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University School of Medicine. Dr. Eckert, an astute and demanding surgeon, held numerous

high profile positions in American surgery including First Vice-President of the American

College of Surgeons and Chairman of the American Board of Surgery. Dr. Samuel Powers,

a faculty member during Dr. Eckert’s tenure at Albany, succeeded him as Chair of Surgery

and Surgeon-in-Chief. Dr. Powers, who would serve only briefly in this role, graduated from

Columbia Presbyterian Medical College in 1942. He developed an early and continuing

interest in trauma and shock as a student and continued this interest working with Richard

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U.S. Air Force in Japan, a country for which Dr. Popp developed an enduring affection. He gained additional

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Neurological Surgery at Albany. Dr. Joseph Lewis Donhauser succeeded Dr. Elting as Chair in 1937, Albany trained, having served a residency in Philadelphia. Donhauser was a busy, varied and strictly accountable surgeon. It was under

Dr. Donhauser that the specialization and subdivision of the Department of Surgery was completed.

Dr. Eldridge Cambpell, a West Virginian by

birth, and a Rhodes Scholar had graduated from

Oxford University in 1925. Two years later he

received his M.D. degree from Johns Hopkins.

Following his graduate training with Walter

Dandy, Dr. Campbell arrived in Albany. With

the advent of World War II he was appointed

Director and Surgeon-in-Chief of the 33rd

General Hospital. He returned from the war to

become Surgeon-in-Chief and Chairman of the

Department of Surgery at the Albany Hospital and the Albany Medical College. Dr. Campbell formulated residencies in all of the divisions of Surgery and established a surgical research program at the institutions. He also established the Thesis chapter of Alpha Omega Alpha at the

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Neil Lempert M.D.

Born in New York City, Neil Lempert attended Stuyvesant High School, then received his Bachelor of Science degree from Hamilton College. At Hamilton, Dr. Lempert was awarded both the Golding and Cobb Essay prizes. In 1954 he entered Albany Medical College where he completed work for his Doctor of Medicine degree. Dr. Lempert entered the Surgical Residency Training Program at the Albany Hospital that year, under Dr. Charles Eckert, and completed residency training in 1965 having spent one year as a research fellow in transplantation at the Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital in Cooperstown New York under Dr. David Blumenstock.

Following the completion of residency training Dr. Lempert served two years of active duty as a Captain in the United States Army Medical Corps, stationed in San Antonio, Texas and in Japan. Dr. Lempert was recruited back to Albany in 1967 by Dr. Eckert to serve as the area's first transplant surgeon. The Transplant Program was initiated in 1969 with Dr. Lempert as the Director. Nationally prominent figures in surgery including Drs. Basil Pruitt, Mark Hardy and James O'Neill Jr. paid tribute to Dr. Lempert and his accomplishments at the Albany Medical Center.

Dr. Lempert continues his close association with the Albany Medical College, The Albany Medical Center Hospital and the Albany Medical Center. Through his generosity and that of his patients and friends Dr. Lempert has endowed the Chair in Surgery which he has held for many years.

Dr. Lempert has published extensively in the areas of transplantation immunology and infectious complications of immunosuppressive agents. The founding of a Transplantation Immunology Laboratory in 1976 attracted grants from both the Nation Institutes of Health and private foundations. As a result of his scientific achievements, Dr. Lempert was elected to the American Surgical Association, a select group of American academic surgeons.

In 1994 the Department of Surgery held a symposium in honor of Dr. Lempert. Nationally prominent figures in surgery including Drs. Basil Pruitt, Mark Hardy and James O'Neill Jr. paid tribute to Dr. Lempert and his accomplishments at the Albany Medical Center.

Steven C. Stain grew up in Fresno California, and received his undergraduate and M.D. degree from University of California, at Irvine. He completed his residency training in surgery at Los Angeles County - University of Southern California Medical Center in 1988 and subsequently joined the faculty at University of Southern California as a clinical instructor while completing a fellowship in surgical critical care. Dr. Stain continued his surgical training in hepatobiliary surgery under Leslie H. Blumgart at the University of Berne, Switzerland, returning to the USC faculty in 1991. In 1993 he completed a one year Health Services Research fellowship in conjunction with the AAMC. While at USC, he rose to the rank of tenured Associate Professor, and focused his clinical and research efforts on diseases of the liver and pancreas. He served as the Program Director of the General Surgery Residency Program at the Huntington Memorial Hospital (1996–2000).

In 2000 Dr. Stain was appointed as Professor and Chair of the Department of Surgery. Dr. Stain also serves as Surgeon -in- Chief at the Albany Medical Center Hospital. He is the author of 81 peer reviewed publications and eight book chapters. His current research efforts are in oncology, health delivery disparities and surgical training. Dr. Stain was appointed a Director of the American Board of Surgery (2002 – present) and has served leadership roles in numerous organizations, including the Society of American Gastrointestinal Surgery (Board of Governors 1996–2006), Western Surgical Association (Program Committee Chair 2001–02), Society of Black Academic Surgeons (Treasurer, 1998–2004, currently President Elect), Surgical Section of the National Medical Association (Chair 2006–07) and the Southern Medical Association (Chair 2002–03).
On behalf of the Albany Medical College Department of Surgery faculty, welcome. We have a proud tradition of providing excellent patient care, superb training to medical students and residents, and both clinical and translational research. We hope this Annual Report will give you some taste of the developments within the Department of Surgery over the last year. None of these accomplishments would be possible without the hard work of the 109 faculty members within the nine divisions that constitute the Department of Surgery. We have had continued strong leadership of the Divisions within the Department of Surgery.

Cardiothoracic Surgery  Lewis Britton, M.D.
General Surgery       David Conti, M.D.
Neurologic Surgery   John A. Papp, M.D.
Otolaryngology       Stephen Parnes, M.D.
Orthopedic Surgery   Richard Uhl, M.D.
Pediatric Surgery    Thomas Weber, M.D.
Plastic Surgery      James Hoehn, M.D.
Urology              Barry Kogan, M.D.
Vascular Surgery     R. Clements Darling, III, M.D.

Clinical Highlights

Our clinical activity is centered at the Albany Medical Center, a 630 bed hospital and the Capital Region’s only quaternary health care center.

• State Designated Level 1 Trauma Center.
• The Capitol Region’s busiest orthopedic program, which performed more than 2100 operations at AMC last year.
• Pediatric Surgery- Recruitment of two new pediatric surgeons
• Continued growth of the Pediatric cardiac surgery program
• Transplant Programs for kidney, pancreas and heart.
• Opening of Albany Med Physician Pavilion, a new facility within Albany Medical Center designed to streamline outpatient care, including the divisions of General Surgery, Neurosurgery, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Plastic Surgery and Pediatric Surgery.
• AMC Stroke Center of Excellence. Faculty within the Division of Neurosurgery worked with colleagues in the Departments of Neurology and Emergency Medicine to establish a comprehensive stroke center recognized by the American Heart Association as one of the few centers in the country to be compliant with all of the guidelines for stroke care.

• Robotic Surgery Program. Led by the Division of Urologic Surgery, a state of the art surgical robot was installed in the Operating Room in 2005, and currently, the majority of prostatectomies are being performed with minimally invasive techniques using the surgical robot. Other faculty members have developed programs of robotic assisted cardiac surgery, gastric bypass and head and neck surgery.
• The first Bariatric Surgery Center in upstate New York to be accredited by the American College of Surgeons.

Education

We continue to attract top quality house staff to our residency training programs. Our trainees have gone on to highly competitive fellowship opportunities or directly into community practice. The eight ACGME approved residency programs are:

Cardiothoracic Surgery Orthopedic Surgery
General Surgery Plastic Surgery
Neurosurgical Surgery Urologic Surgery
Otolaryngology Vascular Surgery

Research Highlights

The Department has renewed its commitment to the development of clinical and translational research. Over the last year, the Department published numerous peer reviewed manuscripts. The Department is committed to further investment in departmental infrastructure to strengthen the capacity for building clinical databases and collaboration with Interdisciplinary Research Centers.

In my first year as Chair of the Department, we have been fortunate to recruit eight new faculty members to join an already strong Department. The goals of the Department of Surgery are the continued growth of clinical programs, the support of the educational needs of our students and residents, and participation in the development of new medical knowledge by a renewed emphasis on clinical and basic science research.

Welcome, and we hope the following annual report of our Department will provide further insight into our accomplishments.

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Neil Lempert Professor
Chair, Department of Surgery
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The Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery was formally established at Albany Medical Center in 1953. Dr. Adrian Ehler served as the first division chief. Ds. Alan Stranahan and Ralph Alley joined Ehler as founding members of the division. Over the years an extremely active general thoracic program and cardiac surgical service was established. The use of cardiopulmonary bypass was established at Albany within a year of its first description in the literature for congenital heart disease and it was rapidly expanded to the treatment of acquired valvular disease and, in the mid 1960’s, for the treatment of coronary artery disease by Dr. Thomas Older. Many advances in the treatment of thoracic aortic disease, especially thoracic aortic rupture, were first described by members of the division. The division has continued to develop innovative programs including minimally invasive surgery in both valve and coronary artery surgery. Programs in mechanical assist, heart failure and transplant continue to expand. Robotic surgery, arrhythmia ablation surgery, and endoscopic/videoscopic programs are also in place with increased utilization.

**Faculty Members**

**Lewis W. Britton**
Professor of Surgery  
Chief, Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery  
BA, St. Mary’s University, San Antonio, TX  
MD, Georgetown University, School of Medicine, Washington, DC  
Residency: Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY (General and Cardiothoracic Surgery)  
Fellowship: The Children’s Hospital, Department of Cardiac Surgery in conjunction with Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA  
Certified: American Board of Surgery 1984, 1995  
American Board of Thoracic Surgery 1986, 1996, 2004  
Academic and clinical interest: The treatment of Thoracic Aortic Disease including the aortic root  
Honors, awards and achievements:  
Alley-Sheridan Heart Institute – Physician recognition award for gift of life  
Best Surgeon in American – Who’s Who in Medicine  
American Heart Association – Surgery Council

**Laszlo Fuzesi**
Professor of Surgery  
Director of Cardiac Transplantation  
Associate Director Residency Training Program  
BA, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ  
MD, Cornell University Medical Center, New York, NY  
Residency: Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia, PA  
Fellowship: Research – Columbia University, New York, NY, specialty – Cardiac transplantation  
Post-Doctoral Residency Fellow: The Presbyterian Hospital, Columbia University Cardiothoracic Surgery and Thoracic Organ Center, New York, NY  
Certified: American Board of Surgery 1998  
American Board of Thoracic Surgery 2000  
Specific academic and research interest: Clinical and research interest in Mechanical Assist Devices and Heart Transplantation  
Honors, awards and achievements:  
Sheridan-Alley Outstanding Teacher of the Year award  
David S. Sheridan Endowed Chair in Cardiothoracic Surgery, awarded 2002  
Thoracic Surgery Directors Association Core Curriculum Lecture Series  
Congenital heart medical mission to Honduras for education and clinical work  
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**Neil S. Devijian**
Assistant Professor of Surgery  
Director, Pediatric Cardiovascular Surgery  
BA, State University of New York, Binghampton, NY  
MD, State University of New York, Health Science Center at Syracuse, College of Medicine, Syracuse, NY  
Residency: State University of New York, Health Science Center at Syracuse, Syracuse, NY,  
Residency in Thoracic Surgery, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI  
Fellowship: John Alexander Fellow in Pediatric Cardiac Surgery, CS Mott Children’s Hospital, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI  
Certified: American Board of Surgery, American Board of Thoracic Surgery  
Academic and clinical interest: the surgical treatment of Congenital Heart Disease including hypoplastic left heart and transposition of the great vessels  
Honors, awards and achievements:  
Sheridan-Alley Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award 2004  
UNOS-qualified heart transplant surgeon  
Principal investigator for Left Ventricular Assist Device  
Investigator in Cardiac Transplantation: Non-invasive detection; supported by NY Heart Association grant  
Reviewer Annals of Thoracic Surgery
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Faculty Members

2006
ADEBAMBI M. KADRI, MD
HSC, Kings College, Lagos, Nigeria
MBBS, University of Ilorin, Nigeria
Residency: University of Illinois, Chicago, IL
Other Fellowships: Albany Medical Center, non-accredited (2003 – 2004), University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI
Current: CT Fellowship Brigham Women's Hospital– 2007
RAME IBERDEMAJ, MD
11th May Gymnasium, Prishtina, Kosovo
MD, University of Kosovo Medical Faculty, Prishtina, Kosovo
Residency: Internship – Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN
General Surgery residency: Mount Sinai School of Medicine, Mount Sinai Health Care System, St. Joseph's Hospital
2008
GHAZALA FARAH RAHMAN, MD
BS, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX
MD University of Texas, Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX
Residency: St. Luke’s Roosevelt Hospital Center, New York, NY
CT Surgery Research Fellow: Cornell Medical Center, New York, NY
CT Surgery Research Fellow: Evanston Northwestern Healthcare, Evanston, IL
CT Surgery Research Fellow: University of Missouri, Columbia, MO (left due to illness)
CT Surgery Fellow PGY-6: Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, GA (Program closed)

Scholarly Activity

Faculty

NEIL DEVEJIAN
Publications
Abstracts:

RIVO ILVES
Publications
Fabian T, Ilves R, Devejian NS: Hypophagia in a patient with tetralogy of Fallot or double outlet right ventricle. ANESTH ANALG 2003; 97: 289-90
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ADEBAMBI KADRI
Patient Care
The Division engages in a very busy clinical practice in all aspects of Cardiothoracic Surgery including acquired and congenital cardiac disease, heart failure and transplantation and general thoracic surgery. The entire spectrum of thoracic pathology is addressed surgically by our Division as evidenced by the following numbers:

- Inpatient operative procedures:
  - 207 Major General Thoracic procedures
  - 814 Major Cardiovascular procedures
  - 315 Minor procedures
  - 1,337 Total of Thoracic and Cardiac cases

Education
We continue to run a fully accredited Residency Program in Cardiothoracic Surgery. General surgical residents, as well as third and fourth year medical students rotate on the service to gain exposure to cardiothoracic disease, its diagnosis and treatment. Members of the faculty have participated in cardiovascular teaching days in conjunction with the Division of Cardiology over the last several years.

Research
A limited but expanding research initiative remains in place which has allowed each of the graduating residents over the past several years to co-author with a member of the faculty an article in a peer reviewed journal. Ongoing clinical research in off pump bypass surgery and valvular surgery continues.

Our Mission

“Many advances in the treatment of thoracic aortic disease, especially thoracic aortic rupture, were first described by members of the division.”

Distinguished Visiting Lecturers

- Bruce Lytle, MD
  Chair, The Cleveland Clinic, Department of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery
- Anthony Dobell, MD
  Former Chief, Cardiothoracic Surgery, McGill University
- William Nugent, MD
  Chief, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Dartmouth College
- John Mayer, MD
  Senior Surgeon, Children’s Hospital, Boston
- James Locke, MD
  Chief, Pediatric Cardiology, Children’s Hospital, Boston
- James Cox, MD
  Chief, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Barnes Hospital, St. Louis
- Toby Cosgrove, MD
  President and CEO, The Cleveland Clinic
The direction of the Division of General Surgery had been determined by General Surgeons who served as Chairman of the Department of Surgery. With the appointment of A. John Popp, a Neurological surgeon, as Chairman in 1986 the focus and growth of the Division of General Surgery was directed by a series of distinguished General Surgeons who also served as Program Director of the Residency Training Program in Surgery. Drs. Robert Leather, Dhiraj Shah and currently David Conti have ushered General Surgery into a new era of technology and translational basic science.

The Division of General Surgery at the Albany Medical College is comprised of the Sections of Trauma and acute surgical care, Transplantation, Colorectal surgery and Breast and Endocrine surgery. The Section of Critical Care Medicine and the Capital Regions only American College of Surgeons accredited Bariatric Surgery Program are also housed within the division. In addition, the minimally invasive surgery program offers a vast array of complex minimally invasive surgical procedures including laparoscopic appendectomy, hernia repair, adrenalectomy, colectomy, gastric bypass, nephrectomy for transplantation and anti-gastro-esophageal reflux procedures.

The Division welcomed a new member this year, Dr. Todd Beyer who joined the College faculty this summer. Dr. Beyer earned his medical degree at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center at San Antonio. Dr. Beyer took his postgraduate surgical training at the Virginia Mason Medical Center in Seattle Washington and his fellowship training in Endocrine surgery at the Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, Illinois.

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**Todd D. Beyer**  
Assistant Professor of Surgery  
Member section of Breast and Endocrine Surgery  
B.S. Texas Christian University  
M.D. University of Texas Health Sciences Center at San Antonio  
General Surgery Internship  
Virginia Mason Medical Center  
Seattle, WA  
Surgical Research Fellowship  
Benaroya Research Institute at Virginia Mason  
Seattle, WA  
General Surgery Residency  
Virginia Mason Medical Center  
Seattle, WA  
Endocrine Surgery Fellowship  
Rush University Medical Center  
John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County  
Chicago, IL  
Certification: American Board of Surgery 2006  

**Dennis J. Conti**  
Professor of Surgery  
Division Head, General Surgery  
Director, Section of Transplantation  
B.A. Washington University (Biology), St. Louis, MO  
M.D. Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago, IL  
Intern in Surgery, Northwestern University Medical Center, Chicago  
Surgical Resident, Northwestern University Medical Center, Chicago  
Surgical Research Fellow, Northwestern University Medical Center, Chicago  
Clinical Fellow, Transplant Surgery  
Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston  
Surgical Research Fellow, Transplant Surgery  
Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston  
Certified, American Board of Surgery 1988, 1998  

**Major Research Interests:**  
Monoclonal antibodies, Xenotransplants, Pancreatic islet transplantation, Viral infection in immunocompromised patients  

**Honors, awards and achievements:**  
Rochester Institute of Technology/USA Today National Quality Cup Winner, Healthcare Category  
National Kidney Foundation of Northeast New York, Roger Coene Award  
Clinical Golden Apple Award – Albany Medical College  
Silver Scalpel Award - Albany Medical College 1992, 1994  

