# Fall Voice Conference – October 12-14, 2017



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### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES - MAIN CONFERENCE:**

- Describe clinical features of Muscle Tension Dysphagia
- Identify a framework for diagnosis for Muscle Tension Dysphagia
- Describe effective treatment techniques for Muscle Tension Dysphagia
- Describe potential benefits of robotic assistance in microlaryngeal phonosurgery.
- Describe limitations of currently available robotic systems.
- List one potential of a novel robotic 'steady-hand' platform in improving precision of microlaryngeal phonosurgery.
- Describe the effect of radiation therapy on laryngeal tissues
- Describe the intervention approaches applied in Vocal hygiene and Vocal Function Exercises
- Describe the multi-dimensional effects of radiation therapy on voice quality
- List the patient safety issues during office based KTP laser procedures
- Describe the SMH Safety Protocol development and application.
- List the sociodemographic factors associated with the likelihood that an individual over age 65 will report or seek treatment for voice problems.
- Explain why only a small minority of adults over 65 with voice problems will be evaluated by an otolaryngologist or a speech-language pathologist.
- Explain why serial intralesional steroid injections likely prolong the interval between surgical airway procedures in patients with subglottic and proximal tracheal stenosis
- Describe the association between idiopathic vocal fold paralysis and upper respiratory infections
- List alternate proposed etiologies of idiopathic vocal fold paralysis
- Describe how to use Thyroarytenoid myoneurectomy to treat Adductor spasmodic dysphonia.
- Describe the advantages and disadvantages of an alternative medication regimen for empiric LPR treatment
- Describe how medication compliance and erroneous LPR diagnoses issues lead to the high cost of treating LPR
- Describe the economic impact and potential cost savings that up front reflux and motility testing offer.
- Describe the typical aerodynamic findings seen in patients with Adductor Spasmodic Dysphonia
- Describe how typical aerodynamic findings seen in patients with Adductor Spasmodic Dysphonia are affected by botox injection
- Describe the potential of a silk-based injectable filler as a biocompatible treatment for vocal fold medialization
- Describe emerging technology in vocal fold filler field and list the engineering criteria critical for the design of improved injectable formulations.
- Describe how rabies virus is used as a tool for tracing neuroanatomical pathways in monkeys
- Discuss the potential for multiple cortical areas to contribute to vocal motor control
- Describe the utility of high-speed videoendoscopy in detailing vocal fold scar.
- Describe precise vibratory changes in the scarred vocal fold and the non-scar vocal fold following surgical treatment.
- Describe the perceptual changes of vocal quality following surgical intervention of vocal fold scar, and it's

