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Title:

Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery, University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC)
Fellow, American College of Surgeons
Fellow, American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery

Current Positions:

- Chairman of Surgery (2014 - present)
Mercy Hospital and Medical Center
- Site Residency Program Director (2017 - present)
Mercy Hospital and Medical Center
- Fellowship Director; Presence Bariatric Fellowship (2018)
Presence Saint Joseph Hospital
- Medical Director (2008 – present)
The Chicago Institute of Advanced Bariatrics, Presence Health
- Director, Minimally Invasive Surgery (2013 – present)
Co-Director, GI lab (2013 – present)
St. Joseph Presence Hospital

Prior Positions:

- President (2012 – 2014)
Illinois Association of Bariatric Surgeons
- Vice President (2010 – 2012)
Illinois Association of Bariatric Surgeons
- Skills Lab Director (2008 – 2013)
St. Joseph Hospital
- Section Chief; Minimally Invasive Surgery (2007 - 2014)
Medical Director; Mercy LapBand Program (2007- 2014)
Mercy Hospital and Medical Center

Education:

1990-1997 Damascus University, School of Medicine

Training:

1998-1999 University of Illinois at Chicago, General Surgery Internship

1999-2002 University of Illinois at Chicago, General Surgery Residency

2002-2003 University of Illinois at Chicago, Chief Resident / Instructor of Surgery

2003-2004 Vanderbilt University, Research Fellowship in Foregut Disorders and Obesity

2004-2005 Vanderbilt University, Clinical Fellowship in Minimally Invasive and Bariatric Surgery; Instructor of Surgery

Special Expertise

Robotic Surgery

Upper Endoscopy

TNE (trans-nasal endoscopy) without sedation

Esophageal Function Tests (Manometry, pH study, and Impedance technology)

Board certifications:

American Board of Surgery, 2004.

Recertification, American Board of Surgery, 2014

Languages:

English, French (fluent), Arabic (fluent)

Licensure: Illinois (active)

Society Memberships:

American College of Surgeons, Fellow, (ACS)

Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES)

American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (ASMBS)

American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE)

American Society of Healthcare Executives (ASHCE)

Society of Laparo-endoscopic Surgeons (SLS)

Societies Leadership Positions:

President, ASMBS Foundation 2017 - present

Executive Council ASMBS (non-voting member) 2015 - present

Chair, Independent Practice Committee, ASMBS 2016 - present

Committees:

Executive Council ASMBS 2016 - 2017

Nominating Committee ASMBS 2015 - 2017

Foundation Board of Directors, ASMBS 2014 - present

Bariatric Surgery Certification Task Force, ASMBS 2014 - present

Video-Based Education Committee ACS 2015 - present

International Committee, ASMBS 2013 - 2015

Council Member, Illinois Chapter of the American College of Surgeons 2009 – 2013

Executive Medical Board (EMB) Mercy Hospital and Medical Center 2009 – present

Robotic Steering Committee, Mercy Hospital and Medical Center 2012 – 2014

Robotic Steering Committee, Saint Joseph Hospital 2012 – 2014

Grant Awards:

“Acid Clearance Physiology after Collis-Nissen Gastroplasty, Nissen Fundoplication, and In Healthy Individuals.”

SAGES Research Grant Award, 2005.

Honors:

Honorary Fellow, Brazilian Society of Digestive Surgeons, 2017

Teacher of the Year; Saint Joseph Hospital Residency Program, 2014

Resident Achievement Award; University of Illinois, 2003

Society of Laparoscopic Surgeons (SLS) *Scholarship Award*; 2003

Society of Laparoscopic Surgeons (SLS) *Scholarship Award*; 2004

Service To Profession / Discipline:

MBSAQIP Certification Reviewer (2017)

MBSAQIP Certification Surveyor (2014 - 2017)

Invited talks:

Minimally Invasive Surgery from Case Management Perspective

JP Morgan Chase Health Care and Case Management Team, Chicago 2009

Managing the Nation’s Growing Health Care Epidemic

Treatment Options for Morbid Obesity

JP Morgan Chase Health Care and Case Management Team, Chicago 2009

Swallowing Disorders and Reflux

Vanderbilt Medical School, 2004

Editorial Activities:

Editorial Board, ASMBS News Magazine (*Connect*) 2013 - 2015

Peer reviewed journal contribution:

Reviewer for Surgical Endoscopy 2008 – present

Reviewer for SOARD 2012 – present

Invited Editorial:

- Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy, Technical Aspects

Annals of Surgical Innovation and Research (Accepted, pending publication)

Invited Commentary:

Comment on “Laparoendoscopic Single-Site Surgery for the Placement of an Adjustable Gastric Band: A Large Cohort Comparison”

Surg Obes Relat Dis. 2013 Sep-Oct;9(5):691-2. doi: 10.1016/j.soard.2013.01.005. Epub 2013 Jan 17

Keynote Speech Invitation:

Keynote Address, Omaha Bariatric Symposium, June 2013

Grand Rounds:

Obesity, Has it Become and Surgical Disease

Internal Medicine Grand Rounds, Saint Joseph, Chicago 2016

Reflux and Barrett’s Esophagus

Internal Medicine Grand Rounds, Saint Francis, Chicago 2015

Course Director (CME)

Practice Management Course
ASMBS Obesity Week, Nashville, TN 2018

Practice Management Course
ASMBS Obesity Weekend, New York, NY 2018

Private Practice, From Problems to Solutions
Obesity Week, Washington DC, 2017

Practice Management Course
Obesity Weekend, San Diego CA, 2017

Bariatric Surgery In The Tough World of Private Practice; Tools for Survival and Ways to Excel; Course Director
Obesity Week, New Orleans LA 2016

