



Surgeons and the Upper GI tract

Friday 7 – Sunday 9 September 2012

**Swiss-Grand Resort & Spa
Bondi Beach, Sydney**

International Keynote
Speakers

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Conference Venue

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Located opposite world famous Bondi Beach, this 4.5 star all-suite resort is just 15 minutes from downtown Sydney and the airport. All modes of transport are readily available close by to the Resort.

The hotel is within easy walking distance of the beach and beautiful coastal walks, exclusive shopping centre, a number of food restaurants and bars to suit Bondi's vibrant nightlife. For the more active, there are a number of activities close by such as golf, tennis and surfing lessons.



Welcome

The collaboration of ANZGOSA and the Sydney Upper Gastro-intestinal Surgery Society (SUGSS) to run this scientific meeting is a very positive initiative for both groups. The annual meeting of SUGSS in 2011 focussed on pancreatic cancer surgery and biology in a joint meeting with the Australian Pancreatic Club. In 2011, ANZGOSA had the very successful meeting, held in Melbourne with the Australasian Gastro-Intestinal Trials Group (AGITG), with a major focus on cancer. We now have the opportunity to address issues around the benign pathology that we have to manage as well as malignant disease.

Following discussions between both of us, along with the involvement of a committed organising group I believe we have an exciting, valuable and practical programme to offer anyone interested in surgical pathology of the Upper Gastro-intestinal tract. We are very grateful that Enders Ng has accepted the invitation from ANZGOSA to participate in the meeting. He is Chief of Upper Gastrointestinal Division in the Department of Surgery, The Chinese University of Hong Kong. Anyone who has visited this unit at the Prince of Wales Hospital in Shatin, Hong Kong, will have been amazed by the workload seen by Enders and his group. They deal with all pathologies benign and malignant. The unit has a strong reputation for the management of peptic ulcer - a pathology we in the west do not see commonly now. There would be few surgeons in the world with the volume of experience with this disease. As well they have a large experience in managing gastric and oesophageal cancer with important contributions on the role of chemotherapy in the management of these diseases.

The SUGSS visitor, internationally recognised oesophageal surgeon, Steven R DeMeester, will provide his overview of the management of Oesophageal Malignancy. Dr DeMeester is a thoracic surgeon specialising in oesophageal diseases at the Division of Foregut Surgery at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, a renowned oesophageal surgery group. He has published and presented on a very wide range of thoracic surgical problems including oesophageal cancer and oesophagectomy. A highlight will be the comparison we will hear on the management strategies as outlined from expert units in the west and east.

We are also very fortunate to have a strong Australian and New Zealand faculty and we will have time for abstract presentations and interesting videos. We plan to make plenty of time for general participation and will encourage interaction with the audience. We very much look forward to seeing a large number of our colleagues at this meeting.



Mark Smithers,
President of ANZGOSA
Princess Alexandra
Hospital, Brisbane,
Australia



Reg Lord,
Chairman of SUGSS
St Vincent's Hospital
Darlinghurst, Sydney,
Australia

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Professor NG Kwok Wai Enders,
Chief of Upper Gastrointestinal Division in
the Department of Surgery of the Chinese
University of Hong Kong

Dr Ng was born and educated in Hong Kong. In 1989, he obtained his medical degree from the Chinese University of Hong Kong. After one year of internship service, he joined the Department of Surgery of the Prince of Wales Hospital and received training in the field of general surgery. Dr Ng's interest in surgery is upper gastrointestinal tract diseases and therapeutic endoscopy. After completion of his basic surgical training in 1993, he has focused his development in the clinical research and surgical treatment of peptic ulcer complications, oesophageal carcinoma and gastric malignancies.

