

IFSSH Pioneers of Hand Surgery



*13th Triennial Congress of the
International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand*

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Traditionally during the Congresses of the International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand, a number of “Pioneers of Hand Surgery” are acknowledged. This is a long standing custom dating back to the 3rd Congress in Tokyo held in 1986.

Since then, 142 physicians have been designated the prestigious title of “Pioneer of Hand Surgery”. To this number, 38 more are added this year.

Every three years, the IFSSH Member Societies nominate Pioneer candidates who are then submitted to the IFSSH Executive Committee and evaluated by the Nominating Committee. During the Opening Ceremony at the next IFSSH Congress these Pioneers will then be honoured. To be considered a Pioneer, a candidate must be a recognised leader in hand surgery and have contributed to the development of Hand Surgery nationally and/or internationally.

Their enormous contribution to Hand Surgery will influence many generations of Hand Surgeons to come. Ultimately or course, their accomplishments will benefit countless patients far into the future.

The IFSSH Membership expresses its sincere appreciation and gratitude to our Pioneers for enriching our passion, Hand Surgery.



Pioneers honoured at the 3rd International Congress - Tokyo, Japan 1986

Tamikazu Amoko
Joesph H. Boyes
Paul W. Brand
Martin A. Entin
Mario Gonzales-Ulloa
Marc Iselin
Johan M.F. Landsmeer
J. William Littler
Erik Moberg
Benjamin Rank
H. Graham Stack
Sidney Sunderland
Raoul Tubiana
Kauko J. Vainio
Claude Verdan

Pioneers honoured at the 5th International Congress- Paris, France, 1992

Robert E. Carroll
Nils Carstam
Raymond M. Curtis
Adrian E. Flatt
Benjamin Fowler
J. Leonard Goldner
Luis Gomez Correa
Harold E. Kleinert
Douglas W. Lamb
Jeno Manninger
Daniel C. Riordan
Kauko Solonen
Kenya Tsuge

Pioneers honoured at the 6th International Congress - Helsinki, Finland, 1995

Paul Woodrow Brown
Henry M. Brummer
Harry J. Buncke
Ridvan Ege
James M. Hunter
John Ivor Pulsford James
Lee W. Milford
Ezio Morelli
George E. Omer Jr.
George S. Phalen
Alfred B. Swanson
Tatsuya Tajima
Christopher B. Wynn Parry
Eduardo A. Zancolli
Jacques Michon
Bernard McC. O'Brien
Alipio Pernet

Pioneers honoured at the 7th International Congress - Vancouver, Canada, 1998

Donal N. Brooks
Giorgio Brunelli
Dieter Buck-Gramcko
Douglas Andrew Campbell Reid
Mack L. Clayton



James Harold Dobyns
Wael Mansour Fahmy
Geoffrey Raymond Fisk
Ramon Isales
Ivan B. Matev
Robert Malcolm MacFarlane
Hanno Millesi
James F. Murray
Boleslaw Nagay
Miguel Vargas Busquets

Pioneers honoured at the 8th International Congress - Istanbul, Turkey, 2001

Valentin Grigore Aburel
Paola Bedeschi
Harold Bolton
F. Merih Eroglu
Anastasios Giannikas
Jamal Gousheh
Stewart H. Harrison
Isidor Kessler
Brij Bhushan Joshi
Ronald L. Linscheid
Takayuki Miura
Robert Henry Cradock Robins
Harilaos T. Sakellarides
Richard J. Smith
Joerg Boehler

Pioneers honoured at the 9th International Congress - Budapest, Hungary 2004

Tadao Kojima
Antal Renner
Martin Singer
Ramaswami Venkataswami
Albrecht Wilhelm
Yutaka Yabe
Yasuo Yamauchi

Pioneers honoured at the 10th International Congress - Sydney, Australia 2007

Nicholas Barton (United Kingdom)
Andre Boonzaier (South Africa)
W. Bruce Conolly (Australia)
Jan Haftek (Poland)
John Hueston (Australia)
Adalbert Kapandji (France)
Wladyslaw Manikowski (Poland)
Shojaeddin Sheikholeslamzadeh (Iran)
William Souter (United Kingdom)
Hariharan Srinivasan (India)
Susumu Tamai (Japan)
Yasuo Ueba (Japan)
James Urbaniak (USA)



Pioneers honoured at the 11th International Congress – Seoul, Korea 2010

José Cantero Martinez	(Spain)
Alessandro Caroli	(Italy)
André Chamay	(Switzerland)
John Cobbett	(United Kingdom)
Antonio De Santolo Ricciardelli	(Venezuela)
Richard G. Eaton	(USA – ASSH)
Joel Engel	(Israel)
David P. Green	(USA – ASSH)
Basil Helal	(United Kingdom)
Yoshikazu Ikuta	(Japan)
Seiichi Ishii	(Japan)
Eung-Shick Kang	(Korea)
Ik-Dong Kim	(Korea)
Young Ho Lee	(Korea)
Ralph Manktelow	(Canada)
Renzo Mantero	(Italy)
Viktor E. Meyer	(Switzerland)
Edward A. Nalebuff	(USA – ASSH)
Santos Palazzi Coll	(Spain)
Alfredo Quintana Montero	(Spain)
Fernando Enriquez de Salamanca Lorente	(Spain)
Morton Spinner	(USA – ASSH)
James W. Strickland	(USA – ASSH)
Philip Sykes	(United Kingdom)
Julio Taleisnik	(USA – ASSH)
E.F. Shaw Wilgis	(USA – ASSH)
Virchel E. Wood	(USA – ASSH)
Elvin G. Zook	(USA – AAHS)

Pioneers honoured at the 12th International Congress – New Delhi, India, 2013

Robert Beckenbaugh	(American Association for Hand Surgery)
Alan Freeland	(American Association for Hand Surgery)
Hildegunde Piza-Katzer	(Austrian Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Arlindo Pardini	(Brazilian Society for Surgery of the Hand)
David Evans	(British Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Graham Lister	(British Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Yves Allieu	(French Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Philippe Saffar	(French Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Ulrich Lanz	(German Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Panayotis Soucacos	(Hellenic Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Ping Chung (PC) Leung	(Hong Kong Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Dinkar Palande	(Indian Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Muneaki Abe	(Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Ryogo Nakamura	(Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Pesi B Chacha	(Singapore Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Robert WH Pho	(Singapore Society for Surgery of the Hand)
José Manuel Antuña Zapico	(Spanish Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Higinio Ayala Palacios	(Spanish Society for Surgery of the Hand)
Ayan Gulgonen	(Turkish Society for Surgery of the Hand)





***Pioneers to be honoured at the 13th International Congress
Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2016***

Walter Manna Albertoni

Brazilian Society for Surgery of the Hand

Sydney Biddulph

South African Society for Surgery of the Hand

Ueli Büchler

Swiss Society of Hand Surgery

Frank Burke

British Society for Surgery of the Hand

Richard Burton

American Society for Surgery of the Hand

Jose Rafael Camarillo Morillo

Venezuelan Society for Surgery of the Hand and Reconstruction of the Upper Limb

Shew Ping Chow

Hong Kong Society for Surgery of the Hand

Moon Sang Chung

Korean Society for Surgery of the Hand

Rodolfo Contreras Gamboa

Venezuelan Society for Surgery of the Hand and Reconstruction of the Upper Limb

Omer Ercetin

Turkish Society for Surgery of the Hand

Santiago Fazzini

Argentine Association for Reconstructive Surgery of the Hand and Upper Limb

John Fleming

South African Society for Surgery of the Hand

Timothy Herbert

Australian Hand Surgery Society

Aldo Aristides Illaramendi

Argentine Association for Reconstructive Surgery of the Hand and Upper Limb

Joesph Kutz

American Society for Surgery of the Hand

David Lichtman

American Society for Surgery of the Hand

Albert Lluch Homedes

Spanish Society for Surgery of the Hand

Guillermo Loda

Argentine Association for Reconstructive Surgery of the Hand and Upper Limb



Göran Lundborg

Swedish Society for Surgery of the Hand

Paul Manske

American Society for Surgery of the Hand

Michel Merle

French Society for Hand Surgery

Wyndell Merritt

American Association for Hand Surgery

Wayne Morrison

Australian Hand Surgery Society

Akira Nagano

Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand

Sigurd Pechlaner

Austrian Society for Surgery of the Hand

Luciano Poitevin

Argentine Association for Reconstructive Surgery of the Hand and Upper Limb

Pier Luigi Raimondi

Italian Society for Surgery of the Hand

Lawrence Schneider

American Society for Surgery of the Hand

Luis Carlos Sobania

Brazilian Society for Surgery of the Hand

John Stanley

British Society for Surgery of the Hand

James Steichen

American Society for Surgery of the Hand

Pierre Van Wetter

Belgian Hand Group

Martti Vastamaki

Finnish Society for Surgery of the Hand

David Vickers

Australian Hand Surgery Society

Simo Vilkki

Finnish Society for Surgery of the Hand

Michael Wood

American Association for Hand Surgery

Yoshiki Yamano

Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand



Walter Manna Albertoni
Brazilian Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Marília, São Paulo, Brazil, 1940

Medical School: Escola Paulista de Medicina, Universidade Federal de São Paulo, Brazil

- MD, 1966
- Master in Science, 1977
- PhD, 1986
- Free-Docency, 1991

Medical Training:

Medical Residency - Orthopedic Surgery, Escola Paulista de Medicina - Universidade Federal de São Paulo, 1967-68

Fellow in Hand Surgery, Clinic Prof Orlando Graner, São Paulo, 1971

International Fellow in Hand Surgery, Institut de Chirurgie de la Main (Prof Raoul Tubiana), Paris, France, 1975

Major Appointments:

Department of Orthopedic Surgery, Universidade Federal de São Paulo, Brazil

- Chief of Hand Surgery Unit, 1972-90
- Chief of Hand and Upper Limb Center, 1992-98
- Professor of Post Graduation Course, 1992-98
- Chief of Department of Orthopedic Surgery, 2002-05
- Dean of Continuing Education and Extension, 2003-08
- Rector, 2009-13
- Emeritus Professor, 2015

Universidade de Jundiaí, São Paulo, Brazil - Chief of Department of Orthopedic Surgery, 1988



Professional Appointments:

Sociedade Brasileira de Cirurgia da Mão

- General Secretary, 1976-85
- President, 1986-87

Federacion Sudamericana de Cirugia de la Mano (President, 1988-89)

Continous Education Comission (President, 2002-03)

Sociedade Brasileira de Ortopedia e Traumatologia (President, 2005)

President of XI Brazilian Meeting of Hand Surgery, 1987

President of VII South American Meeting of Hand Surgery, 1999

President of 39th Brazilian Congress of Orthopedic Surgery, 2007

Editorial Board - Revista Brasileira de Ortopedia, 1998-present

Editorial Board - Acta Ortopédica Brasileira, 1996-present

Publications include:

42 book chapters published in Brazil and other countries

Co-Editor of the books “Cirurgia Plástica - Arte e fundamentos” (2004) and “Guia de medicina Ambulatorial e Enfermidades” (2007)

Editor of the book “Clinica Cirúgica Ortopédica e Traumatológica” (2008)

110 scientific papers published in Brazil and other countries since 1967

Distinctions / Awards:

Prof. Godoy Moreira, Best Clinical Research, Brazilian Society of Hand Surgery, 1986, 1998, 1999, 2009

International Affiliate, American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 2004

Honorary Member, Ecuatorian Society of Orthopedic Surgery, 2005

Diploma of Merit, Federation South American of Orthopedic Surgery, 2007

Tribute Humanitarian Mission to Earthquake Victims in Haiti, Brazilian Medical Association, 2010

Proprietor Member, Academy of Medicine of São Paulo, 2012



Sydney Biddulph
South African Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1937

Medical School: University of the Witwatersrand (M.B.B.Ch.), 1961

Medical Training:

F.C.S. (S.A.), 1966

F.R.C.S. (Edinburgh), 1967

F.R.C.S. (London), 1967

S.H.O. Sir Herbert Seddon, Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore, Middlesex England, 1967

Registrar, Douglas Lamb and George Mitchell Princess Margaret Rose Orthopaedic Hospital, Edinburgh. Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, 1967–68

Fellowship with Robert Carrol, Columbia Presbyterian Hospital, New York. 1969

Fellowship with Alfred Swanson, Blodgett Memorial Hospital, Grand Rapids. 1970

Registrar. Donald Brooks. Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Great Portland Street, London. 1970

Major Appointments:

Visiting hand surgeon to Saigon, Vietnam. - Volunteer Physicians for Vietnam Program, started by President Dwight Eisenhower. 1970



Consultant Hand Surgeon, Johannesburg Hospital, Orthopaedic Department and the University of the Witwatersrand. 1971-2008

Part time Consultant Hand Surgeon at Natalspruit Hospital, Johannesburg. 1973-1990

Hand surgeon to the South African Cricket Board. 1980-85

Memberships of Organisations include:

South African Medical and Dental Council Medical Practitioner, 1961

South African Medical Association, 1961

South African Medical Association Life Member, 2001

South African Medical and Dental Board, Orthopaedic Register 1971

South African Orthopaedic Association, 1980 (Resigned in protest to the Association's anti-hand surgery attitude, 1995)

British Medical Association, 1970 (Lapsed in approximately 1975)

South African Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1971

- President: 1981-83, 1989-91, 1992-93
- South African delegate to the Council of the International Federation for Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1981-94
- Congress Chairman for all annual congresses hosted in Johannesburg from 1972-94 (approximately every four years)

British Society for Surgery of the Hand 1972-1980

Peruvian Plastic Surgery Society (Corresponding member and Visiting Professor) 1978

Delegate to the International Federation for Societies for Surgery of the Hand, 1981-90

American Society for Surgery of the Hand (Corresponding member), 1986

Lectures and Publications include:

27 articles and book chapters published in South African and International literature

Multiple presentations at national and international meetings.

Regular lectures to medical students, therapists and nurses.

Recipient of the Isidore Kaplan literary award 1996, 2001 and 2015.

SA Orthopaedic Journal Peer Reviewer. (Past and Present)



Ueli Büchler

Swiss Society of Hand Surgery



Born: 1944

After attending Medical School in Bern, Ulrich Büchler completed his junior training in Bern, Geneva and Paris obtaining his Board Certification in General Surgery. As a junior surgeon he developed an interest in peripheral neuromas and his doctoral thesis was based on how best to prevent their formation. During his General Surgery training he became interested in Hand Surgery whilst working with Marc Iselin, a famous French Hand Surgeon, and together they attended multiple National and International conferences. Between 1975 and 1977 he travelled to the United States where he had the opportunity to train with John Boswick in Denver, Harry Buncke in San Francisco, Lee Milford in Memphis and Harold Kleinert in Louisville. After returning to Switzerland he became the Chief of Surgery of the Hand and Peripheral Nerves at the University of Bern in 1977 and developed a treatment, training and research center that has become internationally renowned. His specialist interests included the osteosynthesis of the small bones of the hand, Kienböck's disease, microvascular and local flap coverage as well as the functional reconstruction of complex hand injuries.

In 1986 he was awarded his PhD for his research on the revascularisation of necrotic bones and in 1990 he was appointed as a Professor at the University of Bern, Switzerland. From this time onwards the division of Hand Surgery and Surgery of Peripheral Nerves became an independent faculty but remained as a co-directorate with Plastic Surgery to form the department of Orthopaedic, Plastic and Hand Surgery and Osteoporosis. He was member of 15 different national and international societies and worked on many committees and editorial boards of several journals. Professor Büchler was a long-standing member of the Swiss Society of Surgery of the Hand serving on the council between 1980 - 1996 and became president between 1994 –1995 where he gained the reputation of having “Une main de fer dans un gant de velour” (An iron fist in a velvet glove).

Apart from the organisation of multiple national and international meetings he was involved in structuring the educational program of Hand Surgery. He founded the log book, defining nomenclature and prerequisites a surgeon



requires in order to obtain a certificate in Hand Surgery during his council terms. In 1995 he helped to establish the Hand Surgery examination and also initiated to develop standardised patient consent forms.

Professor Büchler is a prolific writer and researcher having produced over 100 publications, a dozen book chapters and published two books. He fathered the concepts of simultaneous double free tissue transfer, free contralateral index pollicization, condylar blade plating, phalangeal osteotomies, the dorsal middle phalangeal flap and many more. Much of Professor Büchler's work has been centered around the functional interactions that occur during the healing of combined injuries of the hand. In 2006 he retired and now spends his time pursuing one of his many hobbies that has included sailing around the world.



