

Visiting Professor Program

The Visiting Professor Program of the Department of Surgery is extremely important for the education of both the faculty and the residents. It gives the residents a first-hand opportunity to meet distinguished leaders in American surgery, participate in teaching rounds with them, and get to know them as individuals. In addition, the Visiting Professor gives presentations at Surgical Grand Rounds to faculty, residents and medical students.

Visiting Professors 2025-2026

September 17, 2025



Nineteenth Max & Molly Fischer Visiting Professor

Dai H. Chung, MD, MBA

Professor of Surgery

Helen J. and Robert S. Strauss and Diana K. and Richard C. Strauss Chair in

Pediatric Surgery

Executive Vice Chair, Department of Surgery, UT Southwestern Medical Center

Chief Medical Officer, Joint Pediatric Enterprise

President & Chief Medical Executive, Children's Health, Dallas, TX

Surgical Grand Rounds: "Transformative Surgical Leadership"

September 24, 2025



Tenth Annual John B. Flege, Jr. Visiting Professor

Hosted by the Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery

Thomas K. Varghese, Jr., MD, MS, MBA, FACS, MAMSE

Professor of Surgery

Chief, Section of General Thoracic Surgery

Chief Value Officer (Inpatient and Ambulatory) – Huntsman Cancer Institute

Director, Huntsman Cancer Institute Innovative Medical Practices Advancing Care

Transformation (HCI-IMPACT) Center

University of Utah School of Medicine

Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of the American College of Surgeons (JACS)*

Surgical Grand Rounds: "Scaling Innovations for Health Systems – Scientific Principles and Lessons Learned in Culture Change"



October 15, 2025

Visiting Professor

Laurah B. Turner, PhD

Associate Dean for Artificial Intelligence and Educational Informatics

Associate Professor of Medical Education

Assistant Professor of Biostatistics, Health Informatics and Data Sciences

University of Cincinnati College of Medicine
Surgical Grand Rounds: “Applied Intelligence: Integrating AI Technologies into Medical Education”

November 5, 2025



First Annual Williams Family Professorship
Hosted by the Division of Colon & Rectal Surgery
George J. Chang, MD, MS, MHCM
Professor of Surgery
Sue and Radcliffe Killam Chair, Department of Colon and Rectal Surgery
Associate Vice President, Clinical Growth and Site Integration

University of Texas – MD Anderson Cancer Center
Surgical Grand Rounds: “Lateral Pelvic Lymph Nodes in Rectal Cancer: East Meets West”

November 12, 2025



Twenty-Third Barrows Memorial Lectureship
Dana Telem, MD, MPH
Lazar J. Greenfield Professor of Surgery
Section Head of General Surgery
Michigan Medicine
Surgical Grand Rounds: “Bringing Law and Order to the Wild West [or Bringing Law (Evidence) and Order (Rational Decisions) to the Wild West (Hernia Repair)]”

December 3, 2025



Twenty-Fifth J. Rawson Collins Visiting Professor
Rachael A. Callcut, MD, MSPH
Professor & Division Chief – Trauma, Acute Care Surgery, and Surgical Critical Care
Associate Dean of Data Science & Innovation, UCD School of Medicine
Chief Research Informatics Officer, UC Davis Health

Trauma Medical Director, UC Davis Health
Surgical Grand Rounds: “The AI Surge: Are We Operating on Evidence or on Enthusiasm?”

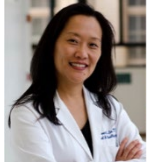
February 18, 2026



Visiting Professor
Hosted by Division of Surgical Oncology
Kelly K. Hunt, MD, FACS, FSSO
Professor & Chair, Breast Surgical Oncology
Olla Stribling Distinguished Chair for Cancer Research
Department of Surgical Oncology

The University of Texas - MD Anderson Cancer Center
Surgical Grand Rounds: “Redefining Breast Cancer Surgery in the Era of Precision Oncology: New Therapies, New Paradigms”

February 25, 2026



Visiting Professor

Hosted by Division of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

Janice S. Lee, DDS, MD, MS, FACS

Clinical Director, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

– Division of Intramural Research

Co-Director, NIDCR Clinical Research Fellowship

Deputy Director for Intramural Clinical Research, NIH

Surgical Grand Rounds: “A Paradigm Shift in Reconstructive Facial Surgery by Predicting Facial Growth”

