

Curriculum Vitae

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- Medicaid Provider Number 001959950

Education and Training

Education

- Liceum Garibaldi, Palermo, Italy – BS 1967-1972
- School of Medicine, University of Milan, Italy -- MD 10/72-04/80
- School of Medicine, University of Bergen, PhD, Colorectal Cancer Bergen, Norway 01/1996

Military Draft

- Isonzo Logistic Battalion, Tricesimo, Italy 09/17/80-09/09/81

Community Service

- Haight Ashbury Medical Clinic, San Francisco, CA, USA 06/01/80-08/31/80
- Dept. of Internal Medicine, Ospedale Maggiore Niguarda, Milan, Italy 20162 10/05/81-10/03/82
- Harare Central Hospital, Masvingo General Hospital, Zimbabwe 01/25/83-08/08/83
- Casa di Cura Noto Palermo, Italy 09/01/83-07/30/84

Moonlighting

- Emergency Room, Ospedale di Abbiategrasso Abbiategrasso, Italy 10/18/82-12/16/82

Postgraduate Training

- Resident 08/01/84-05/30/86
Dept. of Surgery, Hautepierre University Hospital
Avenue Molière, Strasbourg, France
- Senior House Officer 06/09/86-12/21/86
Dept. of Surgery, Central Middlesex Hospital
London, UK NW10 7NS
- Resident 06/08/87-03/07/88
Dept. of Surgery, Kirkenes Hospital
Kirkenes, Norway
- Resident 03/14/88-12/31/90
Dept. of Surgery, University Kyst Hospitalet i Hagavik
Hagavik, Norway
- Resident 03/01/91-12/31/91
Dept. of Surgery, Haukeland University Hospital
Bergen, Norway
- Chief Resident 01/13/92-01/16/93
Dept. of Surgery, Angers University Hospital
Angers, France

Academic Appointments

- Associate Professor of Surgery
School of Medicine University of Bergen
Bergen, Norway 01/06/97-03/31/98
- Professor of Surgery
School of Medicine, University of Bergen
Bergen, Norway 11/01/98-09/01/02
- Professor of Surgery
Drexel University College of Medicine
Philadelphia, PA 02/26/04 - 06/30/07
- Professor of Surgery
Penn State College of Medicine
Hershey, PA 09/26/05 - 06/30/08
- Khubchandani Endowed Chair in Colorectal Surgery
Lehigh Valley Hospital
Allentown, PA 11/16/05 - 07/31/08
- Professor of Surgery
State University of New York
Stony Brook, NY 08/12/08 - current

Hospital Appointments

- Attending Surgeon
Department of General Surgery
Schlanders General Hospital
Schlanders BZ, Italy 03/22/93 - 08/24/94
- Attending Surgeon
Department of Surgery
Loudeac Medical Center
Loudeac, France 04/24/95 - 12/24/95
- Attending Surgeon
Department of Gastrointestinal Surgery
St. Olav University Hospital
Trondheim, Norway 03/04/96 - 01/02/97
- Research Director
National Center for Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery
St. Olav University Hospital
Trondheim, Norway 01/09/97 - 12/31/01
- Attending Surgeon
Section of Gastro-intestinal Surgery
Deaconess University Hospital
Bergen, Norway 08/14/97 - 03/31/98
- Attending Surgeon
Section of Gastro-intestinal Surgery 07/01/98 - 09/01/02

Central Teaching Hospital
Forde, Norway

- Center & Program Director 03/01/03 - 07/31/05
Center of Minimally Invasive Surgery Allegheny General Hospital
Pittsburgh, PA
- Endowed Colorectal Chair/ Program Director 08/01/05 - 07/31/08
Department of Surgery
Lehigh Valley Hospital
Allentown, PA
- Division Chief 08/12/08 - current
Division of Colon & Rectal Surgery
State University of New York
Stony Brook, NY

Fellowships

- FRCS ad eundem 04/12/01
9017454
Royal College of Surgeons
London, England
- FASCRS 06/15/01
American Society of Colorectal Surgeons
- FACS 10/10/04
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American College of Surgeons

Unrestricted Medical Licensures

- Ordine Nazionale dei Medici, Milan, Italy 05/25/80
- Ordre National des Medecins, Strasbourg, France 6931 12/02/84
- General Medical Council, London, UK3144589 05/14/86
- National Board of Health, Copenhagen, Denmark 200254 05/25/87
- Norwegian Medical Licensure Exams, Bergen, Norway
- Norwegian Directorate of Health, Oslo, Norway 2166909 10/30/90
- Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine, Harrisburg, PA MD420914 02/25/03
- New York State Board of Medicine, Albany, New York 250434 09/18/08

Board Certifications

- Emergency Surgery 06/27/90
Bologna University School of Medicine
Bologna, Italy
- General Surgery 07/10/91
National Board of Health
Copenhagen, Denmark
- General Surgery 05/21/92
Ordre National des Medecins
Angers, France

- General Surgery 05/29/95
Norwegian Medical Association
Oslo, Norway
- Gastrointestinal Surgery 05/29/96
Norwegian Medical Association
Oslo, Norway

Research Grants for IRB- or IACUC-approved Research Protocols

<i>Date</i>	<i>Grant Awarding Sponsor</i>	<i>Protocol</i>	<i>Location</i>
12/4/96	Norwegian Board of Research and Embassy of France, Oslo, Norway	Gallbladder bile CEA for early detection of occult liver metastases	Dept. of Surgery, University of Angers, Angers, France
3/18/98	Norwegian Board of Research and Embassy of France, Oslo, Norway	Detection of bone marrow micromets for early detection of occult colorectal liver metastases	Dept. of Surgery, University of Angers, Angers, France
10/28/99	Norwegian Board of Cancer Research, Oslo, Norway	Detection of bone marrow micromets for early detection of occult colorectal liver metastases	Dept. of Surgery, University of Bergen, Central Hospital, Forde, Norway
12/1/99	Bergen University School of Medicine, Bergen, Norway	Impact of sleep deprivation in laparoscopic surgery	Dept. of Surgery, University of Bergen, Central Hospital, Forde, Norway
12/01/01	Haukeland University Hospital Bergen, Norway	Electronic vs traditional cardiac auscultation to detect heart disease: a RCT	Dept. of Research & Development, Forde Health System, Forde, Norway
10/22/02	US Surgical Corporation, USA	Comparison of colonoscopic cecal injection versus washout of murine colon cancer cells for a cecal solid tumor in a rat model	Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA
11/1/02	US Surgical Corporation, USA	Validation of simulation model in minimally invasive surgery	Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA
9/23/03	Ethicon Endosurgery, USA	Laparoscopic vs open sigmoid resection for diverticulitis: an RCT	Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA
9/23/03	Ethicon Endosurgery, USA	Pexy vs no pexy for rectal prolapse: an RCT	Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA
6/22/04	Olympus America	Ultrasonic activated device with or without mist evacuation device: an RCT	Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA
8/1/05	Karl Storz America	Evaluation of 6-task simulation model in minimally invasive surgery with hybrid simulator	Lehigh Valley Hospital, Allentown, PA
11/16/05	Olympus America	The impact of intra-operative endoscopy on leak rates	Lehigh Valley Hospital, Allentown, PA

