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Clinical interests: Rhinology & allergy: minimally invasive access to paranasal/anterior skull base tumors, reconstruction of anterior skull base defects (post-surgical/traumatic), CSF leak repairs, endoscopic dacryocystorhinostomy, orbital/optic nerve decompression; obstructive sleep apnea; Upper airway disorders (laryngeal/tracheal stenosis); Head and neck endocrine surgery; Head and neck oncology.

Employment History:

Attending Surgeon Baptist ENT Specialists, Inc. Baptist Health - Downtown Campus 836 Prudential Drive, Suite 1601 Jacksonville, Florida 32207	2014-2016
Assistant Professor University of Florida College of Medicine Division of Otolaryngology	2009-2014

Education:

<u>Fellowship:</u> Rhinology/Anterior skull base surgery University of Toronto School of Medicine Department of Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery Toronto, Canada	2008-2009
<u>Residency:</u> Emory University School of Medicine Department of Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery Atlanta, GA	2004-2008
<u>Surgical Internship:</u> Emory University School of Medicine Department of Surgery Atlanta, GA	2003-2004
<u>Medical school:</u> Medical University of South Carolina Charleston, SC	1999-2003

Undergraduate:
University of South Carolina Honors College
Columbia, SC
BS, biology and chemistry

1994-1997

Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Cambridge, MA
Physics

1993-1994

Publications:

1. Arnaoutakis D, Naseri I. Sinonasal Phosphaturic Mesenchymal Tumor: A Rare and Misinterpreted Entity. JNLS Report. Accepted for press. ID 15-Apr-0031-R.
2. Black K, Naseri I, Aldana P, Goldstein J, Josephson G. Juvenile Ossifying Fibroma: Successful Endoscopic Gross Total Resection of a Rare Sinonasal Tumor in an Adolescent Male. *Annals of Otol & Rhin.* March 26, 2015.
3. Naseri I. Surgery for Obstructive Sleep Apnea. *Northeast Florida Medicine.* Vol 64, No 4 2013.
4. Aldana PR, Naseri I, La Corte E. The naso-axial line: a new method of accurately predicting the inferior limit of the endoscopic endonasal approach to the craniovertebral junction. *Neurosurgery.* 2012 Dec;71 Suppl Operative:ons308-14.
5. Duggal P, Naseri I, Sobol SE. The increased risk of community-acquired methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* neck abscesses in young children. *Laryngoscope* 2011;121:51-5.
6. Naseri I. Laryngopharyngeal Reflux: Overview and Clinical Implications. *Northeast Florida Medicine.* 2011;62(1):35-38.
7. Cohen AL, Naseri I, Pinell X, Sobol SE, Gorwitz R. Treatment of Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* Pediatric Head and Neck Infections: Results of a National Survey of Otolaryngologists in the United States. *Journal of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery,* Vol 39, 2009:
8. Naseri I, Jerris RC, Sobol SE. Nationwide trends in pediatric *Staphylococcus aureus* head and neck infections. *Arch Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg* 2009;135:14-6.
9. Naseri I, Wise S, Klein A. A Rare Cause of Dysphonia. *Ear Nose Throat J.* 2008 Aug;87(8):E09.
10. Naseri, I., Durden, F., Sobol, SE. Pediatric Airway Consultation Survey in a Tertiary Care Children's Hospital: An Inter-observer Analysis. *Ear Nose Throat J.* 2009 Dec;88(12):1266-8.
11. DelGaudio J, Naseri I, Wise JC. Proximal pharyngeal reflux correlates with increasing severity of lingual tonsil hypertrophy. *Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg.* 2008 Apr;138(4):473-8.
12. Rogers, GA, Naseri, I, Sobol, SE. Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* Orbital Abscess in a Neonate. *International Journal of Pediatric Otorhinolaryngology Extra* (2007) 2, 99-101.
13. Berg E., Naseri I., Sobol S.E. The Role of Airway Fluoroscopy in the Evaluation of Children with Stridor. *Arch Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg.* 2008 Apr;134(4):415-8.
14. Naseri, I, Saini, R, Welsh, CT. Ganglioglioma. *J Applied Radiology.* March 2004: Vol 33,3.
15. JR Alvarado-Bremer, I Naseri, B Ely. Orthodox and Unorthodox Phylogenetic Relationships Among Tunas, *Journal of Fish Biology,* 1997. 50, 540-554.
16. Ely B, Stoner DS, Bremer AJ, Dean JM, Addis P, Cau A, Thelen EJ, Jones WJ, Black DE, Smith L, Scott K, Naseri I, Quattro JM. Analyses of nuclear *IdhA* gene and mtDNA control region sequences of Atlantic northern bluefin tuna populations. *Mar Biotechnol* (NY). 2002 Dec; 4(6):583-8.
17. B. Ely, D. S. Stoner, J. M. Dean, J. R. Alvarado Bremer, S. Chow, Sachiko Tsuji, Tomoyuki Ito, Koji Uosaki, P. Addis, A. Cau, E. J. Thelen, W. J. Jones, D. E. Black, L. Smith, K. Scott, I. Naseri and J. M. Quattro. Genetic