Frank Burke
British Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1944

Medical School: Newcastle Upon Tyne, United Kingdom, 1967

Medical Training:

Fellowships in Hand Surgery:

- Derby: 6 months, 1975
- Louisville: 6 months, 1976
- Iowa City: 6 months, 1977

Major Appointments:

Appointed to the Derby Group of Hospitals with a special interest in Hand Surgery, 1978

Ratified by the University Academic Board: Professor of Hand Surgery, 1996
(Inaugural Professor of Hand Surgery in the United Kingdom)

National and International Contributions:

British Society for Surgery of the Hand (BSSH)

- Secretary, President and Archivist of the BSSH
- Honorary member of the BSSH
- Chairman of the Education & Training Committee, developing the Manchester Hand Surgery Instructional Courses
- External Examiner to the Diploma in Hand Surgery
- Established a degree course in hand therapy in the University of Derby



Federation of European Societies for Surgery of the Hand (FESSH)

- Council member
- With Mrs Mary Bradley I developed the Membership Directory for FESSH.
- Chairman of the Scientific Committee for the 3rd FESSH Congress, Paris, 1996

International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand (IFSSH)

- Historian, Executive Committee

Memberships of Organisations include:

Overseas Member: American Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1986

Inaugural President of the British Association of Hand Therapists, 1988

Visiting Government Advisor in Hand Surgery to Singapore, 1989

Visiting Advisor in Hand Surgery. South African Mining Confederation, 1997

Visiting Advisor in Hand Surgery, Military Medical Services, Damascus, Syria, 2000

Teaching and Training:

There are now nine consultant surgeons in the Pulvertaft Hand Centre performing 1000 emergency operations each year and 3500 elective operations. The clinic sees 17,000 new out-patients and 36,000 review patients annually. The Pulvertaft Hand Centre trains ten clinical fellows each year. The department runs about 12 courses annually for trainee surgeons, therapists, nurses and general practitioners. I managed the development of the hand unit from 1981 until 1998.

Lectures and Publications include:

184+ peer reviewed clinical papers related to hand surgery

44 chapters in text books and co-author of:

- "Principles of Hand Surgery". Burke, F.D., McGrouther, D.A., Smith, P.J. Churchill Livingstone 1990.
- "Caring for the Hand" - Dias, J.J., Burke, F.D., Bradley, M.J., Lunn, P.G. : A Detailed Audit of Hand Surgery Activity. Publisher : The Derby Hand Unit.
- The Derby Hand and Wrist Skeletal Fixation Manual (2000). Bindra R.R., Burke F.D. Publisher: The Derby Hand Unit.
- Membership Directory of the Federation of European Societies for Surgery of the Hand. Editors Bradley MJ Burke FD (2005). Prontaprint



Visiting Lecturer:

- Moscow and Siberia, 1987
- Gdynia, Poland, 1988
- Indianapolis and Baltimore, USA 1989
- Hong Kong, 1989
- AO Minifragment Fracture Fixation Course - Davos, Switzerland, 1989
- New South Wales Hand Society, Australia, 1992
- Ministry of Health, Kuwait, 1993
- 6th Pancyprrian Orthopaedic Conference, Paphos, Cyprus, 1993
- AO Minifragment Course. Davos, Switzerland, 1993
- 4th Decade Symposium on tendon surgery, Philadelphia, USA, 1994
- South African Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1994
- Thessaloniki, Greece, 1995
- Mayo Clinic, USA., 1997
- Annual Meeting of the American College of Surgeons, Santiago, Chile, 1998
- Slovak Congress of Hand Surgery Bojnice, 1998
- Curtis Hand Centre, Baltimore USA, 1999
- J.T. Davis Visiting Professor in Hand Surgery, Jackson Mississippi USA, 1999
- Ancient Olympia, Greece, 1999
- Changi Hospital, Singapore, 1999
- Australian Orthopaedic Association, Brisbane, 1999
- Cappagh Hospital, Dublin, 2001
- Louisville Hand Unit, Kentucky, USA, 2003
- Singapore, Sydney, Melbourne and Perth, Australia, 2005
- Royal Australian College of Surgeons Foundation Guest Lecturer – Combined scientific Meeting of the Australia & New Zealand Orthopaedic Associations – Canberra, Australia, 2006
- New South Wales Hand Surgery Society, Sydney, Australia, 2006
- Queensland Hand Surgery Society, Brisbane, Australia, 2006
- Singapore General Hospital, 2007
- IFSSH – Sydney, Australia, 2007
- EFFORT Congress – Florence, 2007
- FESSH Congress – Athens, 2007
- Larissa, Greece, 2008
- Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 2008



Richard Burton
American Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1936

Medical School: Harvard Medical School

Medical Training:

Combined Harvard Orthopaedic Residency, 1966-70

Fellow in Surgery of the Hand at The Roosevelt Hospital with J. William Littler, M.D. and Richard G. Eaton, M.D., 1970-71

Major Appointments:

University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

- Associate Professor of Orthopaedics, 1974-79
- Professor of Orthopaedics 1979-present
- Alternate for Chairman of Orthopaedic Department Medical Advisory Board, 1975-1986
- Alternate for Chairman of Orthopaedic Department Clinical Chiefs Committee, 1975-1986
- Associate Chairman, Department of Orthopaedics, 1982-86
- Director, Division for Surgery of the Hand, 1974-2002
- Co-Director Hand Surgery Fellowship, 1975-2002
- Acting Chair, Department of Orthopaedics, 1987-88
- Professor and Chairman, Department of Orthopaedics, 1988-2000
- Marjorie Strong Wehle Professor of Orthopaedics, 1995-2000
- Acting Chair, Department of Neurological Surgery, 2000-02
- Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, 2002-12



Military Service:

United States Air Force, Strategic Air Command, 1964-1966

- Captain, 811 Medical Group, Loring AFB
- Assistant Chief, Orthopaedic Service
- Honorable Discharge

Memberships of Organisations include:

American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery

- Director, 1988-98
- Member, Written Examinations Committee, 1988-89
- Task force member, American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery/American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgery, on issues of Recertification, 1989-94
- Committee on Certificate for Added Qualifications in Hand Surgery, Member: 1989-98; Chair: 1991-98
- Joint Committee on Surgery of the Hand (American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery, American Board of Surgery, American Board of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery), Member: 1992-98; Chair: 1995-98
- Chair, Building Committee (new headquarters in Chapel Hill, NC) 1992-98

American Orthopaedic Association

- Participant and Speaker, International Workshop on "Orthopaedic Education and 1984 Research", Hershey, PA
- Member, By-Laws Committee, 1985-88; 1989-91
- Executive Committee, Delegate-at-Large, 1986-87
- Resident Conference Committee, 1987-89 (Chair: 1989)
- Nominating Committee, 1987
- Member, Committee on Education, 1988-89
- Membership Committee, 1988-93 (Chair: 1993)
- Chair, Ethics Committee, 1994-95
- Member, Planning and Development Committee, 1996-99

American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons

- Member, Educational Workshop at University of Illinois, 1975
- Member, Committee on Examination, 1979-83
- Member, Committee on the Hand and Wrist, 1984-86 (Chair: 1986-89)
- Ex-Officio Member, Health Care Delivery Systems Committee, 1987-90
- Task Force on Clinical Policies, 1987-89
- Member, Task Force for Defining Orthopaedic Service Units, 1988-91
- Council on Orthopaedic Resources, 1990-92
- Council on Clinical Resources, 1992-93
- Mentor and lecturer on "How to Effectively Lead" (AAOS Leadership Fellows Program), 2008-10

American Society for Surgery of the Hand

- Chairman, Instructional Aids Committee for Medical Education, 1978-79
- Division of Education, Deputy Coordinator: 1979-82; Coordinator: 1983-86
- Chair, Steering Committee on Education, 1985
- Senior Council Member-at-Large, 1986-89
- Member, Inter-specialty and Governmental Affairs Committee, 1987-91
- Joint Committee on Certificate of Added Qualification in Hand Surgery, 1989-90



- Vice President, 1990
- Chairman, Membership Committee, 1990
- Administrative Committee, 1990
- President-Elect, 1991
- Member, Strategic Financial Planning Committee, 1992
- President, 1992-93
- Member, Bunnell Fellowship Committee, 1996-99

Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education

- On-site-visitor, for Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Review Committee, 1985-90; 2003-06

American College of Surgeons

- Member, Upstate New York District #2 Committee on Applicants, 1995-2000

International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand

- United States Representative to Nomenclature Committee, 1979-83
- U.S. Representative to Disability Evaluation Committee, 1985-88
- Committee on Socioeconomic Impact of Hand Disorders, 1986-88

Residency Review Committee

- Specialist on-site Visitor 1985-90; 2003-06

Lectures and Publications include:

Over 90 publications

Associate Editor, Journal of Hand Surgery, 1980-84

Editorial Board, Orthopaedic Audio-Synopsis Foundation, 1985-87

Consulting Editor, Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery, 1992-2003



Jose Rafael Camarillo Morillo

Venezuelan Society for Surgery of the Hand and Reconstruction of the Upper Limb



Born: Maracaibo - Zulia State, Venezuela, 1942.

Medical School: University of Zulia, Venezuela.

- Surgery: 1959-65
- Orthopedic Surgery 1967-69
- Doctor of Medical Sciences, Faculty of Medicine, 1984

Medical Training:

Internships at:

- Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. University Hospital of Maracaibo. Maracaibo, Zulia, Venezuela, 1973-74
- Department of Surgery of the Hand. Hospital Municipal Public Servant. Sao Paulo - Brazil, October 1976 - March 1977
- Laboratory of Experimental Microsurgery. Universidade de São Paulo. São Paulo - Brazil, November 1976 - November 1977
- Microsurgery Clinic. Hospital de Clinicas, University of Sao Paulo. Sao Paulo - Brazil, November 1976 - November 1977
- Division of Sports Medicine. Health South Doctor's Hospital. Coral Gables, Florida, USA. 1998
- UHZ internship in Sport Medicine Institute and S.U.M. Arthroscopy Learning Center, January-February, 2003
- Miami Hand Center, Miami Florida, 2003



Major Appointments:

University Hospital of Maracaibo.

- Fellow intern. 1966-67
- Deputy Traumatology. 1968-80
- Consultant Hand Surgery. Plastic Surgery. 1974-80
- Head of Hand Surgery. 1981-current
- Specialist doctor I. Head of the Surgery of the Hand. 1965-
- Medical Specialist Head of the Surgery of the Hand. 1986-

School of Medicine. LIGHT. Maracaibo, Zulia, Venezuela

- Assistant Professor of the Chair I. Anatomy, 1974-84
- Chair Associate Professor I. Anatomy, 1976-83
- Associate Professor Chair of Anatomy I, 1981-84
- Director of the Center for Experimental Surgery. 1984-current
- Associate Professor. School of Medicine. 1986-1990
- Director of Residence University Professor of Post-graduate Hand Surgery, 1987-current
- Professor of the Chair of Surgical Techniques, 1984-2004

School of Medicine, University of Zulia

- Coordinator of the Center for Experimental Surgery, 1983 -
- ELECTIVE II Coordinator (Surgical Techniques). 1993
- Active professor ELECTIVE II (Surgical Techniques). 1994
- Coordinator Graduate University Residence Hand Surgery (Retired Teacher) Division of Graduate Studies. 1997
- Coordinator Graduate University Residence Hand Surgery. Division of Graduate Studies. 2000
- ELECTIVE II Coordinator (Surgical Techniques). 2000
- Head of Elective II Chair (Surgical Techniques). 2000

Memberships of Organisations include:

Home Clinic Medical Society "San Rafael". Founder member, 1967

Venezuelan Society of Public Health. Active member, 1969

Venezuelan Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology.

- Cash member, 1970
- Associate member, 1979
- Member of the Board of Zuliano Chapter, 1984-86
- Secretary of the Chapter Zulian, 1987-90

Latin American Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology. Member, 1973

Venezuelan Society for Surgery of the Hand.

- Member, 1979
- Director of the subsidiary Zulia, 1980-82; 1982-84
- Librarian of the National Board, 1980-82
- President of the Second Congress "Dr. Ricardo Sanchez Beaujon" Maracaibo, Zulia, Venezuela, 1984



- President of the National Board, 1984-86
- Member of the National Board, 1986-88
- Zulian Chapter President, 1988-90
- Full Member, 2001
- Affiliate Honorary Title, 2014

International Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery. Active member, 1979

John William Uribe Sports Medicine Society. Active limb, 2003.



Shew Ping Chow

Hong Kong Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Shewhing, China, 1944

Medical School: University of Hong Kong, MBBS, 1968

Medical Training:

House Officer, Hong Kong, 1968-69
Intern, Canada, 1969-70
L.M.C.C. (Canada), 1970
Medical Officer, Queen Mary Hospital, Hong Kong, 1970-73
F.R.C.S.(Edinburgh), 1974
F.A.C.S.(U.S.A.), 1985
M.S. (Hong Kong), 1988
F.H.K.C.S., 1993
F.H.K.C.O.S., 1993
F.H.K.A.M. (Orthopaedic Surgery), 1994

Major Appointments:

The University of Hong Kong

- Lecturer, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1973-80
- Senior Lecturer, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1980-84
- Reader, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1984-90
- Chair Professor, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1990-present
- Dean (concurrent), Faculty of Medicine, 1995-98
- Pro-Vice-Chancellor (concurrent), 2000-2001
- Board Chairman (concurrent), Faculty of Medicine, 2003-08
- Pro-Vice Chancellor, 2008-14
- Honorary Professor, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery (current)

Honorary Consultant, Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, Queen Mary Hospital, Hong Kong (current)

Deputy Medical Superintendent - Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital (current)



Memberships of Organisations include:

Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, 1974

Societe Internationale de Chirurgie Orthopaedique et de Traumatologie, 1978

Western Pacific Orthopaedic Association, 1979

British Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1979

British Orthopaedic Association, 1981

American College of Surgeons, 1985

Societe Francaise de Chirurgie Orthopedique et Traumatologique (SOFOT), 1987

American Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1992

American Orthopaedic Association, 1995

Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1997

Hong Kong Surgical Society, 1976

Hong Kong Orthopaedic Association, 1978

- President, 1983-84

Hong Kong Society of Neuroscience, 1979

British Medical Association (Hong Kong Branch), 1984

- President 1990-92

Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 1987

Hong Kong Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1988

- President 1988-90

Hong Kong Institute of Science, 1992

The College of Surgeons of Hong Kong, 1993

Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, 1993

Other honours include:

International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand

- Member, Research Committee, since 1986
- Member, Dupuytren's Disease Committee, since 1986
- Member, Education Committee, since 1992
- Member, Fracture and Dislocation Committee, since 1992



Appointed Interviewer at the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons Part 1 Examination Interviews, Hong Kong, 29 February 1988.

President, Hong Kong University Students' Union Medical Society, 1985 - 1986.

Examiner, Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, 1990 - 1992.

Examiner, Conjoint Fellowship Examination, Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh & College of Surgeons of Hong Kong, since 1993.

Honorary Professor, Sun Yat Sen University of Medical Sciences.

Honorary Professor, West China University of Medical Sciences.

Non-Official Justice of the Peace, appointed by Hong Kong Government, since 17 July 1996.

Court of Examiners, Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 1997 - 2000.

External Examiner, final MBBS and Masters in Orthopaedic Surgery, University of Malaya, May 2000.

Honorary Professor, The First Military Medical University, Guangzhou, P.R. China. 1 February 2001-31 January 2004.

External Assessor, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya, 2002-2005.

Honorary Advisor, Hong Kong Association of Orthopaedic Nurses Limited, 2004-2005.

Honorary Advisor, Hong Kong Medical & Healthcare Device Manufacturers Association, 2004-2006.

Trainer in Orthopaedics & Traumatology of The Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 2005-2007.

Honorary Advisor, Research Center for Musculoskeletal Bioengineering, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, since July 2005.

President, Asia-Pacific Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand, 2007-2008.

Lectures and Publications include:

Multiple Honorary Lectureships / Visiting Professorships and invited guest lectures

Multiple journal articles and publications

Corresponding Editor, Journal of Hand Surgery (Great Britain), since 1987.

Honorary Adviser, Journal of Reconstructive Surgery (China), since 1987.

Honorary Adviser, Journal of Reconstructive Microsurgery (USA), 1990-98.



Editorial Board Member, Journal of Orthopaedic Surgery, since 1992.

Associate Editor, Asian Journal of Microsurgery, 1993-98.

Editor-in-Chief, Hand Surgery, 1995–2002.

Editorial Board, Techniques in Hand and Upper Extremity Surgery, 1996 - 2002.

Editorial Board Member, AO Supplement of Injury, since 1996.

Corresponding Editor, Hong Kong Journal of Orthopaedic Surgery, since 1997

Honorary Adviser, Chinese Journal of Orthopaedic Trauma, since 1999

Corresponding Editor, Journal of Hand Surgery, British & European Volume, since 1999.

Editorial Board Member, Romania Journal of Plastic Surgery, since 1999.

Honorary Adviser, Chinese Journal of Anatomy and Clinical Practice, 2000-06.

Overseas Editor, Chinese Journal of Hand Surgery, since 2000.