1st Mid-America Bariatric Summit (Summit Founder)
Chicago, IL, Oct 2014

1st Illinois Bariatric Summit
Chicago, IL, June 2013

Masters in Sleeve Gastrectomy
Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN, March, 2013

Strategic Laparoscopy for Improved Cosmesis. SLIC (Summit Founder)
Course Director, 1st SLIC Summit
Miami Beach, FL, January, 2012

Faculty Invitations (CME):

ASMBS Foundation and How to Support it
6th Annual State Chapter President's Summit
ASMBS Weekend Meeting, New York, NY 2018

- Optimal Contracting: Avoiding Failure in Surgical Employment Models
- Taking Your Surgical Practice to the Next Level

UTHealth, McGovern Medical School
Surgical Disruptive Technology Summit, Houston, TX 2018

Endoscopy. Should I start? Or is it better for me to leave by GI friend happy?
Obesity Week, Washington DC 2017

Bariatric Surgery Video Session; Presiding Officer

ACS, Clinical Congress, San Diego, CA 2017

Robots are the Future of Bariatric Surgery (debate / against)

4th Annual Midwest Bariatric Summit, Chicago, IL Oct 2017

- Weight Regain After Endoluminal Primary Bariatric
- Robotics In Bariatric Surgery
- Management of Incidental Band Erosion
- Panelist; Spectacular Cases/ Video Session

Obesity Weekend, San Diego CA, 2017

- Obesity, is it now a Surgical Disease?

- Bariatric Endoscopy, is it the Future?

NAAMA (National Arab American Medical Association) meeting, Chicago, IL 2017

Management of Complications in Gastrointestinal Surgery

Video Session; Presiding Officer

ACS, Clinical Congress, Washington DC 2016

Where does the balloon fit in a bariatric practice? Will it help merge my practice or is it "competition"?

Obesity Week, New Orleans LA 2016

- Intra-gastric Balloons

- Endoscopic Gastric Partitioning; What Does The Data Support?

- Intraoperative Endoscopy; Is It Worth the Trouble?

13th Bariatric Summit; Nashville, TN 2016

Optimizing and Choosing Your Practice: Tools for Success

Course Director

ASMBS Weekend Meeting, Las Vegas, NV 2016

Chapter Growth: Balance between Academic and Community; Urban and Rural Surgeons

ASMBS Obesity Weekend, State Chapter President's Meeting, Las Vegas, NV 2016

Unusual and Challenging Problems in Surgery; Video Session; Presiding Officer

ACS, Clinical Congress, Chicago IL 2016

- Symposium: Minimal Access - Lessons from NOTES and Single Site Surgery

- Debate - Single Incision is here to stay

SAGES, Orlando 2015

Staple Line Buttressing. Debate – Minimizing Complications

Duke Masters of Minimally Invasive Surgery, Orlando 2015

Converting an Adjustable Gastric Banding: One Step versus Two Steps
Duke Masters of Minimally Invasive Surgery, Orlando 2015

Forming a Successful State Chapter
Presidents' Summit, ASMBS, Miami 2014

- Is There A Role For The Band?
 - Managing Band Adjustments and Slips (*Talk for Integrated Health*)
ASMBS Spring Meeting, Miami 2014

Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy Course
Obesity Week, ASMBS, Atlanta, GA, November, 2013

Greater Curvature Gastric Plication
1st Illinois Bariatric Summit, Chicago, Illinois, June, 2013

Banding with Gastric Imbrication
IABS, Chicago 2012

Faculty, *Single Incision Laparoscopic Surgery Course*
ASMBS, Orlando, FL, June, 2011

Laparoendoscopic Single Site Surgery and its implications in Bariatric Surgery
ASMBS, Orlando 2011

Single Incision Sleeve Gastrectomy
IABS, Chicago 2011

Laparoendoscopic Single Site Surgery and its implications in Bariatric Surgery
American College of Surgeons, ACS, Chicago 2009

Bariatric Surgery
NAAMA (National Arab American Medical Association), Chicago 2012

Chief Moderator; Plenary Session
SLS, New York 2004

Stretta (Endoscopic Treatment of GERD) training courses
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN 2003-2004

Industry Consulting:

Olympus (2010 - current)

Gore Medical (Consultant 2014 - current)
 Ethicon EndoSurgery (2013 - 2017)
 Medtronic (2018)

Advisory Board (one time board)
Gastric Clip, OW 2017

Advisory Board (one time board, Head of the Board)
Aspire Assist, OW Washington DC, 2017

State of Laparo-Endoscopic Single Site Surgery in Bariatric Surgery in the US
Olympus Medical
Tokyo, Japan, March 2010

CAB Board (Counsel of Advancement of Bariatrics)
Allergan, 2011 - 2014

Invited teaching (non-CME courses):

Career Staples After Fellowship: Perspectives from Los Cuatro Amigos
 Medtronic Sponsored
Obesity Week, Nashville, TN; November 2018

Optimizing Surgery Through Advanced Technology
 Olympus Sponsored
Costa Rica; August 2018

Educate the Educator (aimed at educating future faculty for Olympus for Latin America)
 Course Director
 Olympus Sponsored
Miami, FL; July 2018

Marketing and Strategy for Latin America

- Clinical Value of Olympus Imaging Technologies From Surgeon's Perspective
- Thunderbeat in The Hands of A Surgeon

Olympus Meeting For Latin American Division Leaders, Distributors and Representatives
Cancun, Mexico May 2018

