JVSGBI*.

We have two editorials in this issue, the first editorial is the second in a series by Long and co-authors outlining the principles of, and evidence for, mentorship. This editorial details mentorship in practice - how to build a successful mentorship program and relationship.

The second editorial by Ninkovic-Hall *et al* discusses why the UK is yet to embrace robotic assisted vascular surgery and proposes a structured and evidence-led way forward to correct this and facilitate this exciting evolution.

We include three protocols: The first - *Surgical Site Infections in Major Lower Limb Amputation – Transmetatarsal Extension (SIMBA-T)* an international multicentre audit by Alawattegama on behalf of the SIMBA-T Study Group. The second - *Protocol for the Physical Activity after Cardiovascular Screening (PACS) study in women aged 60–69 years*; a prospective observational cohort study by Messeder *et al*. The third is a systematic review protocol of *The use of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs for the prevention and reduction of pain following superficial venous incompetence treatment* by Vedanayagam *et al*.

The three case reports we have chosen for this issue we hope you will find of interest, two of which cover rare vascular complications and the third presents the first confirmed case of a mycotic aortic aneurysm due to *Dermabacter Vaginalis*.

JVSGBI are happy to publish the prize winning abstracts from the Vascular Society Annual Scientific Meeting in Brighton last year and the top scoring abstracts from the VASGBI Annual Scientific Meeting in London this year. Also the two winning entries from this year's Rouleaux Club Essay Competition.

Finally the issue finishes with news from some of the Vascular Societies.

We are excited to have reached our 5th year of publication, to ensure the *JVSGBI* continues to thrive and grow please submit your papers for publication via email to: editorialoffice@jvsgbi.com.



Ian Chetter
Editor in Chief JVSGBI
Vascular Society GBI President