Dr Ng's interest also includes basic surgical research and minimally invasive surgery. He was awarded the Young Scientist Research Prize in the 4th United European Gastroenterology Meeting (1994) and the Young Scientist Award in the 11th International Workshop on Gastrointestinal Pathology and Helicobacter pylori in Hungary (1998). He is also the winner of the Best Paper Presentation in the 3rd and the 5th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Hong Kong College of Surgeons. He went to the US in 1996 to gain further insight into gastric carcinogenesis at the molecular level and worked as a research fellow with Prof Martin Blaser in the Vanderbilt University, Tennessee. Dr Ng obtained his higher degree of Doctor of Medicine from the Chinese University of Hong Kong in 1999. Currently he is the Associate Dean (Development) of the Faculty of Medicine, Director of CUHK-Jockey Club Minimally Invasive Surgical Skills Training Centre and the Chief of Upper Gastrointestinal Division in the Department of Surgery of the Chinese University of Hong Kong.



A/Professor Steven R DeMeester MD,
Associate Professor of Cardiothoracic
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Los Angeles CA, USA

Steven R DeMeester, MD, Associate Professor of Cardiothoracic Surgery, focuses on benign and malignant diseases of the esophagus and lungs. His clinical interests include diaphragmatic function as it relates to pulmonary and esophageal disorders, benign and malignant lung diseases with a particular interest in tumors of the airway, and benign and malignant esophageal disease. His major research interests involve the progression of gastroesophageal reflux to Barrett's esophagus and esophageal cancer. He is involved in the latest technologies and techniques to diagnose and treat reflux disease and Barrett's esophagus including ablation technologies and endoscopic resection for early cancer. Clinically he performs complex esophageal reconstruction procedures and specializes in minimally invasive techniques to treat thoracic disorders including esophageal cancer.

Dr DeMeester earned his medical degree from Loyola Stritch School of Medicine, and subsequently completed both a general surgery residency and critical care fellowship at the University of Michigan. He then went on to complete cardiothoracic surgery training, with special emphasis on general thoracic surgery, at Barnes Hospital, Washington University in St Louis. To gain further expertise with complex foregut problems, he undertook a one-year esophageal surgery fellowship at USC in 1996. He joined the USC faculty the following year in 1997.

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0830 - 1000	<p>Session 1: Ulcer Disease - Chairs: Michael Cox, Rob Bohmer</p> <p>0830 - 0845: Perforated peptic ulcer – long term outcomes after eradication of H. Pylori - Enders NG</p> <p>0845 - 0900: Changing epidemiology and treatment strategy of peptic ulcer bleeding - Enders NG</p> <p>0900 - 0920: Bleeding peptic ulcer in Australia and New Zealand and the results from a local Upper GI bleeding service - Sarah Thompson</p> <p>0920 - 0935: Surgical strategies for the difficult duodenum - Glyn Jamieson</p> <p>Discussion</p>
1000 - 1030	Morning Tea
1030 - 1215	<p>Session 2: Para-oesophageal Hernia – outcomes and preventing recurrence - Chairs: Steven DeMeester, Glyn Jamieson</p> <p>1030 - 1045: Para-oesophageal hernia repair and cardiac function - Greg Falk</p> <p>1045 - 1055: Acute paraoesophageal hernia repair: Outcomes as bad as expected? - Ralph Staerkle*</p> <p>Mesh and the Hiatus</p> <p>1055 - 1110: Overview of the properties of mesh in tissue - Garett Smith</p> <p>1110 - 1125: Why I use mesh to repair hiatus - Michael Talbot</p> <p>1125 - 1140: Why I do not use mesh at the hiatus - David Gotley</p> <p>1140 - 1155: Results of the para-oesophageal hernia trial - David Watson</p> <p>Discussion</p>
1215 - 1315	Lunch