Operative Strategies in Foregut and Bariatric Surgery
 Olympus Sponsored Symposium
Obesity Week, Washington DC, 2017

Laparoscopic and Endoscopic Bariatric Surgery
Olympus Sponsored Courses

Yearly courses for fellows and Surgeons

Advanced Bariatric Symposium

Course Director

- *One Stage Band Conversion to Sleeve Gastrectomy*
- *Reflux and Sleeve Gastrectomy*
- *To Buttress or Not to Buttress Staple lines in Bariatric Surgery*

Gore Sponsored Course, Chicago, IL Nov 2016 & Sep 2017 & May 2018

Combining Laparoscopy & Endoscopy in Bariatric Surgery

- *Sleeve Gastrectomy Complications, Surgeon's Perspective*
- *Defining Postop Weight Loss Failure*
- *Surgical Treatment of GERD After Bariatric Procedures*

Olympus Latin America Course

Florida International University, Miami, FL Oct 2016

Big Screen Surgery - How 4K impacts bariatric surgery

Innovation Summit

ASMBS Obesity Weekend, Las Vegas, NV 2016

Bariatric Surgery: Trends, Complications, and Minimizing Risks

Large Hiatal Hernia Repairs Using Tissue Reinforcement

Gore Sponsored Latin American Surgeons Symposium in the US

Newark, DE August 2015

Revisional Bariatric Surgery (course director)

Gore Sponsored Course

Chicago, IL 2015

Revisional Bariatric Surgery – US Perspective

Olympus Sponsored Symposium

Sydney & Melbourne, Australia October 2015

Combined Laparoscopic & Endoscopic Procedures in Bariatric Surgery

Olympus Sponsored Course

Las Vegas, NV 2015

Minimally Invasive Surgery Symposium

Olympus Sponsored Symposium

SAGES, Nashville 2015

Sleeve Gastrectomy

Ethicon EndoSurgery Institute

Cincinnati, OH 2010

Stretta (Endoscopic Treatment of GERD) training courses
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN 2005

Local Surgery Courses at Our Institute:

Director for local bariatric courses at The Chicago Institute of Advanced Bariatrics

- Single Incision Bariatric Surgery 2010 - 2015 (yearly)
Olympus sponsored course
- Sleeve Gastrectomy Courses 2010 - 2016 (twice yearly)
Ethicon Endo-Surgery sponsored course
- Sleeve Gastrectomy Courses 2009 – 2016 (multiple times yearly, upon request)
Gore sponsored course

International Lecturing Invitations:

Sleeve Gastrectomy and GERD

IFSO, Dubai, United Arab Emirate; September 2018

- Sleeve Gastrectomy and Reflux
- Robotic Surgery, Is It The Future of Bariatrics

Congresso Paulista De Cirurgia, São Paulo, Brazil; August 2018

- Anastomosis with linear stapler
- Limb lengths: What is the best to treat non diabetic patients
- ERAS
- Endoscopy Preoperative Always
- The best metabolic procedure is gastric bypass

*XX Congreso Internacional De Cirugía Para La Obesidad Y Enfermedades Metabólicas
 Puerto Vallarta, Mexico July 2018*

- Sleeve Gastrectomy and GERD
- Robotics and Bariatric Surgery

ICYLS American Chapter Meeting, Cartagena, Colombia; August 2018

Medical Legal Symposium, US and Canada

IFSO, London, UK, Sept 2017

- Difficulties and Mishaps with Gastric Bypass (video presentation)
- Robotics in Bariatric Surgery, Are We Heading in The Right Direction

Brazilian Digestive Disease Week, Brasilia, Brazil, Oct 2017

- Sleeve Gastrectomy, State of the Art
- Sleeve Gastrectomy in Patients with Hiatal Hernia. Is it a Contraindication?

- Revisional Bariatric Surgery

*New Frontiers In Minimally Invasive Surgery
Catholic University, Santiago, Chile Oct 2016*

- Bad Situations and Complications in Bariatric Surgery, *Video Festival (Presenter)*
- Update: Laparoscopic adjustable Gastric Band (*Discussant*)

IFSO, Rio, Brazil, 2016

- Approaching the Morbidly Obese Patient with Ventral Hernia
- Tricks and Tools to Close the Ventral Hernia in the Morbidly Obese Patient

PG Course: Difficult Hernias In Severe Obesity

IFSO, Rio, Brazil, 2016

- Bariatric Surgery Certification and Center of Excellence
- Robotics and Bariatric Surgery

*First Bariatric Summit, American SurgiCenter
Abu Dhabi Jan 2016*

Revisional Bariatric Surgery; Lapband to Sleeve

First Sleeve E-Summit

Montpellier, France Nov 2015

Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy

Columbian Surgical Society

Bogota, Colombia, July 2015

- Reflux and Obesity, The Link
- Concomitant Repair of Hiatal Hernia During Sleeve Gastrectomy
- Future Technology and Vision for Bariatric Surgery

OSSANZ

Hamilton Island, Australia, October 2015

- Revisional Bariatric Surgery (video presentation)
- Sleeve Gastrectomy (video presentation)

Gastro (Digestive Surgery Summit)

São Paulo, Brazil, July 2015

Live Surgery (*performing live sleeve gastrectomy with hiatal hernia repair*)

Chicago to Montreal

IFSO (International Federation for the Surgery of Obesity)

Montreal, Canada, August 2014

Minimally Invasive Surgery, Hands On Course

Argentinian Society of Minimally Invasive Surgery

Santa Fe, Argentina, August 2014

- Revisional Bariatric Surgery
- The Make of a Perfect Sleeve
- Gastric Bypass, How I do it