**Invited Presentations:**  
Asian Association of Endocrine Surgeons  
10th Annual Congress, Hong Kong  
Yoshida Fujimoto Award for Clinical Research  
“Oral Vitamin D Supplementation Reduces the Incidence of Eucalcemic PTH Elevation Following Surgery for Primary Hyperparathyroidism” 2006
Anthony J. DeLuca  
Professor of Surgery  
Director of Education and Associate Program Director  
Clerkship Director for Surgery
B.S. Georgetown University College of Arts and Sciences  
M.D. Georgetown University Medical School  
Intern in Surgery, Albany Medical Center  
Resident in Surgery, Albany Medical Center  
Chief Resident in Surgery, Albany Medical Center  
Academic interest – undergraduate and graduate medical education  
Certified, American Board of Surgery – 1975  
Honor, awards
AOA  
Clinical Golden Apple  
Sir Astley Cooper Award for teaching
Ossama Elbahoul  
Clinical Fellow, Transplantation  
B.S. University of Alexandria, Alexandria, Egypt  
M.D. University of Alexandria School of Medicine, Alexandria, Egypt  
General Surgery Residency, University of Alexandria Hospital Alexandria, Egypt  
Post-doctoral Fellow, Urologic Oncology Branch, NCI/NIH, Bethesda, MD.  
Post-doctoral Fellow, Hematology & Oncology, School of Medicine Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, MD  
Clinical Research Fellow, Medicine/Nephrology, School of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD  
academic and clinical interest – solid organ transplantation  
Honors, awards and achievements
Award in Oncology Research: The impact of schistosomiasis on the pathology of bladder cancer. July, 1982  
Cancer Research Training Award Fellowship: National Cancer Institute, CCR, Urologic Oncology Branch, NCI/NIH, 2000-2003  
NRSA (National Research Service Award Fellowship) PhD/NCI/NIH, 2003-2004
Michael Gallichio  
Associate Professor of Surgery  
Member Section of Transplantation  
B.S. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (Biology-BS/MD Program), Troy, NY  
M. D. Albany Medical College, Albany, NY  
Intern in Surgery Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY  
Resident in Surgery Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY  
Chief Resident in Surgery Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY  
Surgical Research Fellow, Transplantation Immunology Albany Medical College, Albany, NY  
Clinical Transplant Surgery Fellow, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL  
Certified, American Board of Surgery 1998  
academic and clinical interest – Transplantation surgery and vascular access surgery
Amy Haum Ph.D.  
Associate Professor of Surgery  
B.S. Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
Ph.D. Graduate Program in Immunology Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine Baltimore, Maryland  
Certification: Diplomate, American Board of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics  
Academic interests – transplantation immunology  
Honor, awards, achievements:  
Secretary, American Board of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ABHI)  
Commissioner, Accreditation Review Board, American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI)  
Chair, Directors Credentialing Committee, ABHI  
Board of Directors, Councilor-at-Large, Executive Board, ASHI (elected position)  
Councilor, ASHI  
Member, Membership, Marketing, Public Relations Committee, ASHI  
Chair, Publications Committee, ASHI  
Member, Finance and Audit Committee, ASHI  
Member, Examination Committee, ABHI  
Member, Publications Committee, ASHI  
Editor in Chief, ASHI Quarterly  
Member, Editorial Board, Human Immunology
Invited Lectures
“Expanding Access to Renal Transplantation: Antibody Reduction Therapies and Paired Exchange”, Sociedad Boliviana de Transplante de Organos y Tejidos, Cochabamba, Bolivia 8/9/06  
“Translational Research: From Bench to Bedside and Beyond”, ASHI Regional Education Meeting, Syracuse, NY, 5/20/04  
“Advanced DNA Workshop”, ASHI 26th Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, 10/22/02 (with Debra Kukuruga, PhD)
Hashim M. Hesham  
Assistant Professor of Surgery  
Member Section of Trauma
Doctor of Medicine, Kabul Medical School, Kabul, Afghanistan  
Surgical Resident, Wazir Akbar Khan Hospital and Aricena Hospital  
Kabul, Afghanistan  
General Surgery Resident, UMASS Medical Center  
Worcester, MA  
Critical Care Fellow, UMASS Memorial Health Care  
Certified, American Board of Surgery – 2004  
academic and clinical interest – trauma, critical care  
Honors, awards and achievements:  
Sir Astley Cooper Award for excellence in resident teaching
Ward Dunnican  
Fellow in Minimally Invasive Surgery  
B.S. - Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania  
M.D. - St. George’s School of Medicine  
Residency - Monmouth Medical Center, Long Branch, New Jersey  
Chief Resident– Monmouth Medical Center  
Honors, awards, achievements
2006 John C. Borden Memorial Surgery Award  
2002 Golden Stethoscope Teaching Award, MCP Hahnemann School of Medicine  
2000 Best Project in Surgery: “Would the immune escape mechanism of Fas Ligand be a prognostic marker for Duke’s B colon carcinoma?” Lutheran Medical Center Research Awards Competition.
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Assistant Professor of Surgery, Division of General Surgery (Trauma, Critical Care and General Surgery)
Director of Quality Management, General Surgery
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B.S.Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY
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Resident, Department of Surgery , Albany Medical Center, Albany, NY
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Certified, American Board of Surgery 1987 1996, 2005
Added Qualifications in Surgical Critical Care, and Recertification 1989,1997
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Honors, awards, achievements
Ankesh Nigam
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Director of Surgical Oncology Program
B.A Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT
M.D. New York University School of Medicine, New York, NY
General Surgery Residency Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD
Surgical Oncology Fellowship Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD
specific academic and clinical interest- surgical oncology, pancreatic cancer
Honors, awards and achievements
Reviewers, Journal of Surgical Research
New York State Chair for American College of Surgeons
Commission on Cancer
Cancer Liaison Physician to the Committee on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons
Cancer Review Committee
Cancer Protocol Committee
Breast Cancer Program Committee
DVT prophylaxis Guidelines Committee
John W Traubert Medical Student Teaching Award
Chairman’s Distinguished Service Award for Educational Excellence. Clinician of the Year Award Nominee
School of Medicine University Distinguished Teacher Award Nominee
Outstanding Attending Surgeon: Bernard Zimmerman
Resident Teaching Award
Award for excellence in Surgery
Alpha Omega Alpha, 1989

JOSEPH L. PFEIFFER, III
Associate Professor of Surgery
B.S. Degree Biology, Fordham University, Bronx, NY
M.S. Degree Biology, Fordham University, Bronx, NY
M.D. UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School, Newark, NJ
Resident, General Surgery, UMDNJ University Hospital, Newark, NJ
Chief Resident, General Surgery, UMDNJ University Hospital, Newark, NJ
Trauma Fellow, Brown University, Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, RI
Certified, American Board of Surgery, 1988, 1999
American Board of Surgery Certificate of Added Qualifications in Surgical Critical Care, 1992, 2002
Clinical interest – trauma and critical care
Awards:
Brian Bednarz Award for Teaching, University of Massachusetts School of Medicine

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Chief Resident, General Surgery, Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY
Fellow, Renal Transplantation, Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY
Academic and clinical interest- Diseases of the Breast
Honors, awards and achievements
Lecturer American College of Surgeons Clinical Congress, 10/2004
“Perioperative Pain Management in the Pregnant Patient”

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R3 Senior Resident, Sunnybrook Health Science Centre
Wellesley Hospital
R2 Resident, Gastroenterology, Sunnybrook Health Science Centre
Pathology, Toronto General Hospital
Vascular Surgery, Wellesley Hospital
Surgical Intensive Care Unit, Sunnybrook Health Science Centre
R1 Resident, Thoracic Surgery, Toronto General Hospital
Pediatric General Surgery, Hospital for Sick Children
General Surgery, Mount Sinai Hospital
Internship: Comprehensive Surgical Interim, Wellesley Hospital

Honors, awards and achievements
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Associate Professor of Surgery
Section Chief of GI/Oncology
Director, section of Colorectal Surgery
B.A. Harvard University
M.D. University Of California at San Diego School Of Medicine
Internship, New England Deaconess Hospital/Harvard Surgical Service
Residency, New England Deaconess Hospital /Harvard Surgical Service
Laboratory of Cancer Biology/New England Deaconess Hospital/Dana Farber Cancer Institute (NIH T32 research training grant in surgical oncology)
Fellowship Lahy Clinic, Colon and Rectal Surgery
Board certified in general surgery 1995, 2004
Board certified in colon and rectal surgery 1996, 2005
academic and clinical interest- colon and rectal surgery
Honors, awards and achievements
Alpha Omega Alpha, Theta Chapter, Albany Medical College
Awards:
Clinical interest – trauma and critical care
Academic and clinical interest- colon and rectal surgery
American Board of Surgery Certificate of Added Qualifications in Surgical Critical Care, 1992, 2002
Clinical interest – trauma and critical care
Awards:
Brian Bednarz Award for Teaching, University of Massachusetts School of Medicine

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R1 Resident, Thoracic Surgery, Toronto General Hospital
Pediatric General Surgery, Hospital for Sick Children
General Surgery, Mount Sinai Hospital
Internship: Comprehensive Surgical Interim, Wellesley Hospital
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Chief Resident in Surgery, New York Medical College Surgery Program Westchester County/Metropolitan Hospital Resident, New York Medical College Surgery Program Westchester County Medical Center
Transplantation Fellowship, Albany Medical Center certification – American Board of Surgery 1993 Academic and clinical interest – Transplantation, Minimally Invasive Surgery, Bariatric Surgery

Honors, awards and achievements
Sir Aetly Cooper Award: Surgical Resident Staff Albany Medical College1999, 2004 Alpha Omega Alpha

Morris Albert Teaching Award Surgical Resident Staff Albany Medical
Quality Cup Winner: USA Today for Renal Transplant Team Ethics, Telecommunications and Minimally Invasive Surgery
Quality Improvement Committee Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Northern New York

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B.S., Biology, University of California, at Irvine M.D., University of California, at Irvine, California College of Medicine Residency, Los Angeles County-University of Southern California Medical Center, (General Surgery)
Surgical Critical Care Fellowship– Los Angeles County/University of Southern California Fellowship, Hepatobiliary Surgery at the Clinic for Visceral and Transplantation, Surgery, Inselspital, University of Bern, Switzerland (Professor Leslie H. Blumgart)
Health Care Policy Research, AAMC Health Service Research Institute, Funded by Agency for Health Care Policy Research (AHCPR)
Surgical Critical Care, January 1991, 2000
Academic and clinical interest- Hepatobiliary and pancreatic surgery

Honors, awards and achievements
USC Department of Surgery Award for Outstanding Teaching in the Operating Room Mason Award Alpha Omega Alpha, Faculty Inductee Meharry Medical College, Dean’s Award for Innovation and Dedication in Medical Education and Service Ad Hoc Reviewer for Archives of Surgery Ad Hoc Reviewer for Digestive Diseases and Sciences Ad Hoc Reviewer for Endoscopy Ad Hoc Reviewer for Surgery Ad Hoc Reviewer for Journal of the National Medical Asun Editorial Board for Current Surgery Ad Hoc Reviewer for Ann Journal Respiratory & Critical Care Medicine National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel ZCA1 SRRB-3 National Cancer Institute workgroup on Cultural Competency

SOPHIA SOCARIS
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M.D State University of New York at Syracuse, Health Sciences Center, Syracuse, NY
Internship, Department of Medicine, Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY
Resident, Department of Medicine, Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY
Resident, Department of Medicine, Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY
Fellow in Critical Care Medicine, Ellis Hospital/Albany Medical College, Schenectady, NY
Executive leadership in Academic Medicine, MCP Hahnemann University School of Medicine Certification: American Board of Internal Medicine, 1985
Certified Provider, Advanced Trauma Life Support, American College of Surgeons, 1986, 1991
Special Qualifications in Critical Care Medicine, American Board of Internal Medicine1987, 1997
Certified Instructor, Advanced Burn Life Support, 1990
Certified Provider, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, 1997, 2004
Academic interest – Critical Care of the Surgical Patient

Honors, awards, achievements
Society of Critical Care Medicine:
Member of Council
Member, Strategic Planning Committee,
Member, Pay for Performance Task Force
Member, Multidisciplinary Critical Care Review Course Committee
Reviewers, Journal of Critical Care Medicine
American College of Critical Care Medicine:
Chancellor, American College of Critical Care Medicine,
Vice Chancellor, American College of Critical Care Medicine
Member, Board of Regents
Chair, Task Force on Retention of ICU Practitioners,
Task Force Facilitators, Guidelines for ICU Admission and Discharge
Task Force Facilitator, Guidelines for Glycemic Control in the ICU
Task Force Facilitator, Guidelines for the Management of Fever in the ICU
Impact of Palliative Care Consult Team on ICU Deaths and Length of Stay. Funded by the Charitable Leadership Foundation
Efficacy and safety of Dostrecolg (Afis) (Activated) in Adult patients with early Stage Sepsis, FK-AMC-EVCL: Impact of Aggressive Empiric Therapy on the Emergence of Antimicrobial Resistance during the Treatment of Ventilator Associated Pneumonia. 35(1):0492

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A.A.S, Pre-Pharmacy. St. Clair County Community College, Port Huron, MI
B.S. Degree, Pharmacy, Ferris State University, Big Rapids, MI
M.D Degree, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI
M.A. Degree Health Care Ethics, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA
Internship, Medical Emphasis, St. John Hospital, Detroit, MI
Residency, Internal Medicine, St. John Hospital, Detroit, MI
Fellowship: Critical Care, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Department of Anesthesiology, Pittsburgh, PA
Certification: American Board of Internal Medicine, 1978
Certificate of Special Competence in Critical Care Medicine, American Board of Internal Medicine 1987, 1997
Academic and Clinical interest – Critical Care, Medical ethics

Honors, awards achievements:
The Grenvik Family Ethics Award – Society of Critical Care Medicine
Expert Consultant, New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct
Member, New York State Commission on Quality of Care for the mentally disabled medical review board, appointed by governor Pataki
American College of Critical Care Medicine
Co-Chair, Guidelines for Intensive Care Unit Design
Past Chair, Ethics Committee
Society of Critical Care Medicine
Member, Business Ethics Committee
Journal of Critical Care Medicine
Abstract Reviewer
Editorial Panel, Critical Care Medicine, Ethics Editorial Panel Chairman, Institutional Review Board, Albany Medical Center
Invited presentations:
“Legal Aspects of End of Life Care”, Society of Critical Care Medicine Annual Symposium
“After Schiavo, What Did We Learn?” Medical Grand Rounds, Bassett Health Care, Cooperstown NY

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Clinical Instructor
Mark Davidson
Clinical Instructor
Robert Davidson
Clinical Instructor
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Adjunct Professor
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Emeritus Professor
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Clinical Instructor
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Clinical Instructor
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Associate Professor (VAMC)
Ronald Zerbe
Clinical Instructor

Residents in Surgery
2002-2003
University of Rochester
Medical College of Pennsylvania
Private Practice of Surgery
Robert Pascotto
Creighton University
Creighton University School of Medicine
Fellowship in Cardiothoracic Surgery – University of Arizona College of Medicine
Timothy Shope
Albright College
Allegheny University of the Health Sciences/Hahnemann University
School of Medicine
Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Surgery – Penn State University Medical Center
Brian Valerian
Rutgers University
UNDNJ – New Jersey Medical School
Fellowship in Colon and Rectal Surgery – Cleveland Clinic, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
2003-2004
Glorimar Atiles
Loyola University
Ponce School of Medicine
Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Surgery – Westchester Medical Center
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University of North Carolina- Chapel Hill
Howard University School of Medicine
Private Practice of Surgery
Faculty Members

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St. George’s School of Medicine, Granada, W.I.
Fellowship in Diseases of the Breast, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center

Eugene Rubach
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UMDNJ – New Jersey Medical School
Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Surgery – Long Island Jewish Hospital

2004-2005

Bradley Champagne
University of Scranton
State University of New York – Syracuse College of Medicine
Fellowship in Colon and Rectal Surgery, Georgia Colon and Rectal Surgical Clinic, Atlanta, Georgia

David Chismark
St. Lawrence University
Dartmouth Medical School
Fellowship in Colon and Rectal Surgery, Colon and Rectal Clinic of Orlando Regional Health Care System

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University of Dayton
Memorial University of Newfoundland School of Medicine
Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Surgery, Albany Medical Center

Raza Zaidi
Union College
Albany Medical College
Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Surgery, Long Island Jewish Hospital

2005-2006

Brian Fallon
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St. George’s School of Medicine, Granada, W.I.
Fellowship in Cardiothoracic Surgery, Long Island Jewish Hospital

Jeffrey Hanth
Fairfield University
Creighton University School of Medicine
Fellowship in Vascular Surgery, Albany Medical Center

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Drew University
St. George’s School of Medicine

Nitin Malhotra
Bowling Green University
Medical College of Ohio

Gregory Telou
Canisius College
Georgetown University School of Medicine

Saurin Shah
McMaster University
St. George’s School of Medicine

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Applying for Minimally Invasive Surgery Fellowship

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Mt. Sinai School of Medicine
Fellowship in Plastic Surgery, Albany Medical Center

Richard Picciocca
Union College
State University of New York- Brooklyn College of Medicine
Fellowship in Cardiothoracic Surgery, Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center

R2

Benita Britton-Byrd
Mt. Holyoke College
Morehouse University School of Medicine

Bryan Bush
Syracuse University
Albany Medical College

Andrew Ehrhard
University of Wisconsin
St. George’s School of Medicine

Warner Wang
Claremont McKenna College
University of Louisville School of Medicine

R3

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Pace University
State University of New York-Syracuse

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Hebrew University School of Medicine

R4

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St. George’s School of Medicine

R1

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University of California, Santa Barbara
St. George’s School of Medicine

Thomas Conlee
Manhattan College
St. George’s School of Medicine

Michael Dooley
University of California, Santa Barbara
St. George’s School of Medicine

Carrie Jahraus
Colorado State University
Chicago Medical School

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Fellowship in Vascular Surgery, Albany Medical Center
Faculty Members

Scholarly Activity

TODD BEYER


Oral/Vitamin D Supplementation Reduces the Incidence of Eucalemic PTH Elevation Following Surgery for Primary Hyperparathyroidism

Asian Association of Endocrine Surgeons, 10th Congress

Hong Kong, March, 2006

Normal Mammography and Ultrasonography in the Setting of Palpable Breast Cancer

North Pacific Surgical Association 89th Annual Meeting

Seattle, WA. November 2002

Sonic Hedgehog Signaling Pathway is Differentially Overexpressed in Thyroid Carcinoma

Society of University Surgeons 1st Annual Academic Surgical Congress

San Diego, CA. February, 2006 (poster)

Oral/Vitamin D Supplementation Reduces the Incidence of Eucalemic PTH Elevation Following Surgery for Primary Hyperparathyroidism

American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists, 15th Annual Congress

Chicago, IL. April, 2006 (poster)

Parathyroidectomy Outcomes Based on Surgical Approach

Midwest Surgical Association, 49th Annual Meeting


TGF beta Type I Receptor, FKBP12, FTase, and GGTase: a Review of the Virginia Mason Experience

IPMN Requiring Total Pancreatectomy: A Case Report and a Review of the Virginia Mason Experience

Joel Baker Lectureship

Washington State Chapter of the American College of Surgeons

Lake Chelan, WA. June 2004

Fallout from Chernobyl: The Impact on Thyroid Disease

Rush University Medical Center, Surgical Grand Rounds

May, 2006

DAVID CONTI


Rhinol, 2002 Jan – Feb; 16(1):37-42


ISRTD: a Steroid Free Sirolimus and Cellcept-Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006

WARD DUNNican


Presented Meeting of the Brooklyn Surgical Society, May 2000

Canadian Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, September 2000

Society of Surgical Oncology, March 2001


Sheth H, Dunnican W, and Saad S. Modified supraumbilical pyloromyotomy American College of Surgeons Clinical Conference. October, 2002

OSSAMA ELBAHLOUL


Elbahlool O, Rorat L. HMGAla transgenic mice develop uterine cancer and HMGAla is unregulated in human uterine cancer,2005 (submitted)


Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006

Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006

Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006

Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006

Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006

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Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006

Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006

Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006

Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006

Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-limiting Protocol. Clinical Transplantation, Accepted for Publication, 2006
Michael Gallicco
Hashim M. Hesham
Edward Lee
Chaletky D, Green JA, Lee EC, Jones D, Lower GI bleeding from right hemorhoidal varices. Am J Gastro 2006
American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons. Los Angeles, CA. March 2003

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Ankesh Nigam
Perlmutter, A. E., Karimi, K. M., McFadden, D. W., Nigam, A. Management of Esophageal Carcinoma West Virginia Medical Journal, 2004 (accepted for publication)
Rago D.R., Jackson, B.J., You-Davis, L., Nigam, A., McFadden D.W. Keyhole Lymph Hemocyanin Inhibits Human Cancer Growth and Alters Cytokine Production In-Vitro American Journal of Surgery, 2005 (accepted for publication)
Miele,Y., Nigam, A. Obstructive Jaundice and Pancreatitis Secondary to Gastronomy Tube Migration—A Case Report and Review of the Literature (submitted for publication)

Donna Pietrocola
Clinical Investigator — NYOH Breast Neoadjuvant Protocol 02-103 ( fine needle aspiration for microarray analysis) 2004-2005

Car Rezai
Rosati, C., Abdominal Compartment Syndrome, (Presented to American College of Surgeons, Cooperstown, NY, May, 2004)

Paul Singh
April 2002 Advanced Laparoscopic Ventral Hernia Repair Symposium, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Canada

Steven Stain
Steven S. Gapard DJ, Rogers N, Stain SC: Diagnosis and Management of Laryngotracheal Trauma. Journal of the Colon and Rectum

Adegboje OJ, Garvin M, Rogers SO, Stain SC, Levine RS. Colorectal Cancer Hospitalization Diagnostic Procedures Trends among Blacks and Whites. (Submitted to Diseases of the Colon and Rectum)
Gray KD, Ballard BR, Washington MK, Belue R, Grady WM, Chapman WC, Stain SC. Do Adverse Histopathologic Findings in Colorectal Cancer Patients Explain Disparate Outcomes?