2/26/09	THD America, Inc.	Trans-anal hemorrhoidal dearterialization (THD) vs. hemorrhoidectomy for 3rd and 4th degree hemorrhoids in at least three quadrants: a prospective randomized control study.	State University of New York, Stony Brook, NY
2009	Deltex, Inc.	Randomized controlled trial with Deltex CardioQ in elective bowel resection patients	State University of New York, Stony Brook, NY
2009	American College of Surgeons Oncology Group	Z6051: A phase III prospective randomized trial comparing laparoscopic-assisted resection versus open resection for rectal cancer	State University of New York, Stony Brook, NY
2009	Helsinn Therapeutics, Inc.	A phase II, double-blind, placebo-controlled, multiple-dose study to evaluate the safety and efficacy of ipamorelin compared to placebo for the management of post-operative ileus in patients who have undergone partial bowel resection surgery	State University of New York, Stony Brook, NY
2009	Life Cell, Inc.	A prospective, multi-center, randomized, controlled, third party-blinded study of Strattice® Fascial Inlay to prevent parastomal hernia formation in patients undergoing surgery for permanent abdominal wall ostomies (PriSm)	State University of New York, Stony Brook, NY

Course Director, Co-Director, or Faculty

- Course Director, Workshop on EXFIRE. Krankenhaus Schlanders, Schloß Goldrain, South Tyrol, 12/10/93
- Course Co-Director, Course in Laparoscopic surgery for GERD, University of Vilnius, Vilnius, Lithuania, 12/16-18/95
- Course Faculty, Course TH-1075, International course in laparoscopic colorectal surgery, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway, 9/2-4/98
- Course Faculty, Colorectal Surgery, Laparoscopic Visceral Surgery Course, European Surgical Institute, Hamburg, Germany, 12/7-8/98
- Course Faculty, Course TH-1208, International course in laparoscopic colorectal surgery, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway, 8/31- 9/2/00
- Course Co-Director, International course in laparoscopic colorectal surgery, National Center for Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery, Trondheim, Norway, 9/30-10/2/01
- Course Director, Course B-1750, Laparoscopic Suturing Technique, University of Bergen, Forde, Norway, 5/23-24/02
- Course Faculty, Laparoscopic colectomy workshop. A hands-on course using human cadavers. Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, 5/9/03
- Course Director, Course B-1750, Laparoscopic Suturing Technique, University of Bergen, Forde, Norway, 9/16-18/03

- Course Director, Laparoscopic hand-assisted total colectomy. A hands-on course using human cadavers. Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, 4/23/04
- Course Director, Laparoscopic hand-assisted total colectomy. A hands-on course using human cadavers. Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, 10/23/04
- Course Director, Laparoscopic hand-assisted total colectomy. A hands-on course using human cadavers. Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, 3/5/05
- Course Director, Laparoscopic hand-assisted total colectomy. A hands-on course using human cadavers. Lehigh Valley Hospital, Allentown, PA, 3/25/06
- Course Director, Course B-1750, Laparoscopic Suturing Technique, University of Bergen, Forde, Norway, 9/11-12/06
- Course Director, Laparoscopic hand-assisted total colectomy. A hands-on course using human cadavers. Lehigh Valley Hospital, Allentown, PA, 10/28/06
- Course Director, Laparoscopic hand-assisted / intracorporeal colectomy. A hands-on course using human cadavers. Lehigh Valley Hospital, Allentown, PA, 3/24/07
- Course Faculty, Emergency laparoscopic surgery. A hands-on course using human cadavers. 1st Joint Congress of EATES and ETS, Graz Austria, 5/22/07
- Course Director, Course B-1750, Laparoscopic Suturing Technique, University of Bergen, Forde, Norway, 5/24-25/07
- Course Director, Laparoscopic hand-assisted / intracorporeal colectomy. A hands-on course using human cadavers. Lehigh Valley Hospital, Allentown, PA, 3/25/08
- Course Faculty, Course B-1750, Laparoscopic Suturing Technique, University of Bergen, Forde, Norway, 5/22-23/08
- Course Faculty, Course B-1750, Laparoscopic Suturing Technique, University of Bergen, Forde, Norway, 5/14-15/09
- Course Director, Laparoscopy in Colon and Rectum Surgery, Romanian Association for Endoscopic Surgery and other Interventional Techniques (ARCE), Bucharest, Romania, 11/11-14/09
- Course Director, CME Saturdays at Stony Brook, Laparoscopic Colorectal Surgery, Stony Brook, New York, 2/13/10
- Course Faculty, Course B-1750, Laparoscopic Suturing Technique, University of Bergen, Forde, Norway, 5/10-11/10
- Course Director, Laparoscopic Surgery for Gastrointestinal Non-trauma Emergencies, European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES), Geneva, Switzerland, 6/16/10

Courses attended

1. Robotic TME for rectal cancer, Dr. Leela Prasad, Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, Chicago, IL, February 2-4, 2010.
2. Leadership course, American College of Surgeons (ACS), Chicago IL, May 23-26, 2010.
3. ACLS course, Stony Brook University Medical Center, Stony Brook, NY July 23 and 30, 2010.
4. Robotic rectal cancer surgery, City of Hope Cancer Center, Duarte, CA, August 10-11, 2010.

Editor or Peer Reviewer

- Peer Reviewer since 2001, *Surgical Endoscopy*, Editors: B.V. MacFayden and Sir A. Cuschieri, official journal of SAGES and EAES, published by Springer-Verlag.
- Editorial Board Member 1999-2002, Peer Reviewer since 2003, *Techniques in Coloproctology*, Editor: M. Pescatori, Co-Editor: S.D. Wexner, official journal of UCP and MSCP, published by Springer-Verlag.
- Editorial Board Member since 2007, Peer Reviewer since 2001, *Digestive and Liver Disease*, Editor: G. Bianchi-Porro, published by Elsevier.
- Peer Reviewer since 2003, *Expert Review of Anticancer Therapy*. Editor: J. Drake, published by Expert Reviewers Ltd of Future Science Group.

- Associate Editor since 2007, Peer Reviewer since 2003, *Diseases of the Colon & Rectum*, Editor: R. D. Madoff, official journal of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ASCRS), published by Lippincott, Williams & Wilkins.
- Peer Reviewer since 2004. *Digestive Diseases and Sciences*, Editor: E.B. Keeffe, published by Springer Netherlands.
- Guest Editor. Laparoscopic Surgery beyond Feasibility, *Surgical Clinics of North America*, 2005: 85 (1):1-164.
- Peer Reviewer since 2006, *World Journal of Surgical Oncology*, Editor: M. Pandey, published by BioMed Central Ltd of Springer Science & Business Media.
- Peer Reviewer since 2007. *Surgery for Obesity and Related Diseases* (SOARD), official journal of the American Society for Metabolic and Baraitric Society (ASMBS), Editor: A. Kerr, published by Elsevier.
- Peer Reviewer since 2007. *World Journal of Emergency Surgery*. Editors: F. Catena, E. Moore, official publication of the World Society of Emergency Surgery, published by Springer New York.
- Editorial Board Member since 2008. *Postepy Nauk Medycznych*, Editor: R. Brzozowski, published by Borgis Publishing House, Warsaw.
- Editorial Board Member since 2009, *Videosurgery and Other Miniinvasive Techniques*. Editor: Tadeusz Wróblewski, published by Termedia Sp z o.o. Poznań, Poland.
- Editorial Advisory Board Member since 2009, *Colorectal Disease*, Editor: R.J. Nicholls, official journal of the Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland, the European Society of Coloproctology and the Spanish Society of Coloproctology, published by Wiley-Blackwell.

