

Appointments and Promotions

Appointments



Shannon Colohan, MD
Assistant Professor

Dr. Shannon Colohan joined the Division of Plastic Surgery in September 2011 as an Assistant Professor and works primarily at the Center for Reconstructive Surgery at UW Medical Center. Her area of expertise is reconstructive plastic surgery, with a specific focus on cancer reconstruction. Her clinical interests include reconstruction of cancer defects. Her research interests include clinical outcomes in reconstructive plastic surgery, with emphasis on breast reconstruction and optimizing surgical techniques to improve the functional and aesthetic appearance of reconstructive procedures.

She grew up in Ontario and pursued her undergraduate and medical education at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia and graduated from medical school in 2004. She completed her plastic surgery residency training at Dalhousie and received additional fellowship training in breast and microsurgery at the University of Texas Southwestern in Dallas, TX.

In addition to her interest in reconstruction, she also has expertise in epidemiology and study design. During her residency training she spent a year in London pursuing a Master's degree in epidemiology.



Saurabh Khandelwal, MD
Assistant Professor

Dr. Saurabh Khandelwal originally joined the Division of General Surgery in August 2009 as an Acting Assistant Professor and advanced to Assistant Professor in July 2011. Dr. Khandelwal's clinical interests include minimally invasive surgery and bariatrics.

His research interests include clinical outcomes research, surgical education and training.

Dr. Khandelwal completed a Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Surgery and Videoendoscopic Surgery at University of Washington Medical Center. Prior to that, he was at Northwestern University where he completed his Residency in General Surgery. He received his medical degree in 2002 from Rush Medical College.



Matthew Sweet, MD
Assistant Professor

Dr. Matthew Sweet joined the Division of Vascular Surgery in August 2011 as an Assistant Professor. Dr. Sweet's clinical interests include open and endovascular treatment of aortic, visceral, carotid and lower extremity vascular disease, with a particular focus on the endovascular treatment of complex aortic aneurysms.

His research interests include clinical trials of novel endovascular techniques for treatment of aortic aneurysms involving the peri-visceral aorta, and the study of the morphology, natural history and epidemiology of thoraco-abdominal aortic aneurysms.

Dr. Sweet completed a Vascular Surgery Fellowship at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center. Prior to that, he was at the University of California San Francisco where he completed his Residency in General Surgery as well as a Master's Degree in Clinical Research. He received his medical degree from the University of Southern California Keck School of Medicine in 2002.

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Jack C.J. Sun, MD
Assistant Professor

Dr. Jack Sun joined the Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery August 2011 as an Assistant Professor. He performs the entire spectrum of adult cardiac surgery, but has an enhanced skillset in catheter-based or endovascular cardiac surgery as well as minimally invasive cardiac surgery that he gained during specialized fellowship training at the Brigham and Women's Hospital, a Harvard Medical School affiliated hospital in Boston. He is thus a unique cardiac surgeon who possesses skills in both open surgery and catheter-based procedures.

Dr. Sun's clinical interests include all aspects of adult cardiac surgery (including but not limited to coronary bypass, valvular, aortic, and atrial fibrillation surgery), minimally invasive and catheter-based or endovascular cardiovascular surgery. His research interests include clinical trials and observational studies in cardiac surgery especially pertaining to new catheter-based or endovascular procedures as well as antithrombotic therapies.

Dr. Sun received his medical degree from the University of Toronto and a Master of Science degree in Health Research Methodology from McMaster University. He completed his cardiac surgery residency at McMaster University.



Tara Karamlou, MD
Acting Assistant Professor

Dr. Tara Karamlou joined the Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery January 2012 as an Acting Assistant Professor. Dr. Karamlou's clinical interests include pediatric and adult congenital heart disease and her research interests include clinical outcomes of patients with complex congenital heart disease, with a special focus on patients with tetralogy of Fallot; development of ideal management paradigms for patients with pediatric and adult congenital heart disease; and national development of quality improvement metrics in congenital heart surgery.

Dr. Karamlou completed a Fellowship in Pediatric Cardiac Surgery at Seattle Children's Hospital. Prior to that, she was at Oregon Health Sciences University and University of Michigan where she completed her residencies in Cardiothoracic Surgery and General Surgery. She received her medical degree from the Baylor College of Medicine in 1999.