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1315 - 1500	<p>Session 3: Abstracts / Free papers - Chairs: Sarah Thompson, Emma Johnson</p> <p>1315 - 1325: Fundoplication after sleeve gastrectomy – avoiding reflux - Reg Lord</p> <p>1325 - 1335: Laparoscopic hiatus hernia repair with oesophageal fixation - Rajith Mendis*</p> <p>1335 - 1345: Long-term survival after oesophagectomy – The impact of postoperative morbidity - Michael Hii*</p> <p>1345 - 1355: Prevention of Barrett's metaplasia in a human model of duodenogastro-oesophageal reflux - Eamonn Fahy*</p> <p>1355 - 1405: Cardiopulmonary exercise testing for preoperative selection in oesophagogastric resection: Early results from a UK centre - Ben Knight*</p> <p>1405 - 1415: Coping with newly diagnosed upper gastrointestinal cancer: A longitudinal qualitative study of family caregivers' post-surgical information and support needs - Joanne Shaw*</p> <p>1415 - 1435: Surgery for obesity - Journey from Aussie to Hong Kong - Simon Wong</p> <p>1435 - 1445: Update on the TOP GEAR trial for gastric carcinoma - Mark Smithers</p> <p>1445 - 1450: Oesophagectomy and perioperative nutrition – Trial Update - Glyn Jamieson</p>
1500 - 1530	Afternoon Tea
1530 - 1700	<p>Session 4: Gastric Cancer - Chairs: Peter Cosman, Krishna Epari</p> <p>1530 - 1545: Systematic review of peritoneal cytology for gastric cancer - Philip Le Page</p> <p>1545 - 1600: Effect of chemoradiotherapy following standard D2 gastrectomy for stomach cancer in Hong Kong - Enders NG</p> <p>1600 - 1615: Gastrectomy for cancer in a specialised centre - Neil Merrett</p> <p>1615 - 1630: Gastrectomy, can we do as well as the Japanese? - Iain Thomson</p> <p>Discussion</p>
1700 - 1730	ANZGOSA AGM
1830	<p>Conference Dinner</p> <p>Drinks and canapés to start – rooftop of Swiss Grand Resort and Spa. Followed by a sit-down dinner, in the Ballroom of the Swiss Grand Resort and Spa</p>

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0830 - 1000	<p>Session 5: Oesophageal Cancer - Chairs: Mark Smithers, Neil Merrett</p> <p>0830 - 0850: En Bloc oesophageal resection - Steven DeMeester</p> <p>0850 - 0910: Surgery vs Primary Chemoradiation for oesophageal cancer: A prospective randomised trial - Enders Ng</p> <p>0910 - 0930: Role of preoperative chemotherapy for oesophageal cancer - Steven DeMeester</p> <p>0930 - 0945: Routine application of neoadjuvant chemoradiotherapy for oesophageal adenocarcinoma - George Hruby</p> <p>Discussion</p>
1000 - 1030	Morning Tea
1030 - 1200	<p>Session 6: Optimising outcomes in Upper GI Cancer Surgery - Chairs: Reg Lord, David Watson</p> <p>1030 - 1045: Safe oesophagectomy / post operative care - Steven DeMeester</p> <p>1045 - 1100: Oesophageal and gastric cancer surgery in New South Wales - Ross Smith</p> <p>1100 - 1115: Outcomes from Oesophageal and gastric cancer surgery in Queensland - Mark Smithers</p> <p>1115 - 1130: Oesophagectomy in New Zealand, where should it be done? - Ross Roberts</p> <p>Discussion</p>
1200 - 1300	Lunch
1300 - 1500	<p>Session 7: Bariatric Surgery – When the procedure fails or creates new problems - Chairs: Ahmad Aly, Wendy Brown</p> <p>1300 - 1315: The physiological effects at the OGJ from the adjustable gastric band and its impact on GERD - Paul Burton</p> <p>1315 - 1335: What to do with the failed band – a review - Michael Hii</p> <p>1335 - 1350: Reflux, the hiatus and the tight sleeve - David Martin</p> <p>1350 - 1410: What to do with the failed sleeve – a review - John Jorgensen</p> <p>1410 - 1430: Avoiding problems with gastric bypass as a revision procedure - Michael Talbot</p> <p>Discussion</p>
1500 - 1530	Afternoon Tea