Current Medical Society Memberships and Offices

- Norwegian Medical Association, Oslo, Norway, Member since 1987
- European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES), Veldhoven, Netherlands, Member since 1994, Administrative Board member 2001-2006, Education and Training Committee member 2008 - 2009
- International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS), Allentown, PA, USA, Member since 1996, Executive Board Member-at-Large 2000-2002, Executive Board Assoc. Secretary General 2002-2006, Executive Board Member-at-Large 2006-2010
- Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES), Santa Monica, CA, USA, Active Member since 1998
- American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ASCRS), Arlington Heights, IL, Fellow since 2001, Technologies Committee Member 2003, Website Committee Member 2007-2010
- American Medical Association (AMA), Member #56103820117 since 2004
- Pennsylvania Medical Society, Member Allegheny County Medical Society 2004-2005, Member Lehigh County Medical Society since 2006
- Mexican Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (MSCRS), Active Member since 2004
- Italian Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (SICCR), Honorary Member since 2004
- Society of Coloproctology of Yugoslavia, Honorary Member since 2004
- National Cancer Institute, Membership # 39229
- Pennsylvania Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (PSCRS), Philadelphia, PA, USA, Fellow since 2007
- European Society for Trauma and Emergency Surgery (ESTES) Member since 2008
- New York Surgical Society, New York, NY, Member since 2009, Fellow to Council, since 2010
- Romanian Association for Endoscopic Surgery and Other Interventional Techniques (ARCE), since November 2009; honorary membership
- New York Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (NYSCRS), Fellow to Executive Council since March 25, 2010

Awards and Honors

- Gold Medal 1996, First laparoscopic colectomy at University of Vilnius School of Medicine, Vilnius, Lithuania

- PhD Dissertation “Bergamaschi R. Surgical strategies in the treatment of colorectal cancer. Eur J Surg 1995; 161 Suppl 575:1-22” was included on November 8, 1995 by Commander Colonel Basil A. Pruitt, MD, FACS, in the reference file used by the U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research, 2322 Harney road, Fort Sam, Houston, Texas, USA
- The Osaka City Gold Medal 2002, Osaka, Japan
- Certificate of Appreciation awarded by American College of Surgeons for presentation “Totally intracorporeal medial to lateral laparoscopic colectomy for right colon cancer” Oct 8-12 2006, Chicago, IL
- Certificate of Merit 2007 awarded by Lehigh County Medical Society in recognition of 25 years of medical service faithfully performed in the traditional ideas of the medical profession
- Certificate of Merit 2009 awarded by Stony Brook University Medical Center Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology in recognition of contributions to the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology
- Certificate of Best Podium Presentation as Co-Author, Annual Research Day of the Department of Surgery, State University of New York, Stony Brook, NY, May 27, 2010

Podium Presentations at Conventions

1. Crohn's disease: how much to resect? Symposium, Centre Médico-Chirurgical de la Sécurité Sociale, Strasbourg, France, 11/22/85
2. Resection of the rectum with construction of a colic reservoir. X Congresso Nazionale Associazione Chirurghi Ospedalieri Italiani, Rome, Italy, 6/7/91
3. Coelioscopic cholecystectomy. X Congresso Nazionale Associazione Chirurghi Ospedalieri Italiani, Rome, 6/7/91
4. Hepatic resection for metastases of the colon and rectum. II International Workshop on Colorectal Cancer, Rome, 3/10/91
5. Pancreatogastrostomy: a safe drainage procedure after pancreatoduodenectomy? Updating Course on Pancreatic Diseases, Genova, Italy, 4/23/92
6. Colorectal Anastomoses according to Knight. Société de Chirurgie Viscérale de l'Ouest, Plemour-Bodou, France, 5/16/92
7. Pancreatogastrostomy: a safe drainage procedure after pancreatoduodenectomy? European Congress of Surgery, Brüssel, Belgium, 6/3/92
8. Double stapling technique for low colorectal anastomosis. European Congress of Surgery, Brüssel, Belgium, 6/3/92
9. The rationale for CEA dosage in the follow-up of patients operated for colorectal cancer. A prospective study on 800 cases. VI Congress of the European Society of Surgical Oncology, Helsinki, Finland, 6/12/92
10. Pancreatogastrostomy: a safe drainage procedure after pancreatoduodenectomy? 2nd European Congress World Association of HPB Surgery, Paris, France, 6/10/93
11. Hepatic resection for metastases of the colon and rectum. Nordic Surgical Association; Nordic Congress, Copenhagen, 6/22/93
12. Hepatic resection for metastases of the colon and rectum. I Lithuanian Conference of Coloproctologists, Kaunas, Lithuania, 9/23/93
13. Emergency subtotal colectomy for obstructed cancer of the left colon. 1st Lithuanian Conference of Coloproctologists, Kaunas, 9/24/93
14. Hepatic resection for metastases of the colon and rectum. IV World Congress Gastro Surgical Club, Madrid, Spain, 10/28/93
15. The rationale for CEA dosage in the follow-up of patients operated for colorectal cancer. A prospective study on 800 cases. IV World Congress Gastro Surgical Club, Madrid 29.10.93
16. Use of the urologic resectoscope in colorectal obstruction in poor risk patients. IV World Congress Gastro Surgical Club, Madrid, Spain, 10/30/93
17. Emergency subtotal colectomy for acutely obstructed carcinoma of the left colon. XV Biannual Congress of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons, Singapore 3/7/94

18. Endoscopic trans-anal resection of obstructive rectal cancer. II International Congress of the European Association for Endoscopic Surgery, Madrid, Spain, 9/16/94
19. Double stapling technique and the Kraske approach in frail patients. 3rd Central European Symposium of Coloproctology of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons, Brno, Czech Republic, 4/28/95
20. Endoscopic trans-anal resection of obstructive rectal cancer in frail patients for palliation. 3rd Central European Symposium of Coloproctology of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons, Brno, 4/28/95
21. The rationale for CEA dosage in the follow-up of patients operated for colorectal cancer. 3rd Central European Symposium of Coloproctology of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons, Brno, 4/29/95
22. Laparoscopic gastrojejunostomy for benign and malignant duodenal obstruction. Nordic Congress of Nordic Surgical Association. Reykjavík, Iceland, 6/8/95
23. Endoscopic trans-anal resection of obstructive rectal cancer. Nordic Congress of Nordic Surgical Association, Reykjavík, Iceland, 6/9/95
24. Laparoscopic surgery for cancer. Haukeland University Hospital, Bergen, Norway, 1/19//96
25. Celioscopic colon resection for benign disease. 4th International Congress of the European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES), Trondheim, Norway, 6/24/96
26. Celioscopic gastro-jejunoscopy for malignant gastric outlet obstruction. 4th International Congress of the EAES, Trondheim, Norway, 6/26/96
27. Laparoscopic surgery for cancer. Autumn Meeting of Trondheim University Hospital, Kongsvoll, Norway, 9/15/96
28. Intracorporeal double-stapled anastomosis after laparoscopic left colon resection for benign disease. Mediterranean Congress of Stapling in Surgery, Limassol, Cyprus, 11/22/96
29. Intracorporeal double-stapled colorectal anastomosis. E.A.E.S. Joint Euro-Asian Congress, Istanbul, Turkey, 6/18/97
30. Uncomplicated diverticulitis of the sigmoid: an intracorporeal approach. Society Minimally Invasive Therapy (SMIT) 9th International Meeting, Kyoto, Japan, 7/15/97
31. Open vs. laparoscopic palliative gastrojejunostomy in advanced pancreatic cancer. Mid-Norwegian Association of Gastroenterology, Trondheim, 11/22/97
32. Endoscopic retrograde cholangiography prior to laparoscopic cholecystectomy for ductal and gallstones: A prospective study. International Hepato-Pancreatico-Biliary Association (IHPBA) 3rd World Congress, Madrid, Spain, 5/25/98
33. Open vs. laparoscopic repair of perforated peptic ulcer. 6th International Congress of European Association for Endoscopic Surgery, Rome, Italy, 6/4/98