Sofia Socaris

Chimark, A. Lee L. Laparoscopic approach to long-term surgical complication following total proctocolectomy with ileal pouch anastomosis. Annual Meeting, American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons; Dallas, TX, May, 2004
Changboge BJ, Lee M. Misdiagnosis of chronic mesenteric ischemia as inflammatory bowel disease. Annual Meeting, American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons; Dallas, TX, May, 2004

(Submitted to Current Surgery)
The University of Padua: Contributions to the Early History of the Pancreas, Presented at the 79th meeting of the Historical Society, Cincinnati, OH September 8th, 2005

(Submitted to the National Medical Association)
Jones CM, Pierre KB, Stain SC, Melvin WV. Electrosurgery.
Faculty Members

Dan Thompson
Critical Care Ethics: A Practice Guide from the ACCM Ethics Committee, Editors Dan R.
Thompson, MD, MA, FCCM and Heidi B. Kammer, MD, MPH; Society of Critical Care Medicine. 2005
Rosenbaum S, Thompson DR, Editors, Critical Care Medicine - Supplement - The Ethics of Managing a Critical Care Unit - in press
Thompson DR - Ethical Principles in the Management of an ICU - Critical Care Medicine - in press

Brian Valerian
Champagne BC, Lee EC, Valerian BT, Mallhosta N: Deep post and space abscess, Maintaining a high level of suspicion. Submitted, 2005
Surgical Management of colorectal cancer. American Cancer Society Colorectal Cancer Awareness Program, Albany Medical Center, March 2005

Resident Publications

Bradley Champagne

Roger Moccia

Resident Presentations

Bradley Champagne
Laparoscopic Ventral Hernia Repair in the morbidly obese – SAGES – 2002
Misdiagnosis of Mesenteric Ischemia for Chronic’s disease – SAGES – 2003

David Chismark
Laparoscopic Sigmoid Colectomy in the Renal Transplant patient – SAGES – 2002
Laparoscopic management of late complications after total proctocolectomy with ileal- anal pouch anastomosis – ASCRS – poster – 2004

Roger Moccia
Laparoscopic Spleenectomy in severe thrombocytopenia – SAGES – 2005

Eugene Rubach
Comparison of laparoscopic and open nephrectomy for renal transplantation- SAGES – 2005
Patient Care
The Division of General Surgery cared for more than 10,000 patients in our outpatient offices this past year with the convenience and efficiency of on-site ultrasonography. Approximately 8,000 surgical procedures were performed by the surgical faculty. The Bariatric Surgery program is the only program in the Capital Region accredited by American College of Surgery. Moreover, the Divisions Trauma and Transplant Sections are the only providers of level 1 trauma and transplant services in the Capital Region.

Education
The Division of General Surgery continues to value the importance of undergraduate and graduate medical education. Third-year medical students participate in a comprehensive, required rotation experience that exposes them to all facets of general surgery. The third-year general surgery program is comprised of an 8-week inpatient experience with six weeks devoted to the General Surgery Services. Each student also spends 2 weeks in a surgical specialty of choice. During the third-year rotation, a great deal of emphasis is placed on newly acquired clinical skills and how this knowledge may be utilized in general practice.

A clinical skills exam (OSCE), as well as a written and oral exam are administered at the end of the rotation. Also, throughout the 8-week surgery experience, the general surgery faculty serve as tutors to small groups of students who use a problem-based learning approach to cover essential material of surgical knowledge. A video library of relevant surgical skills has been developed and is available for student viewing.

Fourth-year medical students may elect a rotation in general surgery as part of the student elective program. In addition, students with a particular career interest in general surgery may spend an additional rotation on one of the general surgery services.

The graduate medical education program of the Division of general surgery continues to provide superior resident education. In the spring of 2006 the general surgery residency-training program was granted full accreditation by the Residency Review Committee of the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education. There is continuing emphasis on resident participation in outpatient activities. To assist in generating a greater understanding of the basic science issues as they affect disease processes and therapies, a basic science didactic has been instituted for all residents. This enables residents and faculty alike to explore the ever-increasing scientific basis of the practice of surgery.

Research
The faculty of the Division of General Surgery remains committed and actively involved in clinical research. The goal of these efforts is to identify new and novel effective treatment regimens for general surgical patients. Major areas of investigation include: the application of intra-operative ultrasound in surgery for upper gastro-intestinal malignancies, outcomes after minimally-invasive colorectal surgery, management of events head injury and the development of effective immunosuppressive regimens after organ transplantation. A $500,000 grant has been awarded to evaluate the impact of a nurse practitioner counseling families, on the length of stay of patients in the SICU.

Community Outreach
The Division is committed to community programs aimed at disease prevention and primary care. These include the Helmet project, head injury prevention initiative by the Lifesaver Trauma section, colorectal cancer screening programs by the section of colorectal surgery, and the early detection of renal disease thru the section of Transplantation and the National Kidney Foundation of Northeast New York.

Our Mission
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Visiting Lecturers
The Morris Alpert General Surgery Teaching Award, an annual award established in 2000 by Dr. David Conti, to highlight the teaching and research activities of the faculty of the Division was presented to Dr. Hashim Hesham from the Section of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery. The awardee is selected by the General Surgery residents and is the only award of its kind in the Department. Past winners have included, Dr. Larry Robinson, Dr. Brent Pimam and Dr. Paul Singh and Dr. Edward Lee. The Division is very pleased with the participation and extraordinary effort of these individuals in resident education and research activities.
The Division of Neurosurgery of the Department of Surgery at the Albany Medical College was started in 1946 by Dr. Eldridge Campbell. Dr. Campbell trained in neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins Medical School under the tutelage of Dr. Walter Dandy and became the Albany region's first neurosurgeon in 1936. During World War II, Dr. Campbell helped organize the 33rd General Hospital and became the unit’s director and surgeon-in-chief when it was activated for duty in 1942. After assignment to North Africa in 1943, the 33rd General Hospital moved to Italy where it compiled a distinguished record, especially in neurological surgery. Dr. Campbell became the consultant in neurosurgery for the Mediterranean theater of operations while continuing as head of the 33rd General Hospital. He was awarded the Legion of Merit at Caserta, Italy in 1945. Upon completion of military service, Campbell returned to Albany where he served as chairman of surgery at Albany Medical College and Surgeon-in-Chief at the Albany Hospital for 10 years. During his tenure, he formalized residencies in surgery and neurosurgery, and established the surgical research program, the first animal research laboratory and the AOA Chapter at Albany Medical College. He intensively studied and translated the Latin version of Theodorico of Bologna’s (ca 1190-1230) surgical texts. His prestigious neurosurgical career came to an abrupt end from illness at the age of 55.

**Division of Neurosurgery**

The Division of Neurosurgery of the Department of Surgery at the Albany Medical College was started in 1946 by Dr. Eldridge Campbell. Dr. Campbell trained in neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins Medical School under the tutelage of Dr. Walter Dandy and became the Albany region’s first neurosurgeon in 1936. During World War II, Dr. Campbell helped organize the 33rd General Hospital and became the unit’s director and surgeon-in-chief when it was activated for duty in 1942. After assignment to North Africa in 1943, the 33rd General Hospital moved to Italy where it compiled a distinguished record, especially in neurological surgery. Dr. Campbell became the consultant in neurosurgery for the Mediterranean theater of operations while continuing as head of the 33rd General Hospital. He was awarded the Legion of Merit at Caserta, Italy in 1945. Upon completion of military service, Campbell returned to Albany where he served as chairman of surgery at Albany Medical College and Surgeon-in-Chief at the Albany Hospital for 10 years. During his tenure, he formalized residencies in surgery and neurosurgery, and established the surgical research program, the first animal research laboratory and the AOA Chapter at Albany Medical College.

**Faculty Members**

**Alan S. Boulos**

Assistant Professor of Surgery

**Herman and Sunny Stall Chair in Endovascular Surgery**

B.S., Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

M.D., Albany Medical Center

General Surgery Internship, Albany Medical Center

Residency in Neurosurgery - Albany Medical Center

Fellowship - Neuroendovascular Surgery, University of Buffalo

Certification: American Board of Neurological Surgery, 2006

Academic and clinical interests: Surgical and endovascular management of aneurysms and AVMs, ECA-ICA bypass, stroke, tumor embolization, skull base surgery.

Honors, Awards, Achievements:

Editorial Staff, AANS Bulletin, 2005-present

Alpha Omega Alpha

Invited Presentations

Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the AANS, course instructor for “Combined Approaches to Cerebrovascular Disease,” San Francisco, CA, 04/06

Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the AANS, “Advances in Carotid Disease Surgery versus Endovascular Therapy,” San Francisco, CA, 04/06

Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the American Society of Neuroimaging, “Radiographic Analysis of AVMs and Aneurysms,” San Diego, CA 03/06

A. Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the CNS, course instructor for “Introduction to Endovascular Techniques with Simulators,” Boston, MA 10/05

Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the CNS, “Management of Endovascular treatment of aneurysms for the nonendovascular neurosurgeon,” Boston, MA, 10/05


Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the AANS, “Advances in Carotid Disease Surgery versus Endovascular Therapy,” New Orleans, LA 04/05

Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the AANS; “Asymptomatic Vascular Lesions: AVMs,” New Orleans, LA 04/05

Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the AANS, discussant for “Complications of AVM Embolization: Multivariate Analysis of Predictive Factors,” New Orleans, LA 04/05

Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the AANS, course instructor for “Combined Approaches to Cerebrovascular Disease,” New Orleans, LA 04/05

Boulos AS, American Society of Neuroimaging, “Radiographic Analysis of AVMs and Aneurysms,” Orlando, FL 03/05

Boulos AS, American Society of Neuroimaging, “Interventional Aspects of Carotid Artery Stenosis,” Orlando, FL 03/05

Boulos AS, NY State Society of Neurological Surgeons, “Tamoxifen: Taking a drug from benchtop to bedside in stroke,” Naples, FL 02/05

**Darryl DiRisio**

Assistant Professor of Surgery

A. John Popp Endowed Chair of Neurosurgery

B.S., University of Maryland

M.D., University of Dentistry and Medicine of New Jersey Internship in General Surgery, Albany Medical Center

Residency in Neurological Surgery - Albany Medical Center Fellowship - Reconstructive and complex spine surgery and spinal cord injury medicine, University of New Mexico Certification: American Board of Neurologic Surgery, 1998

Academic and clinical interests: Complex Spine surgery, cerebrovasculaire spine stabilization, spine biomechanics

Honors, Awards, Achievements:

Alpha Omega Alpha

Invited Presentations

DiRisio D.J, Annual Meeting of the AANS, course instructor for “Combined Approaches to Cerebrovascular Disease,” San Francisco, CA, 04/05


DiRisio D.J, Annual Meeting of the AANS, discussant for “Combined Approaches to Cerebrovascular Disease,” New Orleans, LA 04/05

DiRisio D.J, American Society of Neuroimaging, “Interventional Aspects of Carotid Artery Stenosis,” Orlando, FL 03/05

DiRisio D.J, NY State Society of Neurological Surgeons, “Tamoxifen: Taking a drug from benchtop to bedside in stroke,” Naples, FL 02/05

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DiRisio D.J, Annual Meeting of the AANS, course instructor for “Combined Approaches to Cerebrovascular Disease,” San Francisco, CA, 04/05

DiRisio D.J, Annual Meeting of the AANS, “Advances in Carotid Disease Surgery versus Endovascular Therapy,” San Francisco, CA, 04/06

DiRisio D.J, Annual Meeting of the American Society of Neuroimaging, “Radiographic Analysis of AVMs and Aneurysms,” San Diego, CA 03/06

A. Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the CNS, course instructor for “Introduction to Endovascular Techniques with Simulators,” Boston, MA 10/05

Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the CNS, “Management of Endovascular treatment of aneurysms for the nonendovascular neurosurgeon,” Boston, MA, 10/05


Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the AANS, “Advances in Carotid Disease Surgery versus Endovascular Therapy,” New Orleans, LA 04/05

Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the AANS; “Asymptomatic Vascular Lesions: AVMs,” New Orleans, LA 04/05

Boulos AS, Annual Meeting of the AANS, discussant for “Complications of AVM Embolization: Multivariate Analysis of Predictive Factors,” New Orleans, LA 04/05

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Boulos AS, NY State Society of Neurological Surgeons, “Tamoxifen: Taking a drug from benchtop to bedside in stroke,” Naples, FL 02/05
JOSEPH EMRICH  
Associate Professor of Neurosurgery  
B.S., McGill University M.D., Doctor of Medicine, McGill University  
Internship in Surgery, St. Michael’s Hospital  
Residency in Neurosurgery - Montreal Neurological Institute Fellowship - Neuro-oncology, Montreal Neurological Institute  
Certification: American Board of Neurological Surgery, 1993  
Academic and clinical interests: Neuro-oncology, Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery, Epilepsy Surgery, Radiosurgery for tumors and vascular lesions

JOHN GERMAN  
Assistant Professor of Neurosurgery  
B.S., Cornell University M.D., University of Vermont  
Internship in Surgery, University of New Mexico  
Residency in Neurosurgery, University of New Mexico, SUNY Buffalo  
Spine Fellowship, University of Tennessee  
Certification: American Board of Neurologic Surgery, 2005  
Academic and clinical interest: Minimally invasive spine surgery

A JOHN POPP  
Professor of Surgery  
Division Head, Neurosurgery  
Director of the Neuroscience Institute  
Henry & Sally Shaffer Chair of Surgery.  
A.B., University of Rochester  
M.D., Albany Medical College  
Residency - Neurosurgery, Albany Medical Center  
Fellowship - Microneurosurgery, University of California, San Francisco  
Certification: American Board of Neurological Surgeons, 1979

Clinical Interests: Cerebrovascular surgery, pituitary adenomas, neuro-oncology surgery, skull base surgery, lumbar spine disorders, peripheral nerve  
Research Interests: Cerebrovascular, ECA-ICA bypass, cerebral ischemia/reperfusion, carotid artery disease.

Honors, Awards and Achievements:  
President, American Association of Neurological Surgeons  
President, Society of Neurological Surgeons  
Specialty Society Governor, American College of Surgeons  
Treasurer, Society of Neurological Surgeons  
Director, American Board of Neurosurgery  
Member, Advisory Council for Neurological Surgery, American College of Surgeons  
Governor, American College of Surgeons  
Alpha Omega Alpha  
Distinguished Alumnus, Albany medical College

Invited Presentations:  
“Neurosurgical Training in the USA. Preparation and Philosophy.” Oita Medical School, Oita, Japan, September, 2005.  


“Medical school Education and Residency Training in the USA.” Hyniek Medal Lecture, Comenius University Medical School, Bratislava, Slovak Republic, September, 2006.  

PAUL SPURGAS  
Associate Professor of Neurosurgery  
B.S., Union College M.D., Temple University  
Residency in Neurosurgery - Albany Medical Center  
Certification: American Board of Neurologic Surgery, 1985  
Academic and clinical interests: general neurosurgery, epilepsy surgery, skull base

Honors, Awards, Achievements:  
Board of Directors, American Association of Neurologic Surgeons  
Faculty Members

John Waldman
Professor of Surgery
M.D., Albany Medical College
Residency in Neurosurgery - Albany Medical Center
Fellowship in Pediatric Neurosurgery, Boston Children's Hospital, University of Toronto
Certification: American Board of Neurologic Surgery, 1982
Academic and clinical interests: Pediatric Neurosurgery
Honors, Awards, Achievements:
American College of Surgeons, Upstate NY District #5 Committee on Applicants.

Adjunct Faculty

Gary L. Bernardini
Associate Professor of Neurology and Neurosurgery
BS, University of Texas, San Antonio
Ph.D., The University of Texas at Southwestern Medical Center
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences
MD, The University of Texas at Southwestern Medical Center
Residency in Neurology – The New York Hospital/Weill-Cornell University Medical Center
Fellowship in Neurological Critical Care, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons
Certification: American Board of Neurology & Psychiatry

Anthony L. Ritaccio
Professor of Neurology and Neurosurgery
BA, Brown University
MD, Albany Medical College
Residency – Neurology, Albany Medical College
Fellowship – Clinical Fellow in Epilepsy and Neurophysiology, University of Pittsburgh Epilepsy Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Certification: American Board of Neurology & Psychiatry

Residents

2002
Alan Fergus MD
Albany Medical College
Private Practice, Virginia

2004
Ben Cohen
Chicago Medical School
Spine Fellowship, University of Alabama at Birmingham

2005
Esther Wylen
Albany Medical College
Academic Practice, Louisiana State University

2006
Simon Salerno
Albany Medical College
Spine Fellowship, Medical College of Wisconsin

Dileep Yavagal
Assistant Professor of Neurology and Neurosurgery
MBBS, Seth Gordhandas Sunderdas Medical College, Bombay, India
Residency – Neurology, Massachusetts General and Brigham & Women’s Hospitals
Fellowship – Critical Care Neurology, Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center
Diagnostic Neuroradiology, UCLA Medical Center
Interventional Neuroradiology, UCLA Medical Center
Certification: American Board of Neurology & Psychiatry

2006
Eric Deshaies
University of Connecticut
Fellowship in Cerebrovascular/Skull Base, University of Miami

R6
Daniel Friedlich
A.B. Dartmouth College
MD, Albany Medical College

R5
Matthew Adamo
B.S. Siena College
MD, SUNY Syracuse Upstate Medical Center

R4
John Dalfino MDB.S.
Brandeis University MD
Jefferson Medical College

R3
Anil Nair MD
B.A. University of Missouri, Kansas City
MD, University of Missouri, Kansas City

R2
Tyler Kenning
B.S. Washington & Lee University
MD, Jefferson Medical College

Fassil Mesfin
B.S. SUNY Old Westbury
MD, Albany Medical College

R1
Ravi Gandhi
B.A. Johns Hopkins University
MD, St. George’s School of Medicine

Scholarly Activity

Faculty

Alan Boulos
Publications:

Abstracts and Brief Communications
Faculty Members


Book:

Abstracts and Brief Communications

Residents


Visiting Professors
5/5/05
Howard Eisenberg, MD
Professor and Chair,
Department of Surgery
U. Maryland School of Medicine
HEAD INJURY, RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIALS: THE SEARCH FOR A SILVER BULLET
(Eldege Campbell Lecture)
6/23/05
Arthur Day, MD
Department of Neurosurgery
Brigham & Women’s Hospital
MIDDLE CEREBRAL ARTERY ANATOMY AND ANEURYSMS
10/13/05
Dr. Ralf Buhr
Department of Neurosurgery
University of Kiel, Germany
CAVERNOUS MALFORMATIONS – INDICATIONS AND TREATMENT
1/26/06
Simon Salerno, MD
Fellow, Spine Surgery
Medical College of Wisconsin
CLINICAL AND MRI CORRELATION IN SCIWORA
2/23/06
Thomas Gennarelli, MD
Medical College of Wisconsin
BRAIN INJURY WHERE WE ARE AND WHERE WE’RE GOING
3/23/06
Robert Dempsey, MD
Professor and Chairman
Dept. of Neurosurgery
U Wisconsin School of Medicine
CEREBROVASCULAR ATHEROSCLEROSIS: TREATMENT BASED ON A BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE DISEASE
4/13/06
M. Sean Grady, MD
Chairman, Department of Neurosurgery
University of Pennsylvania Health System
ADVANCES IN THE TREATMENT OF TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY
5/4/06
Robert Spetzler, MD
JN. Harber Chair of Neurological Surgery
Barrow Neurological Institute
MANAGEMENT OF BRAINSTEM CAVENOUS MALFORMATIONS (20TH ANNUAL ELDRIDGE CAMPBELL LECTURE)
7/27/06
Gregory Przybylecki, MD
Director of Neurosurgery
NJ Neuroscience Institute
UNDERSTANDING HOSPITAL AND PHYSICIAN PAYMENT SYSTEMS
50. "The NSI was established to address the myriad of health care needs resulting from disorders affecting the brain, spinal cord and supporting structures by bringing together physicians in various specialties, neurosciences researchers, highly trained nursing staff and cutting edge technology to provide greater continuity of care in a way that provides convenience for the patient. Patients of all ages, from newborn to the elderly, are seen and treated. In addition to providing quality patient care, the Neurosciences Institute is committed to education and biomedical research.