*Gastrao (Digestive Surgery Summit)
São Paulo, Brazil, July 2014*

Revisional Bariatric Surgery,
*ICYLS (International Club of Young Laparoscopic Surgeons)
Porto Alegre, Brazil, March 2014*

Moderating Live Surgery (laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy)
*VI SIVA
Porto Alegre, Brazil, March 2014*

- RPS (Reduced Port Surgery)
- Single Incision Adjustable Gastric Band Placement

*Post Graduate Course, Presenter
IFSO, New Delhi, India 21012*

Chief Moderator; Plenary Session for Surgery
*SAM (Syrian American Medical Society)
Aleppo, Syria 2011*

International Invitations for Surgery:

- __3D Laparoscopic Surgery Guatemala
- __Invited among 5 surgeons to train on Orbera® Intra-gastric Balloon for the US launch when FDA approved
Under Dr Galvao, Sao Paulo, Brazil March 19-22, 2015

Bibliography

Peer-reviewed papers:

1) Massive localized lymphedema, an emerging problem and a challenging pseudosarcomatous condition mimicking liposarcoma

*A Florek, R Lutfi, K Wind, W Liu, A Krunic
Journal of Dermatologic Surgery (Pending Publication)*

2) Endoscopic Sleeve Gastroplasty: Are We Burning Bridges?

B Movitz, R Lutfi

Surg Obes Relat Dis. 2017 Dec;13(12):2056-2058. doi: 10.1016/j.soard.2017.09.520. Epub 2017 Sep 22

3) HIV infection is not a contraindication to laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy for morbid obesity

N Panko, R Lutfi

Obes Surg. 2018 Feb;28(2):464-468. doi: 10.1007/s11695-017-2865-5

4) The Role of Bariatric Endoscopy in the Management of Obesity

P Noel, M Galvao, N Zundel, R Lutfi, J Ponce, N Marius

Surg Obes Relat Dis. 2017 Jun;13(6):1089-1090. doi:10.1016/j.soard.2017.02.022

5) Is A "Retained Fundus" Seen On Postoperative UGI After Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy Predictive Of Inferior Weight Loss?

A Salamat, R Afrasiabi, R Lutfi

Surg Obes Relat Dis. 2017 Jul;13(7):1145-1151. doi: 10.1016/j.soard.2017.01.032. Epub 2017 Jan 27

6) Obstruction Due To Intra gastric Balloon Distension

T Mishra, I Al-Saidi, P Rantis, R Lutfi

Obesity, Under Review

7) Benefits of intraoperative endoscopy: case report and review of 300 sleeves gastrectomies.

Gomberawalla A, Lutfi R

Ann Surg Innov Res. 2015 Dec 19;9:13. doi: 10.1186/s13022-015-0023-0. eCollection 2015.

8) Early Outcomes of Helicobacter Pylori and Its Treatment after Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy

A Gomberawalla, R Lutfi

Bariatric Surg Pract Patient Care 2015;10(1). DOI: 10.1089/bari.2014.0011

9) Initial Experience Performing Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy in Community Hospital; Outcome of First 250 Cases

T Kamal, K Lin, R Lutfi

Bariatric Surgical Practice and Patient Care. September 2014, 9(3): 97-101. doi:10.1089/bari.2014.0020

10) Predictors of Success after Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy

A Gomberawalla, T Willson, R Lutfi

Bariatric Surg Pract Patient Care 2015;10(2). Doi:10.1089/bari.2014.0010

11) Factors Influencing 30-Day Emergency Visits and Readmissions after Sleeve Gastrectomy: Results from a Community Bariatric Center

Willson TD, Gomberawalla A, Mahoney K, R Lutfi

Obes Surg. 2015 Jun;25(6):975-81. doi: 10.1007/s11695-014-1546-x.

12) Outcome Analysis Of Single Incision Versus Traditional Multiport Sleeve Gastrectomy: A Matched Cohort Study

A Gamberwalla, A Salamat, R Lutfi

Obes Surg. 2014 Nov;24(11):1870-4. doi: 10.1007/s11695-014-1312-0

13) Unusual cause of bowel obstruction after laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy

Sobinsky JD, Lutfi R

Surg Obes Relat Dis. 2014 Sep-Oct;10(5):999-1001. doi: 10.1016/j.soard.2013.12.009

14) An unusual cause of small bowel obstruction secondary to a perforated giant jejunal diverticulum.

Morales WG, Lutfi R

Am Surg. 2014 May;80(5):127-8.

15) Esophageal Acid Clearance Physiology Is Altered After Nissen-Collis Gastroplasty

Mor A, Lutfi R, Torquati A.

Surg Endosc. 2013 Apr;27(4):1334-8. doi: 10.1007/s00464-012-2609-5. Epub 2012 Oct 17

16) Laparoendoscopic single-site gastric bands versus standard multiport gastric bands: a comparison of technical learning curve measured by surgical time.

Gawart M, Dupiton S, Lutfi R.

Am J Surg. 2012 Mar;203(3):327-9; discussion 330. Epub 2011 Dec 28.

17) Initial Learning Experience of Laparoendoscopic Single Site (LESS) Gastric Banding: Finding Predictors of Success.

Cheregi JR, Tiesenga F, Torquati A, Lutfi R.

Obes Surg. 2012 Mar;22(3):433-6

18) Postoperative acute appendicitis after laparoscopic gastric band placement.

Leonardi NR, Lutfi RE.