Video Presentations at Conventions

1. Resection of the rectum with construction of a colonic reservoir. Joint Meeting on Colorectal Surgery, Vienna, Austria, 5/3/91
2. Endoscopic transrectal resection of rectal villous tumors using the urologic resectoscope. 4th International Congress of the EAES, Trondheim, Norway, 6/24/96
3. Laparoscopic cardiomyotomy for mega-esophagus. 4th International Congress of the EAES Trondheim, Norway, 6/25/96
4. Endoscopic transrectal resection of rectal villous tumors using the urologic resectoscope. 6th International EAES Congress, Rome, Italy, 6/5/98
5. Endoscopic transrectal resection of rectal villous tumors using the urologic resectoscope. EuroSurgery 8th European Congress of Surgery, Budapest, Hungary, 6/18/98

Invited Visiting Professorships / Grand Rounds Lectures

1. Department of Colorectal Surgery, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Weston, FL, 12/1/01-1/7/02
2. Laparoscopic surgery for benign colorectal diseases. Department of Surgery, Lehigh Valley Hospital Grand Rounds, Allentown, PA, 5/6-7/02

3. Laparoscopic surgery for benign colorectal diseases. Department of Surgery, Western Pennsylvania Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, 5/7-8/02
4. Farewell to see one do one teach one in MIS. Department of Surgery, Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, 12/3/02
5. Laparoscopic surgery for benign colorectal diseases. Department of Surgery, Somerset Hospital, Somerset, PA, 11/25/03
6. Laparoscopic surgery for Crohn's disease of the hindgut. Department of Surgery, Green County Memorial Hospital, PA, 3/23/04
7. Laparoscopic abdominoperineal resection for cancer. Department of Colorectal Surgery, Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Cleveland, OH, 9/5-6/07
8. Laparoscopic abdominoperineal resection for cancer. Department of Surgery, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, 11/1/07
9. Laparoscopic abdominoperineal resection for cancer. Department of Surgery, University of Connecticut, Hartford, CT, 12/12/07
10. Laparoscopic abdominoperineal resection for cancer. Department of Surgery, Graz University Hospital, Graz, Austria, 1/25/08
11. Laparoscopic Colorectal Surgery, Dokuz Eylul University Hospital, Izmir, Turkey, 6/19-21/08

Invited Lectures at Conventions or Courses

1992-1996

1. Laparoscopic cholecystectomy, Kaunas Medical Academy, Kaunas, Lithuania 5/22/92
2. The posterior surgical approach to the rectum, III International Videosurgery Forum, Rome 3/25/93
3. Laparoscopic treatment of complicated peptic ulcer disease, Lithuanian Minimal Invasive Surgery Society. Workshop in laparoscopic gastric surgery, Vilnius University Emergency Hospital, Vilnius, Lithuania 10/15-18/94
4. Laparoscopic surgery for G.E.R.D. Lithuanian Minimal Invasive Surgery Society. Workshop in laparoscopic gastric surgery, Vilnius University Emergency Hospital, Vilnius, Lithuania 12/15-18/95
5. Laparoscopic colorectal surgery, Sykepleiere i Stomiomsorg. Nordisk fagseminar og Generalforsamling, Kristiansand, Norway, 4/20/96
6. Intracorporeal double-stapled colorectal anastomosis. 3rd Advanced Laparoscopic Workshop of the G.I. Tract, Trondheim, Norway, 9/19/96
7. Immediately recognizable benefits and drawbacks after celioscopic colon resection for benign disease. Lithuanian Minimal Invasive Surgery Society. Workshop in laparoscopic colon surgery, Vilnius University Emergency Hospital, Vilnius, Lithuania, 11/15-16/96
8. Laparoscopic surgery for stomach diseases, Mediterranean Congress of Stapling in Surgery, Limassol, Cyprus, 11/22/96

1997-1999

1. Laparoscopy for sigmoiditis. Course TH-983 Acute Abdomen: Diagnostic and Therapeutic Laparoscopy, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim Norway, 3/13/97
2. Laparoscopy for sigmoiditis. Course TH-983: Acute abdomen: Diagnostic and therapeutic laparoscopy. Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, 4/9/99
3. Laparoscopic colon resection, 5th International Workshop for Videoscopic Surgery, European Surgical Institute, Hamburg, Germany, 5/12-14/97
4. Laparoscopic colorectal surgery: claims and facts, Congress of the Hungarian Society of Endoscopic Surgery, Bács-Kiskun Teaching Hospital, Kecskemet, Hungary, 5/23-25/97
5. Open vs. laparoscopic abdominal surgery. Bergen High School of Physiotherapy, Bergen, Norway, 9/02/97
6. Intracorporeal colorectal anastomosis following laparoscopic left colon resection. Current Trends in Colon and Rectal Surgery, 21 hours category 1 credit course by The George Washington University, Sorrento, Italy, 9/24/98

7. Endoscopic transanal resection for palliation of acutely obstructed rectal cancer in frail elderly patients, Current Trends in Colon and Rectal Surgery, 21 hours category 1 credit course by George Washington University, Sorrento, Italy, 9/26/98
8. Laparoscopic left colon resection for diverticulitis: intracorporeal vs. laparoscopic assisted approach. Course in Colorectal Surgery. European Surgical Institute, Hamburg, Germany, 11/23/98
9. Anastomosis level and specimen length in surgery for uncomplicated diverticulitis of the sigmoid. Course in Colorectal Surgery. European Surgical Institute, Hamburg, Germany, 11/25/98
10. Laparoscopy for sigmoiditis. Course TH-983 Acute Abdomen: Diagnostic and Therapeutic Laparoscopy, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, 3/20/98
11. Laparoscopic colorectal surgery. Course TH1094 Basic Course in Laparoscopic Surgery, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, 11/20/98
12. "Differences and limitations in ultrasound based tissue dissection". EAES 7th International Congress, Linz, Austria, 6/25/99
13. Intestinal injury. Definitive Trauma Course on Injuries to Visceral Organs, preliminary to International Surgical Week ISW99. Graz, Austria, 8/13-14/99
14. Laparoscopic colon surgery, Krankenhaus Bruneck, South Tyrol, 9/18/99
15. Endoscopic transanal resection for palliation of acutely obstructed rectal cancer in frail elderly patients, A.N.M.I.R. National Congress, Naples, Italy, 10/7-9/99
16. Diverticulitis, International Symposium: Colorectal Surgery. European Surgical Institute, Hamburg, Germany, 11/22/99

