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AACS Annual Scientific Meeting Attendance Breaks Record

CHICAGO, IL – The American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery (AACS) announced its highest attendance in the Academy's history with more than 900 medical professionals at its 29th Annual Scientific Meeting. The event was held January 16-19 at Caesars Palace Hotel in Las Vegas.

"We could not be more pleased with the attendance numbers for this year's Annual Scientific Meeting," said Dr. Gerald Edds, 2012 AACS President. "The Academy is a growing organization with a profuse international membership. This record turnout from across the world proves that the Annual Scientific Meeting is distinguished as the premier educational meeting for cosmetic surgeons everywhere."

The Annual Scientific Meeting, an international, multi-specialty meeting in cosmetic surgery, featured world-renowned surgeons and keynote speakers, including Angelo Cuzalina, MD, DDS who is the 2011 president of AACS and recipient of the Cosmetic Surgery Foundation's 2013 Webster Award. This award recognizes significant contributions made in the field of cosmetic surgery.

Other keynote speakers included: Dr. Patrick Tredivic, a plastic, reconstructive and aesthetic surgeon who currently serves as the Head of the Surgery Department at the Hopital Sainte-Anne in Paris; Dr. Alexander Krakovsky, an internationally-renowned speaker and educator in the areas of cosmetic, plastic and aesthetic surgery; Dr. Ira Papel, who serves as both an Associate Professor at John Hopkins University and the co-director of the Facial Plastic Fellowship at John Hopkins Hospital; Dr. Andre Vieira Braz, a clinical dermatologic surgeon based in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; and Inna Belenky, a clinical training manager of Viora's clinical team.

Dr. Neil Sadick, who was inducted as 2013 AACS President at the meeting added, "The core of the Academy's mission has always been education. This year's meeting focused on that mission by featuring sessions that were tailored to the needs of cosmetic surgeons in every specialty."

Attendees chose from a comprehensive educational program with included topics ranging from *Live Patient Demonstrations, Advanced Topics in Liposuction and Advanced Body Contouring, Rhinoplasty and Otoplasty, Blepharoplasty and Browlift, Innovations in Hair Restoration Surgery, Age Management Medicine* and Practice Management Sessions.

The Academy also offered an assortment of pre-conferences and symposia, including the *Sixth World Congress of the International Society of Cosmetogynecology (ISCG), Spanish Symposium, Stem Cell Symposium, American Society of Liposuction Surgery and the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery Foundations of Liposuction*. In addition, the AACS offered its Annual Meeting Mobile App. The Mobile App allowed attendees to view all areas

of the event and customize their meeting schedule through their smartphones. More than 150 exhibitors also demonstrated the latest innovative products and services.

Looking ahead, the 2014 AACS Annual Meeting will also be held in Fort Lauderdale, Florida with 2015 in New Orleans. To learn more about the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery or the Annual Scientific Meeting, visit: www.cosmeticsurgery.org.

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About the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery

Founded in 1985, the mission of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery (AACS) is to advance the specialty of cosmetic surgery and quality patient care. AACS is the leader in continuing medical education for all specialties of cosmetic surgery, providing fellowship training programs, live surgery workshops, medical symposiums and an annual scientific meeting. Most members of the AACS are board-certified cosmetic surgeons, dermatological surgeons, plastic and reconstructive surgeons, head and neck surgeons, oral and maxillofacial surgeons, obstetric-gynecologic surgeons, general surgeons and ophthalmic surgeons – all of whom specialize in cosmetic surgery. AACS is the organization that represents all cosmetic surgeons in the American Medical Association (AMA) through its seat in the AMA House of Delegates. For more information, visit www.cosmeticsurgery.org