Community Service:

Voluntary doctor, charity clinic at Yuen Long, Hong Kong, 1968-1969

Voluntary doctor, charity clinic at Sha Tau Kok, Hong Kong, 1968-1969

Voluntary doctor, Vietnam Refugee Camp at Shamshuipo, Hong Kong, 1980

Voluntary Visiting Specialist, CARE-MEDICO programme, Dacca, Bangladesh, 1982

Director, Hong Kong Physically Handicapped and Able-Bodied Association (Hong Kong PHAB Association), December 1984-November 1992

Chairman, Research and Evaluation Committee, Hong Kong PHAB Association, 1988-1993

Chairman, Hong Kong PHAB Association, since December 1992 – December 2001

Chairman, Programme & Center Service Committee, Hong Kong PHAB Association, 1992-1993

Honorary President, Hong Kong PHAB Association, since 1 July 2002

Voluntary doctor, Medecins sans Frontiere, Vietnamese Refugee Camps, Hong Kong, May - June 1989

Voluntary doctor, Operation Concern, Fuping, Shaanxi Operation, 13-24 August 1994



Member of the Paramedical Training Advisory Committee, Hong Kong Red Cross, since April 1995

Honorary Adviser, International Drug Abuse Treatment Foundation, 1998 - 2001

Executive Councillor, The Pathways Foundation, since April 2002

Voluntary doctor, Medecins sans Frontiere, Port Harcourt, Nigeria, 7-19 August 2006

Member of the Advisory Committee, Salvation Army, Hong Kong and Macau, since 2003



Moon Sang Chung

Korean Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1945

Academic Appointments:

Premedical Course, Seoul National University, 1964-66

College of Medicine, Seoul National University (M.D.), 1966-71

Postgraduate School, Seoul National University (Ph.D.), 1972-80

Orthopedic Resident, Seoul National University Hospital, 1971-76

Korean Army, 1976-79

Instructor, Orthopedic Surgery, Seoul National University, 1980-83

Assistant Professor, Orthopedic Surgery, Seoul National University, 1983-87

Research Fellow, MGH, Harvard Medical School, 1984-85

Associate Professor, Orthopedic Surgery, Seoul National University, 1987-92

Chairman, Orthopedic Surgery, Seoul National University, 1994-2000

Professor, Orthopedic Surgery, Seoul National University, 1992-2010



Administrative Appointments:

President, The Korean Society for Surgery of the Hand, 2000-01

President, The Korean Society of Microsurgery, 2000-02

President, Korean Orthopedic Research Society, 2002-03

Chairman, Korean Orthopedic Association, 2003-04

Congress Chairman, 11th Congress of IFSSH in Seoul, Korea, 2010

Publications include:

62 international peer reviewed journal articles

16 chapters in Korean textbooks



Rodolfo Contreras Gamboa

Venezuelan Society for Surgery of the Hand
and Reconstruction of the Upper Limb



Born: Táriba, Estado. Tachira, Venezuela, 1940.

Medical Training:

Central University of Venezuela (UCV) (Degree: Surgeon), 1960-66

Specialist Traumatology and Orthopedics, University of Bologna, Italy, 1967-69

Specialist Orthopedics-Hand Surgery, University of Paris, France, 1969-72

Specialist in Hand Surgery and Microsurgery Nerve and Vascular, University of Vienna, Austria, 1976-77

Major Appointments:

Dr. Miguel Perez Carreno Hospital, Caracas

- Deputy Medical Service Hand Surgery, 1972-83
- Competitive Service Chief Hand Surgery, 1983-94
- Surgical Department Chief, 1987-90

Deputy Medical Service Reconstructive Surgery, Hospital Antihanseniano "Dr. Martin Vegas "M.S.A.S., 1973-84

Hand Surgeon, Medical Center Teaching Trinity, 1990-96

Chief Hand Surgery Unit and Senior Member. Children's Orthopedic Hospital, Caracas, 1990-present



Memberships of Organisations include:

Venezuelan Society Founding Member Hand Surgery and Reconstructive Senior Fellow, 1974

Founding member World Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, Chicago, Illinois, USA, 2008

Adherent Member, Italian Society for Surgery of the Hand, Rome, 1969

Foreign Member, Groupe D 'Etude de La Main, (GEM), Paris 1970

Venezuelan-French Association Health Sciences, Caracas, 1987

Courses and Teaching Experience:

Teaching Coordinator, Graduate Degree Course Hand Surgery (UCV / IVSS) 1975-83

Course Director Graduate, University of Hand Surgery (UCV / IVSS) 1983-94

Competition opposition instructor, Central University of Venezuela (UCV)

Chair Traumatology and Orthopedics, University Hospital of Caracas, 1982-86

Distinctions:

Ministry of Labour. Venezuelan Institute of Social Security, MERIT TO WORK FIRST CLASS. 1994

Ministry of Labour, Distinguished Merit First Class TRABAJO.1994

Network of Scientific Medical Societies Venezuelan. MEDICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD VENEZOLANA. 2015

Day XXXI eponym Venezuelan Society for Surgery of the Hand. 2015.

Publications include:

Injuries in hand in industrializing countries in Tubiana, Raoul. Traité de Chirurgie de la Main. Vol. 2, Publisher Masson. Paris - 1984



Traumatic Injuries of the hand in developing countries, in Raoul Tubiana. The Hand. Vol. 2, Chapter 23, Editorial W.B, Saunders Company. Philadelphia-1985

The law and prevention of accidents in developing countries. Cumulative Trauma injuries and brachial Disorders. Publications of Volvo, Stockholm, 1987.



Omer Ercetin

Turkish Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1945

Born in 1945 in Ankara and completed his preliminary education in Ankara TED College in 1962. He entered Ankara University Faculty of Medicine same year, and graduated in 1968.

He started as resident of department of Orthopedics and Traumatology at Hacettepe University Faculty of Medicine and worked between 1968-1972.

He completed his military service at Ankara Military Mevki Hospital between 1972-1973

Between 1973-75, he worked as faculty member at Department of Orthopedic surgery of Hacettepe University Faculty of Medicine. He has been accepted as fifth year orthopedic resident at the department of Orthopaedics in Medical Faculty of the Louisville University Faculty of Medicine in Kentucky in 1975. Then he followed as hand surgery fellow at department of hand surgery of same faculty in 1976 who has been established by Dr. Harold Kleinert. He worked and learned many things about hand surgery from very famous surgeons in that time.

He worked as visiting fellows with Dr. Daniel Riordan in New Orleans, Louisiana and Dr. Alfred Swanson in Grand Rapids, Michigan in 1976.

After finishing hand surgery training, He restarted to work as faculty at the department of orthopedics and traumatology of faculty of Medicine of Hacettepe University in 1977.

His thesis book was "The vascularized periosteal transfer for treatment bone defects; an animal model" for ass. prof. examination. This study has been accepted as first microsurgical study for Turkey by hand Society.

He left from the University in 1978, then started to work of department of Orthopedics and Traumatology of Children Hospital of Turkish Social Security to



till 1990. In that time, he designed a microsurgery laboratory in the hospital for practicing and many plastic and orthopedic surgeon has been trained in this laboratory under supervision of

Dr. Ercetin . He had experienced many microsurgical procedure, traumatic and congenital hand problem in that hospital .

In 1990, he founded the Ankara Hand Surgery Center has been affiliated by Ankara Guven Hospital with very modest team which was the first Hand Surgery Clinic of Ankara. In this clinic, At least 1500 operations has been done every year. Four staff surgeon, two anesthesiologist, two physiotherapist, three surgery nurses has worked.

Dr. Ercetin is still very active surgeon and a member of Turkish Hand Society. He was the president of XIII th National Turkish Hand Society Congress.

Dr. Ercetin started an educational program at Ankara Guven Hospital for 3-6 monthly a training program of hand and microsurgery at specialists that come from universities, government and especially social security hospitals from Turkey. Most of them are still working as a chief hand surgeon or staff in many different clinics.

Most of sophisticated procedures of hand surgery like free muscle transfer for ischemic contracture, toe to thumb transfer, free tissue transfer for defects, many kind of local flaps, pollicization for congenital thumb, brachial plexus injuries especially congenital and hand trauma are very concerned by Dr. Omer Ercetin. He is pioneer of some these operation for Turkey.

He is a member of

- Turkish Orthopedic and Traumatology Society;
- Turkish Hand society
- Turkish Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery
- FESSH
- IFSSH

He speaks very well English. He has "Turkish Hand Surgery Diploma" also. He gives many lecture and conferences in national and international congresses. He has many Turkish and English articles and book chapters

The most important book chapter of Dr Ercetin is about treatment of Volkmann ischemic contracture which follows "Erçetin Ö, Akıncı M: Treatment of Volkmann's Ischemic Contracture with free muscle transfer. The Hand Vol 5, s 73-80, Ed. Raoul Tubiana, W.B. Saunders, ISBN 0-7216-5915-2 (V5) Philadelphia 1999"

The article is "Erçetin Ö., Akıncı, M: Free muscle transfer in Volkmann's ischemic contracture. Annales de chirurgie de la main. 1994, Vol XIII No1 s 5-12" has been cited many times by other authors.



Santiago Fazzini

Argentine Association for Reconstructive Surgery
of the Hand and Upper Limb



Born: 1939

Medical Training:

Graduate medical school UBA 1964

Specialist in Orthopedics and Traumatology

Specialist Hand Surgery

Professional appointments:

Surgical Municipal Graduated from the Graduate School- R. Finocchieto

He applied his profession, preferably dedicated to surgery of the upper limb and hand in various hospitals:

- CABA: Rawson Hospital.
- National Institute of Rehabilitation.
- Hospital Velez Sarsfield.
- Juan A. Fernandez Hospital.
- Consultant Hand Surgeon of the Plastic Surgery Hospital R. Gutierrez Children CABA.

Current head of the Section of Hand Surgery and Senior Member of CEMIC.



Memberships of Organisations include:

Full member of the Argentina Society of Hand Surgery since its founding in 1975.

Courses and lecturer in annual Round Tables Symposium and Congress of Argentina Society for Surgery of the Hand.

Former President of the Society for Surgery of the Hand. 1998

Awards include:

Awarded for Rescue of Traumatized hand. Velez Sarsfield Hospital Award 1980.

Awarded by the Argentina Academy of Medicine. Serious injury of the limbs. Goldaracena Award 1984.

Lectures and Publications include:

Lecturer and participant roundtables and symposium on pathology of the hand and upper limb in Argentine Congress of Orthopedics and Traumatology.

Lecturer in post-graduate courses.

Invited to give lectures on pathology of the hand and upper limb in Congresses of the Ecuadorian Society of Orthopedics and Traumatology (1995, 2000) and postgraduate course in 2005.

Publications in national and international journals.



John Fleming

South African Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Johannesburg, South Africa, 1937

Medical School:

M.B., B. Ch., University of the Witwatersrand, 1962

F.R.C.S., Edinburgh, Scotland, 1970

E.C.F.M.G., 1972

Medical Training:

Fellow of Hand Surgery Programme, Cong Hoa Military Hospital, Saigon, Vietnam, 1973

Hand Fellow to Dr Alfred Swanson - Blodgett Memorial Hospital, Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA, 1973-74

Hand Fellow to Dr Jim Hunter, Jefferson Memorial Hospital, Philadelphia, USA, 1974

Hand Fellow to Dr Harold Kleinert, Jewish Memorial Hospital, Louisville, Kentucky, USA, 1974-75

Major Surgical Appointments:

Baragwanath Hospital

- Orthopaedic Consultant in charge of Hands, 1972
- Chief Surgeon in charge of Baragwanath Hand Clinic, 1975-present
- Professor of Hand Surgery, 2002



Executive Appointments:

Johannesburg General Hospital

- Chairman, Junior Medical Staff Committee, 1968-69
- Junior Staff Representative on Medical Advisory Committee, 1968-69
- Orthopaedic Representative on Hospital Staff Committee, 1970-72

South African Society for Surgery of the Hand (SASSH)

- Secretary, Southern Transvaal Branch, 1975-present
- Executive Committee, 1980-90
- National Secretary, 1980-90
- President, 1993-95

International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand (IFSSH)

- Committee member: Replantation, 1982
- Committee member: Future Education, specifically in the Developing World, 2001

Microsurgical Society (South Africa) - Founder member, 1988

Administrative Appointments:

Initiated a Blood Bank in Luderitz, South West Africa, while in General Practice, 1963. Blood Bank was still functioning in 1999.

Solely in charge of Maun Hospital, Botswana - 150 beds. Initiated a Blood Bank during Administration, 1964.

Regimental Medical Officer to 5 Commando Armée Nationale du Congo. Responsible for the health of the troops and for the resumption of normal health services in the North East sector of Province Orientale, Congo (Zaire) as the level of hospitals declined, 1965

Memberships of Organisations include:

South African Medical Association

South African Orthopaedic Association

South African Society for Surgery of the Hand

British Hand Surgery Society

International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand

Medical Protection Society

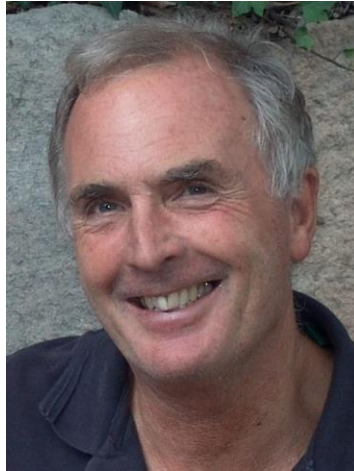
Lectures and Publications include:

A number of publications in the national and international literature

Multiple national and international presentations



Timothy Herbert
Australian Hand Surgery Society



Born: 1941

Medical Training:

M.B.,B.S. (London), 1965

F.R.C.S. (London), 1970

F.R.A.C.S., 1978

Major Appointments:

Orthopaedic Surgeon specialising in hand and wrist surgery (retired)

Consultant Orthopaedic surgeon at Sydney Hospital Hand Unit, and St Luke's Hand Unit, Sydney, Australia

Private practice

Memberships of Organisations include:

Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (since 1978)

Australian Hand Surgery Society

New South Wales Hand Surgery Society



Honorary Member, British Society for Surgery of the Hand

American Society for Surgery of the Hand (Corresponding Member)

Membre Honoraire, Institut de la Main, Paris, France

Honours, Awards, Scientific Presentations and Publications:

VMO at Sydney Hospital Hand Unit and St Luke's Hospital Hand Unit - approximately 17 years.

Founding Chairman, and Director of Hand Surgery Fellowship Programme, St Luke's Hospital.

Past President New South Wales Hand Surgery Society

Guest Professor of several National and International Societies, including the British, American, Japanese, German, S African, Argentinean & Thailand Hand Surgical Societies

Author of >30 papers in Refereed Journals, numerous chapters or contributions in Medical Textbooks, and author of the Monograph "The Fractured Scaphoid" (1990)

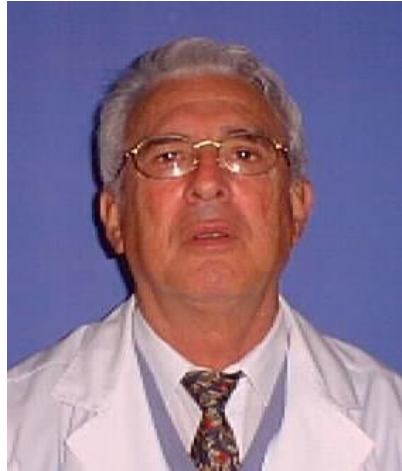
Guest Speaker at more than 44 Hand & Wrist surgery meetings, congresses and workshops.

Development of equipment and implants - scaphoid screw, ulnar head prosthesis



Aldo Aristides Illaramendi

Argentine Association for Reconstructive Surgery
of the Hand and Upper Limb



Born: 1932

Work Experience and Academics:

Doctor in Orthopedics and Traumatology Service, Buenos Aires Italian Hospital, since 1959.

Doctor in Experimental Surgery, Maniotta University, 1963.

Resident in Orthopedics and Traumatology, Winnipeg, 1963.

Fellow in Hand Surgery, Presbyterian Hospital, Columbia University, New York, USA 1964.

Foundation Member Hand Surgery and Upper Limb Department, Buenos Aires Italian Hospital, 1965.

Auxiliary Professor in Orthopedics and Traumatology, at the School of Medical Science, Buenos Aires University, 1965.

Head of Hand Surgery and Upper Limb Sector at Carlos Ottolenghi, Orthopedics and Traumatology Service, 1965-1997.

Internship with Dr. Alfred Swanson, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Arthroplasties with silastic, 1972.

Internship with Dr. Hanno Milessi, Microsurgery, nerve grafting, Vienna, Austria, 1975.

President of Argentine Association of Hand Therapy and Upper Limb, 1978.

Associate Professor in Orthopedics and Traumatology, at the School of Medical Science, University of Salvador, Buenos Aires – Argentina, 1988.



Lectures and Publications include:

“Guest Speaker (Jesse Jupiter, Harvard University) about Kienböck disease” 2000.

“Guest Speaker (hospital for Special Surgery, New York) about Kienböck disease”, 2003.

“Guest Speaker (Hospital Joint Disease, New York) about Biological Effects of Osteotomy, 2004.

Multiple publications in national and international journals

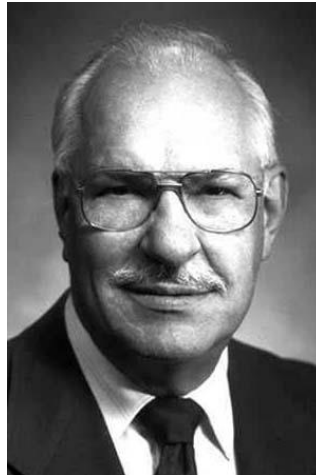
Awards include:

“The operative treatment of Kienböck’s disease by metaphyseal core descompression”, with Drs. P. De Carli, Ch.Schulz, First Prize Award to best clinical investigation work published in 2001, in the Journal Hand Surgery, 26A: 252-260. First Prize Award Southern California Society for Surgery of Hand.