2000

1. Prevention and treatment of laparoscopic complications. Colorectal disease in 2000. Cleveland Clinic Florida, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 2/17/00
2. Uncomplicated diverticulitis, Colorectal disease in 2000, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 2/19/00
3. Laparoscopy for diverticulitis: Advantages?, International Meeting of Coloproctology (International Society University Colon Rectal Surgeons, Ivrea, Italy, 4/5-8/00
4. Laparoscopy for diverticulitis: Advantages?, Scientific Meeting on Colorectal Diseases, UCP Club, Pordenone, Italy, 5/4-5/00
5. Advantages and disadvantages of laparoscopy for perforated duodenal ulcer disease, EAES 8th International Congress, Nice, France, 6/30/00
6. Cutait Oration: Changing patterns in laparoscopic colorectal anastomosing, Colon 2000, 18th Congress of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS), São Paulo, Brasil, 7/21-23/00
7. Laparoscopic gastro-jejunostomy, Postgraduate Course in Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery, Scandinavian Surgical Society, Stavanger, Norway, 9/13-15/00
8. Laparoscopy for diverticulitis: Advantages?, 1st International Course: Advanced Techniques in Colorectal Surgery, Verona, Italy, 9/19-23/00
9. How should we teach? 8th Advanced Laparoscopic Workshop on New Technology in Minimally Invasive Surgery and Operating Room. National Center for Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery, Trondheim, 9/30/00
10. Changing patterns in laparoscopic colorectal anastomosing", World Congress of High-Tech Medicine during World Exhibition, Hanover, Germany, 10/18/00
11. Recurrence rates five years after laparoscopic ileocecal resection for Crohn's Disease, Symposium on Crohn's Disease, Bari, Italy, 10/28/00
12. Differences and limitations in energy-based laparoscopic surgery, International Society of Computer-Assisted Surgery – Italian Chapter, 3rd International Symposium on Informatics, Telematics and Cybernetics in Surgery, Naples, Italy, 11/17/00
13. Laparoscopy for diverticulitis, International Course in Colorectal Surgery. European Surgical Institute, Hamburg, Germany, 11/20/00

2001

1. Laparoscopy for sigmoiditis. Course TH-1264: Acute abdomen: Diagnostic and therapeutic laparoscopy. Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway, 4/27/01
2. Laparoscopy for perforated ulcer. Course TH-1264: Acute abdomen: Diagnostic and therapeutic laparoscopy. Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway, 4/27/01
3. Laparoscopic surgery in coloproctology: benign diseases, 8th Biannual Congress European Council of Coloproctology, Praha, Czech Republic, 4/30/01
4. Consensus Conference: The pneumoperitoneum and its sequelae. EAES 9th International Congress, Maastricht, The Netherlands 6/14/01
5. Laparoscopic surgery for benign colorectal diseases. Gothenborg, Sweden 10/5/01
6. How should we learn laparoscopic surgery? Expert meeting on laparoscopic antireflux surgery. Allgemeines Krankenhaus, Vienna, Austria 10/19/01
7. How should we learn laparoscopic surgery?, Autumn National Meeting, Norwegian Surgical Association, Oslo, Norway 10/23/01
8. Abdominal surgery for rectal prolapse without pexy, Coloproctology Association, Milan, Italy, 11/8-9/01
9. Laparoscopic surgery for benign colorectal diseases, South Hungarian Postgraduate Course for Graduate Surgeons, Szeged, Hungary, 11/17/01

2002

1. Minimally invasive approach to gastric outlet obstruction. Surgery of the Foregut, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Weston, FL, 2/11/02
2. See one, do one, teach one. Norwegian Thoraco-Laparoscopic Forum, Spring National Meeting, Norwegian Surgical Association, Oslo, 3/6/02
3. Experimental data in colorectal cancer. Norwegian Thoraco-Laparoscopic Forum, Spring National Meeting, Norwegian Surgical Association, Oslo, 3/7/02
4. Laparoscopy for benign colorectal diseases. International Society University Colorectal Surgeons 19th Congress, Osaka, Japan, 4/14/02
5. Rectal cancer: Is the surgeon the variable in the outcome? International Society University Colorectal Surgeons 19th Congress, Osaka, Japan, 4/16/02
6. Laparoscopy for sigmoiditis. Course TH-1264: Acute abdomen: Diagnostic and therapeutic laparoscopy. Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway, 4/27/02
7. Laparoscopy for perforated ulcer. Course TH-1264: Acute abdomen: Diagnostic and therapeutic laparoscopy. Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway, 4/27/02
8. Instruments and technique for the anastomosis. European Association for Endoscopic Surgery 10th Congress, Lisbon, Portugal, 6/2/02
9. Farewell to see one, do one, teach one, Western Pennsylvanian Hospital CME Course in Laparoscopic Colorectal and Obesity Surgery. Palm Beach, FL, 11/4/02
10. Sparing the sup. rectal artery in laparoscopic sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse. Western Pennsylvanian Hospital CME Course in Laparoscopic Colorectal and Obesity Surgery. Palm Beach, FL, 11/5/02
11. Validity of current experimental models for colon cancer, Western Pennsylvanian Hospital CME Course in Laparoscopic Colorectal and Obesity Surgery. Palm Beach, FL, 11/6/02

2003

1. Sparing lesion of superior rectal artery on laparoscopic surgery for rectal prolapse. XVIII Latin American Congress of Coloproctology, Salvador, Bahia, Brazil, 9/4/03
2. Laparoscopic surgery for diverticulitis. XVIII Latin American Congress of Coloproctology, Salvador, Bahia, Brazil, 9/6/03
3. Laparoscopic surgery for benign colorectal diseases. 28th Argentine Congress of Coloproctology, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 11/9/03
4. Recurrence rates after rectal prolapse surgery. 28th Argentine Congress of Coloproctology, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 11/9/03

5. Farewell to see one, do one, teach one in minimally invasive surgery. 28th Argentine Congress of Coloproctology, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 11/11/03

2004

1. Panelist. Complicated Diverticular Disease. VI Ibero Latin American Congress of Coloproctology, Mexican Society of Colorectal Surgeons, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, 5/3/04
2. Laparoscopic Surgery for Diverticulitis. VI Ibero Latin American Congress of Coloproctology, Mexican Society of Colorectal Surgeons, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, 5/3/04
3. Long Term Results in Laparoscopic Surgery for Benign Colorectal Diseases. VI Ibero Latin American Congress of Coloproctology, Mexican Society of Colorectal Surgeons, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico 5/3/04
4. The Salvage of the Superior Rectal Artery in Laparoscopic Sigmoid Resection for Rectal Prolapse. VI Ibero Latin American Congress of Coloproctology, Mexican Society of Colorectal Surgeons, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, 5/4/04
5. Laparoscopic Surgery for Crohn's Disease. VI Ibero Latin American Congress of Coloproctology, Mexican Society of Colorectal Surgeons, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, 5/4/04
6. Laparoscopic placement of gastric electrical stimulator for gastroparesis. Western Pennsylvania Association of Diabetes Educators, Pittsburgh, PA, 5/14/04
7. Live donor nephrectomy laparoscopic approach vs open. 12th International Congress of the EAES, Barcelona, Spain, 6/12/04
8. Rectal cancer: Is the surgeon a variable? 9th Central European Congress of Coloproctology, Belgrade, Serbia, 10/8/04