Analysis of Atlantic Northern Bluefin Tuna Captured in the Northwest Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea. *Col Vol Sci Pap. ICCAT*, 52 (3): 1145-1149 (2001).

18. Alvarado-Bremer, J. R., I. Naseri, and B. Ely. 1999. A provisional study of Atlantic northern bluefin tuna populations. SCRS/98/78. *International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, GFCM/ICCAT*. Genoa, Italy. *Coll Vol Sci Pap*, 49(1); 127-129.

Textbook Chapters:

1. Janjua A, Naseri I, Witterick I, Vescan A. *Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery Approaches*. In: Kassam A, Gardner, PA, ed. *Endoscopic Approaches to the Skull Base*: Karger AG; 2012:1-14.
2. Alt JA, Arnaoutakis D, Naseri I. *Skull Base Neoplasms. Encyclopedia of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery*. Kountakis SE, editor. Springer. First Ed. For 2012.
3. Fernandes RP, Petrisor D, Naseri I. *Craniofacial Resection. Encyclopedia of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery*. Kountakis SE, editor. Springer. First Ed. For 2012.
4. Naseri I. *Ludwig's Angina. OTO Crisis: A Guide for the On-Call Otolaryngologist*. Zuckerman JD, Rogers, G.A., editor First ed: Lulu.com; 2010. p. 16-18.
5. Naseri I. *Tracheostomy Bleeding. OTO Crisis: A Guide for the On-Call Otolaryngologist*. Zuckerman JD, Rogers, G.A., editor First ed: Lulu.com; 2010. p. 44-46.
6. Naseri I, Sobol S. *Regional and Intracranial Complications of Otitis Media. Pediatric Otolaryngology, The Requisites in Pediatrics*. Wetmore RF (Eds.). Elsevier/Mosby, Page: 105-117, 2007.
7. Naseri I, DelGaudio JM. *Predictors of Failure of Primary Surgery. Revision Sinus Surgery*. Kountakis, S, Jacobs, J, Gosepath, J, editor. New York: Springer; 2008. p.19-25.

Presentations:

- *Upper Airway Obstruction in Obstructive Sleep Apnea: Evaluation and Management*. Office-Based Surgery Course. Instructor & invited speaker. March 2017. Ponte Vedra, FL.
- *Sinonasal Tumors*. Office-Based Surgery Course. Instructor & invited speaker. March 2017. Ponte Vedra, FL.
- *Airway Emergencies & Tracheostomy management*. Oral presentation, invited speaker. *Operating room Nursing Education CME. Baptist Downtown Hospital. October 17th, 2016*.
- *Minimally Invasive Skull Base Approaches in Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery*. Oral presentation, invited speaker. American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC). July 21st, 2016.
- *Laryngopharyngeal Reflux Disease*. Jacksonville Gut Club invited speaker. CME Category 1 event. Jacksonville Marriott Hotel. June 2, 2016.
- *Management of Airway Emergencies and Tracheostomy management*. *Nursing Education CME. Baptist Downtown Hospital. April 28th, 2016*.
- *Sinusitis & Rhinitis: How to Navigate the Vast Plains*. 17th Annual Primary Care & Cardiovascular Symposium. Ponte Vedra, Florida. May 2016.
- *Skull base surgical techniques and limitations*. The Sixth Middle Eastern Congress on Rhinology & Facial Plastic Surgery. April 13-15, 2016; Tehran, Iran.
- *Endoscopic orbital decompression: Indication-Technique-Pearls-Pitfalls*. The Sixth Middle Eastern Congress on Rhinology & Facial Plastic Surgery. April 13-15, 2016; Tehran, Iran.
- *'Sinus Headaches' – Approach and Diagnosis*. The Sixth Middle Eastern Congress on Rhinology & Facial Plastic Surgery. April 13-15, 2016; Tehran, Iran.