Joeseph Kutz

American Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1928

Medical Training:

BS University of Detroit, Detroit, Michigan, 1953

MS University of Detroit, Detroit, Michigan, 1955

MD University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1958

American Board of Surgery, 1965

Certification of Added Qualifications in Surgery of the Hand, 1989

Major Medical Appointments:

University of Louisville School of Medicine

- Surgical Resident, 1959-63
- Christine Kleinert Fellow in Hand Surgery, 1963-64
- Instructor in Surgery, 1963-1968
- Assistant Clinical Professor of Surgery, 1968-1974
- Associate Clinical Professor of Surgery, 1974-88
- Director, Christine M. Kleinert Fellowship in Hand and Microsurgery, 1987-93
- Clinical Professor of Surgery (Hand), 1988-present
- Clinical Professor of Surgery (Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery), 1992-present
- Chief, Division of Hand Surgery, 2004-15

Jewish Hospital

- Chief, Department of Surgery, 1977-79
- Board of Trustees of Jewish Hospital HealthCare Services, 1987-2005
- President-Elect of the Jewish Hospital Medical Staff, 1991-92
- Medical Staff President, 1992-93
- Advisory Board, Jewish Hospital Hand and Microsurgery Institute, 2000



Military:

U S Army, 1946-49

Awards and Honours include:

Centurion Award, Marmion Military Academy, Springfield, Illinois, 1978

University of Detroit President's Cabinet Award, Detroit, MI, 1979

Distinguished Leadership Award, National Association for Community Leadership, 1992

Volunteers of America of Kentucky Award for Community Services, 1995

Maimonides Award, Jewish Hospital, 1995

In honor of international contributions, Spalding University named the international center "The Joseph E. Kutz, M.D. International Center", 1996

Rotarian of the Year, presented by the Rotary Club of Louisville, 1999

Ephraim McDowell Physician of the Year Award, presented by the Caritas Foundation, 1999

Inducted into the Marmion Athletic Hall of Fame, 1999

Tribute to Excellence Award, presented by the Arthritis Foundation, Kentucky Chapter, 2001

Science Alumnus of the Year, awarded by the College of Engineering and Science, University of Detroit Mercy, 2002

Roger Fox Award, presented by Kosair Charities, 2005

Rotary Lifetime Service Award, presented by the Rotary Club of Louisville, 2006

Doctor of Science Honorary Degree, awarded by Spalding University, 2006

"Partners in Health Care", Business First, 2006-2010, 2014-15

Pioneer of the Year Award, Business First, 2014

Memberships of Organisations include:

Greater Louisville Medical Society, 1966

Kentucky Chapter, Arthritis Foundation, 1966

- Board of Directors, 1975-77



Kentucky Medical Association, 1966

- Member, Board of Trustees, 1990-96
- Member, Public Education Committee, 2004–15

Kentucky Surgical Society, Senior Fellow, 1966

Louisville Surgical Society, 1966

Michigan Medical Society, 1966

American Heart Association, 1967

American College of Surgeons, 1967

Caribbean Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1969

Group for the Advancement of Microsurgery, 1969

Pan-Pacific Surgical Association, 1969

American Medical Association, 1970

American Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1970

- Council Member at Large, 1984-87

Southeastern Surgical Congress, 1974

American Society of Plastic Surgeons, 1979

International Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery

- Founding Member, 1979
- Treasurer, 1983-91

Southern Medical Association, 1979

Sunderland Society, Charter Member, 1979

Southern Carolina Orthopaedic Association, Honorary Member, 1980

Arkansas Hand Club, Honorary Member, 1982

Surg-Hands, 1984

Houston Orthopaedic Society, Honorary Fellowship, 1984

American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery

- Founding Member, 1984
- Executive Council Member at Large, 1984-86
- Vice President, 1985-1986
- President, 1986-87
- Emeritus member, 2012-present

Pan American Medical Association (Section on hand), 1985-94

Venezuelan Hand Society, 1987-present



Southeastern Hand Club, Honorary Member, 1989-present

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, Alpha Chapter, University of Louisville School of Medicine, 1993-present

World Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery (founding member), 1999-present

Lifetime member, American Medical Association, 2001-present

American Society for Reconstructive Transplantation, 2011-present

International Hand and Composite Tissue Allotransplantation Society, 2011-present

Special Appointments:

Jefferson County Medical Society

- "At Large" Member of the Board of Governors, 1985-87
- Alternate Delegate of the Fifth District Delegation to the Kentucky Medical Society, 1985-89
- President-Elect, 1987-88
- President, 1988-89
- Chairman, Board of Governors, 1989-90
- President, Medical Foundation, 1989-93
- Board of Directors, Outreach Program (The Healing Place), 1989-97

Director, Leadership Louisville Foundation, 1985-94

American Foundation for Surgery of the Hand

- Member, Board of Directors, 1987-91
- Vice President, 1989-91

Rotary Club of Louisville

- Director, 1987-93
- Second Vice President, 1989-90
- First Vice President, 1990-91
- President, 1991-92

President, Christine M. Kleinert Institute for Hand and Micro Surgery, 1987-2015

Leadership Louisville Foundation

- Program Chairman, FOCUS Louisville, 1989-90
- Chairman of the Board, 1990-92

Member, Board of Trustees, The Physicians, Inc. 1990-97

Frazier Rehab Center

- President of the Medical Staff, 1992-93
- Frazier Advisory Board, 1992-2007
- Chairman-Elect, Frazier/VNA Advisory Board, 1995
- Chair, Frazier/VNA Advisory Board, 1996-98



Member, Board of Directors, The dePaul School, 1996-1999

Board Member, Visiting Nurse Association of Louisville, 1994

Spalding University

- Member, Board of Trustees, 1993-2005; 2007-09
- Chairman, Board of Trustees, 1998-2000; 2002-04
- Trustee Emeritus, 2010 – Present

Member, Board of Directors, Greater Louisville Inc. (Louisville Area Chamber of Commerce), 1996

Member, Board of Directors, Greater Louisville Health Enterprises Network, 2000-15

Member, Board of Directors, Leadership Kentucky, 2002

Member, Board of Trustees, University of Louisville Foundation Inc., 2002

Foundation Board of Trustees, Greater Louisville Medical Society, 2006 - 2014

Executive Board of Advisors, College of Engineering and Science, University of Detroit Mercy, 2009 - 2011

Lectures and Publications include:

Multiple Honorary Lectureships / Visiting Professorships and invited guest lectures

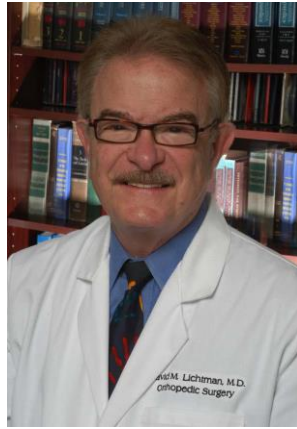
Over 85 articles and book chapters

Editorial Board of Microsurgery, Official Journal of the International Microsurgical Society and the European Federation of Societies for Microsurgery, 1988-97



David Lichtman

American Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Brooklyn, New York, 1942

Medical School:

Tufts College, Medford, MA, 1962 (BS)

SUNY Downstate (Brooklyn), 1966 (MD)

Medical Training:

Internship: University of Minnesota Hospitals, 1967

Postgraduate Naval School of Aerospace Medicine, 1967 (Navy Flight Surgeon)

Residency U.S. Naval Hospital, 1972-73

Adult Orthopaedics: Oakland, CA

Hand Fellowship: James N. Wilson, M.D (SD CA), 1973-74

Diplomate, Amer. Board Ortho Surg (ABOS), 1975-present

Certificate of Added Qualification (Hand), 1994-present

Major Appointments:

Professor, Department of Surgery, Uniformed Services University (USU), 1994-present

Adjunct Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, University of North Texas (UNTHSC), 2010-present



Clinical Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, U.T. Southwestern Medical Center, 1999-present

Adjunct Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, Baylor College of Medicine, 1994-present

Leadership of Organisations include:

President, American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH), 2005-06

President, Hibbs Orthopaedic Society, 1994-95

President, Society of Med Consultants to Armed Forces, 2005-06

President, U.S. Navy Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1994

Chairman, Membership Committee (IWIW), 1996-2001

Chairman, AAOS Committee on Military Affairs, 1984

Examiner, ABOS Part II, 1989-2015

Board of Governors, ACS, 1988-1994

Chairman, AMA Compensation Committee, 2012-2015

Military / Academic Honours:

Promoted to Rear Admiral, US Navy

- Lower Half (One Star, 1988
- Upper Half (Two Stars), 1991

Military Awards

- Navy Distinguished Service Medal, 1994
- USUHS Distinguished Service Medal, 1994
- Navy Legion of Merit (x2), 1989, 1991
- Navy Meritorious Service Medal, 1987
- Navy Meritorious Unit Command (x2), 1972, 1991
- Navy Humanitarian Service Medal (x2), 1966, 1992

Academic Awards

- Texas Super Doctors, 2012, 2013
- Best Doctors in America, 2011-2012
- John Seal Award, 2002
- The Distinguished Achievement Award, 1994
- The Baron Dominique Larrey Award (In Recognition of the U.S. Military surgeon who most exemplifies surgical excellence), 1987
- The Philip Hench Award, 1982



Lectures and Publications include:

Over 80 articles published in national and international journals

Author of textbooks

- The Wrist and Its Disorders, Ed. I, W.B. Saunders, 1988
- The Wrist and Its Disorders, Ed II, W.B. Saunders Philadelphia, 1997
- Kienbock's Disease: Advances in Diagnosis and Treatment, Springer-Verlag New York, NY. 2016 (In production)

29 published chapters in textbooks

205 Invited Presentations at national and international meetings



Albert Lluch Homedes

Spanish Society for Surgery of the Hand



Alberto Lluch was born in Tortosa, Spain, on 8 November 1943. In 1960 he went to Barcelona to study Medicine, obtaining his degree in June 1966. The following two years he trained in Traumatology and Orthopaedic Surgery at the Hospital Sant Pau in Barcelona. He then decided to be a specialist in hand surgery, and to accomplish this he went to New York City in November 1968. After a one year rotating Internship at Columbus Hospital, he did one year Residence in General Surgery (Director of Surgery: Frank C. Spencer) and three years in Orthopaedic Surgery, all at the New York University Medical Center Program, which included Bellevue, New York University and Veterans Administration Hospitals (Director of Orthopaedics: Walter L. Thompson).

Upon being certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery he did a Hand Surgery Fellowship with Dr. Robert W. Beasley at New York University Medical Center (Director of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery: Dr. John Converse) and later with Dr. John W. Madden at the University of Arizona Medical Center in Tucson, Arizona. He also obtained a License in Medicine and Surgery from the States of New York and Arizona, and is certified.

When he returned to Spain in November 1974 he was appointed Chief of the Hand Unit at the Hospital Sant Pau in Barcelona. He was Professor of Anatomy, Associate Professor in Orthopaedic Surgery and Professor of Biomaterials at the University of Barcelona. In January 1994, in association with Dr. Marc Garcia-Elias, he founded the Institut Kaplan in Barcelona, exclusively dedicated to



Surgery of the Hand and Upper Extremity. More than 100 Hand Surgeons from all over the world have participated in their Hand Fellowship training Program.

Dr. Lluch was very active in promoting Surgery of the Hand in Spain, being the Vice-secretary, Secretary and Vice-president of the Spanish Society for Surgery of the Hand (SECMA) for 11 years, from 1989 until 1998, and later he was elected President for a two year term. During those years he was the International Delegate for the European Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand (FESSH) and the International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand (IFSSH).

He has been a Member of the Council of European Rheumatoid Arthritis Surgical Society (ERASS), SECMA, FESSH and IFSSH (Member at Large). He has been a Member of the following Committees of the IFSSH: Committee Consensus Conference on Partial Wrist Arthrodesis, Committee of Neuroma and Pain Management, and Committee of Hands Around the World. He has also been Chairman of the Committee on Rheumatoid Arthritis and the Nomenclature Committee.

Alberto Lluch was the President and organizer of the following Congresses held in Barcelona: XII Congress of the Spanish Society for Surgery of the Hand (SECMA) in 1995, VII Congress of the Federation of European Societies for Surgery of the Hand (FESSH) in 2000 and XV Congress of the European Rheumatism and Arthritis Surgical Society (ERASS) in 2008. He also organized many Instructional Courses and Meetings related to Surgery of the Hand, both in Spain and abroad.

He has been appointed reviewer to the following medical publicaciones: The Journal of Hand Surgery (British-European Volume), Surgical Techniques in Orthopaedics and Traumatology, Year Book of Hand Surgery, Romanian Journal of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, La Main, Annales de Chirurgie de la Main, Revista Iberoamericana de Cirugía de la Mano, JANO, Annals de la Santa Creu i Sant Pau, Medicina Clínica, Revista de Ortopedia y Traumatología (SECOT) y Revista Venezolana de Cirugía de la Mano.

Dr. Lluch is a Member of the following Medical Societies: American, British, French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese and Venezuelan Societies for Surgery of the



Hand, American, French and Spanish Societies of Orthopaedic Surgery, Spanish Society of Microsurgery, European and Spanish Societies for Shoulder and Elbow Surgery, European Rheumatoid Arthritis Surgical Society, International Wrist Investigators Workshop and Catalanian Societies of General Surgery, Orthopaedic Surgery and Medical Sciences.

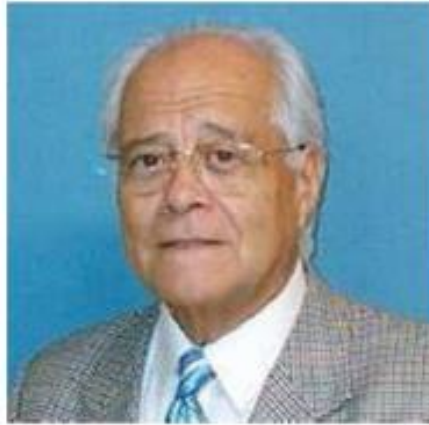
His areas of special medical interest are carpal tunnel syndrome, compression neuropathies and neuroma management, fingertip reconstruction, carpal Misalignments and instabilities, joint arthroplasties and tumours; although his passion was surgery of rheumatoid arthritis.

Dr. Lluch has published 4 books. One on Carpal Tunnel Syndrome based on his clinical and experimental animal studies done for his Ph.D. thesis, with special emphasis on the etiopathogenesis and how to avoid complications with its surgical treatment. The second book was on Rheumatoid Arthritis in the Hand, with a clear and updated review of the etiopathogenesis of its deformities and their surgical treatment. He later co-authored a publication Degenerative Arthritis in the Hand. The fourth publication was the Terminology for Hand Surgery, a publication sponsored by the IFSSH, including all anatomical terms, hand function, clinical examination and treatment, as well as an atlas of surface anatomy and joint motion. All terms are listed in English (Geoffrey Hooper), French (Adalbert Kapandji), German (Ulrich Lanz and Hans Martin Schmit) and Spanish, and the anatomical terms also in Latin (Nomina Anatomica). It was published in 2001, and distributed to all Members of the IFSSH through their National Societies. He has co-authored three other books and written 49 chapters in books and 183 articles in Medical Journals. He was the author of all illustrations in his publications and oral and poster presentations.