Surg Obes Relat Dis. 2012 Jul-Aug;8(4):e49-51. doi: 10.1016/j.soard.2011.04.225

19) Trans-Anal Protrusion of Gastric Band Tubing: A Rare Complication of laparoscopic Adjustable Gastric Banding

J Pfeiffer, R Lutfi

Surg Obes Relat Dis. 2013 Mar-Apr;9(2):e23-4 doi:10.1016/j.soard.2012.07.012. Epub 2012 Aug 2

20) Hand-Sewn Cystogastrostomy Using the Novel Single Incision Laparoscopy with Flexible-Tip Laparoscope

R. Lutfi, B. Jyot, M. Rossi, G. Salti

J Laparoendosc Adv Surg Tech A. 2010 Nov;20(9):761-6. Epub 2010 Sep 28.

21) Pre-LapBand Group Education In Medicaid Population; Does it Really Make a Difference?

J. Talarico, MD, A. Torquati, MD, E. Mccarthy, RD, S. Bonomo, MD, R. Lutfi, MD

Surg Obes Relat Dis. 2010 Jul-Aug;6(4):356-60. Epub 2009 Dec 23.

Presented at ASMBS, Dallas, 2007

22) Predictors of early quality-of-life improvement after laparoscopic gastric bypass surgery

Torquati A, Lutfi RE, Richards WO

Am J Surg. 2007 Apr;193(4):471-5.

23) Predictors of success after laparoscopic gastric bypass: a multivariate analysis of socioeconomic factors

Surg Endosc. 2006 Jun;20(6):864-7. Epub 2006 May 2

R. Lutfi, N. Sekhar, A. Torquati, W. Richards

Presented at SAGES, Hollywood 2005

24) Heller myotomy vs Heller myotomy plus Dor fundoplication: cost-utility analysis of a randomized trial

A. Torquati, R. Lutfi, L. Khaitan, K. Sharp, W. Richards

Surg Endosc. 2006 Mar;20(3):389-93

25) Experience with the optical access trocar for safe and rapid entry in the performance of laparoscopic gastric bypass

Berch BR, Torquati A, Lutfi R, Richards W

Surg Endosc. 2006 Aug;20(8):1238-41. Epub 2006 Jul 24

26) Long-term evaluation of patient satisfaction and reflux symptoms after laparoscopic fundoplication with Collis gastroplasty.

Youssef YK, Sekhar N, Lutfi R, Richards W, Torquati A

Surg Endosc. 2006 Nov (11):1702-5. Epub 2006 Sep 6

27) Is Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass Surgery the Most Effective Treatment for Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus in Morbidly Obese Patients?

A. Torquati, R. Lutfi, N. Abumrad, W. Richards

J Gastrointest Surg. 2005 Nov;9(8):1112-6

Presented at the SSAT; DDW, Chicago, IL 2005

28) Resolution of metabolic syndrome after gastric bypass surgery: Multivariate analysis

A. Torquati, R. Lutfi, N. Abumrad, W. Richards
Surgery for Obesity and Related Disease, 2005 May-June; 1(3): 245
Presented at ASBS meeting, Orlando, FL, 2005

29) Three years experience doing the Stretta procedure; does it really make a difference?

R. Lutfi, A. Torquati, J. Kaiser, M. Holzman, W. Richards
Surg Endosc. 2005 Feb;19(2):289-95. Epub 2004 Dec 23.

30) Heller Myotomy versus Heller Myotomy with Dor Fundoplication for Achalasia: a Prospective Randomized Double-blind Clinical Trial

W. Richards, M.D., A. Torquati, M.D., M.S.C.I., M. Holzman M.D., M.P.H., L. Khaitan, M.D., M.P.H., D. Byrne, M.S., R. Lutfi, M.D., K. Sharp, M.D.
Ann Surg. 2004 Sep;240(3):405-12
Presented at the American Surgical Association meeting, San Francisco 2004

31) Endoscopic evaluation of the gastrojejunostomy in laparoscopic gastric bypass A series of 340 patients without postoperative leak

N. Sekhar, R. Lutfi, A. Torquati, W. Richards
Surg Endosc. 2005 Dec 5

32) Laparoscopic Roux-en-Y gastric bypass: Comparison of two techniques of gastrointestinal anastomosis

N. Sekhar, R. Lutfi, A. Torquati, W. Richards
Surgery for Obesity and Related Disease, 2005 May-June; 1(3): 235
Presented at ASBS meeting, Orlando, FL, 2005

33) Endoscopic Treatment Modalities for GERD

R. Lutfi, A. Torquati, W. Richards
Surg Endosc. 2004 Sep;18(9):1299-1315

34) The Endoscopic Radiofrequency Approach To Management of GERD.

R. Lutfi, A. Torquati, W. Richards
Curr Opin Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg. 2004 Jun;12(3):191-6

35) Preoperative Risk Factors for Developing Pathologic Gastroesophageal Reflux After Heller Myotomy

A. Torquati, R. Lutfi, W. Richards
Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery, in press
Presented at Digestive Disease Week, SSAT, New Orleans, LA 2004

36) Traumatic Rupture of the Gallbladder

S. Salzman, DO; R. Lutfi, MD; D. Fishman, MD; J. Doherty, MD; G. Merlotti, MD
J Trauma, 2006 Aug;61(2):454-6

Journal articles:**Improving Precision and Accuracy in Laparoscopy Using the ENDOEYE FLEX 3D Articulating Videoscope**

*R. Lutfi, R Clements, B Cohen, M Michelotti, M Singer, T Wilson
General Surgery News; Vol 41:04; April 2014*

Plication, value, risks, and benefits

*R. Lutfi
General Surgery News (Surgeon Lounge) Vol 39:9; Sept 2012*

Why Surgery?