- relation to changes in vocal fold vibration.
- Define presbylaryngis and pathologic presbyphonia and distinguish between them.
- Describe physical exam findings consistent with presbylaryngis
- Describe acoustic features of pathologic presbyphonia
- List common ways that phonation threshold pressure is used in clinic and research
- Describe the potential changes in PTP due to repetition and learning
- Describe how these data provide evidence that vocal tasks may follow traditional motor learning principles
- List vocal responses to psychological stress
- Differentiate between fear and psychological stress
- Describe the value of cortisol sampling in voice
- Describe the implications for HPV vaccine in patients with RRP.
- List factors guiding the decision to undergo HPV vaccination.
- Describe the effects of improved glottic closure on dyspnea.
- Describe the signs and symptoms of glottic insufficiency.
- List the pros and cons of both lipoinjection and medialization laryngoplasty for treatment of glottic insufficiency
- List risk factors for phonotraumatic injury in fitness instructors
- List phonotraumatic injuries common in fitness instructors
- Describe treatment outcomes of fitness instructors treated for phonotraumatic injury
- Describe factors that increase the risk of vocal injury in various types of professional performers
- List common types of vocal injuries seen in professional performers
- List indirect and direct treatment goals for certain types of professional performers
- Describe gaps in the current literature regarding voice therapy discharge
- List factors SLPs find most important to discharging a patient from voice therapy
- List factors patients find most important to being discharged from voice therapy
- Describe the objective of the s/z ratio
- Describe the rationale behind using the s/z/ z/a coupling in assessment of voice
- Describe the application of desensitization therapy to symptoms of laryngeal hypersensitivity.
- Describe the nature of Larvngeal Adductor Responses.
- Describe the potential benefits of cryotherapy in the treatment of glottic carcinoma
- Describe and compare the improvement in dysphagia outcomes among patients treated with an endoscopic versus open transcervical approach to Zenker's Diverticulum
- Describe how to use the STROBE statement (Strengthening the Reporting of Observational studies in Epidemiology) to evaluate the quality of reported studies
- Describe the approximate location of two regions of diaphragm representation in macaque primary motor cortex
- Describe how respiratory-phonatory coordination might be facilitated at a neuroanatomical level
- Identify several commercially available chromoendoscopy filters and characteristics of each.
- Describe laser safety precautions for the use of KTP laser
- Describe the challenges of adherence to vocal training programs
- Describe the benefits and limitations of mobile health technologies for vocal training
- Describe how the results from patient self-perception indices are useful predictors of speech therapy adherence.
- Describe how to use the results from self-perception indices as an educational tool to increase the
  patient's own awareness of voice disorders as a contributing factor to chronic cough.
- Describe appropriate treatment for MTDg patients.
- Describe why PPI therapy alone does not treat laryngeal muscle tension.
- Describe why dysphonia may be a concomitant symptom with MTDg however the recovery for both symptoms may not be simultaneous.
- List the various materials used for vocal fold tissue engineering
- Describe the biomimetic properties of the novel vocal fold scaffold
- Define stimulability and stimulability testing in the context of the voice evaluation.
- Describe the challenges and barriers to creating a standardized stimulability protocol and the limitations

- in our field without one.
- Describe the use of stimulability as a predictor for appropriateness for voice therapy and positive voice therapy outcomes.
- Describe the natural history of type I posterior glottic stenosis.
- Compare in-office management of type I posterior glottic stenosis with management in the operating room.
- Describe the potential for persistent impairment of vocal fold motion after lysis of posterior glottic synechia.
- Define laryngeal hypersensitivity.
- Describe the current modes of treatment for laryngeal hypersensitivity and its symptoms.
- List and describe the disorders of the upper esophageal sphincter
- Discuss the clinical potential of high resolution manometry biofeedback for patients with disorders of upper esophageal sphincter
- Participants will be able to name the new breathing technique for treating exercise induced PVFM.
- Participants will be able to list the seven steps for teaching the Hybrid Breathing Technique to patients with exercise induced PVFM.
- Discuss the frequency of laryngeal tremor
- Discuss the perceptual analysis of laryngeal tremor
- The participant should understand how increased magnitude doses of phonation alter the vocal folds on the structural and molecular level.
- The participant should understand how these structural and molecular changes impact vocal fold vibratory function.
- Describe the role of osteophytes in dysphagia
- List comorbidities that may be contributing to dysphagia along with osteophytes
- Differentiate between MTD and SD through aerodynamic measures.
- Describe how aerodynamic measures can help differentiate between primary and secondary MTD
- Describe the neuropathic model for chronic cough and list commonly utilized medications.
- Describe the efficacy, dosing, side effects, and treatment course of patients using tramadol for chronic cough.
- Describe the safety profile of intramuscular steroid injection in the vocal fold;
- List the indications of intracordal steroid injection in vocal fold pathology;
- List the technical steps of office-based intracordal steroid injection.
- Describe the current standard of care for esophageal dilation in head and neck cancer (HNCA)
- Describe the safety and feasibility of in-office, topical anesthesia for esophageal dilation in HNCA patients
- Describe the new validated scale for Reinke's Edema
- Describe the clinical correlations of the Reinke's edema grading
- Explain the differences between an implicit-only and implicit-explicit approach to voice therapy
- Describe the impact of nocturnal laryngopharyngeal reflux disease on quality of life and speech
- Describe how anatomy and sleep-positioning impact the reflux of gastric contents during sleep
- Describe how sleep positioning devices can improve LPRD symptoms
- Describe the utility of PVHI and RSI in the pediatric population
- Explain the predictive power of PVHI and RSI for presence of physical findings on laryngoscopy
- Describe the role of cough suppression therapy within the otolaryngologist's treatment algorithm for recalcitrant chronic cough
- Describe the response to cough suppression therapy by asthmatics with chronic cough
- Develop a greater understanding of cough suppression therapy for patient counseling
- Describe the simple dysphagia score system for head and neck cancer patients generated from previously validated quality of life assessment tools.
- Describe the association of the dysphagia score and overall survival of head and neck cancer patients.
- Describe the strengths and weaknesses of the new dysphagia score system introduced in this study.
- Identify barriers that trans women have in obtaining voice training and voice modification surgery.
- Describe preferences for voice training among trans women.
- Describe the concept of a minimal clinically important difference in an outcome measure
- Describe the implication of determining an MCID for the VHI-10