April 8, 2026



Henry W. Neale Visiting Professor

Hosted by Division of Plastic Surgery

Suzanne M. Inchauste, MD

Associate Professor of Surgery

Director of Breast Reconstruction & Lymphedema

Division of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery

University of Wisconsin School of Medicine & Public Health

Madison, Wisconsin

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Road to Cure: Surgical Treatment and Prevention of Lymphedema”

May 5-6, 2026



Eighteenth Annual Heekin Family Lectureship

Jean F. Botha, MD, FACS

Director, Transplant Services

Intermountain Medical Center

Murray, UT

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Pumping for a Future”

June 10, 2026



Eighth Mont Reid Surgical Society Visiting Professor

Melina R. Kibbe, MD, FACS, FAHA

President and Alkek-Williams Distinguished Chair

University of Texas Health Houston

Professor with Tenure, Department of Cardiothoracic & Vascular Surgery

UTHealth Houston

Surgical Grand Rounds: “A Behind the Scenes Look at Journal Publishing – Everything I Wish I Knew Early in My Career”

Visiting Professors 2024-2025

July 24, 2024



Visiting Professor hosted by Division of Surgical Oncology
Shailesh V. Shrikhande, MS, MD, FRCS (hon), FASA (hon)
Deputy Director, Tata Memorial Hospital
Professor and Head, Cancer Surgery
Chief, GI and HPB Service, Tata Memorial Centre
Mumbai, India

President, AHPBA

Secretary General Elect, IHPBA

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Vascular and Multivisceral Pancreatic Resections”

October 9, 2024



Twenty-Second Barrows Memorial Lectureship
Eric Elster, MD, FACS, FRCS (Eng), CAPT, MC, USN (Ret.)
Dean, School of Medicine
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs
Uniformed Services University
Bethesda, MD

Surgical Grand Rounds: “SC2i: Applying Precision Medicine to Critical Care”

October 30, 2024



Twenty-Second John J. McDonough Sr. & Elizabeth Ann Donovan Visiting Professor
Adnan Alseidi, MD, EdM, FACS
Professor of Surgery
Vice Chair for Education

Department of Surgery

University of California – San Francisco, CA

Surgical Grand Rounds: “The Changing Landscape of Psychomotor Training: A Focus on Autonomy, Entrustment, & the JOY of Surgery”

November 6, 2024



Seventeenth Annual Heekin Family Lectureship
Sandy Feng, MD, PhD
Professor of Surgery
Division of Transplant Surgery
Vice Chair for Research
Department of Surgery

University of California – San Francisco, CA

Surgical Grand Rounds: “The Dramatically Changing Landscape of Liver Transplantation”

November 20, 2024



Twenty-Fourth J. Rawson Collins Visiting Professor

Karen J. Brasel, MD, MPH, FACS

Professor of Surgery

Division of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery

Oregon Health & Science University

Vice President, The American Board of Surgery

Philadelphia, PA

Surgical Grand Rounds: “What Happens Next: Quality of Life after Traumatic Injury”

January 15, 2025



Twentieth William A. Altemeier Visiting Professor

Patricia L. Turner, MD, MBA, FACS

Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

American College of Surgeons

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Insights from Military Surgical History”

March 12, 2025



Seventeenth Richard F. Kempczinski Visiting Professor

Gilbert (“Gib”) Upchurch, Jr., MD

Edward M. Copeland III and Ann & Ira Horowitz Professor & Chair

Department of Surgery

University of Florida

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Our Role in Caring for Patients with Complex Diseases”

April 16, 2025



Henry W. Neale Visiting Professor

Jeffrey E. Janis, MD, FACS

Professor

Department of Plastic Surgery

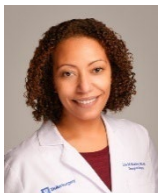
The Ohio State University

Wexner Medical Center

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Five Principles for Improving Outcomes in Abdominal

Wall Reconstruction – Evidence, Technique, and Tips”