Zoe Parr, MD
Acting Assistant Professor

Dr. Zoe Parr joined the Division of General Surgery in August 2011 as an Acting Assistant Professor. She was born in New Brunswick and raised outside of Calgary, Alberta. She has lived throughout Canada, receiving her BSc. from the University of British Columbia before returning to Calgary to complete her MD and residency training. Before moving to Seattle she completed a year of fellowship training in Edmonton, Alberta, at the University of Alberta, where she developed further skills in the care of critically injured and critically ill surgical patients.

Her clinical interests include urgent general surgery care, minimally invasive/laparoscopic surgery, hernias, and gastrointestinal surgery (biliary disease, pancreatitis, inflammatory bowel disease, diverticulitis and colon cancer) and her research interests include clinical outcomes and quality improvement initiatives.

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Rebecca Petersen, MD
Acting Assistant Professor

Dr. Rebecca Petersen joined the Division of General Surgery in July 2011 as an Acting Assistant Professor. Dr. Petersen's clinical interests include advanced laparoscopy; complex abdominal wall hernia repair and reconstruction; inguinal hernias; all gastrointestinal disorders (benign esophageal disorders, benign and malignant colon disease, benign anorectal disorders); gallbladder/biliary disorders; splenic disorders requiring laparoscopic splenectomy; and adrenal disorders requiring laparoscopic adrenalectomy.

Her research interests include Surgical Outcomes and Quality Improvement, Ventral and Inguinal Hernias, GERD (gastroesophageal reflux disease), Paraesophageal Hernia, and Achalasia.

Dr. Petersen completed a Fellowship in Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery at University of Washington Medical Center. Prior to that, she was at Duke University Medical Center where she completed her Residency in General Surgery as well as a Thoracic Surgery Research Fellow. She received her medical degree from the Oregon Health and Science University in 2002.



Elina Quiroga, MD
Acting Assistant Professor

Dr. Elina Quiroga joined the Division of Vascular Surgery October 2011 as an Acting Assistant Professor. Her scope of care includes management of peripheral vascular disease, aortic aneurysms, vascular trauma and dialysis access, using open and endovascular techniques.

Dr. Quiroga's clinical interests include general vascular surgery, vascular trauma, peripheral vascular disease, aortic surgery including open and endovascular treatment of ruptured and elective aneurysms dialysis access. Her research interests include quality of life after vascular trauma; outcomes of ruptured aneurysms. She has research activities in improving surgical education worldwide, especially on methods and conditions relevant to low and middle income countries and women's participation in surgery.

Dr. Quiroga completed a fellowship in Vascular Surgery at the University of Washington. She is board certified in General Surgery, after completing residency at the University of Washington. Prior to that, she completed surgical training in Argentina. She received her medical degree from the Universidad de Buenos Aires



Eelco Wassenaar, MD, PhD
Acting Associate Professor

Dr. Eelco Wassenaar joined the Division of General Surgery in July 2011 as an Acting Associate Professor. Dr. Wassenaar's clinical interests include laparoscopic surgery; robotic surgery; gastro-intestinal surgery; anti-reflux surgery; para-esophageal hernia; disorders of the spleen and adrenal; colon cancer; diverticulitis; ventral/incisional hernia; and inguinal hernia.

His research interests ventral hernia; inguinal hernia; biologic mesh; prosthetic mesh; and para-esophageal hernia.

Dr. Wassenaar completed a Fellowship in Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery at University of Washington Medical Center. Prior to that, he was in Almelo, the Netherlands at Twenteborg Hospital and Utrecht, the Netherlands at University of Utrecht Medical Center, where he completed his Residency in General Surgery. He received his medical degree in 2002 and doctorate in 2009 from University of Utrecht, Utrecht, the Netherlands.

Promotions

Saman Arbabi, MD
Promoted to Professor



Benjamin Starnes, MD
Promoted to Professor



Joseph Cuschieri, MD
Promoted to Professor



Roger Tatum, MD
Promoted to Associate Professor



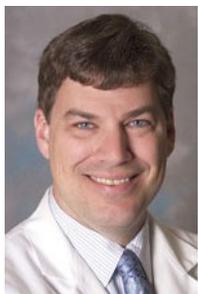
Anne Hocking, MD
Promoted to Research Assoc. Professor



Andrew Wright, MD
Promoted to Associate Professor



David Mathes, MD
Promoted to Associate Professor



Peter Wu, MD
Promoted to Associate Professor

