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**HIGHER EDUCATION**

Institutional

Undergraduate/Medical School

- 9/82 – 10/88 - University of Athens Medical School, Athens, Greece
- 10/88 – 2/89 - ECFMG Exam & Move from Athens, Greece to Boston, Massachusetts
- 2/89 – 6/90 - Research Fellow, Harvard Medical School

Internship

- 7/90 – 6/91 Department of Surgery, St. Elizabeth's Medical Center of Boston, Tufts University School of Medicine, Boston, Massachusetts

Residency

- 7/91 – 6/96 Department of Surgery, St. Elizabeth's Medical Center of Boston, Tufts University School of Medicine, Boston, Massachusetts  
Graduated in June 1996 as Chief Resident in General Surgery.

Fellowship

- 7/96 – 6/98 - In Clinical Vascular and Endovascular Surgery, at The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Cleveland Ohio
- 7/98 Moved from Cleveland, Ohio to West Palm Beach, Florida
- 8/98 – 2/03 Staff Vascular and General Surgeon, West Palm Beach VA Medical Center and Miami VA Medical Center

**Certification/Licensure:**

Foreign Medical Graduate Examination in the Medical Sciences, 1989;  
Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates

ACLS-ATLS Certification

Federal Licensing Examination, 1993. ( FLEX ).

Full License to practice, Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of  
Registration in Medicine. (exp)

Full License to practice, State of Ohio. (exp)

Full License to practice, State of Florida.

Full License, Greek Association of Physicians.

American Boards of Surgery Certified: 1998.

Added qualifications in Vascular Surgery Certified: 2001

Certified for General and Vascular Surgery in Greece: 2000.

**PRACTICE:** Radiology Associates of South Florida  
Vascular and General Surgery  
August, 2006 to present

The Surgical Group of Miami,  
Vascular and General Surgery  
January, 2003 - 2006

**HOSPITAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS:**

Baptist Hospital, Miami, FL  
Baptist Cardiac and Vascular Institute, Miami, FL  
University of Miami Medical Center, Miami, FL  
Homestead Hospital, Miami, FL

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Voluntary Assistant Professor of Surgery, University of Miami School of Medicine (past)

Clinical Preceptor, Nova Southeastern University-PA program. (past)

## **EXPERIENCE**

### Academic Research experience

Research Assistant, Department of Pharmacology, University of Athens Medical School, 1984 to 1985. Assisted Dr. Christina Spyraiki in studies in animals on the distribution of catecholamines in the brain; contributed to an in-house publication on catecholamines that was used for teaching.

Research Fellow, Department of Vascular Surgery, New England Deaconess Hospital, Harvard Medical School, 1989 to 1990. Assisted Dr. Arnold Miller in basic studies of the safety and efficacy of angiography as a monitoring tool in patients undergoing infrainguinal vascular reconstruction. Assisted Dr. Frank LoGerfo in the development of a dog model of platelet aggregation.

Participation in the CREST trial as CREST Vascular Surgeon for Baptist Hospital: 12/2004.

### Non Academic Professional experience

Staff Vascular Surgeon, West Palm Beach VAMC 1998-present  
Staff Vascular Surgeon Miami VAMC since 2000-present.

### Military

Served in the Greek Airforce. Rank: Physician. 1/2000-7/2000.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### Juried or refereed journal articles

Tsoukas AI, Hertzner NR, Mascha EJ, O'Hara PJ, Krajewski LP, Beven EG. Simultaneous aortic replacement and renal artery revascularization: The Influence of preoperative renal function on early risk and late outcome. *J Vasc Surg* 2001 34:1041-9.

Tsoukas AI, Razvi SA, Zaharoulis D. Long term management of multiple large varicosities of the lower extremities with initial surgical therapy followed by maintenance sclerotherapy. A single surgeon consecutive series. In the "Publication of the proceedings of the International Congress of Phlebology", Monduzzi Editore, Sep 4-8, 1996.

Petros JG, Tsoukas A, Chong FK. Small cell carcinoma of the colon presenting as a mass in the colonic mesentery [letter]. *J Clin Gastroenterol* 1993;16:175-7.

Brophy CM, Ito RK, Quist WC, Rosenblatt MS, Contreras M, Tsoukas A, LoGerfo FW. A new canine model for evaluating blood prosthetic arterial graft interactions. *J Biomed Mater Res* 1991;8:1031-8.

Stonebridge PA, Tsoukas AI, Pomposelli FB Jr, Gibbons GW, Campbell DR, Freeman DV, Miller A, LoGerfo FW. Popliteal-to-distal bypass grafts for limb salvage in diabetics. *Eur J Vasc Surg* 1991;5:265-9.  
Ito RK, Brophy CM, Contreras MA, Tsoukas A, LoGerfo FW. Persistent platelet activation by passivated grafts. *J Vasc Surg* 1991;13:822-8.

Miller A, Stonebridge PA, Tsoukas AI, Kwolek CJ, Brophy CM, Gibbons GW, Freeman DV, Pomposelli FB Jr, Campbell DR, LoGerfo FW. Angioscopically directed valvulotomy: a new valvulotome and technique. *J Vasc Surg* 1991;13:813-20.

