

28th Wits Biennial Surgical Symposium | 26-27 June 2023

THEME: Linking Contextually Appropriate Surgical Research to Service Delivery and Innovation

WORKSHOP - Saturday 24 June 2023

08:00 - 17:00 **WORKSHOP** - Hernia Workshop - Supported by BD Bard | **VENUE:** Edenvale Regional Hospital (*Pre-Booking Essential*)

WORKSHOPS | MEETINGS - Sunday 25 June 2023

08:00 - 17:00 **WORKSHOP** - Hernia Workshop - Supported by BD Bard | **VENUE:** Wits Medical School, Department of Surgery (*Pre-Booking Essential*)

09:00 - 16:00 **WORKSHOP** - A Journey Through an MMED Research Project | **VENUE:** Wits Medical School, Department of Surgery (*Pre-Booking Essential*)

ASSA EXCO Meeting | Dinner

DAY 1 - Monday 26 June 2023

Opening Session

08:15 - 08:25 28th Wits Biennial Surgical Symposium 2023 - Opening, Prof Martin Smith, University of the Witwatersrand

Session 1 - Colorectal

Chairperson: Dr Brendan Bebington, University of the Witwatersrand

08:25 - 08:30 Introduction of Speakers

08:30 - 08:45 Creating the optimal stoma guidelines and evidence - Dr Leony Fourie

08:45 - 09:00 Techniques for colorectal surgery in our setting: how far should we go in the tech race? - Dr Brendan Bebington

09:00 - 09:15 What are the measures of outcome in surgery for rectal cancer and how do we pursue optimising those outcomes? - Dr Daniel Surridge

09:15 - 09:30 How do we avoid iatrogenic intestinal failure? - Dr Vaneshree Naidoo

09:30 - 09:45 Standardised redporting for histology in colorectal cancer - Prof Paul Goldberg

09:45 - 10:00 **Q&A**

10:00 - 10:30 **TEA | COFFEE BREAK**

Session 2 - Miller Professor - TOPIC: Creating a more diverse HPB workforce to meet the needs of our patients

Chairperson: Prof Martin Smith, University of the Witwatersrand

10:30 - 11:15 Prof Rebecca Minter, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health (United States of America)

Session 3: Endocrine

Chairperson: Prof Thifheli Luvhengo, University of the Witwatersrand | **Co-Chairperson:** Dr Bongani Mbatha, University of the Witwatersrand

11:15 - 11:20 Introduction of Speakers

11:20 - 11:35 The use of nerve conductors for prevention of recurrent laryngeal nerve injury in thyroid surgery - Prof Thifheli Luvhengo

11:35 - 11:50 Elastography in thyroid diagnosis - Dr Kasonga BulaBula

11:50 - 12:05 Routine vs selective use of genetic profiling in patients with pheochromocytoma/paraganglioma - Dr Zaheer Bayat

12:05 - 12:20 Management of weight regain post bariatric surgery - Dr Bongani Mbatha

12:20 - 12:35 Central and lateral neck dissection in papillary thyroid cancer - Prof Ifongo Bombil

12:35 - 12:50 **Q&A**

12:50 - 14:00 **ASSA AGM and LUNCH**

Session 4 - Trauma and Critical Care

Chairperson: Prof Steve Moeng, University of the Witwatersrand | **Co-Chairperson:** Dr Martin Mauser, University of the Witwatersrand

14:00 - 14:05 Introduction of Speakers

14:05 - 14:20 Management of hemodynamically unstable pelvic trauma with limited interventional radiology and REBOA - Dr Reuven Jacks

14:20 - 14:35 Fixation of ribs in a limited resource environment - Dr Marissa Joubert

14:35 - 14:50 Current management of blunt cerebrovascular injuries and challenges - Dr Vicky Jennings

14:50 - 15:05 Management of peripheral vascular injuries: Is there a role for conservative management? - Dr Devorah Wineberg

15:05 - 15:20 The growing epidemic of community vigilantism and the impact on trauma care - Dr Riaan Pretorius

15:20 - 15:35 **Q&A**

15:35 - 16:00 **TEA | COFFEE BREAK**

Session 5 - Upper GI

Chairperson: Dr Leanne Prodehl, University of the Witwatersrand | **Co-Chairperson:** Prof Damon Bizos, University of the Witwatersrand

16:00 - 16:05 Introduction of Speakers

16:05 - 16:20 Outcomes studies to changing clinical practice in resections for oesophageal cancer - esodata - Dr Leanne Prodehl

16:20 - 16:35 Drugs, endoscopy or surgery for gastroparesis - Dr Vikash Lala

16:35 - 16:50 Newsflash research to clinical implementation in GIT oncology - Prof Georgia Demetriou

16:50 - 17:05 Should we be doing more anti-reflux surgery? - the evidence - Prof Damon Bizos