- *Surgical Management of Spontaneous and Traumatic Anterior Skull Base Meningoceles: Techniques & Pitfalls.* The Sixth Middle Eastern Congress on Rhinology & Facial Plastic Surgery. April 13-15, 2016; Tehran, Iran.
- *Neoplasms of the nose and paranasal sinuses.* The Sixth Middle Eastern Congress on Rhinology & Facial Plastic Surgery. April 13-15, 2016; Tehran, Iran.
- *Pearls, Pitfalls & Complications of Sinonasal Procedures.* The Sixth Middle Eastern Congress on Rhinology & Facial Plastic Surgery. April 13-15, 2016; Tehran, Iran.
- *Pearls, Pitfalls & Complications for Office-Based ENT Procedures.* Office-based Sinus Surgery: Outpatient Procedure Course. Ponte Vedra, FL. March 2016.
- *Sinonasal Neoplasms.* Office-based Sinus Surgery: Outpatient Procedure Course. Ponte Vedra, FL. March 2016.
- *Surgical Approaches to the Sella.* Neurosurgical Grand Rounds Presentation. October 1, 2015.
- *Advances in Technology Applied to Otolaryngology.* Oral presentation, invited speaker. American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC). September 17th, 2015.
- *The Use of Technology in Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery.* Oral presentation, invited speaker. Florida Council of Operative Room Nurses. July 18, 2015.
- *The Role of Reflux Disease in Lingual Tonsil Hypertrophy.* Oral presentation: American Academy of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery- the Triological Society (Washington, DC). September 2007.
- *Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus Head and Neck Infections in Children.* Oral presentation: Georgia Society of Otolaryngology Annual Meeting (Amelia Island, FL). July 2007. Mentor: Steven E Sobol.
- *Pediatric Airway Consultation Survey in a Tertiary Care Children's Hospital: An Interobserver Analysis.* Oral presentation: Triological Society- Southern Section Meeting (Naples, FL). January 2006. Mentor: Steven E Sobol, MD.
- *The Irradiated Ear: Early and Late Effects Upon the Middle and Outer Ear.* Poster presentation: Combined Otolaryngology Spring Meeting- the Triological Society (Chicago, IL). May, 2006. Mentor: Malcolm D Graham, MD.
- *Obstructive sleep apnea, allergic rhinitis, taste and olfactory dysfunction.* Resident didactic lecture: The University of Toronto Department of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery. Nov. 10, 2008.
- *Nationwide Trends of Pediatric Staphylococcus Aureus Head and Neck Infections.* Oral presentation: Combined Otolaryngology Spring Meeting- American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology (Orlando, FL). May 2008.
- *Pediatric Staphylococcus aureus head and neck infections.* Oral presentation: Resident Research Day. Emory University, Department of otolaryngology head and neck surgery, June 2008..
- *Endoscopic Surgery of the Skull Base.* Grand Rounds lecture: The University of Louisville Division of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery. Nov. 21, 2008.
- *Diseases of the Maxillary sinus.* Guest lectureship for dental students: third-year dental students, The University of Toronto School of Dentistry. February 13th, 2009.
- *Endoscopic anatomy and approaches to the sphenoid sinus and pituitary fossa.* Advanced Sinus Surgery Course – University of Toronto: June 26-27, 2009.
- *Evaluation of a Neck Mass.* Medical student didactic lecture: University of Florida COM – Jacksonville. Monthly lecture starting in August of 2009.
- *Our Sinuses and Related Conditions.* Invited guest lecture: University of Florida College of Medicine – Jacksonville. April 20th, 2010.
- *Techniques and Limitations of Endonasal Anterior Skull Base Approaches.* Grand Rounds lecture: University of Florida College of Medicine – Gainesville, Department of Otolaryngology. March, 2010.
- *Papillary Thyroid Carcinoma: Controversies and Practical Considerations.* Grand Rounds lecture: University of Florida College of Medicine – Jacksonville, Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism. June 4, 2010.

