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Dr Nicolas Shammass and co-authors at the Midwest Cardiovascular Research Foundation (MCRF), Dr Eric Dippel, Dr Michael Jerin, Denise Coiner, Gail Shammass and Alisha Kumar will present the abstract “**Preventing Lower Extremity Distal Embolization During Percutaneous Interventions Using Embolic Protection: Results of the PROTECT Registry**” at the scientific sessions of the annual meeting of the American College of Cardiology/Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions i2 meeting on March 29-April 1, 2008 in Chicago, IL, USA.

This is one of the most prestigious meetings in cardiovascular medicine and will be attended by over 20,000 people worldwide. In this research, Dr Shammass and his coauthors will present data that shows that distal embolization during intervention of the lower extremity is highly frequent and that embolic Filter protection is effective in preventing the complications of distal embolization. These filters are off label in the periphery.

The study was approved by the Institutional Review Board at Trinity and was completed at Trinity Terrace Park in Bettendorf, IA with the Midwest Cardiovascular Research Foundation as the coordinating center.