51. Cerebrovascular Surgery

52. Neuro-Oncology

53. Pediatric Neurosurgery

54. Skull-Base Surgery

55. Stereotactic Surgery including Radio Surgery/DBS

56. Complex Spine Surgery

57. Epilepsy Surgery

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Cerebrovascular Surgery

Neuro-Oncology

Pediatric Neurosurgery

Skull-Base Surgery

Stereotactic Surgery including Radio Surgery/DBS

Complex Spine Surgery

Epilepsy Surgery

Neural trauma

59. Undergraduate Medical Education: The members of the Division of Neurosurgery actively participate in medical student education, giving lectures in the Neuroscience I and II themes and third year required surgical rotation. For 4th year students with an interest in neurosurgery or neurosciences, there are three types of electives that emphasize clinical care, research or both.

Graduate Medical Education: The neurological resident training program at Albany Medical Center is approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) and is one of the oldest in the country. The five year program follows one year of training in fundamental clinical skills and general surgery at Albany Medical Center. All aspects of neuromuscular practice, including prehospital evaluation, in-hospital assessment and treatment, and postdischarge follow-up, are included in the training program. In the past year, over 1700 operative procedures were performed, exposing the resident to the entire spectrum of neurosurgical disorders.

Participation in neurosciences research and instruction in teaching skills provide residents with a diversified training experience. Basic rotations include clinical neurosurgery (45 months, including chief resident year), laboratory research (12 months), neuropathology and neuroradiology (3 months combined); A 3 month neurology rotation is taken in PGY-1. All residents take the written examination of the American Board of Neurological Surgery yearly for self-assessment and are required to pass the exam for credit prior to their chief residency year.

59. As a component of the Neurosciences Institute at Albany Medical Center, the Division of Neurosurgery enjoys an opportunity for unprecedented basic science collaboration. Recent residents have carried out projects that include the use of stem cells in the treatment of stroke and spinal cord injury, intracranial vascular occlusion, and 3T MRI in the characterization of mass lesions of the brain. Faculty research interests include interventions for stroke, spine biomechanics, stem cell treatment for spinal cord injury, treatment for HI and outcome studies in cerebrovascular diseases. Recent grants include the following:

1. Anspach Award in Neuroprotection, 2004-2005. Peer-reviewed grant, $25,000 for "Tamoxifen Protects the Canine Brain from MCA occlusion and reperfusion."


5. Boulos AS, Deshaies EM (Principals Investigator). "HEAL II: Prospective Registry Examining the Safety and Durability of Hydrogel Coated Platinum Coils with Bare Platinum Coils. Albany Medical Center, 2004-present


7. Boulos AS (Principal Investigator). "Tamoxifen Protects the Canine Brain from MCA occlusion and reperfusion." Anspach Award in Neuroprotection, 2004-present


9. Deshaies EM, Khaleed M, Van Valkenburgh S, Boulos AS (Principal Investigators). "CT-Perfusion as an Adjunct to Treating Intrasaccular Stenosis with Either Stent Placement or ECA-ICA Bypass." Albany Medical Center, 2004-present


In 1741, Nicholas Andry published a landmark treatise entitled Orthopædia: or the Art of Correcting and Preventing Deformities in Children. He, in fact, coined the term Orthopaedic meaning “straight child.”

Prior to the development of internal fixation and X-rays around the beginning of the last century, orthopaedic surgeons primarily treated deformities with wooden splints and then plaster casts. With the development of X-rays by Roentgen in 1895, orthopaedists could finally see the alignment of the bones under the skin. The development of the Lane plate and bone screw allowed early orthopaedic pioneers to insert metal implants to help align the fractured bones. With that, the specialty, and the need for education, grew exponentially.

Dr. Arthur Wells Elting, who was chairman of the Department of Surgery at Albany Medical Center from 1915-37, recruited the first division head of orthopedics, Dr. John Ghormley. Crawford Campbell, renowned orthopaedic pathologist, was appointed Head of the Division by then Chairman of Surgery, Dr. Eldridge Campbell in 1954, after Dr. Ghormley’s passing. Dr. Campbell was joined by Dr. Paul Clark to form the core of the Division of Orthopaedic Surgery at Albany Medical Center from 1915-37, recruited the first division head of orthopedics, Dr. John Ghormley. Crawford Campbell, renowned orthopaedic pathologist, was appointed Head of the Division by then Chairman of Surgery, Dr. Eldridge Campbell in 1954, after Dr. Ghormley’s passing. Dr. Campbell was joined by Dr. Paul Clark to form the core of the Division.

Dr. James Dougherty, former chief of Orthopedics at Syracuse, was acting Division Head until Dr. Richard Jacobs became Division Head in 1974. Under Dr. Jacobs, the AMC Orthopaedic residency produced a number of world renowned orthopaedic leaders who would later go on to run their own departments across the country. Dr. Jacobs remained as Head until his retirement in 1996.

Dr. Dana Mears, from Pittsburgh, served as Head of the Division from 1996 until 1999. During that time, the research efforts of the Division improved dramatically. Currently the Division Head is Dr. Richard Uhl. The rich history of the Division is remembered with a number of named lectureships and awards including the Crawford Campbell Visiting Professorship, the Paul Clark Award for outstanding senior thesis presentations and the James and Rita Dougherty Award presented yearly to the 4th year medical student showing the most promise for a career in orthopaedics.

“The Orthopaedic residency produced a number of world renowned orthopaedic leaders who would later go on to run their own departments across the country.”

### Full-Time Faculty Members

**Allen L. Carl**

**Professor of Surgery**

**Head of Spine Surgery**

BA, State University of New York at Binghamton

MD, State University of New York at Buffalo

Internship, Montefiore Medical Center

Orthopaedic Residency, State University of New York at Stony Brook

Fellowship in Spine Surgery, Toronto General Hospital

Board Certification, American Board of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 1989, 1997

**Positions Served**

- Oral Examiner, American Board of Orthopaedic Surgeons
- Corporate Relations Committee, North American Spine Society
- Program Committee, Scoliosis Research Society
- Core Curriculum Committee, Scoliosis Research Society
- Board of Trustees, Musculoskeletal Transplant Society
- Committee on Applicants, American Board of Orthopaedics
- Editorial Associate, Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research
- Reviewer, National Institutes of Health
- Advisory Editor, The Spine Journal
- Recognized in Who’s Who in Medicine and Healthcare
- Cited as Guide to America’s Top Surgeons by Consumers’ Research Council of America
- Guest Speaker, Posterior Motion Retention Devices, 1st Kostuik Research Society Meeting
- The Fairmont Hotel San Francisco, CA February 16-18, 2006

### Invited Lectures


**Paul P. Hospodar**

**Associate Professor of Surgery**

BS, University of Scranton

MD, Penn State College of Medicine

Orthopaedic Residency, Milton S. Hershey Medical Center

Michael and Myrtle Baker Research Fellow, Division of Orthopaedic Surgery, Milton S. Hershey Medical Center

Fellowship in Trauma, Methodist Hospital of Indiana

Board Certification, American Board of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 1996, 2005

**Positions Served**

Consultant and Faculty, Arthroscopy Association of North America

Consultant, New York State Office of Internal Affairs

**Sachin Patel**

**Assistant Professor of Surgery**

BS, University of Houston

MD, University of California Los Angeles School of Medicine

Internship, University of California Los Angeles

Orthopaedic Residency, Albany Medical Center

Fellowship in Arthroscopy and Sports Medicine, University of Massachusetts, 2006

Board Eligible, American Board of Orthopaedic Surgeons
Richard L. Uhl  
Professor of Surgery  
Chief, Division of Orthopaedics  
Director, Orthopaedic Residency Program  
BS, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
MD, Jefferson Medical College  
Orthopaedic Residency, New York University Medical Center  
Hand Surgery Fellowship, Jefferson Medical College  
Board Certification, American Board of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 1992, 2001  

Positions Served  
Electronic Media Education Committee, American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons  
Medical Computing Committee, American Society for Surgery of the Hand  
Consultant Reviewer, Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery  
Deputy Editor, American Association of Hand Surgery  
Annual Meeting Program Coordinator, American Society for Surgery of the Hand  

Invited Lectures  

Faculty Members  

Volunteer Faculty  

Richard H. Alfred  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

R. Maxwell Alley  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Eric R. Abonowitz  
Clinical Instructor  

Louis Benton  
Assistant Professor  

Robert A. Cheney  
Clinical Associate Professor  

Neil Colman  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

G. Robert Cooley  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

John Czajka  
Clinical Associate Professor  

Richard J. D’Ascoli  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Shankar P. Das  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Matthew DiCaprio  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

John A. DiPreta  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

James Dougherty, MD  
Professor Emeritus  

David M. Drvaric  
Clinical Professor  

Marc D. Fuchs  
Associate Professor  

Robert J. Hedderman  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Richard L. Jacobs  
Professor Emeritus  

Richard L. Katz  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

John M. Kavanaugh  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Suheil M. Khuri  
Clinical Associate Professor  

Eric H. Ledet, PhD  
Adjunct Professor  

Robert Leopold  
Assistant Clinical Professor  

Jeffrey Lozman  
Clinical Professor  

Peter D. Masso  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

James R. Parkinson  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Brian Quinn, MD  
Clinical Associate Professor  

David Quinn, MD  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

James M. Schneider  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

James A. Slavin  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

RESIDENTS  

2002  
Jess Alcid, MD  
Private Practice  
Tom Rivers, New Jersey  

Derek Ochiai, MD  
Private Practice  
Ashburn, Virginia  

Kent Smillie, MD  
Private Practice  
Coupland, Washington  

Edward Ashman, MD  
Private Practice  
Las Vegas, Nevada  

John M. Spring  
Clinical Instructor of Surgery  

James E. Striker  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Jon Toussaint  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Richard Whipple  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Gary A. Williams  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Carl R. Wirth  
Clinical Professor  

Marc D. Fuchs  
Associate Professor  

Robert J. Hedderman  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Richard L. Jacobs  
Professor Emeritus  

Richard L. Katz  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

John M. Kavanaugh  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Suheil M. Khuri  
Clinical Associate Professor  

Eric H. Ledet, PhD  
Adjunct Professor  

Robert Leopold  
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Jeffrey Lozman  
Clinical Professor  

Peter D. Masso  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

James R. Parkinson  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Brian Quinn, MD  
Clinical Associate Professor  

David Quinn, MD  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

James M. Schneider  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

James A. Slavin  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

RESIDENTS  

2002  
Jess Alcid, MD  
Private Practice  
Tom Rivers, New Jersey  

Derek Ochiai, MD  
Private Practice  
Ashburn, Virginia  

Kent Smillie, MD  
Private Practice  
Coupland, Washington  

Edward Ashman, MD  
Private Practice  
Las Vegas, Nevada  

John M. Spring  
Clinical Instructor of Surgery  

James E. Striker  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Jon Toussaint  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Richard Whipple  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Gary A. Williams  
Clinical Assistant Professor  

Carl R. Wirth  
Clinical Professor
Faculty Members

2003
Sridahar Durbhakula
Private Practice, Rockville, Maryland

Tina Maxian
SUNY Upstate Medical Center, Assistant Professor of Surgery
Syracuse, New York

Richard Pell
Naval Active Duty
Japan

Daniel Phelan
Private Practice
Albany, New York

2004
Aaron Coleman
Private Practice
Portsmouth, New Hampshire

Allis Kim
Private Practice
Albany, New York

Barbaro Perez
Private Practice
Suffolk, New Jersey

John Velyvis
Private Practice
Palm Springs, California

2005
Lucille Andersen
Milken S. Hershey Medical Center, Assistant Professor of Surgery
Hershey, Pennsylvania

Frank Congiusta
Private Practice
Albany, New York

Sachin Patel
Assistant Professor, Albany Medical College
Albany, New York

Alok Sharan
Montefiore Medical Center, Assistant Professor of Surgery
Bronx, New York

2006
Daniel Bowman
Private Practice
Cooperstown, New York

Winston Jeshuran
Fellowship in Spine Surgery
John Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland

Jordan Lisella
Fellowship in Foot and Ankle Surgery
St. Joseph Mercy Hospital
Pontiac, Michigan

Dinakar Murthy
Fellowship in Spine Surgery
Boston, Massachusetts

R5
William Lavelle
BS, Wilkes University
MD, MCP-Hahnemann University School of Medicine

J. Martin Leland III
BA, University of Virginia
MD, Jefferson Medical College

Michael Wallace
BS, University of Maryland
MS, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
MD, University of Southern California

George Zanaros
BS, Cornell University, 1997
MD, Albany Medical College

R 3
Joseph Bellapinata
BA, Franklin and Marshall College
MS, Fairleigh Dickinson University
MD, Albany Medical College

James Boyle Jr
BS, Cornell University
MD, State University of New York at Buffalo

Jonathan Gainor, MD
BS, Union College
MS, Albany Medical College
MD, Albany Medical College

Camilo Guzman, MD
MD, The Pontificia Javeriana University

R 2
Brent Carlson
BA, St. Olaf College
MD, University of Minnesota-Minneapolis

Jared Roberts
BS, Utica College of Syracuse University
MS, Albany Medical College
MD, Albany Medical College

Adam Suslak
BA, Cornell University
MD, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey

Ricardo Valle
BS, University of Puerto Rico
MD, Ponce School of Medicine
R1
Siraj Bhadsalve
BS, Union College
MD, Albany Medical College
Jeffrey Klauser
BS, University of Michigan
MD, Albany Medical College
Ronniel Nazarian
BS, Dickinson College
MD, Albany Medical College
Jacqueline Vanderzanden
BA, John Hopkins University
MD, Albany Medical College

Scholarly Activity

Faculty

Alan Carl
Lavelle W, Carl A. Faces of Spine Care From Advanced Imaging. New York State Orthopaedic Society. (Poster Presentation) October 15, 2005

Residents


Book Chapters


Presentations

Lavelle W. Orthopaedic In-training Exam: Important or Overrated (Debate) New York State Orthopaedic Society Meeting. October 15, 2005.

Richard Uhl

Residents

PATIENT CARE
The physicians of the Division of Orthopaedic Surgery see outpatients at the Bone and Joint Center in Albany. This 106,013 square foot building houses the Division of Orthopaedics as well as members of the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Albany Medical Center Radiology, Capital Region Ambulatory Surgery Center, Thomas Nicolla Physical and Occupational Therapy, Capital Neurological Associates, The Center for Rheumatology, and Hangar Prosthetics and Orthotics. Major orthopaedic cases as well as all of the region's trauma patients are treated at the Albany Medical Center Hospital, the only Level 1 Trauma Center for the region's 2.3 million patients. During the past year the members of the Division saw 96,607 outpatient visits, 1,873 inpatient operative procedures at Albany Medical Center Hospital, 5,556 ambulatory surgery procedures at CRASC, and 1,582 hospital admissions at Albany Medical Center.

EDUCATION
The main educational mission of the Division is the education of medical students and Orthopaedic Resident. Members of the Division participate in the Musculoskeletal theme for 1st year students given lectures in upper and lower extremity anatomy including live surgical procedure demonstrations. Third year students rotate in the office for a two week period and spend time in the clinic and operating rooms at the Bone and Joint Center. Fourth year students, most interested in Orthopaedic Surgery as a career, rotate for a one month period on the service spending time in the outpatient clinics, in the OR, and in patient care areas.

The Division also provides teaching lectures and clinical rotations for the Albany Physician Assistant School. The Division sponsors the annual What's New in Pediatrics program and provides a number of sponsored visiting professors for the Steven Berthak Lecture, Ray Elliott Lecture in Hand Surgery, and the Crawford Campbell Visiting Professor for Resident Thesis Day.

RESEARCH
Members of the Division are actively involved in basic science and clinical research. Basic science research is done in conjunction with the Department of Biomedical Engineering at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Current projects include development of "smart" implants for identifying implanted biomaterials, an animal model for spinal disc degeneration, and non-enzymatic glycation of bone as a cause of fragility fractures. Studies completed during the past year included funded research evaluating a collagen patch to repair dura (sheep model) and evaluation of external fixator reprocessing.

Clinical research projects include evaluation of hip fractures outcomes, evaluation of pediatric regional anesthesia, longevity following Kyphoplasty, and many other ongoing studies. The further the Division's research commitment, we have hired a research coordinator and are advancing our affiliation with Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

DISTINGUISHED VISITING LECTURERS
CHRISTOPH GEEH, MD
Professor of Orthopaedic and General Surgery
SUNY Health Science Center, Syracuse, New York
"The Past, the Present, and the Future of Trauma"
Annual Resident Thesis Day
May 19, 2005

ANDREW K. PALMER, MD
Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery
SUNY Upstate Medical University
"Triangular Fibrocartilage Complex (TFCC) Abnormalities: Diagnosis and Treatment"
Annual Ray Elliott Jr., MD Endowed Lecture in Hand Surgery
October 20, 2005

PETER WATERS, MD
Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery
Harvard Medical School
Associate Chief, Department of Orthopaedics
Director of Hand and Upper Extremity Surgery, Children's Hospital of Boston
"Life In and Out of Medicine"
Annual Resident Thesis Day
May 18, 2006

COMMUNITY OUTREACH ACTIVITIES
Members of the Division participate in a number of community outreach activities including the disabled ski program at Windham New York, Albany PAL Lights in the Park, Physician coverage for local High School sports teams, and the Washington Park Safe Playground initiative.
The Division of Otolaryngology has deep roots at the Albany Medical Center. The division was instituted under John Milton Bigelow (1882) with significant growth and change under Arthur Root, Benjamin Volk and Floyd Goffin. A residency training program dates back to the Chairmanship of Eldrige Campbell. Much has changed within the Division over the last 80 years, changes that reflect the growth in scope of our specialty. Traditionally, otolaryngology residents were trained by otolaryngologists in private practice in our community. With the expansion of the field, full-time faculty positions were developed at the Medical College, and today the full-time and volunteer otolaryngologists provide service and education of great breadth in both general otolaryngology and subspecialty areas such as, head and neck oncologic surgery, pediatric otolaryngology, neuro-otology, maxillofacial trauma, facial plastic and reconstructive surgery, laryngology and otolaryngologic allergy. Such clinical activities are combined within our Division with research and education to provide for outstanding patient care and the training of both medical students and resident physicians. The excellence of our program is widely recognized throughout the geographic region. We provide services to patients from throughout Upstate New York, Southern Vermont, Western Massachusetts, and Connecticut.