2005

1. Farwell to see one, do one, teach one. Surgery of the Foregut, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Weston, FL, 2/21/05
2. Impact of technology on minimally invasive surgery. Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, 3/31/05
3. Aspects of bariatric surgery. Kindred Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, 5/19/05
4. Gastroduodenal perforation. EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/3/05
5. Laparoscopic sigmoid resection for complete rectal prolapse. EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/3/05
6. Intracorporeal colectomy. EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/4/05
7. Diagnostic laparoscopy in emergencies. EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/4/05
8. Is the laparoscopic approach appropriate for peritonitis? ISW, Durban, South Africa, 8/23/05
9. Laparoscopic colorectal surgery: standards of today new concepts for tomorrow. European Society of Surgery, Vienna, Austria 11/11/05

2006

1. Keynote Lecture: Minimally invasive colorectal surgery: past present future. 11th Central European Congress of Coloproctology, Graz, Austria, 6/12/06
2. Principles of laparoscopic colorectal surgery. XXIth Biennial Congress of the ISUCRS, Istanbul, Turkey, 06/28/06
3. Preoperative staging of rectal cancer. EAES 14th International Congress, Berlin, Germany, 9/16/06
4. What is the evidence for laparoscopic treatment of perforated ulcer? EAES 14th International Congress, Berlin, Germany, 9/16/06

2007

1. Laparoscopic Management of Small Bowel Obstruction. Surgery of the Foregut, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Weston, FL, 2/19/07
2. Anastomotic leak in colorectal surgery. 1st Joint Congress of EATES and ETS, Graz Austria, 5/22/07
3. Perforated ulcer. 1st Joint Congress of EATES and ETS, Graz, Austria, 5/26/07
4. Review of rectal prolapse surgery. 1st Pelvic Surgery Meeting, Brescia, Italy, 6/29-7/2/07

5. Abdominal surgery for rectal prolapse. 11th Congress of Turkish Association of Colorectal Surgeons, Bodrum, Turkey, 8/27/07
6. Laparoscopic intracorporeal right colectomy. 11th Congress of Turkish Association of Colorectal Surgeons, Bodrum, Turkey, 8/28/07
7. Laparoscopic Hartmann's reversal. 11th Congress of Turkish Association of Colorectal Surgeons, Bodrum, Turkey, 8/30/07
8. Intracorporeal ileocolic anastomosis. 93rd Annual Clinical Congress, American College of Surgeons, New Orleans, LA, 9/9/07

2008

1. Techniques and prerequisites for emergency endoscopy. 9th European Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery - 1st ESTES Congress, Budapest, Hungary, 5/25/08
2. Intraoperative endoscopy. 9th European Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery - 1st ESTES Congress, Budapest, Hungary, 5/25/08
3. Laparoscopic intracorporeal right colectomy. Aegian Surgical Society, Izmir, Turkey, 6/20/08
4. Laparoscopic surgery for rectal cancer. XXII Biennial Congress of the ISUCRS, San Diego, CA, 9/14/08
5. Lecture: Status of Laparoscopic Colorectal Surgery in the USA. II Educational Colorectal Meeting of SICCR (Italian Society of Colorectal Surgery), Rome, Italy, 9/16/08
6. Standardized laparoscopic intracorporeal right colectomy for cancer: short-term outcome in 111 unselected patients. Austrian Society of Surgical Oncology (ACO-ASSO), St. Wolfgang, Austria, 10/3/08
7. Impact of laparoscopic abdominoperineal resection for adenocarcinoma of the lower rectum on circumferential resection margin. Austrian Society of Surgical Oncology (ACO-ASSO), St. Wolfgang, Austria, 10/4/08
8. Laparoscopic Colorectal Surgery: where are we now and where are we going? American College of Surgeons Keystone Chapter, Harrisburg, PA, 11/7/08

2009

1. Laparoscopic treatment of colorectal surgery. Finnish Society of Surgeons, Bad Gastein, Austria, 1/27/09
2. Mentoring and telementoring in laparoscopic colorectal surgery. International Society of Laparoscopic Colorectal Surgeons, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 2/11/09
3. Abdominal surgery for rectal prolapse. XXI Latin American Congress of Coloproctology, Guayaquil, Ecuador, 7/20/09
4. How do i do: laparoscopic colorectal resection and mobilization of right colon. XXI Latin American Congress of Coloproctology, Guayaquil, Ecuador, 7/20/09
5. Round Table: Complications in colorectal surgery. XXI Latin American Congress of Coloproctology, Guayaquil, Ecuador, 7/21/09
6. Moderator: Treatment of rectal cancer. 58^o Brazilian Symposium on Coloproctology. Sao Paulo, Brazil, 9/4/09
7. Advantages of laparoscopic surgery for diverticulitis. 58^o Brazilian Symposium on Coloproctology. Sao Paulo, Brazil, 9/5/09
8. Laparoscopic right colectomy. 5th East-West Colorectal Days in Hungary (the 7th annual Congress of the Association of Coloproctology in Hungary with participation by the members of the American Society of Colorectal Surgeons, ASCRS), Budapest, Hungary, 9/10-12/09
9. Keynote speaker: Goodness of fit. 5th East-West Colorectal Days in Hungary (the 7th annual Congress of the Association of Coloproctology in Hungary with participation by the members of the American Society of Colorectal Surgeons, ASCRS), Budapest, Hungary, 9/10-12/09
10. Panelist: Consultants' Corner. European Society of Coloproctology, Prague, Czech Republic, 9/25/09
11. Keynote Lecture: Is laparoscopy delivering? European Society of Coloproctology, Prague, Czech Republic, 9/26/09
12. Laparoscopic management of rectal cancer. Romanian Association for Endoscopic Surgery and other Interventional Techniques (ARCE). Bucharest, Romania, 11/11-14/09

13. Treatment of rectal prolapse by perineal procedures. Colorectal Congress 2009: Benign Colorectal Diseases. St. Gallen, Switzerland, 12/4/09

2010

1. Diverticulitis. How to operate and when. Course in Acute Care Surgery in Gastrointestinal Diseases. University of Graz, Austria, 5/03/10
2. Bowel obstruction Course in Acute Care Surgery in Gastrointestinal Diseases. University of Graz, Austria, 5/04/10
3. Enteroscopy for lower GI bleed, European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES), Geneva, Switzerland, 6/16/10
4. Small bowel obstructions, European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES), Geneva, Switzerland, 6/16/10
5. Perforated peptic ulcer, European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES), Geneva, Switzerland, 6/17/10
6. Standards in right colectomy, European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES), Geneva, Switzerland, 6/17/10
7. A stapler misfires, European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES), Geneva, Switzerland, 6/18/10
8. Laparoscopic surgery for diverticulitis, American College of Surgeons (ACS), Washington, D.C., 10/4/10