April 30, 2025



Second Popplewell Family Visiting Professor

Lisa McElroy, MD, MS, FACS

Assistant Professor of Surgery and Population Health Sciences

Division of Abdominal Transplantation

Department of Surgery

Duke University, Durham, NC

Surgical Grand Rounds: “From Policy to Practice: A Multilevel Framework for Improving Access to Complex Surgical Care”

May 21, 2025



Sixth Annual Robert P. Hummel, MD Visiting Professor

Jordan M. Winter, MD, MBA, FACS

Professor of Surgery

Chief of Surgical Oncology

Director of Surgical Services, Seidman Cancer Center

Co-Director, Developmental Therapeutics Program, Case Comprehensive Cancer Center

Case Western Reserve University

Surgical Grand Rounds: “On Becoming a Surgeon-Scientist”

June 18, 2025



Eighteenth Max & Molly Fischer Visiting Professor

Callisia N. Clarke, MD, MS

Douglas B. Evans Endowed Chair for Surgical Research

Associate Professor of Surgery

Division Chief of Surgical Oncology

Associate Director of Clinical Research

Medical College of Wisconsin Cancer Center

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Inclusive Excellence: A Pathway to Closing Cancer Disparities”

Visiting Professors 2023-2024

January 24, 2024



Sixteenth Annual Heekin Family Lectureship

Pierre-Alain Clavien, MD, PhD

Professor of Surgery and Transplantation

University of Zurich, Switzerland

Co-Director of the “Liver4Life” group at the Wyss Institute in Zurich, Switzerland

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Quality and Outcome in Surgery: What does it mean?

What should be measured and reported?”

March 7-8, 2024



Visiting Professor hosted by Division of Surgical Oncology & Affiliate Division of Pediatric Surgery

Vikas Dudeja, MD

Professor of Surgery

James P. Hayes, Jr., Endowed Professor in Gastrointestinal Oncology

Director, Division of Surgical Oncology

University of Alabama at Birmingham

Birmingham, AL

Lecture, Surgical Amphitheater: “Harnessing the Power Within: Energizing Anti-Cancer Immune Response to Combat GI Cancers”

Lecture, CCHMC: “Novel Therapies for the Treatment of Pancreatitis – Bench to Bedside”

March 20, 2024



Ninth Annual John B. Flege, Jr. Visiting Professor
Hosted by the Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery
Yolonda L. Colson, MD, PhD
President, American Association for Thoracic Surgery
Hermes C. Grillo Professor of Surgery, Harvard Medical School
Chief, Division of Thoracic Surgery
Massachusetts General Hospital

Boston, MA

Surgical Grand Rounds: “The Opportunities Hiding in the OR”

March 27, 2024



Twenty-Fourth J. Rawson Collins Visiting Professor
Nicole Fox, MD, MPH, FACS
Associate Professor of Surgery
Associate Chief Medical Officer
Medical Director of Pediatric Trauma
Cooper University Health Care
Camden, New Jersey

Surgical Grand Rounds: “From the Trauma Bay to the Boardroom: Surgeons as Health System Leaders”

April 24, 2024



First Popplewell Family Visiting Professor
Satish N. Nadig, MD, PhD
Edward G. Elcock Professor & Chief of the Division of Transplant Surgery
Director, Comprehensive Transplant Center
Director, Abdominal Organ Transplant Program
Northwestern University Health System

Feinberg School of Medicine, Chicago, IL

Surgical Grand Rounds: “The Surgical Entrepreneur: Innovative Career Pathways for the Modern Academic Surgeon”

May 15, 2024



Visiting Professor
Hosted by Division of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
Steven M. Roser, DMD, MD, FACS, FRCSEd
DeLos Hill Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Residency Program Director, Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Emory University School of Medicine

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Global Surgery: Unveiling the Urgency, Empowering the Future”

May 22, 2024



Fifth Annual Robert P. Hummel, MD Visiting Professor

Dorry L. Segev, MD, PhD, FACS

Tenured Professor of Surgery and Population Health, New York University

Grossman School of Medicine

Vice Chair, Department of Surgery, NYU Langone Health

Director, NYU Center for Surgical and Transplant Applied Research

Surgical Grand Rounds: “From Resident to Researcher: Major Scientific Impacts by Surgical Residents”

June 5, 2024



Society of Asian Academic Surgeons (SAAS) Visiting Professor

Hosted by UC Medical Center & Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center

Oliver S. Eng, MD, FACS, FSSO

Associate Professor of Surgery, Division of Surgical Oncology

Associate Director, Peritoneal Surface Malignancy Program and Surgical

Oncology Fellowship

Vice Chair, Protocol Review and Monitoring Committee, Chao Family Comprehensive Cancer Center

University of California, Irvine

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Colorectal Peritoneal Metastases: Nihilism, Realism...Optimism?”