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### FACULTY

**ARTHUR N. FALK**  
**Assistant Professor**  
BA, Brandeis University  
MD, Mount Sinai School of Medicine  
Residency education, Internship, General Surgery Beth Israel Medical Center, New York  
Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, NY  
Fellowship training, Craniofacial Surgery  
SUNY Health Science Center Syracuse  
Certification: American Board of Otolaryngology, 1999  
American Board of Facial Plastic Reconstructive Surgery  
Academic and clinical interest: Craniofacial Surgery, Cosmetic  
*Awards, honors, achievements*  
Cystic Fibrosis and Sinusitis Study Group  
CME Committee, American Academy of Facial Plastic Reconstructive  
CME Committee, American Academy of Otolaryngology/  
Head & Neck Surgery  
*Invited lectures*  
Falk, A, Beauty in a Bottle – A Critical Look at Skin Care Products; Uncaville, CT; October 23, 2004  
Falk, A, A Team Approach to Rigid Internal Fixation Techniques – Avon Old Farms Inn & Conference Center;  
Avon, CT, July 9, 2004  
Falk, A, The Surgical Management of Obstructive Sleep Apnea & Related Conditions – Benedictine Hospital;  
Kingston, NY; December 13, 2003  
Falk, A, Clinical Insights on Unilateral Cleft Lip and Palate Malformations – Head and Neck Surgery; Manchester,VT;  
October 2003  
Falk A. Concepts in Management of Panfacial Trauma,  
Updates in Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery;  
Manchester,VT; June 7, 2002

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### FACULTY MEMBERS

**LISA T. GALATI**  
**Associate Professor**  
BA, Vassar College  
MD, Mount Sinai School of Medicine  
Residency education, General Surgery Internship  
University of Medicine and Dentistry  
Residency in Otolaryngology  
University of Medicine and Dentistry  
fellowship training: Head & Neck Surgery  
University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine  
Certification: American Board of Otolaryngology, 1997  
Academic and clinical interest: Head and Neck – Oncology  
*Honors, awards and achievements*  
Reviewer for Laryngoscope  
Councilor, New England Oto Society  
Academy of Otolaryngology – Committee For Cancer Prevention  
*Invited Presentations*  
Laser Supraglottic Laryngectomy. Presented Masters of  
Otolaryngology, March 2002.  
ENT Neoplasms. Presented at PA Program of Albany Medical  
College; Albany, NY, June 2002.  
Laser Supraglottic Laryngectomy. Presented at NEROS, December  
2002  
State of the Art Management of the NO Neck. Presented at  
Updates in Otolaryngology-HNS, Manchester,VT; October 23,  
2003  
Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Anterior Tongue in Young  
Women. Presented at Updates in Otolaryngology-HNS,  
Uncaville, CT; October 21, 2004  
Minimally Invasive Head and Neck Surgery Presented at  
Surgery Grand Rounds, November 3, 2005  
Voice Disorders and Reflux, Laryngitis Concerns, Presented at  
the 1st Annual ENT Concerns for the Primary Care Clinician,  
Albany, NY, November 12, 2005
**SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM**

Management of the Airway Presented at the Anesthesia Grand Rounds; Albany Medical Center, Albany, NY, December 8, 2006.


State of the Art Surgery for Head and Neck Cancer; Glens Falls Cancer Center, September 16, 2006.

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Jason Mouzakes
Assistant Professor
BS, Union College
MD Albany Medical College
Residency training; Albany Medical Center
Fellowship training: Pediatric Otolaryngology
Children’s Hospital Seattle, Washington
Certification: American Board of Otolaryngology Head And Neck Surgery 2002

Specific interest: Pediatric Otolaryngology

Honors, awards, etc:
- Albany Medical College Silver Scapel Award 2004

Invited presentations
- “Massive aspiration of nuts and their removal in a 20 month old child”
- “Chronic Ear Disease in Children: Contemporary Surgical Management” Multidisciplinary Management of Pediatric Head and Neck Disease

US Army Medical Commons, Seattle Washington; August 6, 2004

“CSF Gusher in Pediatric Cochlear Implantation” 31st Annual Meeting of the Society For Ear, Nose and Throat Advancers in Children Oct 30 – Nov 1, 2003 in conjunction with the American Academy of Pediatrics New Orleans, Louisiana

“Biofilms on Pediatric Tracheotomy Tubes” American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology, 18th Annual Meeting; May 4-5, 2003 Nashville Tennessee


“Pediatric Airway Reconstruction” Updates in Otolaryngology Conference, June 7, 2002; Manchester VT

Steven M. Parnes
Professor
Program Director, Residency Training Program
BA, Rutgers University
MD, School of Medicine University of Pennsylvania
Residency Education – Veterans Administration Hospital (General Surgery)
Eye and Ear Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (Otolaryngology)
Certification: American Board of Otolaryngology – 1977

Academic and clinical interests: Otolaryngology

Honors, awards and achievements, positions served as well as invited lectures
- 1983 American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery
- Audio cassette Subcommittee Chairman
- Board of Directors
- Committee on Credentials/Membership
- Committee for Facial Nerve Disorders, Secretary
- Committee on Geriatric Otolaryngology
- Credentials Committee
- Head Teller
- Honor Award for contributions to Academy programs
- Distinguished Honor Award for Contributions to Academy Programs
- Instruction Course Advisory Committee
- Board of Governors
- Medical Informatics for AAO/HNS
- New York State Coordinator for Government Relations
- Subcommittee on Equilibrium
- Subcommittee on Quality Assurance

American Board of Otolaryngology
Senior Test Examiner
American Medical Association
Continuing Medical Education Advisory Committee
American Speech, Language and Hearing Association
Audiologic Evaluation Working Group on Acoustic-Emittance Measurements Consultant
Archives of Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery Reporter
Association of Academic Departments of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery, President-elect
Secretary/Treasurer
Executive Committee
Research Committee
Council Member
Audit Committee
Nominating Committee
Research Committee
Center for Climactic Research, University of Delaware Consultant
Eastern New York Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Association
President
Vice President
Program Chairman
Secretary/Treasurer
Eastern Triologic Society Vice-President
Europe
European Archives of Otolaryngology
Editorial Consultant
Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
President
Treasurer, present
Secretary, present
Program Chairman
Editorial Review Board
Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
Archives of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery Annual Meeting; New York City, NY; Sept. 19, 2004

“Dizziness” and “Sleep Apnea” 1st Annual ENT Concerns for Primary Care Clinician Albany, NY November 12, 2005

“LEMG” American Academy of Otolaryngology Annual Mtg Los Angeles, CA September 23-26, 2005

“The comparison of outcomes for fixed dose in tympanic gentamicin and dexamethasone injections for the treatment of Meniere’s Disease” IFOS World Congress, Rome, Italy, June 26, 2005

“The Role of Leukotrienes and Modifiers in Rhinosinusitis” Hauppauge, NY, March 14, 2005


“Laryngeal EMG” American Academy of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery Annual Meeting; New York City, NY; Sept. 19, 2004

“The Role of Leukotrienes and Modifiers in Rhinosinusitis” Grand Rounds, Cornell University, New York City, NY; June 3, 2004

Program Chairman
Secretary, present
Treasurer, present
President
Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
Editorial Review Board
Society of University Otolaryngologists
Membership Committee
Undergraduate Education Committee
The Laryngoscope
Editorial Consultant
The Triologic Society
Eastern Section, Vice President

Invited presentations

The Syrian Experience with the Single Channel Cochlear Implant” PanPacific Surgical Association; Honolulu, Hawaii January 14, 2006

“Dizziness” and “Sleep Apnea” 1st Annual ENT Concerns for Primary Care Clinician Albany, NY November 12, 2005

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BS, Brooklyn College
MD, Medical College of Virginia
Residency education: Surgical Internship
Boston City Hospital
First Surgical Service
Tufts Medical School
Surgical Residency
Tufts New England Medical Center
Otolaryngology Residency
(BU/Tufts Residency Program)
University Hospital
fellowship training: Surgical Fellowship
Seraiiner Hospital
Karolinska Medical School,
Stockholm, Sweden
Certification: American Board of Otolaryngology 1975
Honors, awards, achievements
Triological Society 105th Annual Meeting
Guest of Honor – 2002
26th Annual Fitz-Hugh Symposium University of Virginia
School of Medicine, Charlottesville Guest of Honor 2002
M. Stuart Strong Lecturer 2002 Joint Alumni Conference
Boston University – Tufts University School of Medicine
Presidential Citation The Triological Society, Southern
Section Meeting Naples, Florida, 2003
Guest of Honor, Fitzhugh Symposium, U. of Virginia, 2003
Guest of Honor: American Laryngological Association 126th
Annual Meeting, Boca Raton, Florida, 2005
Faculty Member, AOA, Boston U. School Medicine, 2006
Daniel Baker Lecturer, Columbus University School of
Medicine, 2005
Hugh Biller Lecturer, Mt. Sinai School of Medicine, 2005
American Laryngological Association, President,
Eastern Section, Triological Society, Vice President,
12th World Congress for Bronchoesophagology, President
International Bronchoesophagological Society, President
American Academy of Otolaryngology – HNSF
1984 Board of Directors
Chairman, Program Committee Eastern Section,
Triological Society
President-elect, Triological Society,
President, Triological Society
STEVEN M. SILVER
Associate Professor of Surgery
BA, Pennsylvania State University
MD, Albany Medical College
Certification: American Board of Otolaryngology 1979
Academic and clinical interests: General ENT
Honors, awards and achievements
NY State Otolaryngologic Society – Secretary
American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery
Eastern New York Eye Ear Nose and Throat Society, president
New England Otolaryngological Society – President

VOLUNTARY FACULTY
ARTHUR S. COHN
Clinical Professor of Surgery
MICHAEL A. DEVITO
Clinical Professor of Surgery
DAVID FOY
Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery
LYON M. GREENBURG
Clinical Professor of Surgery
DOMINICK F. PAONESSA
Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery

RESIDENTS
2002
JOHN J. CEVERA
BA, Colgate College
MD, Hahnemann University School of Medicine
Private Practice
HANNAH VARGAS
BS, Bates College
MD, University of Vermont
Private Practice
2003
RAVIDER Dahiya
BA, Harvard College
MD, University of Massachusetts
Fellowship, Facial Plastics
Private Practice
MICHELLE PUTNAM
BS, UCLA
MA, Boston University Medical School
MD, Albany Medical College
Private Practice

MICHAEL SCHROM
Instructor
GAVIN SETZEN
Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery
AARON E. SHER
Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery
EDWIN WILLIAMS
Clinical Associate Professor
Faculty Members

2004

Henry Frederick Butehorn, III
BSE, Duke University
MD, Medical University of South Carolina
Postdoctoral Research–
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
Private Practice

Sohbhan Kumar
BA, University of Vermont
PhD, Albany Medical College
MD, Albany Medical College
Private Practice

2005

Rami Batniji
BA, Williams College
MD, Albany Medical College
Private Practice

John Gavin
BA, Colgate University
MS, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
MD, Albany Medical College
Fellowship, Pediatric Otolaryngology

2006

Matthew Carfrae
BA, Marquette University
MD, University of Iowa College of Medicine
Fellowship, Otolaryngology

Alison Lupinetti
BS, Boston College
MD, Albany Medical College
Fellowship, Hand and Neck

R3

Manish Khanna
BS, University of Maryland Baltimore County
MD, Albany Medical College

Michael Platt
BS, University of Scranton
MD, Jefferson Medical College
R4

Mark Burstein
BA, University of Pennsylvania
MD, New York University School of Medicine

Scott Lee
BA, University of Colorado at Boulder
MD, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center

R3

Karen Ballapianta
BS, University of California Santa Barbara, CA
MS, University of California Los Angeles, CA
MD, Albany Medical College

Erik Steinger
BS, SUNY at Buffalo
MD, SUNY at Buffalo School of Medicine

R2

Rima Abraham
BS, University of Pittsburgh
MD, Temple University School of Medicine

Nora Perkins
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MD, Albany Medical College

R1

Cormac Depan
B.A., Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio
MD, Albany Medical College, Albany, New York

Lowell Gurey
B.A., SUNY Binghamton
MD, University of Medicine And Dentistry of New Jersey

Scholarly Activity

Arthur Falk

Foyt D, Carfrae MJ, Hamon-Armoo J. Simultaneous use of SoundBridgeR implantable middle ear hearing device and
traditional amplification, submitted

Gavin J, Foyt D. Auricular Osification Causing Ear Canal Stenosis. Accepted for publication, Ear Nose and Throat Journal, 2004

Foyt D, Carfrae M, Slattery III W. Laser Widening of Tympanic Membrane: Accepted for publication, Ear Nose and Throat Journal, 2004

Foyt D, Carfrae M, Rende S. Minimally Invasive Surgery for Soundbridge Implantable Hearing Aid Ear Canal Stenosis. Accepted for publication, Ear Nose and Throat Journal, 2004

Foyt D, Carfrae M, Rende S, Malignant Tumors of the Sinuses. SPOHNC 2004

Arthur Falk


Jaber JJ, Thomas FJ, Carfrae MJ, Galati LT. Radiotherapy
–Associated Euthyroid Graves’ Ophthalmopathy Following Excision of Squamous Cell Carcinoma A Case Report. Submitted to Ear Nose & Throat Journal (January 2009)

David Foyt

Foyt D, Carfrae M, Slattery III W. Laser Widening of Tympanic Membrane: Accepted for publication, Ear Nose and Throat Journal, 2004

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Jason Mouzakes

Cacace AT, Pinheiro J, Mouzakes J, Adams D. Discordant auditory neuropathy in three sets of twins. NIMH 2006; VillaErba, Vernublio Italy (May 31-June 3, 2006)


Steven Parnes


Parnes, SM. The Role of Leukotriene Inhibitors in Patients with Paranasal Sinus Disease. Current Opinion Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery. 11(3) 184-91; Jun 2003


Parnes, SM. The Role of Leukotriene Inhibitors in Allergie Rhinitis and Paranasal Sinusitis. Current Allergy and Asthma Reports. 2:239-244; 2002.

Faculty Members

John Gavin, MD
Nanoparticle Bound Enzymes for the Prevention of Biofilm Formation on Implantable Devices

Allison Lupinetti, MD
Anatomic Characterization of the Genial Tubercle and its Implications when Planning Genioglossus Advancement Surgery for Obstructive Sleep Apnea

Matthew Carfrae, MD
Canal Wall Down Approach for Difficult Cochlear Implantation

Mannish Khanna - Factors Affecting Radiation Therapy Failures for T1 Glottic Squamous Cell Carcinoma

Michael Platt, MD
An Investigation into Hearing Loss, Hearing Aids, and Legislation in New York State

2005

Rami Batniji, MD
Outcomes in Minimally Invasive Pituitary Surgery

John Gavin, MD
Surgical Treatment of Thyrotoxicosis

Matthew Carfrae, MD
Three Tesla MRI of the Membranous Labyrinth

Allison Lupinetti, MD
The Accuracy of Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsy in Oral Cavity and Oropharyngeal Squamous Cell Carcinoma

Manish Khanna, MD
Safety and Efficacy of Long-term Low Dose Systemic Corticosteroid Therapy in Patients with Chronic Refractory Nasal Polyposis

Michael Platt, MD
The operative and post-operative management of unexpected cerebrospinal fluid fistulae during endoscopic sinus surgery. A survey of 562 Otolaryngologists in New York State

Scott L. Lee, MD
Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (rTMS) in Patients with Debulitation Tinnitus, a Pilot Study

Mark Burstein, MD
Perioperative Management of Tinnitus Patients with von Willebrand Disease

Karen Bellapianta, MD
Robotic Surgery in the Head and Neck

Erik Steiniger, MD
Impact of sequential vs. simultaneous bilateral cochlear implantation on patient satisfaction and quality of life

PATIENT CARE

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Dr. Steven Silver is Associate Professor in the Division of Otolaryngology at Albany Medical College as well as the Director of Resident Education, Chief, Department of Surgery in the Division of Otolaryngology at the Veterans Administration Medical Center. He specializes in general otolaryngology for adults and children, including otology, rhinology, laryngology, parotid gland surgery and snoring and sleep apnea.

Dr. Lsa Galati is an Associate Professor of Surgery in the division of Otolaryngology. She specializes in laryngology, head and neck oncology, rhinology, thyroid and parathyroid surgery as well as snoring and sleep apnea. Next year she will be joined by Allison Lupinetti, completing her Head and Neck Fellowship at MD Anderson. The two physicians will be a dynamic force in the arena of head and neck oncology.

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The Pediatric Cochlear Implantation Program continues its rapid growth, under the guidance of our Chief of Audiology, Lisa Artino. She has expanded our basic diagnostic services to include the most advanced rehabilitation options for our patients. Additionally, Ms. Artino is currently completing her studies towards a Ph.D degree.

Finally, our section is pleased to announce the upcoming arrival of John Gavin, M.D. Dr. Gavin, a native of the Albany area, is currently completing a Fellowship in Pediatric Otolaryngology at Texas Children’s Hospital in Houston, Texas. Upon his return in 2007, our section will boast the Capital Region’s only two Fellowship-trained Pediatric Otolaryngologists.

Dr. Stanley Shapshay clinical interests include laryngology and the management of airway disease. Research interests include the application of new laser and laser delivery systems in the management of airway disease. In addition to general otolaryngology, he will be seeing patients in a joint Voice Clinic with Dr. Galati, employing the latest videostrobe technology.

**Education**

The Otolaryngology Residency Program is a five-year program including one year of general surgery and four years of otolaryngology. The first year, general surgery year, includes various rotations at AMC and VAMC, the South Campus of Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC), that emphasizes requirements by the Otolaryngology Board, such as neurosurgery, anesthesia and plastic. In addition there is time spent in the emergency room, ICU and general surgery and otolaryngology.

For the second and third year resident, a sound foundation is established through outpatient clinics at AMC and VAMC, along with minor surgical procedures at the South Campus of VAMC. Residents spend time with attendings during office hours. Research ideas are formulated.

As a fourth year resident, for six months, time is spent primarily at St. Peter’s Hospital. Residents work closely with private clinical staff within the operating room while continuing outpatient clinical responsibilities. The remaining time is devoted to research but with intermittent exposure to a facial plastic clinic.

The chief resident year, (fifth year resident) is divided between AMC and VAMC. The chief residents are responsible for all administrative tasks, including resident schedules, inpatient management and consultations, and emergency department care. The chief resident has significant responsibility for medical student and junior resident education. The chief resident works most closely with the attending staff.

**Distinguished Visitors**


Charles Ford, M.D., Professor and Chairman of the Department of Otolaryngology at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine in Madison, Wisconsin. June 14, 2003


Jennifer Dereberry, M.D., F.A.C.S., Associate Professor of Otolaryngology, University of Southern California, Los Angeles and past President of the American Academy of Otolaryngic Allergy and is on the Board of Directors, American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery. May 21, 2005

Jonas Johnson, M.D., Professor and Chairman of the department of Otolaryngology at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. “Changing Times in the Care of Laryngeal Cancer”. June 10, 2006

**Community Outreach Activities of the Division**

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Our perioperative support continues to be enhanced by our Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Dayle Comar, FNP. She has instituted a Tracheostomy Care Program, which provides education, counseling, and clinical support to families with children with tracheostomy dependence. This service has become increasingly important, as families continue to undertake greater portions of chronic care plans for their children.

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Finally, our section is pleased to announce the upcoming arrival of John Gavin, M.D. Dr. Gavin, a native of the Albany area, is currently completing a Fellowship in Pediatric Otolaryngology at Texas Children’s Hospital in Houston, Texas. Upon his return in 2007, our section will boast the Capital Region’s only two Fellowship-trained Pediatric Otolaryngologists.

Dr. Stanley Shapshay clinical interests include laryngology and the management of airway disease. Research interests include the application of new laser and laser delivery systems in the treatment of laryngological disorders. In addition to general otolaryngology, he will be seeing patients in a joint Voice Clinic with Dr. Galati, employing the latest videostrobe technology.
The division of Pediatric Surgery has a long history of excellence in teaching, academic endeavor and patient care, serving a large population of children in the upstate New York, Vermont and western Massachusetts areas. The Division was founded in 1977 with Dr. John White serving as division chief of Pediatric Surgery at the Albany Medical College and as Pediatric Surgeon-in-Chief at the Albany Medical Center Children's Hospital. David Campbell succeeded Dr. White I. Thomas Cohen, trained in Johannesburg and Cape Town South Africa led the division from 2001 to 2006. Dr. Thomas Weber was recently recruited from St. Louis to assume the position of Director of the Division of Pediatric Surgery and Pediatric Surgeon-in-Chief at the Children's Hospital at Albany Medical Center. An additional Pediatric Surgeon, Dr. Cindy Corpron joined the faculty in October of 2006, and efforts are underway to recruit a third Surgeon by July, 2007. Dr. Larry Robinson continues to generously devote a portion of his practice to covering the Pediatric Surgery service allowing us to continue to offer full spectrum of services for the pediatric patients population in need of surgical services.

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Faculty

Cynthia Corpron
Assistant Professor, Division of Pediatric Surgery
M.D. - University of Michigan School of Medicine
General Surgery Residency, University of Texas Health Sciences Center, Houston
Pediatric Oncology Fellowship, University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center

Academic and Clinical Interest: Child Abuse, Childhood Cancer

Thomas R. Weber
Professor
Director, Division of Pediatric Surgery
Pediatric Surgeon in Chief, Children’s Hospital
M.D. Ohio State University College of Medicine
General Surgery Residency, University of Michigan Hospitals
Pediatric Surgery Residency, Children’s Hospital National Medical Center
Certification: General Surgery, Pediatric Surgery, Surgical Critical Care

Academic and Clinical Interest: Tracheal Reconstruction, Short Bowel Syndrome, Chest Wall Reconstruction

Achievements: Visiting Professor at 12 Institutions, Holder of multiple offices and committees in the American Pediatric Surgical Association and Surgical Section of the American Academy of Pediatrics

Invited Presentations
Aortic suspension (aortopexy) for severe tracheomalacia in infants and children. Southwestern Surgical Congress, San Diego, April, 2002.