Invited Live Demonstrations of Laparoscopic Procedures

1. Taylor vagotomy and appendectomy, Lithuanian Minimal Invasive Surgery Society. Workshop in laparoscopic gastric surgery, Vilnius University Emergency Hospital, Vilnius, Lithuania, 10/15-18/94
2. Nissen-Rossetti fundoplication, Lithuanian Minimal Invasive Surgery Society. Workshop in laparoscopic gastric surgery, Vilnius University Emergency Hospital, Vilnius, Lithuania 12/15-18/95
3. Sigmoid resection for diverticulitis, Lithuanian Minimal Invasive Surgery Society. Workshop in laparoscopic colon surgery, Vilnius University Emergency Hospital, Vilnius, Lithuania, 11/15-16/96
4. Nissen-Rossetti fundoplication and extended right colectomy, Congress of the Hungarian Society of Endoscopic Surgery, Bács-Kiskun Teaching Hospital, Kecskemet, Hungary, 5/23-25/97
5. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 8/27/99
6. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 9/10/99
7. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 10/15/99
8. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 11/12/99
9. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 8/21/00
10. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 11.09.00
11. Abdominoperineal resection for rectal cancer, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 3/20/00
12. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, World Congress of High-Tech Medicine during World Exhibition, Hanover, Germany, 10/16/00
13. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Regional Hospital, Campobasso, Italy, 3/3/01
14. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, University Hospital, Solofra., Italy, 4/6/01
15. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, 8th Biannual Congress European Council of Coloproctology, Prague, Czech Republic, 04/29/01
16. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 5/7/01
17. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 5/14/01
18. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 5/21/01
19. Sigmoid resection for rectal prolapse, Dept. of Surgery, Bærum Hospital, Oslo, Norway, 6/18/01
20. Colpo-sacropexy for vaginal prolapse, Dept. of Gynecology, Forde Central Hospital, Forde, Norway, 5/28/04
21. Colpo-sacropexy for vaginal prolapse, Dept. of Gynecology, Forde Central Hospital, Forde, Norway, 9/14/06
22. Sigmoid colectomy, Annual Meeting of SICCR (Italian Society of Colorectal Surgery), Tor Vergata University Hospital, Rome, Italy 4/07

23. Laparoscopic resection of intraperitoneal GIST. Department of Surgery, Graz University Hospital, Graz, Austria, 1/25/08
24. Laparoscopic rectal mobilization for rectal prolapse. Dokuz Eylul University Hospital, Izmir, Turkey, 6/20/08
25. Laparoscopic intracorporeal right colectomy for cancer. Dokuz Eylul University Hospital, Izmir, Turkey, 6/20/08
26. Laparoscopic low anterior resection for rectal cancer. Dokuz Eylul University Hospital, Izmir, Turkey, 6/20/08
27. Laparoscopic hand-assisted total colectomy for synchronous colon cancers. Dokuz Eylul University Hospital, Izmir, Turkey, 6/21/08
28. Laparoscopic low anterior resection for rectal cancer. Dokuz Eylul University Hospital, Izmir, Turkey, 6/21/08
29. Laparoscopic left colectomy for cancer. Romanian Association for Endoscopic Surgery and other Interventional Techniques (ARCE), St John Hospital, Bucharest, Romania, 11/11-14/09

Invited Moderator at Conventions

1. Free Paper Session 43: Secondary tumors of the liver. IV World Congress Gastro Surgical Club, Madrid, Spain, 10/28/93
2. Session: Colorectal cancer. 3rd Advanced Laparoscopic Workshop of the G.I. Tract, Trondheim, Norway, 9/19/96
3. Session: Laparoscopic colorectal surgery for benign conditions. Symposium: Colorectal Surgery. European Surgical Institute, Hamburg, Germany, 11/23-25/98
4. Course TH-1128: Akutt abdomen. Diagnostic and therapeutic laparoscopy. Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway, 4/9/99
5. Free Paper Session 54: Thoracoscopic Surgery, Vascular Surgery, and Upper GI Bleeding. EAES 7th International Congress, Linz, Austria, 6/26/99
6. Session: Crohn's Disease, International Meeting of Coloproctology, Ivrea, Italy 5-8.4.2000 Session: Crohn's Disease, International Meeting of Coloproctology, Ivrea, Italy, 4/5-8/00
7. Session: Clinical investigations and trials. 4th International Conference of Experimental Laparoscopic Surgery (ICEL), Berlin, Germany, 4/14.-15/00
8. Session: Laparoscopic Colonic Surgery. 42. Österreichischer Chirurgenkongress, Graz, Austria, 6/16/01
9. Symposium on laparoskopisk kirurgi. Norwegian Thoraco-Laparoscopic Forum, Oslo, Norway, 10/23/01
10. Session: Proctological and pelvic diseases. International College of Surgeons, Naples, Italy, 12/7/01
11. Session: Colorectal surgery. International College of Surgeons, Naples, Italy, 12/7/01
12. Session: Duodenal and biliary tract disease. Surgery of the Foregut, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Weston, FL, 2/11/02
13. Video Session: International Society University Colorectal Surgeons 19th Congress, Osaka, Japan, 4/17/02
14. Session: Laparoscopic fundoplication. Surgery of the Foregut, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Weston, FL, 2/17/03
15. Session: Education in Minimally Invasive Surgery. Surgery of the Foregut, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Weston, FL, 2/17/04
16. Panel #1: Laparoscopic surgery for cure of colorectal cancer. XXth Biennial Congress of the ISUCRS, Budapest, Hungary, 6/7/04
17. Session 2: Rectal cancer. 9th Central European Congress of Coloproctology, Belgrade, Serbia, 8/8/04
18. Session S71: Laparoscopic treatment of colonic cancer: technical aspects. EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/4/05
19. Live Surgery Session: XXIth Biennial Congress of the ISUCRS, Istanbul, Turkey, 6/25/06
20. MIS for rectal cancer. EAES 14th International Congress, Berlin, Germany, 9/14/06
21. Laparoscopy in abdominal emergencies. 1st Joint Congress of EATES and ETS, Graz Austria, 5/26/07
22. Laparoscopic surgery for diverticulitis. 11th Congress of Turkish Association of Colorectal Surgeons, Bodrum, Turkey, 8/29/07

23. Management of GI bleeding. 9th European Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery - 1st ESTES Congress, Budapest, Hungary, 5/25/08
24. Laparoscopic colorectal techniques: technical pearls, 4th International Congress of Laparoscopic Colorectal Surgery (ISLCRS), Weston and Hallandale Beach, FL, 2/10-11/09
25. Postgraduate Course II MIS for Rectal Cancer Surgery, 17th EAES Congress, Prague, 6/17-20/09