Guillermo Loda

Argentine Association for Reconstructive Surgery
of the Hand and Upper Limb



Born: 1937

Medical School: University of Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1963

Medical Training:

Spain: with Prof. Enríquez de Salamanca

France: with Prof. Marc Iselin and Prof. Raoul Tubiana

USA: with Prof. William Littler, Prof. Robert Carroll and Prof. Adrián Flatt

Finland: Prof. Kauko Vainio

Argentina: Prof. Eduardo Zancolli

Major Appointments:

Head of Department: Hand Surgery and Upper Limb Department
Microsurgery, French Hospital, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1973-2010

- Foundation member, Hand Surgery and Upper Limb Department, 1973

- Foundation Member: Microsurgery and Replantation Department, 1980

Consultant Hand Surgery: "Police Hospital" of Buenos Aires, 1976-2000

Head of the Private Institute for Surgery of the Hand, Buenos Aires,
Argentina

Consultant Member, Hand Surgery and Upper Limbs, F.L.E.N.I. Institute,
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Consultant Member: Hand Surgery and Upper Limbs, F.L.E.N.I.
Rehabilitation Center, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Consultant Member: Hand Surgery and Upper Limbs, "Army Hospital",
Pediatric Department, Buenos Aires, Argentina



Professional appointments include:

Delegate to the IFSSH in representation of the South American Hand Surgery Societies, 1980-96

Argentina Hand Surgery Society

- Foundation Member, 1973
- President, 1980

South American Hand Surgery Society

- President

Second Foundation of the South American Hand Surgery Society, Foundation Member, 1996

Ecuador Hand Surgery Society, Foundation Member

“Latin Group for Surgery of the Hand”, Secretary General, 1992 and 1994

President: Executive Committee “First Latin Congress for Surgery of the Hand” Brazil, 1993

Member Elect: Executive Committee “World Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery” Singapore, 1995

President, “World Congress of the International Society for Congenital Malformation”, 2003

President: “The Third Congress World Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery”, 2005

Member of the International Jury: “University of Nancy France”, 2000

Corresponding member of Hand Surgery Society (Venezuela); Orthopedic Society (Chile); Hand Surgery Society (Ecuador); Hand Surgery Society (Mexico)

Lectures and Publications include:

Author/co-author of three hand surgery texts:

- “Thumb and Finger Reconstructions”, Thieme Stuttgart-New York G. Loda, 1999
- “Traumatic Hand Emergency”, M. Merle - G. Dautel - G. Loda. Masson – Paris, France, 1993
- “Traumatic Hand and Wrist Secuelae”, M. Merle - G. Dautel - G.Loda. Masson – Paris, France, 1996

Author/co-author of multiple book chapters and publications in national and international journals

Multiple national and international guest lectures



Distinctions and Awards:

Member a Titre Extranger, Académie Nationale de Chirurgie Paris, France, 2013

Member of Honour, Société Française de Chirurgie de la Main, Paris France, 2015

First Prize Award, Carlos Ottolenghi, Orthopedic and Traumatology Society from Argentina, 1976: “Development of the First Wrist Prosthesis and Wrist Biomechanics”

First Prize Award from the Foreign Communities Hospital of Buenos Aires, 1982: “Hand and Limb Replantation”

First Prize Award, French Hospital of Buenos Aires, 1983: “Congenital Malformation of the Hand and Upper Limb”

First Prize Award, Prize “Arc the Triumph”, 1986: “Thumb Reconstruction Personal Technique”

First Prize Award, National Academy of Medicine, Argentina, 1987: “Rheumatic Hand”

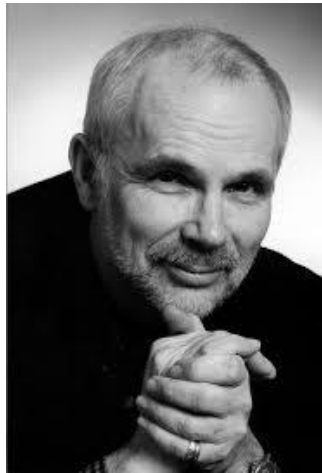
First Prize Award, National Academy of Medicine, Argentina, 1988: “Congenital Malformations”.

First Prize Award, National Academy of Medicine, Argentina, 1989: “Microsurgery Reimplantation”.



Göran Lundborg

Swedish Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Gothenburg, Sweden, 1943

Medical School: University of Gothenburg Medical School, 1961-1968

Major Appointments:

University of Gothenburg,

- Associate Professor, Department of Anatomy, 1970
- Associate Professor, Division for Hand Surgery, Department of Orthopedics, 1975

University of Lund.

- Head, Division for Hand Surgery, Department of Orthopaedics, 1983-1986
- Professor of Hand Surgery, 1988-2009
- Promotion Boards, Faculty of Medicine, Deputy Chairman since 1997.
- Central Council, Faculty of Medicine, 1991-1996
- Council for Research Grants, Faculty of Medicine, 1993-1999
- Professor Emeritus, 2009-

Chairman and chief of service, Department of Hand Surgery, Lund University, Malmö General Hospital, University of Lund, 1987-2009

Memberships of Organisations include:

Swedish Society for Surgery of the Hand

Swedish Society for Orthopedic Surgery

Scandinavian Society for Surgery of the Hand

American Society for Surgery of the Hand (corresponding member)



British Society for Surgery of the Hand

Argentinean Society for Surgery of the Hand

Australian Society for Surgery of the Hand

The Sunderland Society

International Society for Developmental Neurobiology

Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand (corresponding member)

Lectures and Publications include:

Multiple Visiting Professorships, including:

- Department of Plastic Surgery, John Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, USA, 1989
- Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, University of California, San Diego, 1980-81
- Australian Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1993
- Singapore Hand Surgery Society, 1993
- Harold E. Kleinert and Joseph E. Kutz, Visiting Professorship in Hand and Microsurgery, Louisville, 1998

Multiple Honorary Lectureships, including:

- Founders Lecture, American Society for Surgery of the Hand, Phoenix: *The hand, the brain and the mind*, 1992
- Sir Walther Mercer Memorial Lecture, British Orthopaedic Association (BOC), Cardiff., 1997
- Erik Moberg Lecture. Scandinavian Society for Surgery of the Hand, Oslo, 1998
- Paul Guildal Lecture, Dansk Ortopedisk Sällskap, Copenhagen, 1998
- Richard Bunge Memorial Lecture, Peripheral Nerve Society, Banff, 2003
- Inaugural Swanson Lecture at the IFSSH meeting in Sydney, 2007

Books:

- Nerve Injury and Repair, Elsevier, 2004 (2nd ed)
- Handkirurgi - en introduktion, Studentlitteratur, Lund, 2015 (3rd ed)
- The Hand and the Brain – from Lucy's thumb to the thought-controlled robotic hand [in Swedish], Atlantis, 2011
- The Hand and the Brain – from Lucy's thumb to the thought-controlled robotic hand [in English], Springer, 2013

About 390 original articles, 35 book chapters

Co-editor: Scandinavian Journal of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and Hand Surgery

Editorial board:

- American Journal of Hand Surgery
- Journal of Hand Surgery, British and European volume



- Restorative Neurology and Neuroscience
- Hand Surgery (Asia-Pacific)

Awards include:

American Society for Surgery of the Hand Essay Contest, 1975

Winner: Kappa Delta Award (Orthopaedic Research Society: Flexor Tendon Repair (in cooperation with R Gelberman, P Manske, W Akesson, S Woo and D Amiel.), 1985

Honorary Professorship, General Hospital of PLA, Postgraduate Military Medical Institute, 1986

Fernström young investigator prize, 1986

Niclas Andry Award: Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (in cooperation with R Gelberman and B Rydevik), 1989

Laurea Honoris Causa, Bologna University, 1999

Millesi award, University of Vienna, Austria, 2006



Paul Manske
American Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Ft. Wayne, Indiana, USA, 1938

Medical School: Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO
1960-64

Medical Training:

Resident in Surgery, Division of Orthopaedic Surgery, Department of Surgery,
Washington University School of Medicine/Barnes Hospital, 1969-72

Hand Fellowship, University of Louisville (Harold Kleinert, M.D.), 1971

Military Service: U.S. Navy, 1966-69

Major Appointments:

St. Louis Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children

- Director, Hand Surgery, 1973-2010

Washington University School of Medicine

- Fred C. Reynolds Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, Division of Orthopaedic Surgery, Department of Surgery, 1983-95
- Director, Hand Surgery Fellowship, Division of Orthopedic Surgery, Department of Surgery, 1986-95
- Professor, Orthopaedic Surgery, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1995-2010
- Master, Erlanger-Graham Academic Society, 1998-2004

Orthopaedic Surgeon in Chief, Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, MO, 1983-95



Memberships of Organisations include:

American Society for Surgery of the Hand
Australian Hand Surgery Society (Honorary Member)
Congenital Hand Study Group
Hand Study Society
Hong Kong Society for Surgery of the Hand
International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand
Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand (Honorary Member)
Pediatric Hand Society
Academic Orthopaedic Society
American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery
American College of Surgeons
American Orthopaedic Association
Association of Bone and Joint Surgeons
Association of Orthopaedic Chairman
Orthopedic Research Society
Washington University Eliot Society

Lectures and Publications include:

191 publications in national and international journals
22 books and book chapters
54 Journal of Hand Surgery Editorials
104 invited lectures and 245 presentations

Editorial appointments include:

- American Journal of Hand Surgery (Associate Editor, 1985-90; Editor-in-Chief (1996-2010)
- Hand and Upper Limb, Churchill-Livingstone (Editorial Board, 1991-95)
- Advances in Orthopaedic Surgery, Mosby (Editor, 1991-95)
- Thumb Reconstruction, Hand Clinics of North America (Editor, 1992)



Scientific Recognition:

President's Award, Valparaiso University, 1960

Alpha Omega Alpha, Washington University School of Medicine, 1985

Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa), Valparaiso University, 1985

Elizabeth Winston Lanier Award, Kappa Delta Paper — American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons/Orthopedic Research Society, 1985

Nicholas Andry Award for Orthopaedic Research, Association of Bone & Joint Surgeons, 1991

Palma Chironis Resident Teaching Award, Department Orthopedic Surgery, Washington University, 2006

Distinguished Alumni Scholar, Washington University School of Medicine, 2009



Michel Merle
French Society for Hand Surgery



Born: 1943

Major Medical Appointments:

Chirurgien des Hôpitaux, 1979 (Department of plastic and reconstructive surgery of locomotor apparatus).

Head of department, Plastic and Reconstructive surgery of the locomotor apparatus, University Hospital Nancy, 1989-2000

Head of Department, Hand Surgery, Luxembourg Kirchberg Hospital.

Academic Appointments:

Medical Doctor, 1971

Forensic scientist, 1974

General Surgery, 1976

Plastic and reconstructive Surgery, 1977

Orthopaedic and traumatology, 1978

Professor of Orthopaedics and Plastic Surgery- University Henri Poincaré - Nancy, 1979

Director of the Diploma of Microsurgery, 1986-98

Founder (1987) and Director (1987-94; 1998-2000) of the European Institute of Biomaterials and Microsurgery



Director of the Institute for Surgical Research, 1989-93, 1998-2000

Elected member of the National Council of Universities, 1994

Scientific Director of the Medical Training Center –Luxembourg, 2006

Memberships of Organisations include:

French Society for Hand Surgery (G.E.M.), 1976

- General Secretary, 1991-94
- President, 1997-98
- Member of Honour, 2000

Group for Advancement of Microsurgery (G.A.M.), 1976

- President, 1986

Orthopaedic Society of Eastern France (SOTEST), 1976

French Association of Surgery, 1977-94

French Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (SFCPR), 1977

French Society of Orthopedic Surgery and Traumatology (SOFCOT), 1980

French Academy of Surgery, 1984

Corresponding Member of National Academy of Medicine, 1997

European Society for Surgical Research, 1976-94

- Vice-President, 1984
- President of Congress, 1986

International College of Surgeons, 1975-92

Belgian Hand Group, 1977

- Member of Honour, 2014

International Microsurgical Society, 1979

Italian Society of Hand Surgery (SICM), 1979

Fédération Européenne des Services d'Urgence de la Main (FESUM)

- Founding Member 1980
- General Secretary 1980-1984

International Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology (SICOT), 1981

International Society of Research in Orthopaedic and Traumatology (SIROT) 1981



American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH), International member, 1983

Italian Society of Microsurgery, 1983

British Society for Surgery of the Hand (BSSH), Overseas member, 1984

Spanish Society for Surgery of the Hand (SECMA), 1984

Spanish Society for Microsurgery, 1984

Uruguayan Society for Hand Surgery, 1984

American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery (ASRM), 1985

Asociacion Colombiana de cirugia de la Mano, 1989

Argentine Association for Surgery of the Hand (AACM), 1989

The Sunderland Society, 1990

Honorary Member of the Royal Academy of Medicine of Belgium, 1997

Deutsche Gesellschaft Für Plastische und Wiederherstellungschirurgie E.V, 2001

Lectures and Publications include:

Over 205 publications in national and international journals

Author of 4 books and 69 book chapters

Over 1000 scientific communications, roundtables, in national and international meetings

Construction of 5 videos

Editorial board appointments include:

- Journal of Microsurgery
- Revue de Chirurgie Orthopédique et Traumatologique, (RCO), 1981-84
- Journal of Reconstructive Microsurgery, Thieme , New York
- Annales de Chirurgie de la Main, Expansion Editor, Paris
- Peripheral Nerve and Nerve Regeneration
- Annales de Chirurgie plastique et esthétique

Awards and Distinctions:

Prize winner of the Nancy Medical School. 1971

Thesis Award Henri Galilé, 1971



Thesis Award J. Logeais, 1971

Surgical Research Award (Medico-surgical insurance Company), 1978

Frederiks Price of British Society for Surgery of the Hand, London, 1983

Member of Honour of the French Society for Hand Surgery (G.E.M.), 2000

Member of Honour of the French Society for Orthopedic Surgery and Traumatology (SOFOT), 2013

Member of Honour of the Belgian Hand Group (BHG), 2014

Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur, 1995

Officier de l'Ordre du Mérite, 2001



Wyndell Merritt
American Association for Hand Surgery



Born: 1940

Medical School: University of North Carolina School of Medicine, Doctor of Medicine, 1962-66

Medical Training:

General Surgery Training, Univ. of FL School of Medicine, 1966-73

Fellow in Plastic Surgery, University of Arizona Medical Center, AZ, 1973-74

Fellow in Plastic Surgery, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, 1975

American Board of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeons, 1976

Certificate of Additional Qualification in Hand Surgery, 1992

Major Medical Appointments:

Medical College of Virginia (VCU), Richmond

- Assistant Clinical Professor of Surgery, 1975
- Medical Director, 1978-83
- Associate Professor of Surgery, 1981-83
- Clinical Professor of Surgery, 2012

- Clinical Professor of Surgery, Department of Plastic and Maxillofacial Surgery, UVA, 2008



Military Service:

Major, US Army Medical Corps, 85th Evacuation Hospital, South Vietnam, 1968-70

- Bronze Star Medal
- Vietnam Chong-Hoa Y-te Boi-Tinh by S. Vietnamese Government for work in reconstructive surgery on leprosy patients

Administrative Appointments:

American Association for Hand Surgery

- Board member, 1983
- Nominating Committee Chair, 1984
- Executive Secretary, 1985
- Vice President, 1989
- President-elect, 1990
- Delegate to IFSSH from AAHS, 1990
- President, 1991
- Clinician/Teacher of the Year, 1997

Southeastern Society for Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeons

- Trustee, 1986
- Pickrell Award for outstanding accomplishment in teaching, 2012
- Founder's Award, 2012
- Upchurch Lecturer, 2015

American Board of Plastic Surgery, Examiner, 1991-97

American Society of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeons, Board member, 1991

International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand (IFSSH), Pain Committee Chair, 1992

American Society for Peripheral Nerve

- Vice President, 1993
- President, 1996-97

American Association of Hand Therapists, Guest Speaker, 1997

American Board of Plastic Surgery, Senior Examiner, 1997

Winner, "Iron Surgeon" competition, ASPS, 2012 and 2015

Honorary Member, American Society of Hand Therapists, 2012

Memberships of Organisations include:

Southeastern Society of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeons, 1976

Association of Academic Surgeons, 1976



Plastic Surgery Research Council, 1978

American Association for Hand Surgery, 1979

International Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery, 1981

American Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1981

Lipolysis Society of North America, 1983

Plastic Surgery Education Foundation, 1983

American Association of Plastic Surgeons, 1984

American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, founding member, 1985

American Medical Association, 1986

Jurkiewicz Surgical Society, 1987

American College of Surgeons, Fellow, 1990

American Society for Peripheral Nerve, founding member, 1991

Hungarian Hand Society, Honorary member, 1992

International Microsurgery Society, 1995

Lectures and Publications include:

39 peer reviewed articles and book chapters in national and international literature

Editorial Board appointments include:

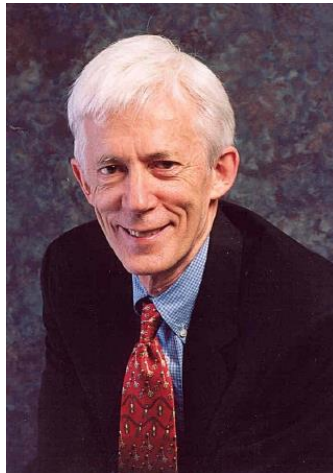
- Journal of Reconstructive Microsurgery, 1991-96
- Annals of Plastic Surgery, 1993
- Annals of Plastic Surgery, 2010

Visiting Professorships include:

- Harvard University, 2009
- University of Virginia, 2009
- 17th Ann. Lawrence Schneider MD Visiting Professor in Hand Surgery, Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, PA., 2015



Wayne Morrison
Australian Hand Surgery Society



Born: 1943

Medical School: MB BS, University of Melbourne, 1967

Medical Training:

First Australasian Plastic Surgery Fellowship to Canniesburn Hospital, Glasgow, Scotland, 1974-75.