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#### Fall Voice Pre-Conference Learning Outcomes

Following this course, participants will be able to...

#### Case History

- List key questions to ask patients during a medical history to help form a differential diagnosis.
- o Describe how to develop a patient centered approach to interviewing the voice patient.
- List indicators of quality of life impairment in the dysphonic patient.

# • Perceptual analysis of voice

- Describe the theoretical underpinnings of the most commonly-used approaches to measuring voice;
- o List one reason why voice research appears to have stalled in recent decades;
- Describe how different conceptions of the nature of voice impact approaches to voice measurement.

#### Pearls on laryngeal imaging

- Describe how to perform rigid and flexible endoscopy
- List one technique to enhance the quality of videostroboscopy images

#### Acoustic analysis of voice

- List one strength and one pitfall of acoustic analysis both in clinical and research settings.
- o Identify one new trend in quantitative voice techniques.

#### Aerodynamic analysis

- Define airflow, air pressure, laryngeal airway resistance, and phonation threshold pressure.
- o Describe the instrumentation needed to measure airflow and air pressure
- O Describe noninstrumental approaches to assessing aerodynamic aspects of phonation
- o List speech and nonspeech tasks that are useful for aerodynamic assessment of voice
- Explain the relevance of aerodynamic measures for evaluating changes in phonation associated with surgical or behavioral interventions.

## Singing Voice Evaluation

- Describe the unique factors and vocal needs of singers, compared to non-singing voice patients, that need to be considered in a voice evaluation
- List approaches used in the evaluation of the singing voice
- Describe how to develop patient-specific approaches to evaluating the singing voice.

#### • Hands-On Assessment

- o Describe the rationale for hands on evaluation for voice patients.
- o List evaluation techniques using hands on manual assessment
- o Describe 3 ways to manually assess respiration
- o Describe 3 ways to manually assess laryngeal structures
- o Describe 3 ways to manually assess muscles of mastication
- Describe how to develop a treatment plan from evaluation findings

#### • Tele Voice Evaluation: What apps are available?

 Describe smartphone and tablet apps available for perceptual, acoustic, and aerodynamic measures.

- o List the pros and cons of each app.
- o Describe how to use the apps in clinical practice.

## • Transgender Voice Assessment

- Identify at least five ways to prepare for working with clients who do not identify as cisgender
- Describe the key elements of intake and assessment for clients pursuing congruence between their gender identity and communication behaviors

#### Pediatric Voice Assessment

- Identify the major physiologic and histologic differences between adults and different pediatric age groups that may impact results of a pediatric voice evaluation compared to the adult model.
- o Identify specific factors and considerations in each of the major developmental age groups to be considered to accomplish an age-appropriate pediatric voice evaluation.
- Describe how to formulate an age-appropriate pediatric evaluation addressing specific age-appropriate needs and considerations.
- Describe how to formulate age-appropriate therapy goals and expectations across various pediatric age-groups based on information obtained from an age-appropriate voice evaluation.

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