*R. Lutfi
Career Insights MD; Summer/Fall 2004*

Text Book Editor:**Global Bariatric Surgery, The Art of Weight Loss Across The Borders**

*Rami Lutfi, Mariano Palermo, Guy Bernard Cadere
Publisher Springer (In Print)*

Book Chapters:**1) Intra-gastric Balloon Therapy**

*R Lutfi, J Ponce
ASMBS Textbook Of Bariatric Surgery, 2d Edition, (In Print)*

2) History of Bariatric Surgery

*T Mishra, R Lutfi
Global Bariatric Surgery, The Art of Weight Loss Across The Borders, (In Print)*

3) Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy

*B Movits, A Salamat, R Lutfi
Global Bariatric Surgery, The Art of Weight Loss Across The Borders, (In Print)*

4) Revision from Failed Gastric Band

*A Giovannetti, R Lutfi
Global Bariatric Surgery, The Art of Weight Loss Across The Borders, (In Print)*

5) Adjustable Gastric Banding

R. Lutfi

Single Port Laparoscopic Surgery, Section III, Chapter 10 Obesity Surgery, page 95-112

6) Gastric Banding for Weight Loss

R. Lutfi

Reduced Port Surgery, In Print

7) Current Treatment of Achalasia

W. Richards, A. Torquati, R. Lutfi

Adv Surg. 2005;39:285-314

8) Laparoscopic lysis of adhesions

R. Lutfi, W. Richards

Advanced Therapy in Minimally Invasive Surgery, 2004

9) The Stretta Procedure

R. Lutfi, W. Richards

Syllabus for the 4th Annual Minimally Invasive Surgery Symposium, Feb '04.

Oral Presentations:

1) Routine use of transnasal endoscopy in bariatric clinic: should it replace conventional endoscopy?

B Movitz, R Lutfi

ASMBS, Washington DC 2017

2) Association between Surgical Delay and Postoperative Morbidity in the Management of Perforated Peptic Ulcer

B Movitz, J O'Rear, F Bryan, R Lutfi

67th Annual Meeting of Illinois Chapter ACS, Chicago IL 2017

Western Surgical Annual Meeting, Scottsdale, AZ 2017

3) Unsedated Transnasal Endoscopic Evaluation of Bariatric Patients

R Rodendo, B Movitz, R Lutfi

SAGES, Houston TX 2017

Presented by the surgical resident

4) Routine Upper Gastrointestinal Series Is Not Necessary In The Postoperative Evaluation Of Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomies

M Rossi, R Lutfi

SAGES, Salt Lake City UT 2014

Presented by the surgical resident

5) Laparoendoscopic single-site (LESS) gastric bands versus standard multiport gastric bands: a comparison of technical learning curve measured by operative time

M. Gawart, S Dupiton, R Lutfi

Midwestern Surgical; 2011, Galena, IL

Presented by the surgical resident

6) Early Results of Single Incision Sleeve Gastrectomy

S. Abadin, R. Lutfi

SLS; 2011, Los Angeles, CA

Presented by the surgical resident

7) Pre-LapBand Group Education In Medicaid Population; Does it Really Make a Difference?

J. Talarico, A. Torquati, E. Mccarthy, R. Lutfi

ASMBS; 2007, Dallas, TX

Presented by the surgical resident

WINNER OF THE JOHN HALVERSON YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD

8) Predictors of Success after Laparoscopic Gastric Bypass; A Multivariant Analysis of Socioeconomic Factors

R. Lutfi, MD, A. Torquati, MD, W. Richards, MD.

SAGES ; 2005, Hollywood, FL

9) Predictors for Quality of Life Improvement after Laparoscopic Gastric Bypass

R. Lutfi, MD, A. Torquati, MD, W. Richards, MD.

ACS, Surgical Forum; 2004, New Orleans, LA

10) Three years' experience doing the Stretta procedure; does it really make a difference?

R. Lutfi, MD, A. Torquati, MD, J. Kaiser, RN, M. Holzman, MD, W. Richards, MD.

SAGES; 2004, Denver, CO

BEST FELLOW PRESENTATION AWARD

11) Initial Experience in Laparoscopic Gastric Bypass In an Academic Surgery Practice

R. Lutfi, MD, A. Torquati, MD, W. Richards, MD.

SLS, Scientific papers presentation; 2004, New York, NY

12) Abdominal penetrating trauma

R. Lutfi, S. Salzman, D. Fishman, G. Merlotti

Chicago Metropolitan Trauma Society (CMTS); 2000, Chicago, IL

International Poster Presentations:

1) Outcome analysis of single-port sleeve gastrectomy versus standard laparoscopic gastrectomy

*A Gamberwalla, A Salumat, R Lutfi
IFSO; 2013, Ankara, Turkey*

2) Is Single Incision Sleeve Gastrectomy As Good As Traditional Laparoscopy

*S Abadin, K Mahoney, R Lutfi
IFSO; 2011, Hamburg, Germany
*POSTER OF DISTINCTION AWARD**

Awarded Posters:

1) Predictor Of Success After Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy: Analysis Of Socio-Economic And Demographic Factors

*A Gamberwalla, T Willson, A Torquati, R Lutfi
SAGES; 2013, Baltimore, MD
Resident Research Award, Presence Health, 2013

2) Laryngopharyngeal Reflux Can Exist With Normal Distal Esophageal Acid Exposure

*R. Lutfi, A. Torquati, N. Sekhar, W. Richards.
SAGES ; 2005, Hollywood, FL
POSTER OF DISTINCTION

3) Unsedated Esophagoscopy for diagnosis of GERD

*N. Sekhar, A. Torquati, R. Lutfi, W. Richards.
SAGES ; 2005, Hollywood, FL
POSTER OF DISTINCTION

4) Prevalence of non-acid reflux following medical and surgical treatment of Barrett's.