- *Surgical Airway Management*. Resident lecture: Surgical skills lecture and laboratory cadaver training module. The University of Florida COM – Jacksonville September 9, 2010.
 - *The Difficult Airway: A Unified Approach*. Grand Rounds Lecture. The University of Florida COM – Jacksonville. Department of Anesthesiology. December 1, 2010.
 - *Migraines and Sinusitis – The Common Link*. Grand Rounds Lecture: The University of Florida COM – Jacksonville. Department of Family Medicine. December 14, 2010.
 - *Quality of Life Following Skull Base Surgery*. Moderator and presenter; The North American Skull Base Society 2011 Meeting, Arizona. 'Quality of Life Following Skull Base Surgery' (presentation). 'CSF Leaks: Repair and Prevent' (moderator) (2011).
 - *Endoscopic Orbital Decompression: Indications, Technique, Pearls and Pitfalls*. Oral presentation: Florida Society of Otolaryngology annual meeting. 2011, Orlando.
 - *Analysis of Tracheostomy patients at a tertiary care hospital*. Grand Rounds Presentation. The University of Florida COM – Jacksonville. Department of Surgery. January 4th, 2012.
 - *Surgical and Non-Invasive Treatments for Obstructive Sleep Apnea*. The University of Florida COM – Jacksonville. Department of Family Medicine. May 6th, 2012
 - *Soft Tissue Surgery for Obstructive Sleep Apnea*. Grand Rounds Presentation. The University of Florida COM – Jacksonville. Division of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery. May 12th, 2012.
 - *Endoscopic Orbital Decompression: When and How? Poster presentation*. American Academy of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery annual meeting, 2012, Washington, DC.
 - *Analysis of Tracheostomies among Critical Care Patients: Percutaneous versus Open Surgical Technique*. Poster presentation. American Academy of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery annual meeting, 2012, Washington, DC.
 - Head & Neck Tumors. Invited moderator. The North American Skull Base Society Meeting. February 2013. Miami.
 - Pott's Puffy Tumor. Grand Rounds Presentation. The University of Florida COM – Jacksonville. Department of Internal Medicine Grand Rounds. May 8th, 2013.
 - The Sinus Headache: Surgery vs Medical Management. The American Rhinologic Society Summer Sinus Symposium. Invited panelist and speaker. July, 2013.
 - The Airway Patient: Considerations in Breathing, Voice and Swallowing. Florida Speech and Language Pathology quarterly meeting. Invited speaker. July 2013.
 - The Use of Drug-Eluting Stents in Sinonasal Surgery. Stanford University Grand Rounds. November 2013.
 - Endoscopic CSF leak repairs: Spontaneous, Idiopathic to Traumatic. UF Health Grand Rounds. December 2013.
 - Surgical Approaches to the Sella Turcica. The University of Florida COM – Jacksonville. Department of Radiology and Division of Endocrinology Grand Rounds. January 29th, 2014.
 - Airway Management in Critical Care Patients. UF Health Jacksonville Experience. The University of Florida COM – Jacksonville. Department of Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds. February 6th, 2014.
 - Headaches. UF Health Jacksonville. Invited speaker for the American Association of Professional Coders. July 17, 2014.
 - High Volume Tracheostomies in the Critically Ill Population: Analysis of Technique and Indications. AAO-HNS oral presentation. September 22, 2014.
 - Surgical Management of Spontaneous and Traumatic Anterior Skull Base Meningoceles: Technique & Pitfalls. AAO-HNS oral presentation. September 24, 2014.
 - Allergic Rhinitis and Immunotherapy. Moderator/speaker. Greater Jacksonville ENT Society. October 29, 2014.
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Media & Press:

1. Naseri, I. Kosseifi, S. *Mastering Your Sleep: Discussion about obstructive sleep apnea*. YOUR HEALTH MATTERS with Mike Ryan. 1010XL radio station. June 4, 2015.