17:05 - 17:20 Stents in benign oesophagogastric disease - an unfulfilled promise? - Dr Nicola Lahoud

17:20 - 17:35 **Q&A**

17:35 - 18:05 Mr Robert Brozin

18:05 **Welcome Cocktail Party**

END OF DAY ONE

DAY 2 - Tuesday 27 June 2023

08:00 - 08:05 Opening Remarks, Prof Martin Smith

Session 6 - Ethics**Chairperson:** Dr Shakeera Holland, University of the Witwatersrand

08:05 - 08:35 Surgical consent : A regulation that requires evaluation, understanding and modification - Prof Jay Pillai

08:35 - 08:50 Commentary - Dr Shakeera Holland

Session 7 - Paediatrics**Chairperson:** Dr Nirav Patel, University of the Witwatersrand

08:50 - 08:55 Introduction of Speakers

08:55 - 09:10 Management of congenital abdominal wall defects in Southern Africa: Disparity of care and how do we innovate local solutions? - Dr Theshni Govender

09:10 - 09:25 Anorectal malformations and the scourge of a neo-anus in rural Southern Africa - Dr Giulia Brisighelli

09:25 - 09:40 Paediatric burns: Prevention is better than a cure - Dr Nirav Patel

09:40 - 09:55 Paediatric surgical burden of care and how accurate referral data patterns can guide our service delivery - Dr Theshni Govender presenting on behalf of Dr Andrew Grieve

09:55 - 10:10 Quality improvement projects: Has the time come to move away from clinical research in low and upper-middle income countries to improve clinical care?
- Dr Nirav Patel presenting on behalf of Dr Karen Milford10:10 - 10:25 **Q&A**10:25 - 10:50 **TEA | COFFEE BREAK****Session 8 - Breast****Chairperson:** Dr Nivashini Murugan, University of the Witwatersrand | **Co-Chairperson:** Dr Phumudzo Ndwambi, University of the Witwatersrand

10:50 - 10:55 Introduction of Speakers

10:55 - 11:10 Revisiting modifiable risk factors for breast cancer in our setting - Prof Herbert Cubasch

11:10 - 11:25 Can we leave the axilla alone? The future of axillary assessment in breast cancer - Dr Nivashini Murugan

11:25 - 11:40 Extreme oncoplastic surgery for breast cancer in South Africa - Dr Phumudzo Ndwambi

11:40 - 11:55 Male breast awareness: Cancer and gynaecomastia - Dr Neo Mabe

11:55 - 12:10 Management of challenging benign breast conditions. Are we doing too little or too much? - Dr Jenny Edge

12:10 - 12:25 **Q&A**12:25 - 13:10 **LUNCH****Session 9 - Vascular****Chairperson:** Prof Jay Pillai, University of the Witwatersrand

13:10 - 13:15 Introduction of Speakers

13:15 - 13:30 The impact of Covid-19 on haemodialysis patients: A potential effect on Surgical Case Load - Dr Cecile Pule

13:30 - 13:45 The value of research in sustaining expensive device use in a resource limited country - Dr Pradeep Mistry

13:45 - 14:00 Endovascular intervention in critical limb ischemia (CLI): A call to revert to lower limb bypass - Dr Taalib Monareng

14:00 - 14:15 Permanent dialysis catheters: "The good, the bad and the ugly" - Dr Ian Grant

14:15 - 14:30 Percutaneous Hemodialysis Access: The Future or Folly? - Prof John Rectenwald

14:30 - 14:45 **Q&A****Session 10 - HPB****Chairperson:** Dr Thomas Marumo, University of the Witwatersrand | **Co-Chairperson:** Dr Jones Omoshoro-Jones, University of the Witwatersrand

14:45 - 14:50 Introduction of Speakers

14:50 - 15:05 The changing face pancreatic cancer - Prof Martin Smith

15:05 - 15:20 How has PRRT impacted treatment of pancreatic neuroendocrine tumours globally and in South Africa? - Prof Willy Vangu

15:20 - 15:35 Management of large common bile duct stones - Dr Zafar Khan

15:35 - 15:50 **Q&A**15:50 - 16:10 **TEA | COFFEE BREAK****Session 11 - Acute Care Surgery****Chairperson:** Dr Rachel Moore, University of the Witwatersrand

16:10 - 16:15 Introduction of Speakers

16:15 - 16:30 Abbreviated source control laparotomy - Dr Arina Pothas

16:30 - 16:45 Malignant bowel obstruction - Dr James Pattinson

16:45 - 17:00 The management of upper GI bleeding - Dr Zain Ally

17:00 - 17:15 Decision-making around patient movement in and out of ACS - Prof Christo Kloppers

17:15 - 17:30 Managing HPB emergencies in acute care surgery - Dr Jones Omoshoro-Jones

17:30 - 17:45 **Q&A**

17:45 - 18:00 Closing