Stonebridge PA, Miller A, Tsoukas A, Brophy CM, Gibbons GW, Freeman DV, Pomposelli FB Jr, Campbell DR, LoGerfo FW. Angioscopy of arm vein infrainguinal bypass grafts. *Ann Vasc Surg* 1991;5:170-5.

Miller A, Stonebridge PA, Jepsen SJ, Tsoukas A, Gibbons GW, Pomposelli FB Jr, Freeman DV, Campbell DR, LoGerfo FW. Continued experience with intraoperative angioscopy for monitoring infrainguinal bypass grafting. *Surgery* 1991;109:286-93.

Miller A, Jepsen SJ, Stonebridge PA, Tsoukas A, Gibbons GW, Pomposelli FB Jr, Freeman DV, Campbell DR, Schoen FJ, LoGerfo FW. New angioscopic findings in graft failure after infrainguinal bypass. *Arch Surg* 1990;125:749-54.

Linou A., Kiamouris C, Tsoukas A. The effect of farming on the development of leukemia and lymphoma in the Greek population. *Iatrika* 1988;54:431-6.

#### Other works publications and abstracts

##### Postgraduate Thesis

Angioscopy as a monitoring procedure in lower extremity Revascularization. Degree: PhD by the University of Athens Medical School, Athens, Greece, 1994. Supervised and evaluated by Academic committee, under professor P. Balas. Grade: Excellent.

## **PROFESSIONAL**

### Professional and Honorary Organizations

Hellenic Association of Physicians, member, 1998-present  
International Society for Endovascular Surgery, member, 1993-present  
Massachusetts Medical Society, member, 1992-1997 (exp)  
American College of Surgeons, associate fellow, 1996-present, pending fellowship  
American Medical Association, member, 1990-1991 (exp)  
The New England Hellenic Medical and Dental Society, member, 1989-present  
The South Florida Society for Vascular Surgery, 2005-present  
Dade County Medical Association - 2003 - present  
Florida Medical Association - 2003 - present  
Florida Vascular Society - 2004 - present  
South Florida Chapter of the American College of Surgeons - 2003 - present

### Honors and awards

Mavrokordatou Scholarship, 1986, University of Athens Medical School. given annually to the top five third-year medical students in Greece, as determined by a written examination.

Scholarship by the New England Hellenic Medical and Dental Society, 1989

Best paper award, St Elizabeth's Medical Center, Tufts University School of Medicine, June 1996.

### Post Doctoral fellowships/ Surgical Clerkships

Departments of Surgical Pathology and Colon and Rectal Surgery, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, March to April 1988; ranked in the top 10% of medical students on evaluations by faculty.

Department of Vascular Surgery, New England Deaconess Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts, May 1988.

Research Fellow in Vascular Surgery, The New England Deaconess Hospital of Boston, Harvard Medical School 2/1989-6/1990

### Other Professional activities/Presentations

Tsoukas A.I., Surgical Strike Against Stroke. Baptist Hospital, 11/2004

Tsoukas A.I.: Carotid Stenosis, Baptist Hospital Continuing Education CME Program, 6/2004

Tsoukas A.I., New technology and Vascular Surgery: An overview, Sixth World Hellenic Biomedical Congress, Oct 11-14, 2000, Athens Greece.

Tsoukas A.I., Combined Aortorenal Reconstructions, a 96 patient consecutive series, The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, 1998.

Tsoukas AI., Razvi SA., Zaharoulis D. Long term management of multiple large varicosities of the lower extremities with initial Surgical Therapy, followed by Maintenance Sclerotherapy. A single surgeon consecutive series. accepted at the International Congress of Phlebology, Sep 4-8 1996, Corfu, Greece.

Tsoukas AI. Flow dependent regulation of Vascular function. Grand Rounds, Department of Surgery, St Elizabeth's Medical Center, Tufts University School of Medicine, May 30, 1996.

Rasvi SA, Tsoukas AI. Sclerotherapy vs Surgery for recurrence of varicose veins. New strategies in Management of Venous Disease. Tufts University School of Medicine, October 17 and 18, 1994; Boston Massachusetts.

Tsoukas AI, LoVerme WE. Resolution of sternal wound infection managed with transposition of viable muscle flaps at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center of Boston: the impact of aggressive primary debridement. Presented at the American-Hellenic Surgical Congress; March 25, 1994; Athens, Greece.

Tsoukas AI. Angioscopy and infrainguinal arterial reconstruction. Presented at Hospital Grand Rounds, Cardinal Cushing General Hospital, Tufts University School of Medicine; March 1993; Brockton, Massachusetts.

Tsoukas AI. Small-cell carcinoma of the colon. Presented at Surgical Homecoming, Department of Surgery, St. Elizabeth's Medical Center of Boston, Tufts University School of Medicine; September 15, 1992; Boston, Massachusetts.

Jepsen SJ, Miller A, Tsoukas A, Gibbons GW, Pomposelli FB Jr, Freeman DV, Campbell DC, LoGerfo FW. Angioscopic findings in graft failure after infrainguinal bypass grafting: a clinico-pathological correlation. Presented at the 70th Annual Meeting of the New England Surgical Society; September 24, 1989; Bretton Woods, New Hampshire.

## **TEACHING**

Professional teaching activity

Voluntary Assistant Professor of Surgery, University of Miami School of Medicine (2001- )

Clinical preceptor, Physician Assistant program, Nova Southeastern University. (2001)

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