Facultymembers

Adverse effects of liver dysfunction and portal hypertension or intestinal adaptation in short bowel syndrome in children. Southwestern Surgical Congress, San Diego, April, 2002.


Surgery at the Extreme of Life: The Premature Infant Surgical Patient.


Scholarly activity

Faculty

Thomas Weber


Faculty Members


Keller MS, Coln E, Garza JJ, Sartorelli KH, Green MC, Weber TR.


Book Chapters


Ziegler, R. Azizkhan and T.R. Weber, eds Appleton & Lange, Norwalk, CT.


Our Mission

We hope to capture all of the Pediatric surgical experience in our geographic region and gain national recognition as a center of Pediatric surgical excellence.

Research

Dr. Coponino continues to explore collaboration with a number of established investigators at the Albany Medical College. These studies will focus on the field of cancer cell biology. It is our hope that a collaborative laboratory will be established in the next two years utilizing the basic science expertise of the faculty of the Albany Medical College and allied basic science institutions to address clinical problems in tumor biology of the pediatric population.
The Division of Plastic Surgery was initiated under the Chairmanship of Eldridge Campbell in 1955. Dr. W. Brandon Macomber served as the first division head. Macomber, a graduate of the Albany Medical College and a general surgeon trained at the Albany Hospital recognized the importance of the growing field of plastic and reconstructive surgery. He left the private practice of Surgery in Albany to study with Jerome P. Webster at Columbia-Presbyterian Hospital in New York City. Returning to Albany, Dr. Macomber oversaw the construction and opening of the first Burn Unit in the upstate New York. Under Dr. Macomber's leadership, Albany Medical College and Hospital gained national and international stature in the developing field of Plastic Surgery. Macomber trained a generation of Plastic Surgeons who took their place around the country and the world as leaders in their field. Dr. Macomber retired from his role as division head in 1977 but continued to be a force in Plastic Surgery in Albany and nationally until his death. The division was subsequently under the brief direction of Richard, McShane, John Noonan and James Edmonds. Dr. James Hoehn who trained in Plastic Surgery at the Mayo Clinic and at Marquette assumed the role of division head in 1987 and continues, to this date, in that role as well as Program Director for the residency training program in plastic surgery.

The Division of Plastic Surgery

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**Faculty Members**

**Jerome D. Chao**

*Assistant Professor of Surgery*

B.S., Harvard University  
M.D., Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons.  
Integrated Model plastic surgery residency - Northwestern University Medical School.  
Orthopedic Surgery Hand and Microsurgery Fellowship, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons  
Certification - American Board of Plastic Surgery, 2004  
Academic and clinical interests - wound healing, peripheral nerve reconstruction, brachial plexus reconstruction, hand surgery and the treatment of post-bariatric surgery patients and complex abdominal wounds. Research interest focus on the biochemical modification of scarring.

**James Hoehn**

*Clinical Associate Professor  
Division Head, Plastic Surgery*

Program Director, Residency Training Programs, Plastic Surgery  
B.S., Georgetown University  
M.D., Northwestern University Medical School  
Internship, Chicago Wesley Memorial Hospital  
Residency in Surgery, Mayo Clinic, Rochester Minnesota  
Residency in Plastic Surgery, Mayo Clinic, Rochester Minnesota  
Fellowship in Hand Surgery, Marquette University Medical School, Milwaukee Wisconsin  
Certified, American Board of Surgery, 1970  
American Board of Plastic Surgery, 1972  
Academic and clinical interests – general plastic surgery, hand surgery and pediatric plastic surgery including cleft lip and palate.

**Debbie A. Kennedy**

*Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery*

B.S., College of Saint Rose  
M.D., The University of Vermont School of Medicine  
General Surgery Residency - St. Elizabeth’s Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts  
Independent Model Plastic Surgery Residency - Albany Medical College  
Fellowship in Aesthetic Surgery with Drs. Baker and Gordon in Miami, Florida  
Certification - American Board of Surgery, 1991  
American Board of Plastic Surgery, 1994  
Academic and clinical interests – surgery of the breast and aesthetic surgery.

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**Honors, awards, achievement**

American Society of Plastic Surgeons – President  
American Association for Hand Surgery – President  
American Board of Plastic Surgery, Director  
Residency Review Committee for Plastic Surgery  
American College of Surgeons – Governor, American Medical Association – member of the House of Delegates Chair of the Research-Based Relative Value Scale Update Committee  
Chair of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Compensation of the General Officers  
General Secretary of the International Confederation of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery  
Presidential Citation and the Special Honorary Citation of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons, Distinguished Service Award and the Clinician of the Year Award of the American Association for Hand Surgery  
Silver Scalpel Award from the Department of Surgery of Albany Medical College.

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Honors, awards, achievements
Alpha Omega Alpha
Senior Guest Examiner for the Certifying Examinations of the American Board of Plastic Surgery.

JOSHUA A. KING
Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery
B.S. Union University
M.D. degree from Albany Medical College.
General Surgery residency - Albany Medical Center
Independent Model Plastic Surgery Residency - Albany Medical College.
Fellowship in Hand Surgery - Baylor College of Medicine
Certification - American Board of Surgery
American Board of Plastic Surgery
Academic and clinical interests – reconstructive surgery and surgery of the hand

Honors, awards, achievements
Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA)
Silver Scalpel Award
Golden Apple Award from Albany Medical College.

JAMES D. KOUMANIS
Assistant Professor of Surgery
B.S., Western Ontario in London, Ontario, Canada
M.D., The University of Western Ontario
General Surgery Residency - McGill University, Montreal Canada
Independent Model Plastic Surgery Residency program - Nassau County Medical Center (SUNY Stony Brook) in East Meadow, New York.
Burn/Plastic Surgery Fellowship - Indiana University Medical Center.
Academic and clinical interests – wound healing, plastic surgery of trauma, breast reconstruction. Basic science research interest in the molecular pathways of wound healing.

JAMES R. MILLER
Clinical Assistant Professor
B.S., University of Rochester
M.D., University of Vermont
General Surgery Residency, Case Western Reserve University
Plastic Surgery Residency - Eastern Virginia Medical School
Certification - American Board of Surgery
American Board of Plastic Surgery

Voluntary Faculty

Gerald Coleman
Clinical Associate Professor
William DeLuca
Clinical Associate Professor
James Dolph
Clinical Associate Professor
Douglas Hargrave
Clinical Assistant Professor
Steven Lynch
Clinical Assistant Professor
E. Scott Macomber
Clinical Associate Professor
John Noonan
Clinical Assistant Professor
Jeffrey Rockmore
Clinical Assistant Professor

Residents

2002
David Lickstein
Fellowship – Hand and Microsurgery, Massachusetts General Hospital
Boston, Massachusetts
Private Practice – Boca Raton, Florida

Mauro Castellon
Private Practice – Melbourne, Florida

2003
Brian Bruggeman
Private Practice – Flagstaff, Arizona

2004
S. Salmon Ashruff
Fellowship – Aesthetic and Breast Surgery, University of Alabama
Fellowship – Hand Surgery, Indiana Hand Center, Indianapolis, Indiana
Private Practice – Baltimore, MD

2005
Susan Gannon, M.D.
Fellowship – Aesthetic Surgery, Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital
New York, New York
Private Practice – Albany, New York
Jeffrey LaGrasso, M.D.
Fellowship – Craniofacial Surgery, Children’s Hospital of Los Angeles
Academic Practice – Division of Plastic Surgery, University of South Carolina

2006
Nikesh Patel, M.D.
Fellowship – Breast and Aesthetic Surgery, Cleveland Clinic

Current Residents in the Integrated Model:

R6
Joseph L. Thornton.
B.S. University of Scranton
M.D. University of Pennsylvania

R5
L. Shaye Webb
M.D. University of Tennessee

R-4
Benjamin Shalet
B.S. Engineering, Stanford University
M.S. Engineering, Stanford University
M.D. University of Virginia

R-3
Adrian Pryzbala.
M.D. Albany Medical College

R-2
Sumeet Makajani, M.D.
M.D. University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston

R-1
Andre Leveque, M.D.
M.D. University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston

Current Resident in the Independent Model:

R-6
Joseph M. Wolf, M.D.
M.D Albert Einstein College of Medicine
General Surgery Training - New York Hospital of Queens
Our Mission

The Division has hosted 2 or 3 Visiting Professors per year since 2002 chosen from both national and international plastic surgical centers. Included is the Annual Leibinger Maxillofacial Lectureship which is held each fall.

2002 - Rod Hester, M.D., Atlanta, Georgia
2003 - Ron Iverson, M.D., Pleasanton, California
2004 - John Tebbetts, M.D., Dallas, Texas
2005 - Joseph Serletti, M.D., Rochester, New York
2006 - David Smith, M.D., Tampa, Florida

Visiting Lecturers

Resident Presentations

Norberto Soto, MD:
2002 - "Mid-lid Incision Approach to the Orbital Floor"
Senior Residents Conference, Seattle, Washington

Lisa DiFrancesco, MD:

Brian Bruggeman, MD:
2003 - "Brachioplasty" Senior Residents Conference, Universal City, CA

Salmon Ashruf, MD:
2004 - "Plastic Surgery Integrated Model Selection Criteria" Senior Residents Conference, Milwaukee, WI

Scholarly Activity

Ashruf, M.D., Salmon, Hoehn, M.D., James G.; Otoplasty in press, PRS, December 2004

Carlson, JA, Rohwedder, A., Dolph, JL, Murphy, M; Hypotheses Lymphatic Obstruction in Combination with Infection by Human Papillomavirus is Responsible for Development of Verrucomycetes Xanthoma Dermatology 101 2003

Chao, Jerome MD; Sarwahi, Vishal MD, DeSilva, Yong Sing MD; Rosenwasser, Melvin MD, Strauch, Robert MD; Central Sip Tenotomy for the Treatment of Chronic Mallet Finger: An Anatomic Study The Journal of Hand Surgery, March 2004

DiFrancesco, Lisa MD, Brickhart, Peter MD; Hoehn, James G. MD; A Cutaneous Manifestation of Antiphospholipid Antibody Syndrome: Annals of Plastic Surgery, November 2003

Cong, Y, Chao, J, Baurer, B, Sun, X, Chou, PM; Primary cutaneous alveolar shahdomyosarcoma of the perineum Archives of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine. August 2002

Hasen, KV, Chao, JD, and Fine, NA; Use of the VRAM after abdominoplasty-can it be done safely? Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. August 2002


Faculty Members

Education

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The Division of Urology at Albany Medical College has a long and storied history. Dr. John E. Heslin and William A. Miller founded the training program in urology at the Albany Medical Center Hospital in 1941. Both played an important historical role in urology, including Dr. Heslin being president of the American Urological Association in 1961 and Dr. Miller being president of the Northeast Section of the American Urological Association in 1957. Of particular note was the fact that Dr. Miller became recognized as one of the best transurethral surgeons in the world. Residents from all over, including a regular rotation of residents from Columbia University in New York City, came through Albany to learn the technique. Also prominent in the Division was Dr. William B. Garlick, a partner in this practice who was both Secretary and President of the American Urological Association. In addition to being a great clinician, Dr. Garlick transformed the annual meeting of the American Urological Association to the format that is used today.

In 1970, Dr. Marvin Woodruff became the first full-time academic division head. Dr. Woodruff trained at the University of Michigan under Dr. Reed Nesbit and Dr. Jack Lapides and brought a renewed interest in neurourology to Albany. His tenure was shortened due to health problems. Dr. Alan Bensott assumed the position of division head in 1979. Numerous outstanding local urologists trained in the program during these years. In addition to those who have remained active in the geographic area, there are numerous other notable urologists practicing throughout the country and widely recognized in academic urology who trained at Albany. Dr. Bennett’s personal interest was in the field of erectile dysfunction and he developed an international reputation in this area. In 1994, Dr. James Mandell, a pediatric urologist, was named Division Head. It was under his direction that the Urology division developed dramatically and reached its current form. In a good move for the Albany Medical College, but a somewhat disruptive one for the division, Dr. Mandell became Dean of the Medical College in 1996. Dr. Barry Kogan, also a pediatric urologist, replaced him as division head in 1997. The programs of the division have continued to expand, clinically and academically, at a rapid pace.

The Division has a close working relationship with Robert M. Levin, PhD, Professor of Pharmacology, Urology and Pathology and one of the world’s leading researchers in bladder function and dysfunction. We have recently added Anita Maunakarottu, Ph.D., a scientist with interests in the molecular biology of bladder dysfunction to this working group as well. In addition, we have an active collaboration with J. Audie McInder, PhD, Assistant Professor, Center for Inflammation and Microbial Diseases, Albany Medical College, as well as Dr. Igor Roninson, Assistant Professor, Center for Inflammation and Microbial Diseases, Albany Medical College, as well as Dr. Igor Roninson, Senior Scientist and Director of Cancer Research at the Ordway Research Institute and Dr. Gennady Glincki, Senior Scientist at Ordway Research Institute. This just past year, Dr. Ralph Buttyan, a PhD with numerous grants and an extensive interest in prostate cancer research also joined our group as a Senior Scientist at Ordway Research Institute.

Elise J.B. De, MD
Assistant Professor of Surgery
BA, Vassar College
MD, University of Massachusetts School of Medicine
Residency Education- Boston University School of Medicine
Fellowship- University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
Specific academic and clinical interest- Incontinence and Voiding Dysfunction in men and women, Pelvic organ prolapse, Neurourology, Reconstructive Urology
Honors, awards, and achievements-
Invited Presentations-
Dr. E., “Diabetic discordance of electromyography (EMG) versus voiding cystourethrogram (VCGU) for detrusor-external sphincter dyssynergy (DESD)” SUFU Podium Orlando February 24-27 2005
Patel CY, Dr. E, Tharian B, Westney OL, Graves DE, Hairston JC. Intrathecal baclofen improves capacity in neurogenic bladder but overall function remains unchanged. Neurourology and Urodynamics. SUFU Podium Orlando February 24-27 2005

Published Talks-
“Post-Prostatectomy Urinary Incontinence”, Audio Digest, September, 2005.
“Anti-Cholinergic Medications,” Audio Digest, September 2006
“Visiting Professor Voiding Dysfunction. www.amet.org/urology

Hugh A. G. Fisher, M.D.
Associate Professor of Surgery
BA, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine.
MD, St. Louis University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri.
Residency Education- Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, New York.
Fellowship- Urologic Oncology, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, New York.
Board Certification- American Board of Urology, February, 1993
Specific academic and clinical interest- Urologic Oncology
Honors, awards and achievements-
Positions Served-
American Cancer Society, New York State, Prostate Cancer Advisory Committee
Journal Reviewer
Journal of Urology
Urology
Cancer
Journal of American Medical Association (JAMA)
Urologic Oncology
Invited Presentations-

Faculty Members

In addition to those who have remained active in the geographic area, there are numerous other notable urologists practicing throughout the country and widely recognized in academic urology who trained at Albany.”
Ronald P. Kaufman, Jr., M.D
Associate Professor of Surgery
Assistant Professor of Physiology and Cellular Biology

Barry A. Kogan, M.D
Professor of Surgery and Pediatrics
Chief, Division of Urology

Invited Presentations-

Invited Presentations-
Kogan, B., “Evaluating Neonatal Hydrourephrosis” at Peking University, Department of Urology, Beijing, China, November, 2005.
Kogan, B., “Neonatal Hydrourephrosis: What Have We Learned?” and “Ambiguities of Gender Assignment in Children With Ambiguous Genitalia” at Tripler Army Medical Center, February, 2006.
Badar M. Mian, M.D.
Assistant Professor of Surgery
Assistant Professor, Center for Immunology and Microbial Disease
MD, University of the Punjab-Allama Iqbal Medical College, Lahore, Pakistan 6/91
Residency- General Surgery, Virginia Commonwealth University - Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, VA
Urology, Virginia Commonwealth University - Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, VA
Fellowship–Urologic Oncology, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX.
Cancer Biology, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX.
Board Certification– American Board of Urology, 2004
Specific academic and clinical interest– Robotic Prostatectomy, Urologic Oncology, Laparoscopic Surgery, Outcomes research in Prostate Cancer Diagnosis, Management and Recurrence.
Honors, awards, and achievements–
• Positions Served–
  Program Director, Annual Post-Graduate Course, “Current Concepts in Men’s Health”, The Sagamore Resort, Lake George, NY.
  Scholarship Research Committee, AUA-Northeastern section Reviewer-Journal of Urology
  Urology
  Urologic Oncology

Invited Presentations–
Mian, B., “PSA and Cancer Detection in 2006”, Visiting Professor, Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY, September 21, 2006

Mark D. White, M.D.
Associate Professor of Surgery
BA, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts
MD, UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Piscataway, New Jersey
University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey

Residency Education– General Surgery Albany Medical Center
Urology, Albany Medical Center
Board Certification– American Board of Urology, 2001
Specific academic and clinical interest– Endourology, Pediatric and Adult Stone Disease, Infertility, and Erectile Dysfunction

Invited Presentations–

RESEARCH FACULTY

Gennadi V. Glinsky, M.D., Ph.D.
Adjunct Professor of Surgery
MD State Medical Institute, Chernovtzy, Ukraine
PhD Institute of Oncology, Academy of Sciences, Ukraine, Kiev, Ukraine

Honors, awards and achievements–
• Invited Presentations–

Invited Reviewer
• Israeli Science Foundation, Israel
• Health Research Board (HRB), Ireland
• Medical Research Council (MRC), United Kingdom
• Swiss National Science Foundation, (SNF), Switzerland

Reviewers
• Lancet Cancer Research
• Journal of Clinical Investigation
• American Journal of Pathology
• Clinical Cancer Research
• Clinical Chemistry
• Oncogene
• International Journal of Cancer
• British Journal of Cancer
• Neoplasia
• International Journal of Pathology
• BMC Cancer
• BMC Genomics
• Breast Cancer Research

RESEARCH FACULTY


VOLUNTEER FACULTY

Theodore Chang, M.D.
Clinical Instructor of Surgery

Daniel Finn, M.D.
Clinical Assistant of Surgery

Martin Engelstein, M.D.
Clinical Professor of Surgery

Michael Moran, M.D.
Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery

Brian Murray, M.D.
Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery

William Oberheim, M.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery

Anthony V. Passaretti, M.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery

Michael Perrotti, M.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery

Residents

2002
Harrison M. Abrahams, M.D.
Fellowship, Endourology and Laparoscopy
University of California, San Francisco
Private Practice, Fort Worth, TX

Jeremy I. Lieb, M.D.
Private Practice, Walnut Creek, CA

2003
Sijo Parekkattil, M.D.
Fellowship, Andrology, Cleveland Clinic
Fellowship, Laparoscopy, Cleveland Clinic
Faculty, Cleveland Clinic, Naples, FL

David Lehr, M.D.
Private Practice, Amsterdam, NY

2004
Courtney Moore, M.D.
Fellowship, Female/Neurourology, Cleveland Clinic
Cleveland Clinic Faculty, Cleveland Clinic

Ryan White, M.D.
Private Practice, Janestown, NY

2005
Gennady Bratslavsky, MD
Fellowship, Urological Oncology
National Cancer Institute

Louis Giorgi, MD
Private Practice, Sacramento, CA.