June 12, 2024



Third Annual Boyce Family Visiting Professor

Hosted by Section of Surgical Oncology

Peter J. Allen, MD

David C. Sabiston, Jr. Distinguished Professor of Surgery

Chief, Division of Surgical Oncology

Vice President, Cancer Services

Duke University School of Medicine

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Randomized Surgical Trials: Are They Worth It?”

Visiting Professors 2022-2023

September 14, 2022



Fifteenth Annual Heekin Family Lectureship

Abhinav Humar, MD, PhD, FACS

Thomas E. Starzl Professor in Transplantation Surgery

Clinical Director, Thomas E. Starzl Transplantation Institute

Division Chief, Transplant Surgery

University of Pittsburgh Medical Center

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Changing the Paradigm of Living Donor Liver Transplant – The UPMC Experience”

February 1, 2023



Twenty-First John J. McDonough Sr. & Elizabeth Ann Donovan Visiting Professor
Ala Stanford, MD, FAAP, FACS
Regional Director, Region III Office of Intergovernmental & External Affairs
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
Founder and Physician, Dr. Ala Stanford Center for Health Equity
Pediatric Surgeon, Stanford Pediatric Surgery

Philadelphia, PA

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Striving for Health Equity in the Midst of a Pandemic”

May 3, 2023



Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Visiting Professor
Peter D. Quinn, DMD, MD
Schoenleber Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine
Former Chief Executive Physician of the Penn Medicine Medical Group
Philadelphia, PA

Surgical Grand Rounds: “American Medical Centers at the Crossroads”

May 10, 2023



Twenty-Third J. Rawson Collins Visiting Professor
Deborah M. Stein, MD, MPH
Professor of Surgery, Tenured
University of Maryland School of Medicine
Director of Adult Critical Care Services
University of Maryland Medical Center

Baltimore, MD

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Modern Concepts in Hemorrhage Control”

May 24, 2023



Fourth Robert P. Hummel, MD Visiting Professor
Amir A. Ghaferi, MD, MSc, MBA
Professor of Surgery
President and CEO, Physician Enterprise
Senior Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs
Froedtert & Medical College of Wisconsin

Milwaukee, WI

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Identifying an Academic Path Through Intentional Growth”

Visiting Professors 2021-2022

September 28-29, 2021



Fourteenth Annual Heekin Family Lectureship

Elizabeth A. Pomfret, MD, PhD, FACS

Professor of Surgery and Igal Kam, MD Endowed Chair in Transplant Surgery

Chief, Division of Transplantation Surgery

Executive Director, Colorado Center for Transplantation Care, Research & Education

University of Colorado – Anschutz Medical Campus

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Surgery in 2021: Who Takes Care of Us? Wellness and Resilience”

October 6, 2021



Eighth Annual John B. Flege, Jr. Visiting Professor

Walter H. Merrill, MD

Senior Associate Chief of Staff

Vanderbilt University Hospital

Professor of Cardiac Surgery

Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Nashville, Tennessee

Surgical Grand Rounds: “What is in the Dash?”

April 27, 2022



Second Annual Boyce Family Visiting Professor

Matthew H.G. Katz, MD

Professor of Surgery and Chair

Department of Surgical Oncology

University of Texas MD Anderson

Cancer Center, Houston, TX

Surgical Grand Rounds: “Perioperative Therapy for Localized Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma: Where Have We Been and Where Are We Going?”

May 25, 2022



Melina R. Kibbe, MD

Dean, UVA School of Medicine

James Carroll Flippin Professor of Medical Science

Chief Health Affairs Officer, UVA Health

Professor, Departments of Surgery and Biomedical Engineering

Editor in Chief, *JAMA Surgery*

Surgical Grand Rounds: “What You Did Not Know About Fluoroquinolones”