- Regional Centre Plastic Surgery - General Plastic and Craniofacial Surgery (Prof T Gibson, I J McGregor, J Mustarde, I Jackson, G Lister)

Institute de la Main, Paris - French Government Scholarship in Hand Surgery (Prof Raoul Tubiana), 1975

Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Florida, United States of America, 1975-76

- Maytag-Magill Fellowship; Cleft Lip and Palate Surgery (Prof Ralph Millard); Hand Surgery (W Burkhalter)

Fellow Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, 1972

Doctor of Medicine, University of Melbourne, 1988

Major Appointments:

Plastic Surgeon, Geelong Hospital, Geelong, 1976-96

Visiting Plastic Surgeon, Repatriation General Hospital, Heidelberg, 1976-87



St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne

- Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeon, 1976-present
- Assistant Plastic Surgeon, 1976-89
- Senior Research Fellow, Microsurgery Research Centre, 1977-85
- Deputy Director, Microsurgery Research Centre, 1985-1992
- Hugh Devine Professor of Surgery and Head, University of Melbourne Department of Surgery, St Vincent's Hospital, 1991-2009
- Head of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery Department, 1995-2009
- Professorial Fellow, Department of Surgery, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, 2009-present

Surgical Lecturer at University of Melbourne, St Vincent's Hospital

Director, O'Brien Institute Department of St Vincent's Institute, 1992-present

Awards and Memberships:

First Australasian Plastic Surgery Fellow appointed to Canniesburn Hospital, Glasgow, Scotland, 1974

French Government Scholarship to train with Professor R Tubiana, Paris, France, 1975

Maytag-Magill Fellowship, Miami, Florida, USA, 1975-1976

Arris & Gale Lecturer, RCS, Advances in digital and tendon reconstruction, 1983

Honorary Member, New Zealand Hand Surgery Society, 1984

Doctor of Medicine, University of Melbourne, Reconstructive Microsurgery, 1988

Honorary Member, South African Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, 1989

Honorary Member, New South Wales Hand Surgery Society, 1990

John Mitchell Crouch Fellowship, Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, 1992

Sir Arthur Sims Travelling Professorship – Royal College Surgeons, England, 1999

Tattersall's National Australia Award for Excellence, 1999



Honorary Member, British Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1999

Member of Australia in the Order of Australia, 2001

Johann Friedrick Dieffenbach Lecturer – German Speaking Societies of Plastic Surgery, 2002

Maliniac Lecturer – The American Society of Plastic Surgery, 2004

Douglas Lamb Lecturer – British Society Surgery of the Hand, 2004

Listed in the top 150 Victorians in last 150 years – The Age Newspaper, 150th Edition, 2004

Honorary Fellowship, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, 2005

B.K. Rank Professor ASC, RACS, 2006

Prince Henry's Medal – awarded by the ASPS for excellence in Plastic Surgery, 2006

Founders Lecturer – American Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery, 2007

Honorary member, International Society of Aesthetic Surgery, 2008

New ideas lecturer - American Society of Plastic Surgery, 2008

Jepson Lecturer – Surgical Research Society, Adelaide, 2011

Buncke Lecturer – American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, 2012

Swanson Lecturer - International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand triennial congress, Delhi, 2013

Lectures and Publications include:

274 publications in national and international journals

13 books, book chapters and reviews

Multiple international and national visiting professorships and invited lectures



Akira Nagano
Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1943

Medical School: M.D., University of Tokyo, 1968

Major Appointments:

University of Tokyo

- Medical staff in affiliated hospitals of Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Faculty of Medicine, 1968
- Assistant Professor, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Faculty of Medicine, 1977
- Lecturer, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Faculty of Medicine, 1980
- Ph D. in Medicine, 1980
- Associate Professor, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Faculty of Medicine, 1985
- Associate Professor & Chairman Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, University of Tokyo Branch Hospital, 1992

Hamamatsu University School of Medicine

- Professor & Chairman, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1998
- Professor Emeritus, 2009

Principal, Shizuoka College of Medical Care Science, 2009

Awards and Honours:

Congress president of the 49th Meeting of Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand, 2006

Award for the Development of Japanese Orthopaedic Association, 2015



Lectures and Publications include:

26 publications in national and international journals

2 review articles in international journals

Multiple international and national lectures

Dr Nagano has been ardently devoted to the Hand and Upper Extremity Surgery, especially in the field of diagnosis and treatments for brachial plexus injury which are known through his presentations at International Meetings and English papers.

Dr Nagano educated and trained significant numbers of hand surgeons who became the leaders in JSSH at Tokyo University and Hamamatsu University School of Medicine.

Dr Nagano was appointed as a member of the Board of directors of JSSH during the period of May 1999 to April 2004, the Japanese Orthopedic Association 2002 to 2005, the Japanese Peripheral Nerve Society 1999 to 2009 and President of Japan Elbow Society 2009 to 2011 as well as the Major Annual Meeting President of these societies.

Among Dr Nagano's contributions in the clinical and research works in peripheral nerve injuries, classification of brachial plexus injury based on myelography and strategic reconstructive procedures for respective post and preganglionic injury were world widely accepted. His refined procedures for the reconstruction of elbow flexion using intercostal nerve transfer has been world widely known and became one of the important armamentariums to regain some practically useful function for the patients with preganglionic brachial plexus injury. He also firstly noted and reported the waist(s) (constriction condition) along the peripheral nerves palsy, such as anterior interosseous nerve palsy and was followed by many papers reporting similar lesions in peripheral nerves provoking new strong research interests.



Sigurd Pechlaner
Austrian Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Innsbruck, Austria, 1941

Major Appointments:

Trauma Surgeon, Department of Trauma Surgery, University Hospital
Innsbruck, 1970 – 2003

Founder, Hand Unit, Traumatology Department, Innsbruck, 1970.

Hand Surgery Training:

Prof Otto Russe, Innsbruck, 1970
Prof Buck Gramcko, Hamburg, 1976 and 1979
Prof Segmüller, St Gallen, 1978
Prof Viktor Meyer, Zürich, 1991

The Austrian Society for Surgery of the Hand has recommended Professor Sigurd Pechlaner, MD as a “Pioneer of Hand Surgery” because of the national and international recognition of his work on diagnosis, biomechanics and surgical techniques in the field of Hand Surgery.

Professor Sigurd Pechlaner, designed, performed and coordinated the team responsible for the musculoskeletal reconstruction for the successful bilateral hand transplantation, which was performed by a team of doctors of the Departments of Traumatology, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the Medical University Hospital in Innsbruck, Austria 2000.

Besides other topics in hand surgery the work of Professor Sigurd Pechlaner was especially focused on the wrist. As a Hand Surgeon in a Traumatology Department he further developed the technique of Russe,



with whom he could work together treating scaphoid nonunions. Professor Pechlaner developed a sophisticated procedure to treat avascular proximal pole non-union of the scaphoid using a free vascular graft from the iliac crest together with Heribert Hussl.

He developed a technique to reproduce all types of distal radius fractures in cadaver models and so analysed the mechanism of a “Hyperextension Injury to the Wrist”, published in his book “Surgery of the Hand”.

Consequently he developed one of the first titanium plates, designed according to the anatomy of the distal radius and established a reliable surgical technique which standardized distal radius fracture treatment until the development of new locking plate systems.

Professor Pechlaner constantly analysed his results. He improved and created new surgical techniques, described in his “Atlas of Hand Surgery”, which was also translated in English and Japanese.

- Decompression Osteotomy of the ulna head to treat ulna impactions syndrome
- Vascularized Bone Graft from the iliac crest to treat avascular scaphoid non-union
- Ligamentoplasty in SL dissociation
- Transposition of the radial Sesamoid bone to treat palmar instability of the Thumb MP Joint
- Ligamentoplasty in CMC1 instability using the ECRL
- Distal radius fracture treatment with palmar and limited dorsal approach
- Modified Kapandji Sauve Procedure.

He was one of the Founders of the Austrian Society of Surgery of the Hand and Member of the first Council in 1990.

Hand Surgery became accredited as a “speciality“ in the Austrian Health Care System 2013. From 1996-2002 when Professor Pechlaner was President of the Austrian Society of Surgery of the Hand his continuous work brought the Austrian Society for Surgery of the Hand closer to the accreditation as Speciality of Hand Surgery.

Professor Pechlaner was active member in the DAH (the German Speaking Societies of Surgery of the Hand) in Austria, Switzerland and Germany and opened the mind for many young and old Hand Surgeons for new frontiers by his many invited lectures, presentations and instructional movies on hand courses.

Publications include:

87 publications in national and international journals



Luciano Poitevin

Argentine Association for Reconstructive Surgery of the Hand and Upper Limb



Born: Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1944

Medical School: Buenos Aires Medical School. Buenos Aires University, Argentina, 1960-67 (MD); 1988 (PhD)

Medical Training:

Hand Fellow. Clinique Victor Hugo & Hôpital American de Neuilly, France. (Dr. Raoul Tubiana), 1979 - 1980

Anatomy Research Fellow. French Government. Université René Descartes. Laboratoire d'Anatomie des Saints-Pères, Paris. (Dr. Jacques Hureau), 1979-1980

Hand Research Fellow. Blodgett Memorial Medical Center, Grand Rapids, MI, and Michigan State University, U.S.A. (Dr. Alfred B. Swanson), 1980.

Major Medical and Academic Appointments:

Buenos Aires Medical School, Buenos Aires University

- Instructor of Anatomy, 1963-83
- Instructor of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, 1973-97
- Associate Professor of Orthopaedics And Traumatology, 1997-2004
- Associate Professor of Anatomy, 1983-2002
- Professor of Anatomy, 2002-11
- Professor of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, 2004-11
- Honorary Professor, 2015-present

Buenos Aires University Hospital

- Intern, 1967
- Chief Resident, Orthopaedic Department, 1973-1974
- Head, Orthopaedic Division, 1999-2008
- Orthopaedic Surgeon and Hand Surgeon, 1993-99
- Consulting Physician, 2014 - present



“Guillermo Rawson” Hospital, Buenos Aires,

- Resident in Orthopaedics & Traumatology, 1968-1972
- Orthopaedic Surgeon, 1974-1978.

“José M. Penna” Hospital, Buenos Aires

- Orthopaedic and Hand Surgeon, 1978-87
- Head, Surgical Department, 1987-91
- Head, Orthopaedic Division, 1992-93

Private Practice as Hand Surgeon (1981-present) and as Orthopaedic Surgeon (1974- present).

Administrative Appointments:

Buenos Aires Medical School, Buenos Aires University (BAMS-BAU)

- President, Committee of Library and Multimedia, 1991-97
- Secretary of Post-Graduate Teaching, 2002-05
- Coordinator of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, Surgical Department, 2004-10

Asociación Argentina de Ortopedia y Traumatología (AAOT)

- Secretary, Editorial Board of the Journal, 1999-2004
- President, Coordinator Committee for Teaching Surgical Skills, 2006-10
- Member, Committee Of Past-Presidents, 2007- present

President, Asociacion Rioplatense de Anatomia, 1986-87

President, Argentine Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1989

President, Argentine Society for Surgery of the Hand Annual Meeting, 1990

President, Argentine Annual Meeting of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, 2007

President, Argentine Association of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, 2006

Memberships of Organisations include:

Sociedad Argentina de Hombro y Codo

Asociacion Argentina del Trauma Ortopedico

Centro de Cientificos y Tecnicos Argentino Frances

Asociacion Argentina de Ortopedia y Traumatologia

Sociedad Argentina de Medicina de Urgencia

Sociedad Argentina de Cirugia de la Mano (Founder Member)

Capítulo Argentino de Anatomia y Biomecanica del Aparato Locomotor



Asociación Argentina de Ortopedia y Traumatología (Honorary Member)

Asociación Argentina De Anatomía (Member Emeritus)

American Association for Hand Surgery

Membre D'honneur de la Société Française de Chirurgie Orthopédique et Traumatologique (SOFOT)

American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons

American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH)

Société Anatomique de Paris

PanAmerican Association of Anatomy.

Lectures and Publications include:

7 chapters in books and 235 papers

Presentations include 102 as Lecturer or Speaker, 36 as Chairman and 90 as Panelist.

Honours and Awards include:

Profesor Honorífico del Hospital Docente Universitario Dr. Darío Contreras, Santo Domingo, República Dominicana. 1996

Visitante Ilustre de la Facultad de Medicina de la Universidad Nacional de Tucuman, 1996

Membre D'honneur de la Société Française de Chirurgie Orthopédique et Traumatologique, 2008

Miembro Honorario. Asociación Argentina de Ortopedia y Traumatología, 2010

Miembro Emérito De La Asociación Argentina De Anatomía, 2014

Best Instructional Lecture, French Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1986

Facultad De Medicina Award (Buenos Aires University), 1989

“Emmanuel Kaplan Award” ASSH 50th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 1995

“Enrique Finochietto Award”, National Academy of Medicine, Buenos Aires, 2015

Three awards of the Argentine Society for Surgery of the Hand, Seven awards of the Argentine Anatomic Society, Two awards of the Argentine Association of Orthopaedics and Traumatology.



Pier Luigi Raimondi

Italian Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Italy, 1942

Medical School: University of Milano, Degree in Medicine and Surgery, 1968

Medical Training:

Specialization in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery University of Torino, 1971

Specialization in Orthopaedic Surgery University of Pisa, 1977

Specialization in Hand Surgery University of Pavia, 1982

Major Medical Appointments:

Legnano Hospital, Milano, Italy

- Plastic and Hand Surgery Department, , 1970-97
- Last position: Responsible for Microsurgery and Brachial Plexus Unit.

MultiMedica Holding, Milano, Italy

- Consultant Brachial Plexus Surgeon in the Hand Surgery Dept, 1998- 2010

Istituto Humanitas-Mater Domini, Castellanza, Italy

- Consultant Hand Surgeon in Hand Surgery Unit, 2011-current



Memberships of Organisations include:

Member of the Italian Society for Surgery of the Hand (SICM)

Member of Italian Society of Microsurgery (SIM)

Foreign member of the French Society of Hand Surgery (GEM)

Honorary Member of the Spanish Society for Surgery of the Hand (SECMA)

Honorary Member of the Spanish Association of Microsurgery (AEM)

Lectures and Publications include:

92 publications in Italian and Foreign scientific journals and books on topics concerning Hand Surgery, Microsurgery and Reconstructive Plastic Surgery

Invited speaker, faculty member and surgical demonstrator at multiple international congresses and courses.

Humanitarian Missions include:

Organized by the “Chaine de l'Espoire” (Paris), treating in University of Zagazig -Egypt (chief. Prof. Sobhi Hweidi) together with prof. Alain Gilbert, obstetrical brachial plexus lesions and congenital malformations of the upper arm.

- From April 2002 and December 2008 with three missions per year

Humanitarian missions in the Paediatric Hospital Nhi Dong in Ho Chi Min (Saigon -Vietnam) Dr. Man, treating congenital malformations of the hands and obstetrical palsies

- June 25-29, 2010; Jan 13-18, 2011; Nov 2-7, 2011; Nov 29-Dec 3, 2012; Apr 24-2, 2013; Mar 13-18, 2014; Oct 30-Nov 4, 2014

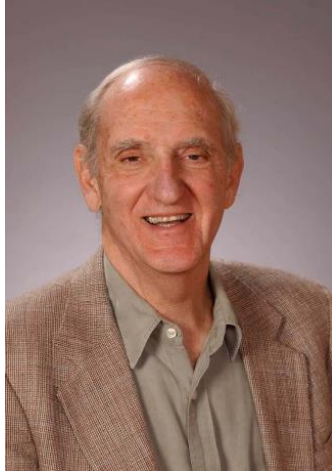
Missions to Alger (Algeria) in the Orthopedic Dept. of Benaknoun Hospital treating congenital deformities, obstetrical and traumatic nerve lesions in children.

- Mar 29-Apr 1, 2013 and still lasting with the frequency of 3 missions per year.



Lawrence Schneider

American Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1943

Medical School: New York University (B.A.), 1954

State University of New York, Downstate Medical Center,
Brooklyn, New York (M.D.), 1958

Medical Training:

Internship, Kings County Hospital Center, Brooklyn, New York, 1958-59

Residency, Orthopaedic Surgery, State University of New York, Kings County
Hospital Center, Brooklyn, New York, 1959-63

Fellow, Hand Surgery, Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, New York,
1963-64

American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1967

ABOS-Certification of Added Qualification in Surgery of the Hand, 1989

Military Service:

Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, U.S. Army, 1967-69.



Major Medical and Administrative Appointments:

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

- Attending Orthopaedic Surgeon, 1969
- Clinical Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, Jefferson Medical College, 1985
- Director, Division of Hand Surgery, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1989-98
- Currently Courtesy Staff.

Consultant, Upper Extremity Service, State Hospital for Children and Youth, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, 1969-88

Consultant, Hand Surgery, Alfred I. DuPont Institute, Wilmington, Delaware, 1973-95

Attending, Hand Surgery, Jefferson Park Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1981-98

Attending, Hand Surgery, Wills Eye Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1986-98

Lecturer Hand Conferences Philadelphia Hand Center, NYOH, HSS, HJD Roosevelt Hand Center, 2000-10

Memberships of Organisations include:

American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 1969

American Society for Surgery of the Hand, 1972

American College of Surgeons, 1965

American Medical Association, 1965

Pennsylvania Orthopaedic Society, 1969

Philadelphia County Medical Society, 1969

Philadelphia Orthopaedic Society, 1970

Pennsylvania Medical Society, 1969

Robert E. Carroll Hand Club, 1969

Eastern Orthopaedic Association, 1970

Philadelphia Hand Society, 1970

- President, 1986-87

American Orthopaedic Association, 1988

New York Society for Surgery of the Hand, 2006



Lectures and Publications include:

131 peer reviewed publications on tendon, fracture, nerve, arthritis, ligamentous and reconstructive procedures in the hand and upper extremities.