2006
Seth Capello, M.D.
Fellowship, Univ of Rochester

Farzeen Firooz, M.D.
Private Practice, Franklin Lakes, NJ

R5
William Badger, M.D.
BS, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
MD, The Ohio State University

Daniel Cho, M.D.
BA, SUNY Binghamton University
MD, SUNY Downstate Medical Center

R4
James Belarmino, M.D.
BS, Boston College
MD, Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine

William Connors, M.D.
BA, Boston University
MD, University of Mass. Medical School

R3
Carmen Kalorin, M.D.
BS, Emory University
MD, Albany Medical College

Andrew Zabinski, M.D.
BS, Lafayette College
MD, St. George School of Medicine
Balboa Naval Medical Center

R2
Ross Bauer, M.D.
BS, James Madison University
MD, SUNY Stony Brook School of Medicine
School of Medicine

Bilal Chughtai, M.D.
BS, New York University MD, SUNY at Buffalo School of Medicine

R1
Paul Husson, M.D.
BS, Cornell University
MD, Albany Medical College

Adam Walker, M.D.
BS, Hillsdale College
MD, University of Minnesota

Scholarly Activity

Faculty

Elise J.B. De, M.D.

Publications-


Posters


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Faculty Members

Clinical Trials -
Principal Investigator: A Randomized Double Blind Comparative Trial of Bisphosphonate (Casodex) vs. Placebo in Patients with Early Prostate Cancer.

Principal Investigator: A Study to Evaluate the Impact of Viagra on Treatment Satisfaction.

Principal Investigator: A Randomized Double Blind Placebo Controlled Study to Aesess the Efficacy and Safety of Sildenafil in Preventing Erectile Dysfunction in Patients who have Undergone a Bilateral Nerve Sparing Radical Prostatectomy.

Principal Investigator: Lupron Depot A-43818 Protocol #M97-786 Randomized Prospective Study of Adjuvant Androgen Ablation in Radical Prostatectomy Patients at High Risk for Disease Recurrence.

Principal Investigator: AMS 0021 Evaluation of the Safety and Tolerability of Transurethral Dehydrated Alcohol Injection for the Treatment of Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia.

Principal Investigator: Randomized, two arm, placebo controlled study to compare the efficacy of intravenous loading doses followed by maintenance treatment with intravenous ibandronic acid versus zoledronic acid in patients with skeletal metastases experiencing moderate to severe pain.

Principal Investigator: A Multi-Center, Randomized Phase 3 Study of Adjutant Oncophage® Versus Observation in Patients With High Risk of Recurrence After Surgical Treatment for Renal Cell Carcinoma.

BARRY A. KOGAN, M.D.
Publications-


Posters –


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Publications-


FACULTY MEMBERS

DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY 2006
Clinical Trials-
Principal Investigator: Autologous vaccine (APC3015) for asymptomatic metastatic androgen independent prostate cancer.
Principal Investigator: Phase IIIB, multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial to assess the safety and efficacy of MPC-7809 in delaying the systemic progression of prostate cancer in patients with rising PSA levels after prostatectomy or radiotherapy alone for localized prostate cancer.
Principal Investigator: Evaluation of the Survivin Urine mRNA Assay to Estimate Risk of Bladder Cancer found on Cystoscopy.

MARK D. WHITE, M.D.
Publications-
Bratlavsky, G, Fisher, H, Kaufman, R Jr, Vokoboyuk, D, Nazeer, T, Mian, B Role Of Psa-Related Markers In The Detection Of Prostate Cancer And High-Grade Disease In The Contemporary Extended Biopsy Era. In Press

Fisozzi F Longhurst PA, White MD. Development of Novel Superficial Bladder Cancer Model in Rabbit to Facilitate Endoscopic Evaluation of Intravascular and Intraluminal Therapies. Submitted


Robert Levin, Ph.D.
Publications-


Anta Mannikarottu, Ph.D.

Publications:


**Faculty Members**

**Juan Andres Melendez, Ph.D.**

**Publications**


**Scholarly activity**

**Residents**

**William Badger, M.D.**

**Publications**


**Daniel Cho, M.D.**

**Publications**
Cho D., Ho X., Melendez A., Giorgi L., Mian B. Role Of Oxidative Stress In Tumorogenic Potential Of Bladder Cancer Cells. Submitted

Cho D., “Effect of oxidative stress on metastasis related factors in bladder cancer cells”, Upstate New York Resident’s Seminar, Skaneateles, NY, April, 2005


**James Belarmino, M.D.**

**Publications**
Belarmino, J., Management of neonatal hydronephrosis, Early Hum Dev. 82(1):9-14 Jan, 2006; Epub Jan 19 2006 Review

**Presentations**
Belarmino, J., “Role Of Superoxide Dismutase-2 in the Invasion and Migration Of Bladder Cancer Cells”, Upstate New York Resident’s Seminar, Skaneateles, New York, April 2005

Belarmino, J., “Medical Malpractice in Urology”, Upstate New York Resident’s Seminar, Skaneateles, New York, April 2006, second place basic science category

Belarmino, J., “Role Of Superoxide Dismutase-2 in the Invasion and Migration Of Bladder Cancer Cells”, Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Section of the American Urological Association, Bermuda, November, 2005

Belarmino, J., “Nerve suture technique and incidence of post operative incisional hernias in 245 consecutive patients”, Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Section of the American Urological Association, Ottawa, Canada, September, 2006
Faculty Members

CARMIN KALORIN, M.D.

Publications-
Kalorin, C., “Rectovesical Fistula in Association with Vescicocutaneous Fistula after Blunt Pelvic Trauma,” The Journal of Trauma, Injury, Infection and Critical Care (accepted for publication April, 2007)

Presentations-

ANDREW ZABINSKI, M.D.

Presentations-

PATIENT CARE
The practice of urology involves both a large volume of outpatient care and a highly varied surgical caseload. The Division cares for a wide range of genitourinary disorders including both benign and malignant diseases. The field encompasses problems in both men and women, in addition to disorders unique to children.

Dr. Barry A. Kogan practices exclusively in pediatric urology and is the sole physician in the geographic region concentrating in this area of practice. Dr. Kogan is particularly interested in prenatal and neonatal problems, especially obstructive uropathy and reflux, genitourinary anomalies, including undescended testes, hernias and hypospadias. Dr. Kogan has a special interest in neurogenic bladder dysfunction, particularly in relation to myelodysplasia. As a surgical innovator he was the first to report laparoscopic orchiohypophysectomy and retrograde endopyelotomy in children.

Drs. Fisher, Kaufman and Munn care for an extensive population of men with prostatic diseases. They have an active program using state of the art techniques for treatment of prostate cancer and benign prostatic hyperplasia. They are among the few groups that perform both retropubic and perineal prostatectomy for cancer of the prostate in addition to cryosurgery and radioactive seed placement. They lead the robotic prostatectomy program at Albany. They are also active in the latest techniques, both surgical (for example, the Vaportrode and YAG-Holmium laser) and non-surgical (new pharmacological interventions and microwave therapy) for treatment of benign prostatic hyperplasia. They also care for a considerable number of patients with cancers in the kidneys (Dr. Kaufman leads our laparoscopic nephrectomy program), bladder and testes.

Dr. Mark White's practice focuses is the area of endourology and is the sole physician in the geographic region concentrating in this area of practice. Dr. White is the sole physician in the geographic region concentrating in this area of practice. Dr. White is one of the best in the state of the art techniques for treatment of prostatic cancer and benign prostatic hyperplasia. He is the sole physician in the geographic region concentrating in this area of practice. Dr. White is one of the best in the state of the art techniques for treatment of prostatic cancer and benign prostatic hyperplasia. His practice is routinely rated as one of the best by our students and for the past 4 years in a row, one of our residents has been awarded the “Silver Scalpel” for best surgical teacher.

EDUCATION
The Division's full-time and volunteer faculty, as well as the residents, are active participants in the educational experience of third and fourth year medical students. Many third year students spend one week on the urology service, most of the time spent in the office setting. A fourth year elective is also extremely popular. Students have rotations at both AMC and St. Peter's Hospital. Our teaching program is routinely rated as one of the best by our students and for the past 4 years in a row, one of our residents has been awarded the “Silver Scalpel” for best surgical teacher.

The Urology Residency Program is a five-year program including one year of general surgery and four years of urology. The program was recently reviewed by the ACGME and was awarded 5 years of accreditation with a letter of commendation. The program allows residents to gain experience in all forms of endoscopy (cystoscopy, ureteroscopy, nephroscopy and laparoscopy). There is a good volume of transurethral resection procedures, as well as an impressive volume of open surgery. In recent years, the volume of resident cases has continuously been in the 70th – 95th percentile nationally. Residents gain certification in extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy, with both the Dornier and Storz lithotriptors, and Holmium laser lithotripsy as a major part of the educational program. There is close interaction between the faculty and residents throughout their training with support and encouragement for research efforts. Additional training of residents also takes place at the Stratton VA Medical Center and at St. Peter's Hospital, in association with the Capital District Urological Surgeons, many of whom have appointments at clinical faculty.

The Division routinely invites 3-4 visiting professors each year to enhance the educational programs for the residents. In addition we hold PG courses for primary care providers on urological subjects. The highlight of our teaching program is the Annual Men's Health Post-graduate Course for Urologists at the Sagamore Resort on Lake George.
**Our Mission**

**RESEARCH**

The Division's research activities span a large breadth of the field of urology. In pediatric urology they relate to developmental anomalies of the kidneys and bladder, especially as they relate to obstructive uropathy. In particular, current basic research involves the functional, physiologic and molecular consequences of fetal urinary obstruction. Clinical research focuses on urologic tract infection, voiding dysfunction, and cryptorchidism. Dr. Mian, in collaboration with Dr. Tipu Nazeer from the Pathology Department, has a number of clinical research projects on the biopsy techniques and detection of prostate cancer, prognostic markers in bladder and prostate cancer, and outcomes following treatment. Dr. Mian also has several basic science endeavors in bladder and prostate cancer. He has developed a new animal model for the study of bladder carcinogenesis and has an active interest in the role of oxidant stress and inflammation/metastases in bladder cancer. Dr. Mian is a co-investigator on a recently funded 3-year grant with, Andre Melendez, PhD, determining the affect of intra-cellular oxidants and the tumor-suppressor gene PTEN in bladder cancer. Dr. Badar Mian was awarded a 3-year Merit Review grant from the Veteran's Administration to study the role of cell senescence related growth factors in prostate cancer. In neurourology, the use of neuromodululation is being pioneered in this area. In addition, Dr. Robert Levin is recognized as one of the world leaders in research in the fields of bladder function and dysfunction and Dr. Anita Mannikorottu has added expertise in molecular aspects of these problems. In the field of endourology, the division has also pioneered new technologies, some surgical, like the use of Holmium laser, but many diagnostic, for example the use of spinal CT scans to define stone disease prior to percutaneous lithotripsy. In addition, Dr. Gennady Glinski has brought a unique ability to evaluate genetic predictors of prostate cancer aggressiveness that will eventually guide treatment. A few of these projects include the functional, physiologic and molecular consequences of fetal urinary obstruction.

**DISTINGUISHED VISITORS**

**MICHAEL MARBERGER, M.D.,**

** CRAIG A. PETERS, M.D.,**
Associate Professor of Urology, Children’s Hospital, Boston, MA. “Robotic Assisted Laparoscopic Surgery in Pediatric Urology: Star Wars or Lost in Space?” “Fetal Bladder Obstruction: Merging Clinical and Basic Science Perspectives”, November 10-13, 2004.

**MARK JORDAN, M.D.,**

**Ricardo M. Munarriz, M.D.,**
Assistant Professor of Urology, Boston University School of Medicine, Boston, Massachusetts. “Female Sexual Dysfunction,” April 21, 2005.

**BEDFORD WATERS, M.D.,**

**WILLIAM STEERS, M.D.,**
Professor of Urology, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA. “A New Simplified Classification and Management Scheme for Disorders of Lower Urinary Tract,” August 11-14, 2005.

**MICHAEL FERRAGAMO, M.D.,**

**ANANIAS C. DIOKNO, M.D.,**

**MARGOT S. DAMASER, Ph.D.,**
Assistant Professor of Molecular Medicine, Lerner Research Institute, Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Cleveland, OH. “Failure of Elastic Fiber Homeostasis Leads to Pelvic Floor Disorders,” February 1-3, 2006.

**MARK P. CAIN, M.D.,**
Associate Professor of Pediatric Urology, Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis, Indiana. “Mitofusin’s Legacy”, May 3-5, 2006.

**CLAUS G. ROEHRBORN, M.D.,**
Professor and Chairman, Department of Urology, The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, Texas. “A Critical Appraisal of MIST Interventions for LUTS/BPH”, “Prostate Cancer Chemoprevention: Potentials and Realities”, June 21-24, 2006.

**O. LENaine WESTNEY, M.D.,**
Associate Professor of Surgery, Director of Urology Residency Program, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, Houston, TX. “Pelvic Organ Prolapse, A Brief Explanation of Technique for ALIS in Women and Men,” “Complex Genitourinary Reconstructive,” August 24-26, 2006.

**HOWARD GOLDMAN, M.D.,**
Assistant Professor of Surgery, Assistant Professor of Reproductive Biology, Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Glickman Urologic Institute, Cleveland, OH. “Surgical Treatment Options for Stress Urinary Incontinence”, September 21, 2006.

**RAYMOND RACKLEY, M.D.,**
Professor of Surgery, Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Glickman Urologic Institute, Cleveland, OH. “Emerging Innovation in OAB Management”, September 29, 2006.

**RONALD SUTHERLAND, M.D.,**
Director, Pediatric Urology, Tripler Army Medical Center, Honolulu, HI. “Urotherapy for Urourgenism”, October 12, 2006.

**Community Outreach Activities**

Many faculty members give a great deal of their time and efforts to the local, national and international communities. The Division provides numerous free prostate cancer screenings and spearheads the “ScreenSavers” program of the Capital Region Medical Research Foundation. In addition, many faculty provide considerable advice and expertise to many organizations nationally, for example the American Urological Association, the Northeastern Section of the American Urological Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics. Similarly, Dr. Kogan has been an educational consultant for the European Society of Pediatric Urology. Many of the faculty review journal submissions for a wide range of medical journals.

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The Institute for Vascular Health and Disease

The Division of Vascular Surgery was established as discrete from the area of General Surgery in the 1980’s under Drs. Robert Leather and Dhiraj Shah. General Surgeons with an fervent interest in diseases of the great and peripheral vessels. Joined by Dr. Allister Karmody, Drs. Leather and Shah developed a world class clinical program in the evolving art of vascular surgery and established the research foundation that would allow this division to grow, prosper and innovate into the next millennium.

The Institute for Vascular Health and Disease was established in January 1998. Over the past eight years the Vascular Institute has made tremendous progress in establishing itself as a national forerunner in the treatment of patients with vascular disease.

The Institute is directed by Dr. Dhiraj M. Shah who has been instrumental in establishing a vascular care network throughout the region. The Division of Vascular Surgery is headed by R. Clement Darling III, MD and includes Drs. John Byrne, Benjamin B. Chang, Nishan Dadian, Paul B. Kreienberg, Masah M Emaha, Kathleen J. Ozsvath, Philip S.K. Paty, Sean P. Reddy, Paul Skudder, Andreas Spiering, Yaron Sterishach, and John Taggert. This group of surgeons now covers the entire Tri-City area, Glen Falls, and the Kingston/Poughkeepsie area encompassing fourteen separate hospitals and eight vascular clinics, thus coordinating the care for the vascular patient throughout our area. The volume of surgery and experience continues to surpass all other centers in the country and is one of the first coordinated academic systems for vascular disease. Data of all procedures and outcome are compiled to ensure optimal functional and technical results and to maximize quality in the home base at the Albany Medical Center as well as the outside facilities.

The Institute is distinctive in that it offers a diverse and comprehensive array of surgical, endovascular and interventional procedures. In fact, it is a national leader in the number of surgical and endovascular procedures being offered.

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Faculty

Benjamin B. Chang
Associate Professor of Surgery

B.S. University of California at Los Angeles
M.D. Albany Medical College, Albany, NY
Residency Training – Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY
Vascular Surgery Fellowship Training – Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY

Certified –
American Board of Surgery: General Surgery 1992, 2002

Honors, Awards, Achievements –
Alpha Omega Alpha
Eastern Vascular Society, Membership Committee

Invited Lectures –
Chang BB. “Thoracic Outlet Syndrome.” Albany Medical College Cardiotoracic Departmental Grand Rounds, Albany, NY, December 13, 2005

R. Clement Darling III
Professor of Surgery
Chief, Division of Vascular Surgery
Medical Director, Karmody Vascular Laboratory
Chair, The Vascular Educational Endowment Fund

B.S. – Trinity College, Hartford, CT
M.D. – University of Cincinnati Medical College
Residency Training – Harvard/Deaconess Surgical Service, Boston, MA
Vascular Surgery Fellowship Training – Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY

Certified –
American Board of Surgery: General Surgery 1991, 1999
American Board of Surgery: Surgical Critical Care 1995
Specific Academic and Clinical Interests –
Aortic and carotid surgery, peripheral bypass, thoracoabdominal aneurysm repair, endovascular repair of thoracic and aortic aneurysms, non invasive vascular laboratory diagnosis and prevention of peripheral arterial disease

Honors, Awards, Achievements –
Alpha Omega Alpha
Editor – Annals of Vascular Surgery
Editorial Board Member – Annals of Vascular Surgery, Vascular & Endovascular Surgery, VASCULAR, Journal
Eastern Vascular Society – President-Elect 2008, Executive Council, Chair Program Committee, Co-Chair Ethics Ad Hoc Committee, Treasurer, Secretary
Director, American Board of Vascular Surgery
Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society – Past President, Recorder, Chair, Program Committee, Counselor at Large, Representative to the American Board of Vascular Surgery
American College of Surgeons Upstate NY District #5 Committee on Applicants of the ACS
American Heart Association Stroke Council and Cardiovascular Surgery Council
New England Society for Vascular Surgery – Program Committee, Representative to the American Board of Vascular Surgery
Society for Vascular Surgery – Program Committee, Education Council
Agency for Healthcare Research & Quality (AHRQ) Minnesota Evidence-based Practice Center (EPC) Technical Expert Panel Member
invited lectures –
Ozsvath K. “Treatment of difficult wounds with Interventional medicine.” Workshop for Advances in Wound Healing, Lake George, NY, April 30, 2005
Ozsvath K. “Monitoring peripheral vascular disease.” Albany Medical College 6th Annual Goodman Diabetes Symposium, Saratoga Springs, NY, May 13, 2005
Ozsvath K. “Chronic wound management and HBOT.” Albany Memorial Hospital Hand Center, Albany, NY, October 12, 2006

Certified –
American Board of Surgery: General Surgery 1999
American Board of Surgery: General Vascular Surgery 2002

specific academic and clinical interests –
Endovascular and surgical treatment of arterial and venous disease and wound healing issues

Honors, Awards, Achievements –
NIH Postdoctoral Fellow 1998–99
Recipient of the Bruce Brenner, MD, Award for the best research paper at the 15th Annual Vascular Fellows Abstract Competition, New York, NY 1999
Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society Program Committee
Eastern Vascular Society Young Vascular Surgeons Ad-Hoc Committee

Certified –
American Board of Surgery: General Surgery 1994, 2002

Specific Academic and Clinical Interests –
Aortic and carotid surgery, peripheral bypass, thoracoabdominal aneurysm repair, non invasive vascular laboratory diagnosis and prevention of peripheral arterial disease

Honors, Awards, Achievements
Alpha Omega Alpha
Eastern Vascular Society Membership Committee

invited lectures –
Paty PSK. “Surgical and endovascular treatment options for the vascular patient.” St. Peter’s Hospital Medical Grand Rounds, Albany, NY, September 13, 2006

PhILIP S.K. PATy
Associate Professor of Surgery
Assistant Medical Director, Karmody Vascular Laboratory
B.S. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY
M.D. Albany Medical College, Albany, NY
Residency Training – Albany Medical Center Hospital
NIH Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Physiology, Albany Medical College
Vascular Surgery Fellowship Training – Albany Medical Center Hospital

Certified –
American Board of Surgery: General Surgery 1998
American Board of Surgery: General Vascular Surgery 2000

Specific Academic and Clinical Interests –
endovascular therapies, carotid surgery