*A. Torquati, H. Houston, R. Lutfi, J. Kaiser, W. Richards, MD
SAGES; 2004, Denver, CO
POSTER OF DISTINCTION

5) 200 Consecutive Laparoscopic Roux-en-y gastric bypasses; lessons learned with three different techniques.

*A. Torquati, J. McDowell, H. Houston, R. Lutfi, W. Richards
SAGES; 2004, Denver, CO
POSTER OF DISTINCTION

Poster Presentations:

1) Association Between Surgical Delay and Morbidity in The management of Perforated Peptic Ulcers

*J Orear, B Movitz, F Bryan, R Lutfi
Western Surgical, 2017, Scottsdale AZ*

2) Unusual Presentation of Clostridium Difficile After Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy Resulting in Negative Re-Exploration

*A Salamat, K Copperwheat, R Lutfi
SLS, 2017 Boston, MA*

3) A Clinical and Economical Review of UGI versus EGD in the Preoperative Workup of a Bariatric Patient

*A Salamat, R Afrasiabi, A Jebran, R Lutfi
IFSO, 2017, London, England*

4) Intravenous Acetaminophen and Intravenous Ketorolac; An Effective Non-Opiate Analgesia Regimen in Postoperative Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy Patients?

*N Panko, K Copperwheat, A Salamat, R Afrasiabi, R Lutfi
IFSO, 2017, London, England*

5) Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy: Surgeon Learning Curve

*M Afrasiabi, A Salamat, R Lutfi
ASMBS, 2017, Washington DC*

6) Is a Retained Fundus Seen on Postoperative UGI After Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy Predictive of Inferior Weight Loss

*A Salamat, J Sobinsky, R Lutfi
ASMBS; 2015, Los Angeles, CA*

7) Does H. Pylori Increase The Risk Of Adverse Outcome After Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy?

*Gomberawalla A, Thomas A, Nomanbhoy I, Lutfi R
SAGES; 2014, Salt Lake City, UT*

8) The Benefits of Intra-Operative Endoscopy during Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy: A Case Report and Discussion

*Gomberawalla A, Lutfi R.
SESC (South Eastern Clinical Congress); 2014, Savannah, GA*

9) Predictors Of Success After Laparoscopic Sleeve gastrectomy

*A Gomberwalla, T Willson, A Torquati, R Lutfi
SAGES; 2013, Baltimore, MD*

10) Outcome Analysis Of Single Incision Versus Traditional Multiport Sleeve Gastrectomy; A Matched Cohort Study

*A Gamberwalla, T Willson, A Torquati, R Lutfi
SAGES; 2013, Baltimore, MD*

11) Predictors of Success in Single Incision Banding

*J Cheregi, F Tiesienga, A Torquati, R Lutfi
ASMBS; 2011, Orlando, FL*

12) Gastrografin Swallows Should Not Be Used Routinely After LapBand® Placement

*M Gawart, A Torquati, P Rosett, R Lutfi
ASMBS; 2010, Las Vegas, NV*

13) Effect of Introduction of Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Code for Laparoscopic Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass On Professional Fees

*A Madan, R Lutfi, D Tichansky, J Matinez, D Alaedeen, A Linvingstone, T Fabian
ACS; 2009, Chicago, IL*

14) Surgical treatment of secondary achalasia; lessons learned

*R. Lutfi, A. Torquati, M. Holzman, W. Richards
SAGES; 2004, Denver, CO*

15) Experience with the Optical Access Trocar for Safe and Rapid Entry in Performing the Laparoscopic Gastric Bypass

*B. Berch, A. Torquati, R. Lutfi, W. Richards
SAGES ; 2005, Hollywood, FL*

16) Laparoscopic Fundoplication: Is it worthwhile in patients with persistent gastro-esophageal reflux disease (GERD) symptoms despite proton pump inhibitors (PPI) therapy

*A. Torquati, R. Lutfi, Joan Kaiser, W. Richards
AGA ; DDW 2004, New Orleans, LA*

Invitational Video Presentations:

1. Management of Unexpected Gastric Band Erosion

*Lutfi R, Redondo RE
ASMBS Obesity Weekend, Las Vegas, NV 2016*

2. 3-DLaparoscopic Cholecystectomy

*Exhibit Presentation M Rossi, R Lutfi
ACS, 2013, Washington, DC*

3. 3-D Laparoscopy

Exhibit Presentation R Lutfi

ASMBS, 2013, Atlanta, GA

Awarded Videos:

1) Laparoscopic Resection of Giant Liver Cyst and Repair of Diaphragm Injury

R Redondo, J Hwee, R Lutfi

SLS, Boston, MA 2016

**AWARDED HONORABLE MENTION VIDEO/GENERAL SURGERY*

2) Managing the Unexpected in Laparoscopic Surgery

R Redondo, S Siddiqui, R Lutfi

SLS, Sept 2015, New York, NY

AWARDED BEST VIDEO IN LAPAROSCOPIC SURGERY

3) Resection of Gastric Schwannoma and Hiatal Hernia Repair via Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy in a Morbidly Obese Patient

R. Azizi, R. Lutfi

SLS-MIRA-SRS, 2012, Boston, MA

AWARDED BEST MULTISPECIALTY VIDEO BY A RESIDENT

4) Hand-Sewn Cystogastrostomy Using the Novel Single Incision Laparoscopy with Flexible-Tip Laparoscope