Dozens of Invited Professorships and lectures internationally

Since Retirement in 2000:

Continued participation in Resident and Fellow Education at:

- NYOH/Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center
- Roosevelt Hospital Starr Hand Center
- Philadelphia Hand Center
- New York Society for Surgery of the Hand

Mentorship of any and all national and international hand surgeons throughout his professional career.

Editorial Appointments include:

- Associate Editor, Journal of Hand Surgery, 1983-88
- Editorial Board, Operative Techniques in Orthopaedics, 1990-98
- Paper Reviewer J Bone Joint Surg, 1990-2000
- Paper Reviewer J American Academy Orthopaedic Surgeons, 1993-2000
- Reviewer Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research, 1998-2000

Honors include:

The John J Gartland Award. Department of Orthopaedic Surgery Jefferson Medical College. 'In recognition of outstanding commitment to resident education.' 1992.

The Lawrence H Schneider Lectureship in Hand Surgery - Established by Jefferson Hand Fellows and Partners and the Hand Rehabilitation Foundation, 1998. A distinguished educator in Hand Surgery is selected as lecturer each year.

Master Teacher-Hand Surgery Presented by the Alumni of State University of NY Downstate at 50 year Reunion, June 2008.

Lifetime Achievement Award from the New York Society for Surgery of the Hand. March 10, 2015.



Luis Carlos Sobania

Brazilian Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Curitiba, Paraná, Brazil, 1937

Medical School:

Universidade federal do Paraná, Brazil

- Graduation in Medicine, 1961
- Free Docency, 1976

Medical Training:

Orthopaedics, Hospital das Clinicas de Curitiba, Brazil, 1962.

Fellow in Hand Surgery at Hospital das Clinicas da Universidade de São Paulo, 1963.

Major Medical and Administrative Appointments:

Children Hospital Cesar Pernet, Curitiba, Brazil

- Chief of the Pediatric Orthopedic, 1965-85
- General Director, 1974-85
- Founder of Hand Surgery Unit, 1976.
- Founder of Medical Residence in Hand Surgery Unit, 1976
- Chief of Hand Surgery Unit , 1976-2008

Hospital XV, Curitiba, Brazil

- Chief of the Medical Residents in Orthopedic Surgery, 1971-95
- Founder of Hand Surgery Unit, 1976.
- Founder of Medical Residency in Hand Surgery Unit, 1976.
- Chief of Hand Surgery Unit, 1976-2008



Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at Universidade Federal do Paraná, 1970-2008.

Founder of Hand Surgery Unit of Worker's Hospital, 1994

First Hand Surgeon of Parana State, Brazil.

Memberships of Organisations include:

Brazilian Hand Society

- President, 1978-79

Medical Council of Paraná State

-Vice president and President, 1983-93

Brazilian Medical Council

-Council Member and Vice president, 1989-99

Hospital de Clinicas da Universidade Federal do Paraná

-General Director, 1999-2001

Secretary of Health of Paraná State, Brazil, 2002

Brazilian Society of Orthopedic Surgery

- President, 1999-2000

South America Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand

-Vice President, 2010-11

- President, 2012-13

Delegate of SBCM to IFSSH, 2011-14

Coordinator of Technical Commission of Body Implant of Brazilian Medical Association, 2005-15

Member of several Committees of the Brazilian Orthopedic and Hand Societies.

Lectures and Publications include:

More than 150 scientific papers in meetings in Brazil and other countries.

More than 30 papers and chapter of books published.



John Stanley

British Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1944

Medical School: Liverpool University
- M.B.,Ch.B., 1968
- M.Ch.Orth., 1975

Medical Training:

Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, 1973

Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, 1974

Major Medical Appointments:

Consultant Hand Surgeon Wrightington Hospital, 1979-2010

Ad Hominem part time Professor of Hand Surgery in the University of Manchester, 1996

Memberships of Organisations include:

British Society for Surgery of the Hand
- Council Member, 1984-87
- President, 1999
- Honorary Member, 2014-current



Societe Francais de la Chirurgie de Main - Membre Titulaire Etranger, 1984-current

British Society of Hand Therapists - President, 1991-93

European Wrist Club - President, 1992-2000

Member of the International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand, Chairman of the Committee for the Distal Radio-Ulna Joint and member of committees on Arthroplasty, Arthritis and Sports Injuries, 1992-current

Member of Scientific Committee of the Federation of European Societies for Surgery of the Hand, 1993

American Society of Surgery for Surgery of the Hand - Corresponding member, 1993-current

New Zealand Hand Society - Honorary Member, 1994-current

Swiss Hand Society- Honorary Member, 1996-current

Western Australian Hand Group - Honorary Member, 1998

Examiner for the Intercollegiate Board in Trauma & Orthopaedic Surgery, 1998-2008

Royal College of Surgeons of England
- Elected Council member, 2006-2012
- Vice-President, 2010

Advisor to the National Patient Safety Authority, 2010

Lectures and Publications include:

106 papers in national and international journals

25 chapters in textbooks and two books

Approximately 600 lectures nationally and internationally.

Visiting Professorships:

- Yoshiba University, The Bronx, New York, 1979
- University of Marseille, 1989
- St Joseph's Hospital, Ontario, Canada, 1991
- Pellenburg Hospital, Leuven University, Belgium, 1991
- University of Otago Medical School, New Zealand, 1997
- Royal College of Surgeons, Australasia, 1998
- Mayo Clinic, Rochester, USA, 2000
- South Africa; Universities of Cape Town, Bloemfontein, Durban, Pretoria and Stellenbosch, 2001



- New Zealand Society for Surgery of the Hand, Napier New Zealand Orthopaedic Society, 2002
- Australian Orthopaedic & Hand Society, 2003
- Asia/Pacific Orthopaedic Society, 2004
- Hand Rehabilitation Foundation, Philadelphia - Management of Complex Elbow Problems, 2005
- Hand Rehabilitation Foundation, Philadelphia Honoured Professor, 2006
- Mayo Clinic Rochester Minnesota USA, 2007
- Hand Rehabilitation Foundation, Philadelphia, 2008
- President's invited Lecture to be given to the American Association of Hand Surgeons, 2011

Invited Named Lectures:

- "Arthroscopy of the Wrist and its role in the management of wrist injuries in sport". 'Boots' Lecture, Dublin, 1991
- 25th John Gibson Flemming Memorial Lecture, Glasgow Royal Infirmary – "Chronic Wrist Pain, its Aetiology, Biomechanics and Management", 1992
- Dean's lecture – named lecture for the University of Otago, 1996
- Nick Kehoe Memorial Lecture, Sheffield, 1999
- Brattstrom lecture – Swedish Rheumatoid Arthritis Surgical Society, 2002
- Sean Mullins' Memorial Lecture, 2004
- Robert Jones' lecture – British Orthopaedic Association, 2004
- Lee Ramsay Straub Memorial Lecture – Hospital of Special Surgery, New York, 2007
- Hunterian Professor Royal College of Surgeons of England, 2010

Editorial Board appointments include:

- Journal of Hand Surgery (British and European volume)
- European Medical Bibliography for Hand Surgery
- EIDO: a company producing information leaflets for patients and relatives.
- Referee for British Journal of Sports Medicine, Journal of Engineering in Medicine, Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery, Journal of Hand Surgery (European volume), Journal of Wrist Surgery

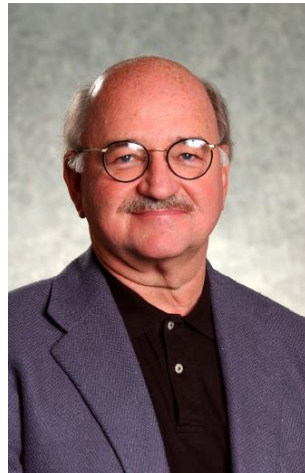
Honours include:

Hospital Doctor Surgical Team of the Year sponsored by the Royal College of Surgeons of England, 2004



James Steichen

American Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1941

Medical School: University of Illinois College of Medicine, 1967

Honorary Degree: Docteur Honoris Causa, University of Nancy, France

Medical Training:

Orthopaedic Surgery residency, St Vincent's Hospital, Indianapolis

Hand Surgery Fellow, The Indiana University School of Medicine (Dr J Strickland)

Research Fellow, St Vincent's Hospital Microsurgery Research Center, Melbourne, Australia (Dr B O'Brien)

Hiroshima University School of Medicine, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery (Dr Ikuta)

The Ralph Davies Medical Center Franklin Hospital, San Francisco, California (Dr H Buncke)

Military Service:

Chief, Orthopaedic Service (Major), United States Army, Reynolds Army Hospital, Fort Sill, Oklahoma



Major Medical Appointments:

Surgeon-In-Chief, St. Vincent Hospitals and Health Services, Indianapolis, Indiana, 1991-97

Chairman, Department of Hand Surgery, St. Vincent Hospitals and Health Services, Indianapolis, Indiana, 1998-2006

President (Emeritus), The Indiana Hand Center (Hand Surgery Associates of Indiana), Indianapolis, Indiana, 2000-06

Clinical Professor (Emeritus) Orthopaedic Surgery, Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, Indiana

Associate Professor of Plastic Surgery (Retired), University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington, Kentucky

Memberships of Organisations include:

American Society for Surgery of the Hand

- Executive Council, 1983-85

Hand Study Society

- President, 1984-85

American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery

- President, 1988-89

Pan-Pacific Surgical Association

- Vice President, 1990-2000

International Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery

- President, 1993-96

Italian Microsurgery Society (La Societa' Italiana di Microchirurgia) - Honorary Member (Membro Onorario), 1982

South African Society for Surgery of the Hand (Die Suid-Afrikaanse Vereniging Vir Handchirurgie), Honorary Member, 1987

Venezuelan Society for Surgery of the Hand (Sociedad Venezolana de Cirugia de la Mano), Corresponding Member (Miembro Correspondiente), 1987

Brazilian Society of Surgery of the Hand (Sociedade Brasileira De Cirurgia Da Mao), Corresponding Member (Membro Correspondente), 1987; Honorary Member (Membro Honorario), 1995



Colombian Society of Surgery of the Hand (Sociedad Colombiana de Cirugia de la Mano), Corresponding Member (Miembro Correspondiente), 1987

Swiss Society of Surgery of the Hand (Societe Suisse de Chirurgie de la Main, Schweizerische Gesellschaft Fur Handchirurgie, Societa Svizzera di Chirurgia Della Mano), Corresponding Member, 1990

Group for the Advancement of Microsurgery in Canada (Groupe pour l'Avancement de la Microchirurgie Canada), Honorary Member, 1991

Brazilian Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery (Sociedade Brasileira de Microcirurgia Reonstrutiva), Corresponding Member (Membro Correspondente), 1991; Honorary Member (Membro Honorario), 1992

French Society of Surgery of the Hand (La Societe Francaise de Chirurgie de la Main - G.E.M.), Corresponding Member (Correspondente Etranger), 1995; Member (Membre Titulaire Etranger), 1997

Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand, Corresponding Member, 1998

Luxembourg Medical Society, Société Des Sciences Médicales Du Grand-Duché De Luxembourg-(Section Médicale De L'Institut Grand-Ducal), Honorary Member (Membre D'Honneur), 1999

National Academy of Surgery of France (L'Académie Nationale de Chirurgie), Associate Member (Membre Associé), 2001

Chairman, Board of Directors, Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, 1999-2002

President, Board of Directors, American Pianists Association, 1989-93

The Beethoven Foundation, 1987-89

Lectures and Publications include:

71 International Visiting Professorships and 63 National Visiting Professorships

376 Scientific presentations

19 chapters in textbooks and three books



Pierre Van Wetter

Belgian Hand Group



Born: Liège, Belgium, 1931

Medical School: Catholic University of Louvain, 1955

Medical Training:

Orthopaedic Surgery, Namur - Dr Marc Rombouts, 1955-57

Orthopaedic Surgery, University of Nanterre, Paris - Prof Iselin, 1957-59

Military Service:

Military Hospital on Avenue de la Couronne, Brussels - Orthopaedic Surgery Unit with Colonel Pauwels, 1959-61.

In 1961, he qualified in orthopaedic surgery, and worked to take care of hand injuries. A new clinic in Parc Léopold would develop the first surgery unit in Belgium solely dedicated to hand injuries in January, 1967. He introduced the spirit of hand surgery as an unique entity.

In 1971, he presented a written work of 40 pages on the thumb entitled “The Biometry and Physiology of the Thumb” to the Royal Belgian Society of Orthopedic Surgery and Traumatology (SORBCOT). It contains hundreds of measurements and, an original simulation of the column of the thumb in order to measure the thumb’s movements using its average values, but also to measure the differences found in individuals.

In 1972, he founded the Belgian Hand Group, the Belgian society of hand surgery, with five other founding members: Dr de Coninck, Prof. Matton, Dr Van der Elst, Dr Caberg, and Prof. Rombouts.



In 1975 and 1976, he contributed greatly to the official scale for the corporal damage evaluation done to the hand during the creation of the Official Belgian Disabilities Scale (BOBI, Barème Officiel Belge des Invalidités).

In 1979, he joined Dr Kinnen, and then Prof Moermans and Dr De Smet in establishing the Centre of Hand Surgery (CCM, Centre de Chirurgie de la Main).

In 1980, the Parc Léopold clinic, often called the hand clinic in Brussels, became one of the first Belgian centres for hand emergency services (SOS Main) and, also a member of FESUM (European Federation of Hand Emergency Services) and recently, since 2011 Hand Trauma Center recognised by the Hand Trauma Committee of the European Federation of Hand Surgery (FESSH).

He had been an active member of SFCM (French Society of Hand Surgery) and gave several presentations.

In 1988 and 1989, he presided over the Belgian Hand Group.

Publications between 1971 and 1991:

- 1: Coessens B, Desmet L, Moermans JP, Kinnen L, Van Wetter P. [Comparison between trapezectomy and silicon implant in the treatment of rhizarthrosis]. *Acta Ortho Belg.* 1991;57(3):260-5.
- 2: De Smet L, Kinnen L, Moermans JP, Ceuterick P, Van Wetter P. Fingertip amputations: distal or advancement flaps. *Acta Orthop Belg.* 1989;55(2):177-82.
- 3: De Smet L, Van Wetter P. Synovial chondromatosis of the distal radio-ulnar joint. *Acta Orthop Belg.* 1987;53(1):106-8.
- 4: Van Wetter P. [Diagnosis of rupture of the ulnar collateral ligament of the metacarpophalangeal joint of the thumb. Presentation of a simple clinical and radiological test]. *Ann Chir Main.* 1986;5(2):135-
- 5: Van Wetter P. [Adjustment of the corrective apparatus in digital stiffness and blocking (author's transl)]. *Ann Chir.* 1976 Nov;30(11-12):927-30.
- 6: Van Wetter P. [The range of action of the thumb and its limitations]. *Ann Chir.* 1974 Nov;28(10):851-3. French.
- 7: Van Wetter P. [Metacarpo-phalangeal instability of the thumb in median nerve paralysis]. *Ann Chir.* 1974 Apr;28(4):289-95.
- 8: Van Wetter P. [Fractures and dislocations of the hand. General conclusions]. *Acta Orthop Belg.* 1973;39(6):1129-32.
- 9: Van Wetter P. [Biometry and physiology of the thumb]. *Acta Orthop Belg.* 1971 Aug;37(4):403-43.

He intended to share his professional experience at a congress of the Belgian Hand Group on 23rd November, 2013, however he passed away in Brussels on the 2nd November, 2013.



Martti Vastamäki

Finnish Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Helsinki, 1943

Medical School: University of Turku, Finland, 1969

Medical Training:

Specialist in general surgery, 1975

Specialist in orthopaedics, 1978

Specialist in hand surgery, 1982

Special competence in musician's medicine 2006

Major Medical Appointments:

ORTON Orthopaedic Hospital, Helsinki 1975-2010, Chief of Hand and Shoulder Surgery Unit, 2011-current, senior scientist, Research ORTON, Invalid Foundation

University of Helsinki

- Ph.D, 1983

- Associate Professor 1987, Helsinki University



Memberships of Organisations include:

Suomen Käsikirurgiyhdistys (Finnish Association for Surgery of the Hand) - Founding Member, 1976

Suomen Olkaseura (Finnish Shoulder Society) - Founder of the society, 1988

European Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand, FESSH - Founding Member, 1989

Suomen Musiikkilääketieteen yhdistys, SMULY 2000, (Finnish Association for Musician`s Medicine, founder of the society)

Scandinavian Society for Surgery of the Hand, SSSH 1979-

- Chairman, 1988-93

European Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Shoulder and Elbow, SECEC 1986-

- Council member, 1988-.