Honors, Awards, Achievements
Alpha Omega Alpha
American Heart Association Cardiovascular Surgery Council
Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society, Chair Local Arrangements Committee, Program Committee, Scholarship Committee

Eastern Vascular Society, Program Committee
New England Society for Vascular Surgery, Program Committee
Society for Vascular Surgery, Health Policy Committee

invited lectures –
Roddy SP. “Coding for hemodialysis access surgery and interventions”. 33rd Annual Vascular and Endovascular Issues, Techniques, Horizons (VEITHsymposium), New York, NY, November 15-19, 2006

DhiraJ M. shAH
Professor of Surgery
Director, The Institute for Vascular Health and Disease

P.C. College, Bagerhat, Bangladesh – Intermediate Science
MBBS, Dacca Medical College, Dacca, Bangladesh
Residency in Surgery – Dacca Medical College, Dacca, Bangladesh
Internship in Surgery – St. Peter’s Hospital, Albany, NY
Fellowship Training – Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY

Certified –
American Board of Surgery: General Surgery 1977, 1995
Academic and clinical interests – General Vascular surgery, carotid artery stenosis, abdominal aortic surgery
Honors, Awards, Achievements –
Alpha Omega Alpha
McGill University Fraser N.Gurd Visiting Professor May 2000
Editor – Annual of Vascular Surgery, Current Surgery
Board Member – VASCULAR, Journal
Eastern Vascular Society – Chairman, Bylaws Committee, Committee on Issues, Executive Council, Treasurer, Past-President
Society for Vascular Surgery – Committee on Standards: Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms
Bangladesh Medical Association of North America – Past Program Chairman, Past President
National Institutes of Health – Scientific Review Committee, Clinical Studies Section – 2
American Heart Association – Council on Cardio-Thoracic and Vascular Surgery, Stroke Council

Invited Lectures –
Shah, DM. “Supermarket Approach to Vascular Disease” Atherosclerosis Management: Closing the Gap Between Evidence and Clinical Practice, Dusseldorf, Germany, December 3-5, 2005

Yaron Sternbach
Associate Professor of Surgery
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Residency Training – Tufts-New England Medical Center, Boston, MA
Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery Fellowship Training – Lahy Clinic, Burlington, MA
Endovascular Surgery Fellowship Training – Southern Illinois University, Springfield, IL
Vascular Surgery Fellowship Training – Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

Certified –
American Board of Surgery: General Surgery 1998
American Board of Surgery: General Vascular Surgery 2000

Invited Lectures –
Sternbach Y. Faculty, Endovascular AAA Workshop. Society of Interventional Radiology, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, March 30 – April 4, 2006
Sternbach Y. “Decubitus ulcers, leg ulcers, and varicose veins.” Albany Medical College Center for Physician Assistant Studies, Albany, NY, September 13, 2006

Residents
2002
Bryan C. Kramer
B.A. Rice University, Houston, Texas
M.D. Albany Medical College, Albany, New York
General Surgery, Residency Training – Univ of Cincinnati Hospital, Cincinnati, OH

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John A. Adeniyi
M.B., B.S. College of Medicine, University of Ibadan, Nigeria
General Surgery Residency Training – Hospital of Saint Raphael, New Haven, CT
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2004
John B. Taggert
B.A. Boston College, Boston, MA
M.D. University of Connecticut School of Medicine
General Surgery Residency Training – Univ of Connecticut School of Medicine, Farmington, CT
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2005
Scott R. Fecteau, M.D. (June 2005)
B.S. Providence College, Providence, RI
M.D. University of Connecticut School of Medicine
General Surgery Residency Training – Univ of Connecticut School of Medicine, Farmington, CT
Vascular Associates of Connecticut, CT
1000 Asylum Avenue, Suite 2120
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2006
Tara D. Balint, M.D. (June 2006)
B.S. College of Mount Saint Vincent/Manhattan, NY
M.D. State University of New York at Brooklyn
General Surgery Residency Training – East Carolina Univ. School of Medicine, Greenville, NC
Harrisonburg Surgical Associates, Ltd (Private Practice)
3220 Emmanual Road
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

2007
Mohiuddin Cheema
Cadet College, Pakistan
M.B.B.S. Aga Khan University, Pakistan
General Surgery Residency Training – Univ of Connecticut School of Medicine, Farmington, CT

2008
Roger Moccia
B.S. SUNY Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY
M.D. Saint George University, Grenada
General Surgery Residency Training – Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY

2009
Jeffrey Hnath
B.S. Fairfield University, Fairfield, CT
M.D. Creighton University School of Medicine, Omaha, NE
General Surgery Residency Training – Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, NY

2010
Ratna Kunasani
M.B.B.S. ALL-India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, India
General Surgery Residency Training – Easton Hospital, Easton, PA
Faculty Members

Scholarly Activities

Faculty

Benjamin B. Chang

Publications


Clinical Research

Protocol Title: Carotid Revascularization Endarterectomy vs. Stenting Trial (CREST). Funding Source: NIH. Duration: 2004-Current


 Protocol Title: Thoracic AAA endovascular graft in the treatment of patients with descending thoracic aortic aneurysms. Funding Source: Cook Incorporated. Duration: 2004-current


Protocol Title: A randomized placebo-controlled, 12 week multi-center study of the safety and efficacy of Remodulin injection compared to conventional therapy in patients with critical limb ischemia with no planned Revascularization. Funding Source: United Therapeutics. Duration: Closed


Protocol Title: A vascular graft registry designed for participating centers to enroll patients in a comprehensive database tracking outcomes of the implanted intergard heparin grafts. Funding Source: Intervascular. Duration: 2/3/2004-current

Protocol Title: BTK Chill Study. Funding Source: CryoVascular Systems, Inc. Duration: 12/23/2004 to present

Protocol Title: A Prospective, Randomized Controlled Study to Compare the Effects of a Fibrin Sealant (FSI) Versus manual Compression on Hemostatic Efficacy During Vascular Surgical Procedures Utilizing Polyethylene Glycol Mural Material on an End-to-Side Femoral or Upper Extremity Vascular Access Arterial Anastomosis. Funding Source: Ethicon, a Division of Johnson and Johnson. Duration: 6/2005 to present


Faculty Members

Protocol Title: Clinical investigation of the Apta Endovascular AAA Repair System STAPLE-I: Phase I Study. Funding Source: Apta Endosystems Inc. Duration: July 2006 – current


Protocol Title: Video Presentations


R. Clement Darling III

Publications


Book Chapters


Scientific Exhibits (Posters)


Video Presentations


Clinical Research

Protocol Title: Carotid Revascularization Endarterectomy vs. Stenting Trial (CREST). Funding Source: NIH Duration: 2004 - Current

Protocol Title: Clinical study comparing use of Bifurcated Excluder Endovascular Repair System STAPLE-I Phase I Study. Funding Source: WL Gore. Duration: 2005 - 2006
Faculty Members


Protocol Title: Thoracic TAA endovascular graft in the treatment of patients with descending thoracic aortic aneurysms. Funding Source: Cook Incorporated. Duration: 2004-current


Protocol Title: A randomized placebo-controlled, 12 week multi-center study of the safety and efficacy of Remodulin injection compared to conventional therapy in patients with critical limb ischemia with no planned Revascularization. Funding Source: United Therapeutics. Duration: Closed


Protocol Title: A vascular graft registry designed for participating centers to enroll patients in a comprehensive database tracking outcomes of the implanted intergraft grafts. Funding Source: InterVascular. Duration: 2/3/2004-current

Protocol Title: BTK Chill Study. Funding Source: CryoVascular Systems, Inc. Duration: 12/23/2004 to present

Protocol Title: A Prospective, Randomized Controlled Study to Compare the Effects of a Fibrin Sealant (FS2) Versus manual Compression on Hemostatic Efficacy During Vascular Surgical Procedures Using Polytetrafluoroethylene Graft Material on an End-to-Side Femoral or Upper Extremity Vascular Access Arterial Anastomosis. Funding Source: Ethicon, A Division of Johnson and Johnson. Duration: 6/2008 to present


Protocol Title: Clinical investigation of the ApeX Endovascular AAA Repair System STAPLE-I Phase I Study. Funding Source: ApeX Endosystems Inc. Duration: July 2006 – current


Protocol Title: The pivotal study: positive impact of endovascular options for treating aneurysms early. Funding Source: Medtronic. Duration October 2005-current


Presentations


Paul B. Kreienberg

Publications


Symposium, Las Vegas, NV, March 6-9, 2006.


Darling RC III, Rahimi S, Mehta M, Shah DM.


Clinical Research


Protocol Title: A Clinical Evaluation of the GRE Excluder Endovascular Prosthesis – Low Permeability in the Primary Treatment of Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms. Duration: 2005-2010


Scientific Exhibits (Posters)


Clinical Research

Protocol Title: Canoid Revascularization Endarterectomy vs. Stenting Trial (CREST). Funding Source: NIH. Duration: 2004-Current

Protocol Title: Clinical study comparing use of Bifurcated Excludor Endovascular Funding Source: W.L. Gore. Duration: 1998-2007

Protocol Title: A phase III, multi-center randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of the ex-vivo treatment with CDT for peripheral venous grafts in patients undergoing peripheral artery bypass graft procedures. Funding Source: Coorcentech. Duration: 7/2001-2004, closed

Protocol Title: Thoracic TAA endovascular graft in the treatment of patients with descending thoracic aortic aneurysms. Funding Source: Cook Incorporated. Duration: 2004-current


Protocol Title: A randomized placebo-controlled, 12 week multi-center study of the safety and efficacy of Komedin injection compared to conventional therapy in patients with critical limb ischemia with no planned Revascularization. Funding Source: United Therapeutics. Duration: Closed


Protocol Title: A vascular graft registry designed for participating centers to enroll patients in a comprehensive data base tracking outcomes of the implanted intergrand heparin grafts. Funding Source: Inter-Vascular. Duration: 2/3/2004-current

Protocol Title: BTK Chill Study Funding Source: CryoVascular Systems, Inc. Duration: 12/23/2004 to present

Protocol Title: A Prospective, Randomized Controlled Study to Compare the Effects of a Fibrin Sealant (FS2) Versus Manual Compression on Hemostasis Efficacy During Vascular Surgical Procedures Utilizing Polytetrafluorethylene Graft Material on an End-to-Side Femoral or Upper Extremity Vascular Access Arterial Anastomosis. Funding Source: Ethicon, a Division of Johnson and Johnson. Duration: 6/2005 to present

Protocol Title: A Clinical Evaluation of the GORE Excluder Endovascular Prosthesis – Low Permeability in the Primary Treatment of Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms. Duration: 2005-2010


Protocol Title: Clinical investigation of the AneuRx Endovascular AAA Repair System STEALTH I Phase I Study. Funding Source: AneurX Endosystems Inc. Duration: July 2006 – current

Protocol Title: EXACT: A post marketing carotid stent trial using embolic protection. Funding source: Abbott Vascular Inc. Duration: June 2006- current


Protocol Title: The pivotal study: positive impact of endovascular options for treating aneurysms early. Funding Source: Medtronic. Duration October 2005-current

Protocol Title: Pythagore - prospective aneurysm trial, High Angle AORFIX bifurcated Stent Graft Study # 2005-01. Funding Source: Lombard Medical. Duration August 2006- current

Book Chapters

Chang BB, Kapusinski AM, Darling RC III, Paty PSK, Kreienberg PB, Roddy SP, Oztavith KJ, Mehta M, Shah DM.


Darling RC III, Chang BB, Paty PSK, Adeniyi JA, Kreienberg PB, Roddy SP, Oztavith KJ, Mehta M, Shah DM.


Scientific Exhibits (Posters)

Balint TB, Kreienberg PB, Darling RC III, Chang BB, Paty PSK, Roddy SP, Oztavith KJ, Mehta M, Shah DM.


Facility Members

Presentations

Manish Mehta
Publications

Scientific Exhibits (Posters)

Clinical Research
Protocol Title: Carotid Revascularization Endarterectomy vs. Stenting Trial (CREST). Funding Source: NIH. Duration: 2004–Current

Protocol Title: Clinical study comparing use of Bifurcated Excluder Endovascular Funding Source: W.L. Gore. Duration: 1998–2007


Protocol Title: BTK Chll Study. Funding Source: CryoVascular Systems, Inc. Duration: 1/23/2004 to present

Protocol Title: A Prospective, Randomized Controlled Study to Compare the Effects of a Fibrin Sealant (FS2) Versus manual Compression on Hemostatic Efficacy During Vascular Surgical Procedures Utilizing Polyethylene-hydrphene Graft Material on an End-to-Side Femoral or Upper Extremity Vascular Access Arterial Anatomom. Funding Source: Ethicon, a Division of Johnson and Johnson. Duration: 6/2005 to present

Protocol Title: Clinical investigation of the Apta Endovascular AAA Repair System STAPLE-I Phase I Study. Funding Source: Apta Endosystems Inc. Duration: July 2006 – current
Protocol Title: Exact–A post marketing carotid stent trial using embolic protection. Funding source: Abbott Vascular Inc. Duration: June 2006 – current

Presentations

Kathleen J. Ozsvath

Publications

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Can I help you with anything else?
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Book Chapters

Scientific Exhibits (Posters)

Clinical Research
Protocol Title: Canotid Revascularization Endarterectomy vs. Stenting Trial (CREST). Funding Source: NIH. Duration: 2004- Current
Protocol Title: Thoracic TAA endovascular graft in the treatment of patients with descending thoracic aortic aneurysms. Funding Source: Cook Incorporated. Duration: 2004-Current
Protocol Title: A randomized placebo-controlled, 12 week multi-center study of the safety and efficacy of Remoladin injection compared to conventional therapy in patients with critical limb ischemia with no planned Revascularization. Funding Source: United Therapeutics. Duration: Closed
Protocol Title: A vascular graft registry designed for participating centers to enroll patients in a comprehensive data base tracking outcomes of the implanted intergraellar bypass grafts. Funding Source: InterVascular. Duration: 2/3/2004-current
Protocol Title: BTK Chilli Study. Funding Source: CryoVascular Systems, Inc. Duration: 12/23/2004 to present
Protocol Title: A Prospective, Randomized Controlled Study to Compare the Effects of a Fibrin Sealant (FS2) Versus manual compression on Hemostatic Efficacy During Vascular Surgical Procedures Utilizing Polytetrafluorethylene Graft Material on an End-to-Side Femoral or Upper Extremity Vascular Access Arterial Anastomosis. Funding Source: Ethicon, a Division of Johnson and Johnson. Duration: 6/2005 to present
Protocol Title: Medtronic PILOT Study Evaluating the Impact of Endovascular Options for Treating Aneurysms Using the AneurRx Stent graft versus Observation in Subjects with Smaller (4-5 cm) Diameter AAA with Respect to Subject Survival. Funding Source: Medtronic. Duration: 12/2005 – 2010
Protocol Title: Clinical investigation of the Aptus Endovascular AAA Repair System STAPLE-1 Phase I Study. Funding Source: Aptus Endosystems Inc. Duration: July 2006 – current
Presentations (International, National, Regional)


SEAN P. RODDY

Publications


Scientific Exhibits (Posters)


Clinical Research

Protocol Title: Curvot Revascularization Endarterectomy vs. Stenting Trial (CREDIT). Funding Source: NIH. Duration: 2004–current

Protocol Title: Clinical study comparing use of Bifurcated Excluder Endovascular Funding Source: W.L. Gore. Duration: 1998–2007


Protocol Title: A randomized placebo-controlled, 12 week multi-center study of the safety and efficacy of Remodulin injection compared to conventional therapy in patients with critical limb ischemia with no planned Revascularization. Funding Source: United Therapeutics. Duration: Closed


Protocol Title: A vascular graft registry designed for participating centers to enroll patients in a comprehensive data base tracking outcomes of the implanted intestinal hepatic grafts. Funding Source: Inter/Vascular. Duration: 2/3/2004–current


Protocol Title: A Prospective, Randomized Controlled Study to Compare the Effects of a Fibrin Sealant (FS2) Versus manual Compression on Hemostatic Efficacy During Vascular Surgical Procedures Using Polyethylene Glycol Maternal on an End-to-Side Femoral or Upper Extremity Vascular Access Arterial Anastomosis. Funding Source: Ethicon, a Division of Johnson and Johnson. Duration: 6/2005 to present


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Protocol Title: Clinical investigation of the AneuPoint Endovascular AAA Repair System STAPLE-I Phase I Study. Funding Source: AneuPoint Endosystems Inc. Duration: July 2006 – current

Protocol Title: EXACT – A post marketing carotid stent trial using embolic protection. Funding Source: Abbott Vascular Inc. Duration: June 2006- current


Protocol Title: The pivotal study: positive impact of endovascular options for treating aneurysms early. Funding Source: Medtronic. Duration October 2005-current


Presentations

DPHRAJ M. SHAH

Publications


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Clinical Research
Protocol Title: Carotid Revascularization Endarterectomy vs. Stenting Trial (CREST). Funding Source: NIH. Duration: 2004- Current

Protocol Title: Clinical study comparing use of Bifurcated Excluder Endovascular Funding Source: WL Gore. Duration: 1998-2007
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Protocol Title: A phase III, multi-center randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of the ex vivo treatment with CGT003 of peripheral venous grafts in patients undergoing peripheral arterial bypass graft procedures. Funding Source: Congentech. Duration: 7/2001 - November 2004, closed
Protocol Title: A randomized placebo-controlled, 12 week multi-center study of the safety and efficacy of Remodulin injection compared to conventional therapy in patients with critical limb ischemia with no planned Revascularization. Funding Source: United Therapeutics. Duration: Closed
Protocol Title: A vascular graft registry designed for participating centers to enroll patients in a comprehensive data base tracking outcomes of the implanted intergro grafts. Funding Source: InterVascular. Duration: 2/3/2004–current
Protocol Title: ITRK Chill Study. Funding Source: CryoVascular Systems, Inc. Duration: 12/23/2004 to present
Protocol Title: A Prospective, Randomized Controlled Study to Compare the Effects of a Fibrin Sealant (FS2) Versus manual Compression on Hemostatic Efficacy During Vascular Surgical Procedures Utilizing Polytetrafluoroethylene Graft Material on an End-to-Side Femoral or Upper Extremity Vascular Access Arterial Anatomosis. Funding Source: Ethicon, a Division of Johnson and Johnson. Duration: 6/2005 to present
Protocol Title: Medtronic PIVOTAL Study Evaluating the Efficacy to Exclude the AAA and Ability to Deliver the Stent System to the Desired Location. Funding Source: Medtronic. Duration: October 2005–current
Protocol Title: The pivotal study: positive impact of endovascular options for treating aneurysms early. Funding Source: Medtronic. Duration: August 2006–current

Yaron Sternbach

Publications
Al-Omran M, Sternbach Y: Critical lower extremity ischemia. Geriatrics and Aging SRI (IN PRESS)

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Scientific Exhibits (Posters)

Clinical Research
Co-Investigator, Carotid Revascularization Endarterectomy vs. Stenting Trial (CREST) Funding Source: NIH. Duration: 2004 – present
Protocol Title: A vascular graft registry designed for participating centers to enroll patients in a comprehensive data base tracking outcomes of the implanted intergro grafts. Funding Source: InterVascular. Duration: 2/3/2004–current
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Resident

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Resident Presentations
Kramer B “Pulmonary embolism and DVT.” Albany Medical Center Hospital Department of Surgery Grand Rounds, February 2001.


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**Our Mission**

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**Education**

The Division of Vascular Surgery has been active in the education of medical students, residents, and fellows. The faculty of the Division has been actively involved in the didactic lectures of the first, second, third, and fourth year medical students as well as performing tutorials in general surgery with the third-year medical students. With the expansion of endovascular therapies, we expanded our vascular surgery training program to a two-year accredited fellowship. The vascular surgery fellows are educated in non-invasive techniques for diagnosis as well as endovascular and surgical therapies.

The Division of Vascular Surgery is proud of the accomplishments of the medical students, residents, and fellows who have participated in our academic endeavors. We consider this one of the most important missions of the Vascular Institute as we try to constantly evaluate future treatments of vascular disease and actively involve medical students, residents, fellows, and vascular nurses in this process.