S. Abadin, R. Lutfi

SLS, 2011, Los Angeles, CA

AWARDED BEST VIDEO PRESENTATION

5) Laparoscopic Extraction of a Retained Lap Sponge

R. Lutfi, G. Mesleh

SLS, 2000, New York, NY

AWARDED BEST VIDEO PRESENTATION

Video Presentations:

1) Laparoscopic Repair of Traumatic Diaphragmatic Injury

N Boren, R Lutfi

ACS, Boston MA 2018

2) Laparoscopic Graham Patch Repair of Perforated Duodenal Ulcer

C Tat, R Lutfi

ACS, Boston MA 2018

3) Intussusception from Colonic Lipoma

*J O'Rear; A Giovannetti; R Lutfi; F Quinteros
SAGES, Seattle WA 2018*

4) Laparoscopic Management of Closed Loop Obstruction

*A Giovannetti, J O'Rear, B Welch, R Lutfi, F Quinteros
SAGES, Seattle WA 2018*

**5) Management of Complicated Bleeding In Laparoscopic Inguinal Hernia Repair:
Corona Mortis**

*B Movitz, F Quinteros, R Lutfi
ACS, San Diego Oct 2017*

6) Struggling to Reach; Antecolic to Retrocolic Conversion

*A Giovannetti, F Tiesenga, R lutfi
Obesity Week, Washington DC 2017*

7) Endoscopic to Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy: A Hazardous Revision

*B Movitz, R Lutfi
ASMBS, Washington DC 2017*

8) Repair of Femoral and Large Sliding Hernia

*I Al-Saiidi, T Mishra, R Lutfi
SLS, San Francisco CA 2017*

9) Laparoscopic Repair of Recurrent Inguinal Hernia

*M Saeed, D Al Ramini, R Lutfi
SLS, San Francisco CA 2017*

10) Laparoscopic Small Bowel Resection for Small Bowel Tumor

*M Saeed, A Russeau, R Lutfi
SLS, San Francisco CA 2017*

11) Unusual Problems with Intra-gastric Balloons

*T Tripurari, I Saeedi, P Rantis, R Lutfi
SAGES, Houston TX 2017*

12) Laparoscopic Cystogastrostomy for large pancreatic pseudocyst

*M Saeed, I Tzvetanov, R Lutfi
SAGES, Houston TX 2017*

13) Laparoscopic Management of Gallstone Ileus

*J O'Rear, A Giovannetti, R lutfi, F Quinteros
Western Surgical Association, Scottsdale AZ 2017*

14) Laparoscopic Management of Small Bowel Emergencies*R El Khouri, F Quinteros, R Lutfi**ACS, Washington, DC 2016***15) Laparoscopic management of giant abdominal wall hernia in the morbidly obese***R Redondo, J Hwee, R Lutfi**SLS, New York, NY 2015***16) Bariatric Surgery Complications: Diagnosis and Management of Gastro-gastric Fistula***S Siddiqui, R Lutfi**ASMBS, 2015 Los Angeles, CA***17) Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy in a Patient with Heterotaxy Syndrome***S Siddiqui, R Lutfi**SAGES, 2015, Nashville, TN***18) Laparoscopic Greater Curvature Gastric Plication Using Uni-Directional Stitch***J Calata, R Lutfi**SLS, Sept 2014, Las Vegas NV***19) Laparoscopic Excision of An Infected Ruptured Urachal Cyst***J Giannone, S Mccarney, J Cudeki, R Lutfi**ACS, 2013, Washington, DC***20) Bowel Obstruction After Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy***J Sobinsky, R Lutfi**SLS, 2013, Washington DC***21) Sleeve Gastrectomy Performed Through Left Sided Trocars, With Repair of A Large Right Sided Ventral Hernia***J Giannone, R Lutfi**ASMBS Fall Event, 2013, New Orleans, LA***22) Single Incision Laparoscopic Repair of Incidental Hiatal Hernia Found During LapBand® Placement Using Curved Laparoscopic Instruments***S. Abadin, R. Lutfi**SAGES, 2010, Baltimore, MD***23) Laparoscopic Repair of Incidental Hiatal hernia with Mesh During Heller Myotomy***S. Abadin, R. Lutfi*

SLS, 2010, New York, NY

24) Repair of a Large Hiatal Hernia and Placement of LapBand Using the Novel Single Incision Laparoscopic Surgery

R. Lutfi

ACS, 2009, Chicago, IL

Abstracts:

1) Bariatric Surgery Complications; Diagnosis and Management of Gastro-gastric fistula

S Siddiqui, R Lutfi

Surg Obes Relat Dis. 2015 Nov-Dec;11(6):S40-41. doi: 10.1016/j.soard.2015.08.462

2) Does H. Pylori Increase the Risk of Adverse Outcome After Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy?

Gomberawalla A, Thomas, A., Nomanbhoy I., Lutfi R.

SAGES, 2014, Salt Lake City, UT (submitted, Pending decision)

3) Predictors of Quality of Life Improvement after Laparoscopic Gastric Bypass Surgery

R. Lutfi, A. Torquati, W. Richards

Journal of the American College of Surgeons, 2004 Sep; 199(3): 68

Presented at the Surgical Forum, ACS, 2004

4) Discordance Between Clinical Signs and Ambulatory Ph-Probe Monitoring in the Diagnosis of Laryngopharyngeal Reflux

C. Wootten, R. Lutfi, M. Courey, C. Garrett

Presented at the American Laryngological Association, 2005, Boca Raton, FL