International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand, IFSSH, 1988,

- Council member 1988-

International Shoulder Federation, ICCS 1986-

- Board member, 1989-95

American Society for Surgery of the Hand, ASSH (Corresponding member), 1993-

American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons, ASES (Corresponding member), 1994-

Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand (Corresponding member), 1993-

Polish Orthopaedic Association (Corresponding member), 1990-

Performing Arts Medicine Association of North America, PAMA 2004-



Lectures and Publications include:

376 Scientific presentations

150 scientific papers

Editor of 5 books

Numerous Invited Lectures

Visiting Professorships include:

-Sapporo Medical University Hospital, Japan 1994

-El-Helmiah Military Hospital and Mubarak Military Hospital, Cairo, Egypt 3 times in 1990-2000

Chair of international congresses, including:

-12th Biannual Congress of the Scandinavian Society for Surgery of the Hand, Turku, 1988

-First Scandinavian-Japanese Shoulder Meeting, Espoo, 1989

-International Symposium on Limb Lengthening, Helsinki, 1991

-IFSSH 6th Congress Helsinki, 1995

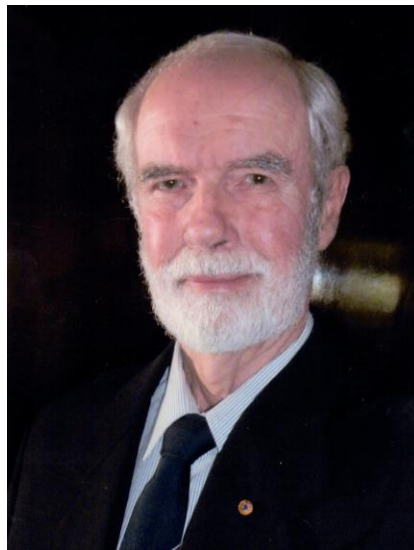
-International Congress on Surgery of the Shoulder, ICSS 6th Congress Helsinki, 1995

-10th European Congress for Musicians Medicine Turku, 2003



David Vickers

Australian Hand Surgery Society



Born: Perth, Western Australia, 1940

Medical School: University of Queensland, Australia, 1964

Major Medical Appointments:

F.R.A.C.S., 1973

F.A.Ortho.A

Orthopaedic Surgeon specialising in microsurgery and hand surgery (retired)

Consultant orthopaedic surgeon (Senior Specialist) at Royal Brisbane and Royal Children's Hospital Brisbane

Private practice

Clinical teacher, University of Queensland

Associate Professor (Clinical), 1991

Professor (Clinical), 1994



Memberships of Organisations include:

Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, since 1973

Australian Medical Association, since 1964

Australian Orthopaedic Association

Australian Association of Surgeons

Australian Hand Surgery Society (Past President, Life Member)

International Microsurgical Society

International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand
(Chairman, Instrumentation Committee)

Microsurgery Association of Queensland

Queensland Hand Surgery Society (Past President, Life Member)

Medico Legal Society of Queensland

Congenital Hand Anomalies Study Group (Invitation only - limit of 20 members worldwide)

American Society for Surgery of the Hand (Corresponding Member),
1996

Australian Academy of Medicine & Surgery, 2002-04

Medical Advisory Committee, Occupational & Medical Innovations,
2004

Lectures, Publications and Awards include:

Member, Order of Australia (AM), 2006

Guest Professor of several National and International Societies,
including Guest Professor Mayo Clinic (Rochester USA) 1994

Presenter of 32 scientific papers at International Congresses or Clinics,
51 presentations at Australian Congresses

- Winner of Best Presentation at Australian Hand Surgery Annual Congress (three times)



Author of 14 Chapters or Contributions in 9 Medical Textbooks, 14 papers in Refereed Journals

- In 1995 the Journal article on Madelung Deformity - Surgical prophylaxis (physiolysis) was chosen by the American Society for Surgery of the Hand as one of the most important 50 papers in congenital surgery in the previous 50 years

Editorial Board member - two journals

Teacher numerous Microsurgery Workshops - National and International since 1976

Development of novel surgical instruments for microsurgery and hand surgery.

- The Vickers Universal Microsurgery Set won the British Design Council Award for Excellence of Design - presented by the Duke of Edinburgh in 1982.

ESR Hughes Medal, Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, 2016



Simo Vilkki

Finnish Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: Finland, 1943

Medical School: Turku University, Finland, 1967

Medical Training:

Specialist in General Surgery (Turku University, Finland), 1973

Specialist in Orthopaedic Surgery (Helsinki University, Finland), 1976

Fellow in microsurgical research, Kleinert Institute, Louisville, Kentucky, USA, 1979

Specialist in Hand Surgery (Finland and Sweden), 1982

Major Medical Appointments:

Tampere University Hospital, Finland

- Instructor and Lecturer in Surgery and Consultant Hand and Micro Surgeon (Prof P.Rokkanen), 1976-80, 1987-88
- Ph.D. (Thesis on replantation Surgery), 1983
- Professor and Head, Department of Hand and Microsurgery, 1988-2011
- Professor h.c. (Hand Surgery), 2004-
- Fellowship director, Tampere University Hospital Hand Training, 2007-13
- Consultant in Hand Surgery, 2011-2014

Orthopedic Hospital in Helsinki, Finland

- Senior Consultant in Hand and Microsurgery (Prof. K. Solonen), 1980-86



University Hospital, Linköping, Sweden

- Chief, Department of Hand Surgery (Prof. L. Öström), 1982-83

Sapporo Medical School, Sapporo Japan

- Visiting scientist, Department of Orthopaedics (Prof. S. Ishii), 1986

Helsinki University Hospital

- Chief, Department of Hand Surgery (Prof. S. Santavirta) 1995-97
- Consulting Hand surgeon, Helsinki University Pediatric Clinic, 1995-2001

University of Turku

- Associate Professor in Hand Surgery, 1985-

Consulting Hand and Reconstructive Microsurgeon

- in several hospitals in Sweden (Sahlgrenska Hospital Göteborg, University Hospital Linköping, Sabbatsberg Hospital Stockholm, Södersjukhuset Stockholm, University Hospital in Örebro, Akademik Hospital Uppsala), 1987-2010
- in Hungary (Center for Orthopaedics and Traumatology, Budapest), 1990
- in Lithuania (Vilna University Hospital), 1995
- in Norway (Center for Ortopedi, Rikshospitalet, Oslo), 2002
- in Estonia (Tartu University Hospital), 2004, 2006, 2007-2012

Memberships of Organisations include:

Finnish Society for Surgery of the Hand (FSSH)

- Founding Member, 1976
- Secretary, 1976-85
- President, 1985-87, 1989-91
- Council Member, 1992-95, 1999-2001

Scandinavian Society for Surgery of the Hand (SSSH), 1977-

British Society for Surgery of the Hand (BSSH) - Associate Member, 1977-2011

American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH) - Corresponding member, 1993-

European Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand, FESSH

- Council Member and Delegate of Finland, 1993-94
- Delegate of Finland, 1995-2004

International Congenital Hand Anomaly Study Group (Founding Member), 1994-

Estonian Society for Surgery of the Hand (Honorary Member), 2010-



American Society Reconstructive Microsurgery (ASRM) -
Corresponding Member 1992-

International Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery (ISRM), 1985-
2001

- Council Member, 1996-99

World Society for Microsurgery (WSRM) - Founding Member and
Member of Senior Advisory Council, 2001-

International Bone Research Association (IBRA) - Invited member

Lectures, Publications and Awards include:

Over 160 articles in Finnish, English, Swedish and German languages

18 chapters in hand surgical and orthopedic text books

Numerous invited lectures, nationally and internationally

Visiting Professorships include:

- Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Canada, 1992
- Loyola University, Chicago, USA, 1996
- University of Stanford, Palo Alto, California, USA, 1999
- University of Assiut, Egypt, 2001
- National University of Singapore, Singapore, 1996 and 2004
- University of Tartu, Estonia, 2004 and 2006 and 2007
- Mayo Clinic, Rochester, USA, 2005
- Chinese University, Hong Kong, 2006
- Godrej professor, APSICON, India, 2006

Editorial Board appointments include:

- Annales Chirurgiae et Gynaecologiae (Finland), 1986-2001
- Journal of Reconstructive Microsurgery (USA), 1987-
- Asian Pacific Journal of Hand Surgery (Hong Kong, Singapore, Sydney), 1994-
- Journal of Hand and Reconstructive Surgery (Springer India), 2009-

Scientific Chairman / Organising Committee:

- World Congress of International Federation of Societies for Surgery of The Hand (IFSSH) Helsinki, Finland, 1995
- Congenital Hand Anomaly Study Group CHASG International Meeting, Tampere, Finland, 1995
- Microsurgical and Hand Surgical courses annually in Helsinki and Tampere, 1975-2011



Michael Wood

American Association for Hand Surgery



Born: Glasgow, Montana, 1943

Medical School: McGill University, MD,CM, 1965-69

Medical Training:

University of Pittsburgh Presbyterian Hosp., Surg PG1, 1969-70

Mayo Graduate School of Medicine, Ortho. Surg., 1970-74

University of Minnesota, M.S. Ortho. Surg., 1975

University of Louisville (H.E.Kleinert), Hand Surg., 1976-77

Am.Board of Orth. Surg., 1975-present

Am. Board of Surg., CAQ in Hand Surg., 1989,2000,2010

Military Service:

Major, Orthopedic Surgeon, US Army, Heidelberg, Germany, 1974-76



Major Medical Appointments:

Assistant Professor, Orth. Surg., Medical College of Ohio, 1977-1979
Assistant to Associate Professor, Orth. Surg., Mayo Clinic, 1979-1989
Vice Chair, Dept. of Ortho. Surg., Mayo Clinic, 1990-1992
Professor, Orth. Surg., Mayo Clinic College of Medicine, 1989-present
Consultant (Suppl.), Mayo Clinic in Florida, 2005-present

Memberships of Organisations include:

American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons
American Society for Surgery of the Hand
- Member/Chair multiple committees 1985-1996
- Chair, SAE Comm., 1987-1993
American Orthopedic Association (Ret.)
American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery (Ret.)
- Member/Chair multiple committees 1985-1996
- Vice President, 1988-1990
- President, 1990-1991
Group for Advancement of Microsurgery (Ret.)
International Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery (Ret.)
Mid-America Orthopedic Association (Ret.)
Minnesota Orthopedic Society (Ret.)
Orthopedic Research Society (Ret.)
Sigma Xi Research Group (Ret.)
Society of Medical Administrators (Ret.)
President Emeritus, Mayo Clinic, 2004 (Ret.)
President and CEO, Mayo Clinic, 1999-2003
Chair, Mayo Foundation Executive Comm., 1998-2003
Director, Mayo Regional Health System, 1997-1998
Member, Mayo Foundation Board of Trustees, 1995-2003



Member, Mayo Clinic Rochester Board of Governors, 1993-1997 (Vice-Chair, 1997-1998)

Member, Board of Directors, Multiple Mayo Clinic owned hospitals, 1993-1997

Director, Mayo Group Practice Education, 1992-1995

Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Foundation, 1999-2004

- President, 2001-2002
- Board of Overseers, 2005-08

Institute for Healthcare Improvement, 1999-2009

Healthcare Leadership Council, 1999-2003

VisionShare, Inc., 2003-2007

Assistive Technology Group, Inc., 2004-2011

Steris Corp. Plc, 2004-present

Cubist Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 2005-2014

Singapore Health System, 2006-2015

Freudenberg Medical, Inc. (formerly Helix), 2009-present

Polyglot Systems, Inc., 2009-2013

Lectures, Publications and Honours include:

32 Invited Professorships/Lecturer

126 Published Manuscripts in Refereed Journals

12 Published Manuscripts in Non-refereed Journals

2 Books and 37 Book Chapters

Presidential Guest Lecturer at:

- French Society of Orthopedic Surgery, 1992
- Japanese Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery, 1992
- American Society for Surgery of the Hand, 2000
- American Association for Hand Surgery, 2001
- Southern Orthopedic Society, 2001
- Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand, 2006
- American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, 2015



Editorial Appointments include:

- Deputy Editor, J. Bone Jt. Surg., 1994-1998
- Editorial Reviewer, J. Bone Jt. Surg., J. Hand Surg., Clin. Orthop., J. Reconstr. Microsurg., Microsurg., J. Ortho. Res., Neurosurg.

Robert Forsythe Surgical Prize, McGill Univ., 1969

Henry Myerding First Prize, Am Fracture Assn., 1974

Teacher of the Year Award, Ortho., Mayo Clinic, 1982

Rappaport Scholar, Mayo Clinic, 1983-85

Bunnell Traveling Fellowship, ASSH, 1986

Mayo Clinical Investigator Award, 1986-87

L.F.A. Peterson Award, Minn. Orth. Soc., 2002

Honorary Doctor of Science Award, Franklin & Marshall College, 2003

Distinguished Alumni Award, Franklin & Marshall College, 2015



Yoshiki Yamano

Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand



Born: 1936

Medical School: Osaka City University Medical School, 1962

Medical Training:

Orthopaedic Surgeon, Osaka National Hospital, 1965

Staff, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Osaka City University Medical School, 1971

Instructor, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Kawasaki Medical College, 1973

Major Medical Appointments:

Professor, Kawasaki Medical College, 1987

Professor, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Osaka City University Medical School, 1993

Emeritus Professor, Osaka City University, 2002

Consultant, Osaka Microsurgery Center, Seikeikai Hospital, Osaka, 2003

Medical Support to Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Kabul University, Afghanistan, 2003



Memberships of Organisations include:

SICOT

International Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery

International Federation of Societies for Surgery of the Hand

Fellow of Asian Pacific Orthopedic Association

Dr Yamano is one of the most important pioneers in ultra-microsurgery and demonstrated that fingertip replantation is surgically feasible and allows the best functional and cosmetic results compared to other reconstructive procedures using sophisticated flaps. Owing to this contribution, finger replantation became the treatment of the first choice for fingertip amputations and is well accepted to microsurgeons.

Dr Yamano noticed the importance of distraction and osteogenesis initiated by Ilizarov in advance and visited Kurgan before the breakout of limb lengthening procedures using distraction devices. Dr Yamano started to utilize this procedure at Osaka City University Hospital immediately after coming back from Kurgan. Dr Yamano's understanding of essential merits on this procedure was inherited by his hand trainees and unique digital lengthening cases have accumulated. Dr Yamano has been devoted to the medical support including case surgeries at Kabul University Hospital and medical staff teaching in Afghanistan for significantly long time and is appointed as the honorary professor of Kabul University, Afghanistan since 2002.

Dr Yamano hosted the 44th Annual Meeting of JSSH in 2001 and has trained more than 20 hand surgeons at Osaka City University who have become the leaders in JSSH.



Giants of Hand Surgery

The IFSSH acknowledges the pioneering contributions made by the following persons honoured with the title: Giant of Hand Surgery. This list was also presented at the Third IFSSH Congress in 1986 in Tokyo, Japan.

16th Century

Ambroise Pare
Felix Wurtz
Julius Casserius

17th Century

Francoise G. De Lepeyronie
Bernhard S. Albinus
Pieter Campers

18th Century

William Heberden
Roland Martin
Dominique J. Larrey
Sir Astley Paston Cooper
Abraham Colles
Sir Charles Bell
Baron Guillaume Dupuytren
Jacques Delpech

19th Century

Ernest Weber
Guillaume B.A. Duchenne
George F. Stromeyer
F. Guermontprez
Charles P. Denonvilliers
William J. Little
William E. Horner
William Adams
Theodor Schwann
Filippo Pacini
Wenzel L Gruber
Sir. James Paget
Augustus Volney Waller
Carl Von Langer
P.C. Hughier
Alfred B. Garrod
Archibald E. Garrod
Alfred Poland
John R. Wolfe
Karl T. Thiersch
Johann F. A. Van Esmarch
Bernhard von Langenbeck
Henry A. Martin
Silas W. Mitchell
George Meissner

Richrd von Volkmann
Louis Xavier E. Ollier
Felix J.C. Guyon
Johann F. Horner
Friedrich A Von Recklinghausen
Maurice Raynaud
Louis A. Ranvier
John Cleland
Edward H. Bennett
Wilhelm H. Erb
Francesco Parona
Jacques L. Reverdin
Friedrich S. Merkel
Otto W. Madelung
Carl Nicoladoni
Otto Sprengel
Santiago Ramón y Cajal
Eduard A. Albert
Pierre Marie
Charles E. Beevor
Henri Francois Secretan
Sir Robert Jones
Hugh Owen
Thomas Augusta Klumpe
Harold J. Stiles
Erich Lexer

20th Century

Eugène Apert
Fritz de Quervain
Harvey W. Cushing
Fritz Lange
O. Vulpius
Konrad Bielsalski
George C. Perthes
Robert Kienbock
Allen B. Kanavel
Vladimir P. Filatov
William Darrach
Jules Froment
Arthur Steindler
Martin Kirshner
Jules Tinel
Sterling Bunnell
Harold D. Gillies
Leon Mayo
Ricardo Finochietto



*Archibald H. McIndoe
Herbert Seddon
Fenton Braithwaite
Otto Hilgenfeldt
Frederick Wood-Jones
Sumner L. Koch
Michael L. Mason
Harvey S. Allen
Henry C. Marble
Hugh Auchincloss*

*Condict W. Cutler Jr.
Arthur Barsky
Emanuel B. Kaplan
Augusto Bonola
A.R. Wakefield
T. Skoog
R. Guy Pulvertaft*

Inducted in 2016: Julius Casserius - Giulio Casseri (1552-1616)