2. Law, J. Oral, Head, And Neck Cancer Week Recap: www.news4jax.com/video/27900451/index.html. *WJXT Channel 4 News* (Jacksonville, 2011).
3. Nationwide trends in pediatric Staphylococcus aureus head and neck infections. Over 21,000 reports were written worldwide from January 19-26th, 2009. Due to space limitations, only selected, representative reports are listed below:
 - More kids affected by MRSA. Report by Robert Brazell, Chief science correspondent, NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams, January 22, 2009. www.msnbc.msn.com/id/28736696/
 - MRSA rising in kids' ear, nose, throat infections. Written by Lindsey Tanner, Associated Press, January 19, 2009. In *The Wall Street Journal*, *Newsweek*, *Washington Times*, *Denver Post*, *Forbes Magazine*, *Miami Herald*, *Boston Herald*, *Seattle Times*, *CBS News*, *National Public Radio*, *America Online*, *Teheran Times*, etc.
 - Childhood MRSA Head and Neck Infections on the rise. Written by John Gever, *Medpage Today*, January 19, 2009. <http://www.medpagetoday.com/HospitalBasedMedicine/Surveillance/12517>
 - MRSA Infections Spreading to Kids in Community-Antibiotic-resistant bacteria moving beyond hospital setting, study finds. Written by Alan Mozes, Health Day Reporter, *MSN Health and Fitness*, January 19, 2009. In *Washington Post*, *MSN Health*, *Business Week Magazine*, *US News and World Report*, etc. <http://www.drugs.com/news/mrsa-infections-spreading-kids-community-15694.html>
 - Emory Researchers See Increase in MRSA Infections in Children. Written by Jim Burress, *National Public Radio*, Broadcast on January 21, 2009.
 - Researchers Find 'Alarming' Increase of MRSA-Related Ear, Nose, Throat Infections in Children. *Fox News*, January 19, 2009 <http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,480755,00.html>
 - Community-Acquired MRSA Infections on the rise among Kids. Written by Anna Boyd, *Efflux Media*, January 20, 2009. Link: www.effluxmedia.com/news_Community_Acquired_MRSA_Infections_On_The_Rise_Among_Kids_33647.html
 - MRSA infections rising among children. Written by Christie Cole, *Injury Board Newsdesk*, January 20, 2009. Link: www.injuryboard.com/national-news/mrsa-infections-rising-among-children.aspx?googleid=255592
 - MRSA Infections Double in Children's Ears, Noses and Sinuses. Written by Nicole Ostrow, *Bloomberg Press*, January 19, 2009. Link: www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=20601124&sid=aAppsNO9HDIE&refer=home
 - Doubling of ear, nose, throat infections in U.S. children. Written by William Atkins, *iWire Australia*, January 20, 2009. <http://www.itwire.com/content/view/22761/1066/>
 - MRSA Infections on the rise in American Children. *Current World News*, January 19, 2009. <http://www.currentworldnews.net/2009/01/19/mrsa-infections-on-the-rise-in-american-children/>
 - Staph Bug Infections Creeping up in Kids. *Chicago Sun-Times*, January 20, 2009. <http://www.suntimes.com/lifestyles/health/1386615,CST-NWS-staph20.article>
 - MRSA Head and Neck Infections in Children Jump 16.3% in 6-Year Period. Written by Kelli Miller Stacy, *WebMD Health News*, January 20, 2009. <http://www.webmd.com/news/20090120/mrsa-children>
 - Children's Staph Infections Increasingly Resistant to Drugs. Written by Roni Rabin, *New York Times*, January 20, 2009. <http://www.nytimes.com/2009/01/21/health/research/21staph.html?ref=research>
 - A new MRSA threat: children ear, nose and neck infections. Written by Mary Engel, *Los Angeles Times*, January 19, 2009. http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/booster_shots/2009/01/a-new-mrsa-thre.html
 - MRSA epidemic growing at alarming levels. Written by Kathleen Blanchard, *EmaxHealth*, January 20, 2009. <http://www.emaxhealth.com/1020/39/28739/mrsa-epidemic-growing-alarming-levels.html>

Editorial Boards:

- 1) Journal of Otology & Rhinology
- 2) American Journal of Rhinology and Allergy

ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE:

- Originator & director, UF Sinus & Allergy Center (2009-2014)
- Originator & co-director, UF & Shands (UF Health) Skull Base Program (2011-2014)
- Originator & Co-director, UF & Shands (UF Health) Sleep & Snoring Center (2012-2014)

- Board of directors, The Head And Neck Cancer Alliance (HNCA) (2009-present)
 - Physician director of annual free head & neck cancer screenings held at UF Health
- Florida Society of Otolaryngology (2010-present)
 - State of Florida legislative representative
- American Academy of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery.
 - Board of Governors member (12/2009-present)
- Hospital EMR transition committee, 'EPIC Champion' (2010-2014)
- UF & Shands (UF Health) Hospital Robotics committee member (2012-2014)
- UF & Shands (UF Health) Hospital laser safety committee member (2009-2014)
- Chair of faculty search committee. UF COM Jacksonville Department of Surgery – Division of Otolaryngology. (2011-2013)