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1530 - 1700	<p>Session 8: Video Vignettes and other things - Chairs: Tim Bright, Vanessa Wills</p> <p>Videos</p> <p>1530 - 1535: Median Arcuate Ligament syndrome - Steve Leibman</p> <p>1535 - 1540: Leiomyoma beside the Aorta - David Martin / Fellow</p> <p>1545 - 1550: Laparoscopic Cardioplasty for End-Stage Achalasia: an alternative to redo cardiomyotomy - Sarah Thompson</p> <p>1550 - 1555: Laparoscopic deroofting of large splenic cysts - Chek Heng Tog</p> <p>1555 - 1600: Oesophageal Leiomyomas – Thoracoscopic and laparoscopic approach - Philip Le Page</p> <p>Presentations</p> <p>1600 - 1610: Determinants of percentage excess weight loss in a cohort of 475 patients undergoing Roux en-Y gastric bypass with silastic ring: a multivariate analysis - Jevon Puckett*</p> <p>1610 - 1620: A prospective review of 579 consecutive French mid bands showing a non sutures laparoscopic band can produce low slippage, infection and erosion rates - Ian Baxter*</p> <p>1620 - 1640: Gastric bypass – Comparison of percentage excess weight loss for different biliopancreatic limb lengths - Catriona MacRae*</p> <p>1640 - 1650: Choledocholithiasis at the Northern Hospital: Patterns of investigation and intervention - Mueed Mian*</p> <p>1650 - 1700: Update DOCTOR trial for resectable oesophageal cancer - Andrew Barbour</p>
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0830 - 1000	Session 9: Endoscopy and General Issues in Upper GI surgery - Chairs: David Gotley, Gary Crosthwaite
	0830 - 0845: Endoscopic management of acute oesophageal obstruction - Tim Bright
	0845 - 0900: What to do for the small gastric GIST found at endoscopy - Steve Leibman
	0900 - 0915: Robot-assisted upper GI surgery – is there a point? - Reg Lord / Chris Lehane
	0915 - 0930: Chagas Disease - Otavio Gastal
	0930 - 0950: Avoiding indigestion: reducing the risks of litigation in Upper GI surgery - Kerrie Chambers / Nihal D’Cruz
	Discussion
1000 - 1030	Morning Tea
1030 - 1200	Session 10: Avoiding recurrent symptoms after antireflux surgery - Chairs: Garrett Smith, John Jorgensen
	1030 - 1045: Selecting the correct patient for antireflux surgery - Glyn Jamieson
	1045 - 1100: Which antireflux operation? - David Watson
	1100 - 1115: Fundoplication vs Bariatric surgery in the obese refluxer - Wendy Brown
	1115 - 1130: The role of the Collis gastroplasty - David Gotley
	1130 - 1145: The role of gastric bypass for recurrent reflux - Michael Talbot
	Discussion
1200 - 1300	Lunch (Seaspray Restaurant) and adjourn

Conference Dinner

Social Function – Conference Dinner

Friday 7th September,
6:30pm - late

Enjoy sunset drinks and canapés on the rooftop of the Swiss-Grand Hotel!

A sit down 3 course dinner and drinks are also provided in the Ballroom of the Hotel.

Local Attractions

Welcome to beautiful Bondi and the Waverley area of eastern Sydney. Just a few kilometres from the city centre and boasting world-famous Bondi Beach, Waverley is a must-see destination for visitors. With three famous beaches - Bondi, Bronte and Tamarama, a spectacular cliff-top Coastal Walk, vibrant shopping villages, parks and playgrounds, beach-side cafes and restaurants, there's plenty to do no matter your age or energy levels!

The Festival of the Winds

Sunday 9th Sep 2012

11:00am

Make sure you don't miss Sydney's most colourful spring festival, The Festival of the Winds kite flying festival this year, which promises to be a great day out for the whole family.



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