



Dr. Robert A. Lookstein, MD, MHCDL, FSIR, FAHA, FSVM, stands as a trailblazer in the field of interventional radiology, seamlessly blending clinical expertise, academic and scholarly leadership, and a commitment to advancing patient care.

A 1995 graduate of the State University of New York Downstate Health Sciences University College of Medicine, Dr. Lookstein honed his skills through a rigorous residency in diagnostic radiology and a fellowship in vascular and interventional radiology at Mount Sinai Hospital. His association with Mount Sinai has been both enduring and impactful, culminating in his current roles as Professor of Radiology and Surgery at the Icahn School of Medicine and Executive Vice Chairman of the Department of Diagnostic, Molecular, and Interventional Radiology for the Mount Sinai Health System.

Dr. Lookstein's clinical acumen is particularly evident in his focus on peripheral vascular disease, noninvasive vascular imaging, and venous thromboembolism. His dedication to these areas is not merely clinical but also scholarly; he has authored hundreds of scientific abstracts and manuscripts, contributing significantly to the body of knowledge in cardiovascular imaging and intervention.

Beyond his clinical and academic responsibilities, Dr. Lookstein is deeply invested in research that shapes the future of vascular care. He has served as Global Principal Investigator for both InPACT AV trial evaluating the role of drug coated balloons for hemodialysis fistula maintenance and the STORM-PE trial evaluating the role of percutaneous thrombectomy for acute pulmonary embolism. He has had leadership and steering roles for both the NHLBI-funded ATTRACT trial evaluating the role of endovascular therapy in the management of acute deep vein thrombosis and the NHLBI-funded BEST-CLI trial assessing endovascular revascularization for critical limb ischemia.

His leadership extends to the global stage, where he served as the 2025–2026 President of the Society of Interventional Radiology (SIR). In this capacity, Dr. Lookstein advocated for a longitudinal clinical practice model in interventional radiology, emphasizing the importance of multidisciplinary teamwork and the integration of artificial intelligence to enhance patient outcomes. Previously Dr. Lookstein served as President of The PERT Consortium, an organization dedicated to advancing multidisciplinary team based care for patients with Pulmonary Embolism; as well as serving on the Board of Directors of The CLI Global Society which advocates for early diagnosis and treatment for patients afflicted with chronic limb threatening ischemia, the most severe form of peripheral arterial disease.

Dr. Lookstein's contributions have not gone unnoticed. He has been consistently recognized as a Castle Connolly Top Doctor since 2012 and has received accolades such as the Harold A. Mitty Distinguished Educator Award in Interventional Radiology from the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai and the Outstanding Faculty Award at the Society of Interventional Radiology Annual Meeting.

In summary, Dr. Robert A. Lookstein is a modern medical professional—clinician, educator, researcher, and leader—whose work continues to shape the landscape of interventional radiology and improve patient care worldwide.