Teaching responsibilities & Program Development:

1) Education:

- 2016 North American Skull Base Society program committee member
- Course director, clinical otolaryngology elective, OTOL E 1J, UF COM. Developed revised educational goals and clinical objectives for rotating medical students.
- Didactic education for graduate and post-graduate students from The University of Florida graduate schools: College of Medicine, Nursing, and Physician's Assistant program.
- Standardized protocols for UF Health nursing and related healthcare staff regarding postsurgical care of otolaryngology patients
- Started the greater Jacksonville Collaborative Skull Base Conference. Involves ENTs and Neurosurgeons from UF, Baptist Downtown, Wolfson Children's Hospital, and Mayo Clinic; Meets quarterly rotating locations among each institution.

2) Clinical:

- Started the joint 'UF Health Sleep and Snoring' clinic, a multidisciplinary collaboration involving the Department of Neurology, and Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, with an expanding monthly clinic which has generated increased billing for all disciplines involved.
- Created the UF Health Sinus & Allergy Clinic – Comprehensive and tailored treatment of a variety of sinonasal and allergic conditions
- Expanded the Allergy clinic to become the most profitable in its history, with average reimbursement rate >40%
- Expanded the UF Health OHNS speech clinic, now with billing and collections six-fold since it was begun in 2008.

Honors:

- Invited speaker & presenter: 17th Annual Primary Care & Cardiovascular Symposium. Ponte Vedra, Florida. May 2016.
- Invited speaker & presenter: The Sixth Middle Eastern Congress on Rhinology & Facial Plastic Surgery. April 13-15, 2016; Tehran, Iran.
- Invited speaker & presenter: Office-Based Otolaryngology Course. Ponte Vedra, Florida. March 2016.
- *How to manage a difficult airway patient/Tracheostomy tubes: Why-What-When.* Invited lectureship, Baptist Medical Center, Operating room staff monthly CME.
- Invited moderator: 2016 North American Skull Base Society – invited moderator – proffered research presentations. Scottsdale, Arizona. Feb 2016.
- Invited speaker & presenter: Office-Based Otolaryngology Course. San Juan, Puerto Rico. Feb 2015.

- Invited moderator: The North American Skull Base Society Annual Meeting. ‘Proffered paper session VII: Head & Neck Tumors’ (2013)
 - Invited moderator and presenter: The North American Skull Base Society Annual Meeting. ‘Quality of Life Following Skull Base Surgery’ (presentation). ‘CSF Leaks: Repair and Prevent’ (moderator) (2011).
 - Chief Administrative resident in the Department of Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery at Emory University. (2007)
 - Resident leadership grant recipient, American Academy of Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery (2007, 2008)
 - Resident research award recipient from the Georgia Society of Otolaryngology (2007)
 - Vice-president of the Yul Brynner Head and Neck Cancer Foundation – Georgia Chapter (2004-2007)
 - Secretary of the Yul Brynner Head and Neck Cancer Foundation - South Carolina Chapter (2001-2003)
 - Memorial Sloan Cancer Center summer research scholar program (Summer 2000)
 - Alpha Lambda Delta undergraduate Honors Society (1993-1997)
 - Research Fellowship from the University of South Carolina Honors College (1995-1996)
 - Howard Hughes Research scholarship recipient (1995-1996)
 - Shakespeare Molecular Research Scholarship recipient (1994-1995)
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Community Service:

- Organized and directed the annual free ‘Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week’ (OHANCAW) & screening. 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013.
 - Established the Florida chapter of the Head and Neck Cancer Alliance, HNCA, (www.headandneck.org). (2012)
 - Public Relations Representative – Greater Jacksonville ENT Society (2010-present)
 - Board of directors, The Head And Neck Cancer Alliance (HNCA) (2010-present)
 - Planning and organization committee for multiple head and neck screenings at local schools, churches and NASCAR® racing events as a part of the outreach program of YBF-GA. (2005-2007)
 - Established the Georgia chapter of the Yul Brynner Head & Neck Cancer Foundation- (YBF-GA), now known nationally as the Head And Neck Cancer Alliance, HNCA, (www.headandneck.org). (2004)
 - ‘MUSC Gives back’ volunteer: helping with local crisis ministries; organized and conducted local church and school talks as part of the ‘outreach program’ of The Yul Brynner Head & Neck Cancer Foundation. (2000-2003)
 - Red Cross relief mission trip to Macedonia as part of humanitarian aid to Albania, Macedonia, and Montenegro for the Kosovo refugees. (1998)
 - Palmetto Surgical Associates. Mentor: Dr. David Gatti. Columbia, SC. (1996-1997)
 - Burnside HIV/AIDS clinic. Columbia, SC. (1996)
 - The Baptist Medical Center (Columbia, SC): Emergency department, the cardiac telemetry, and the medical oncology unit - (1994-1997)
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Current Research:

- Multimodal targeted surgical management of obstructive sleep apnea. Co-investigator. University of Florida College of Medicine. IRB approved; 2013-present.
- Outcomes of Trans-oral Robotic Surgery (TORS) in the treatment of obstructive sleep apnea. University of Florida College of Medicine. IRB approved; 2013-present.
- Analysis of indications, preoperative assessments, technical considerations and outcomes of endoscopic orbital decompression surgery. University of Florida College of Medicine; 2012-2015.

- A double blind controlled analysis of topical sinonasal treatments for chronic rhinosinusitis. University of Florida College of Medicine; 2009-2012.
 - Case-series evaluation of the indications, techniques and outcomes of tracheostomy procedures in an academic tertiary care hospital. IRB approved; 2012-2015.
 - Suitability of Endoscopic Endonasal Approach to Patients with Basilar Invagination: A Radiologic Study. Co-investigator: Philipp R Aldana, MD. University of Florida College of Medicine. IRB approved; 2012-2014.
 - Minimally invasive approaches to reconstruction of anterior skull base defects. University of Florida College of Medicine. IRB approved; 2012-present.
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Professional Organizations:

- North American Skull Base Society
 - American Academy of Otolaryngic Allergy
 - Fellow American College of Surgeons
 - American Medical Association
 - Duval County Medical Society
 - Florida Medical Association
 - American Board of Otolaryngology
 - American Rhinologic Society
 - Greater Jacksonville ENT Society. Public Relations Representative. 11/2009-present.
 - Florida Society of Otolaryngology
 - State Legislative Representative
 - American Academy of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery.
 - Board of Governors member (12/2009-present)
 - Socioeconomic Grassroots Committee member
 - The Triological Society
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Clinical Expertise:

- Rhinologic & anterior cranial base surgery:
 - Extended & expanded endonasal approaches to paranasal/orbital/petroclival/cribriform/planum and other trans-sphenoidal anterior skull base lesions
 - Reconstruction of anterior skull base defects (post-surgical/traumatic/idiopathic)
 - Endoscopic cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) leak repair
 - Endoscopic dacryocystorhinostomy
 - Endoscopic vidian neurectomy
 - Endoscopic orbital/optic nerve decompression
 - Endoscopic ligation of Internal maxillary/sphenopalatine/anterior ethmoid artery
 - Open and endoscopic treatments for various chronic sinonasal conditions
- Advanced surgery for obstructive sleep apnea:
 - Genioglossus advancement
 - Hyoid release/suspension
 - Robotic midline glossectomy/lingual tonsillectomy
 - Lingual tonsillectomy
 - Mandibular advancement
 - Maxillary advancement (LeFort)
 - Internal/external nasal valve repair
 - Nonsurgical/office treatments for OSA: Injection snoreplasty, Palatal implants (Pillar Implant[®]), Somnoplasty of the tongue/palate/inferior turbinate
- Advanced airway surgery & treatment of voice/upper airway disorders:
 - Thyroplasty
 - Open and endoscopic CO₂-laser assisted arytenoidectomy
 - Airway stenosis management (laryngeal/tracheal)
 - Cervico-thoracic approach to tracheal resection
 - Tracheoplasty: laser/balloon-assisted dilation & stenting
 - Cricoid split & slide tracheoplasty
- Head and neck surgery:
 - Trans-Oral Robotic Surgery (TORS) trained and certified
 - Tumors of tongue/oropharynx/hypopharynx/larynx
 - Surgery for obstructive sleep apnea
 - Thyroid and parathyroid surgery
 - Sialoendoscopy
 - Open and endoscopic management of Zenker's diverticulum
 - Oncologic surgery:
 - Composite resection
 - Pedicled locoregional myofascial/myocutaneous flap reconstruction
 - Selective to radical cervical lymphadenectomy
 - Vagus nerve stimulator for intractable seizure disorders