Co-Author Podium Presentations at Conventions

1. Uchal M, Bergamaschi R. Should surgeons perform laparoscopic surgery after duty? 8th Biennial Congress, European Council of Coloproctology, Praha, Czech Republic, 5/1/01
2. Uchal M, Tjugum J, Bergamaschi R. Laparoscopic surgery – practical training-model” West-land Gynecological Symposium, Bergen, Norway, 11/17/01
3. Uchal M, Brogger J, Rukas R, Karlsen B, Bergamaschi R. Operative end product, procedure effectiveness and surgeons forearm workload-comparing inline to pistolgrip handles during suturing in a laparoscopic physical simulation model. Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES) 8th World Congress, New York, NY, 3/15/02
4. Uchal M, Ignjatovic D., Marvik R., Bergamaschi R. Cecal injection via total colonoscopy in rats: a step towards the development of a novel murine cecum cancer model for laparoscopic studies. 6th Annual International Conference of Experimental Laparoscopy, ICEL, Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons, New York, NY, 3/17/02
5. Brogger J., Ignjatovic D., Bergamaschi R.. Recurrence rates after surgery for rectal prolapse: A critical appraisal based on raw data. 10th International Congress of European Association for Endoscopic Surgery, Lisabon, Portugal, 6/2-5/02
6. Ignjatovic D., Bergamaschi R. An anatomical rationale for spleen salvage by lobe/segment dearterialization in inferior pole injury during left colectomy. A post mortem study. 10th International Congress of European Association for Endoscopic Surgery, Lisabon, Portugal, 6/2-5/02
7. Ignjatovic D., Yavuz Y., Marvik R., Bergamaschi R. Cecal injection via total colonoscopy in rats: a step towards the development of a novel murine cecum cancer model for laparoscopic studies. 10th International Congress of European Association for Endoscopic Surgery, Lisabon, Portugal, 6/2-5/02
8. Thaler K, Baig MK, Berho M, Weiss EG, Noguerras JJ, Arnaud JP, Wexner SD, Bergamaschi R. Determinants of recurrence after sigmoid resection for uncomplicated diverticulitis. Annual Meeting of American Society of Colorectal Surgeons, Chicago, IL, 6/5/02
9. Thaler K, Baig MK, Berho M, Weiss EG, Noguerras JJ, Arnaud JP, Wexner SD, Bergamaschi R. Determinants of recurrence after sigmoid resection for uncomplicated diverticulitis. The Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland 2002 Annual Meeting, Manchester, UK 7/3/02
10. Uchal M, Tjugum J, Martinsen E, Bergamaschi R. Operative product quality and procedure effectiveness comparing 24-hour duty with 8-hour work during suturing in a laparoscopic physical simulator” 9th World Congress, SAGES, Los Angeles, CA, 3/5/03
11. Raftopoulos Y, Nghiem D, Gignac M, Young JC, Fowler D, Bergamaschi R. The impact of introducing laparoscopic donor nephrectomy in an established renal transplant program. European Association for Endoscopic Surgery, Glasgow, UK, 6/03
12. Ignjatovic D, Vasic G, Zivanovic V, Bergamaschi R. Laparoscopic vs open recurrent incisional hernia repair. 26th International Congress of the European Hernia Society Prague, 4/29-5/1/04
13. Ignjatovic D, Vasic G, Zivanovic V, Bergamaschi R. Initial Institutional Experience With Minimally Invasive On Lay Composite Mesh Repair Of Recurrent Incisional Hernia. 26th International Congress of the European Hernia Society, Prague, 4/29-5/1/04
14. Zivanovic V, Vasic G, Zivanovic J, Bergamaschi R, Ignjatovic D. Does the small bowel form adhesions to the Parietex® double faced MESH after laparoscopic incisional hernia repair? 26th International Congress of the European Hernia Society, Prague, 4/29-5/1/04
15. Zivanovic V, Vasic G, Bergamaschi R, Ignjatovic D. Does the Parietex® double faced MESH migrate after laparoscopic incisional hernia repair, preliminary results. 26th International Congress of the European Hernia Society, Prague, Czech Republic, 4/29-5/1/04

16. Patel N, Raftopoulos Y, Senagore AJ, Bergamaschi R. Recurrence rates after abdominal surgery for complete rectal prolapse. A multi-center pooled analysis of 643 individual patient data. Annual Meeting of American Society of Colorectal Surgeons, Dallas, TX, 5/11/04
17. Uchal M, Raftopoulos Y, Tjugum J, Bergamaschi R. Validation of the FORDE physical inanimate model for acquisition of laparoscopic motor skills. EAES 12th Congress, Barcelona, Spain, 6/10/04
18. Haughn C, Uchal M, Rossi S, Raftopoulos Y, Yavuz Y, Marvik R, Bergamaschi R. Development of a total colonoscopy model in rats for the study of colorectal cancer. SAGES, Ft Lauderdale, FL, 4/13-16/05
19. Vasic G, Bergamaschi R, Babic D, Ignjatovic D. Impact of laparoscopic adhesiolysis during recurrent ventral hernia repair on GI QOL. EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/2/05
20. Uchal M, Haughn C, Rossi S, Raftopoulos Y, Yavuz Y, Marvik R, Bergamaschi R. Development of a total colonoscopy model in rats for the study of colorectal cancer. Tecnology Award Session, EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/2/05
21. Ignjatovic D, Arnaud JP, Bergamaschi R. Impact of means of access on short term outcome of Hartmann reversal. EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/4/05
22. Lovvik K, Ignjatovic D, DiGiuro G, Bergamaschi R. Impact of lap sigmoid resection on continence and FIQL in patients with rectal prolapse, prolonged transit and incontinence. EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/4/05
23. Uchal M, Haughn C, Rossi S, Stark G, Santucci T, Colella J, Bergamaschi R. Does an automatic MIST evacuation device decrease added OR time in lap gastric bypass? EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/4/05
24. DiGiuro G, Ignjatovic D, Raftopoulos Y, Bergamaschi R. Recurrence rates after lap pexy for rectal prolapse. EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/4/05
25. Ignjatovic D, Sund S, Stimec B, Bergamaschi R. What are the vascular constraints in lap right colectomy? EAES 13th International Congress, Venice, Italy, 6/4/05
26. Chouillard E, Bergamaschi R, Fingerhut A. Laparoscopic total mesorectal excision for middle and low rectal adenocarcinoma with or without sphincter preservation: a prospective study. SAGES, Dallas, TX, 4/28/06
27. Grossman D, Bergamaschi R, Uranus S. Laparoscopic partial splenectomy. SAGES, Dallas, TX, 4/28/06
28. Altomare D, Guanti G, Bergamaschi R. Does The Finding Of Disseminated Epithelial Cells In Bone Marrow Result In Liver Metastases? A Mutational Analysis ESCP Annual Meeting, Lisbon, Portugal, 9/13-16/06
29. D'Ippolito A, Bergamaschi R. Laparoscopic intracorporeal right colectomy for cancer. ASCRS North Eastern Chapter Meeting, West Palm Beach, FL, 11/5/07
30. Dippolito A, Okolica D, Bergamaschi R. Standardized laparoscopic intracorporeal right colectomy for cancer. 3rd International Congress of Laparoscopic Colorectal Surgery. Weston FL, 2/12/08
31. Kainz G, Bergamaschi R, Kimmel S, Patruno J. Preliminary validation of a multifaceted multidisciplinary training program to teach laparoscopic skills. CREOG-APGO Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, 3/08
32. Cesanek P, Uchal M, Uranus S, Patruno J, Kimmel S, Bergamaschi R. Do hybrid simulator-generated metrics correlate with content valid outcome measures? SAGES Philadelphia, PA, 4/10/08
33. Altomare D, Bergamaschi R. Micrometastases in Bone Marrow of Colorectal Cancer Patients: No Evidence of Malignancy. XXII Biennial Congress of the International Society of University Colon & Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS) San Diego, CA, 9/13-17/08
34. Raftopoulos Y, Bergamaschi R. Should complete intracorporeal anastomosis be considered in obese patients undergoing laparoscopic colectomy for benign or malignant disease of the colon? XXII Biennial Congress of the International Society of University Colon & Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS) San Diego, CA, 9/13-17/08
35. Dippolito A, Bergamaschi R. Standardized laparoscopic intracorporeal right colectomy for cancer. XXII Biennial Congress of the International Society of University Colon & Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS) San Diego, CA, 9/13-17/08

36. Essani R, Scriven R, McLarty A, Merriam L, Ahn H, Bergamaschi R. Simulated laparoscopic sigmoidectomy training: responsiveness of surgery residents. American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ASCRS) Annual Meeting, Hollywood, FL, 5/2-6/09
37. Amrani S, Bergamaschi R. Case of sarcomatous carcinoma. New York Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (NYSCR), New York, NY, 11/19/09
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