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Summary

In 1980, I joined the oldest colon and rectal group in southern Louisiana, started in the mid 1930's, and quickly became the managing partner. This CV is a brief but encyclopedic recitation of a long educational and professional career.

My year in England was a formative experience which warrants a more extensive description. Two of the major modern advances in Colorectal were of English origin in 1977-1978, one originating in Basingstoke and the other at St. Mark's Hospital in London.

The first was the use of circular surgical staplers that revolutionized the treatment of rectal cancer. This was two years before their commercial introduction by US Surgical. The original circular stapler was the Russian SPTU. Early in the academic year I spent a week with Professor John Goligher in Leeds who had the first one in England. R. J. Heald had the second and we began using it on my return from Leeds. Our work with the use of the stapler for rectal cancer led to Professor Heald's concept of total mesorectal excision, an equal revolution in the treatment for mid and low rectal cancer.

The second was the first presentation of the now standard restorative treatment for ulcerative colitis and familial polyposis, total proctocolectomy and ileal pouch-anal anastomosis. Sir Alan Parks at St. Mark's presented his initial series of 16 patients with an S-shaped ileal pouch, anal anastomosis.

The skills learned at the first introduction of these procedures were further honed by Fellowship at the University of Minnesota and became the basis for my practice.

Clinical Skills and Present Scope of Practice

Outpatient services range from an active office practice to endoscopies and anorectal surgery, focusing on common clinical problems such as hemorrhoids, fissures and fistulas extending to complicated fistulas and reconstructive anorectal surgery. Inpatient services cover diseases such as diverticulitis and colon cancer with a special interests in laparoscopy and the more complicated surgeries for rectal cancer and inflammatory bowel disease with over 1600 surgeries for Colorectal cancer and 350 reconstructive surgeries for ulcerative colitis and familial polyposis. The practice draws from an area from the Texas- Louisiana border in the west to Pensacola in the east with occasional patients from the Midwest and Canada.

EDUCATION

Tulane University School of Medicine, New Orleans, LA
Doctor of Medicine, 1974

University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Texas
Department of Physiology 1969-1971

Tulane University, New Orleans
Bachelor of Arts (English), 1969

POST GRADUATE EDUCATION

Ochsner Foundation Hospital, New Orleans, LA
Internship, Straight Surgery 1974-1975

Ochsner Foundation Hospital, New Orleans, LA
Residency, General Surgery 1975-1977

Basingstoke District Hospital, Basingstoke, Hampshire, England
Registrar to Mr. R. J Heald
General Surgery/ Colorectal Surgery 1977-1978

St. Mark's Hospital, London, England
Clinical Assistant to Sir H. E. Lockhart-Mummery
Colorectal Surgery 1977-1978

Ochsner Clinic/Foundation Hospital, New Orleans, LA
Senior Resident, General Surgery 1978-1979

University of Minnesota - Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery, Minneapolis, Minnesota
Fellowship, Colon and Rectal Surgery 1979-1980

BOARD CERTIFICATION

American Board of Surgery, 1980-1990

American Board of Colon and Rectal Surgery, 1980-present

FELLOWSHIPS

Fellow American College of Surgeons, 1984

Fellow American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons, 1991

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American College of Surgeons

American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons

St. Mark's Association

Surgical Association of Louisiana

New Orleans Surgical Society

TEACHING/FACULTY POSITIONS

Tulane University School of Medicine, New Orleans, LA
Faculty- General Surgery Core Rotation, 2012- present
Dean Kevin Krane MD

Tulane University School of Medicine - Department of Surgery, New Orleans, LA
Program Director- East Jefferson General Hospital, 2007- present
Chairman Douglas Slakey MD

Tulane University School of Medicine - Department of Surgery, New Orleans, LA
Program Director - East Jefferson General Hospital, 1995-1999
Chairman Lewis Flint MD

PRESENTATIONS

American Society Colon and Rectal Surgeons

Ft. Lauderdale, FL 1980

- *University of Minnesota Experience With Squamous Cell Carcinoma*

University of Minnesota Course in Colon and Rectal Surgery, Minneapolis, MN, 1984

- *Surgery for Anal Stenosis*
- *Local Anesthesia*

American College of Surgeons,

New Orleans, LA, 1987

- *Local Anesthesia for Ambulatory Anorectal Surgery*

Monash University Course in Colon and Rectal Surgery

Melbourne, Australia, 2000

- *Colonoscopic Perforations*
- *Crohn's Disease: What to Resect*
- *Recurrent Fissure*
- *Management of Pouchitis*
- *Film: Parks' Ileoanal S Pouch*

Grand Rounds at Tulane Medical Department of Surgery

New Orleans, LA

- *Surgery for Inflammatory Bowel Disease*
- *Stomas*
- *Familial Colorectal Cancer Syndromes*

Surgical Association of Louisiana

New Orleans, LA, 2008

- Management of Stage I Colon Cancer.

PUBLICATIONS

The influence of dietary protein on gulonolactone hydrolase, gulonate NADP oxidoreductase, and tissue ascorbate in male and female rats.

Abstract, Stubbs DW, Griffin JF, Guest MM.
Proc Soc Exp Biol Med. 1973 Oct 1;144(1):199-202.

Anesthesia for Ambulatory Anorectal Surgery

Text

Current Surgical Therapy #3 1989 pgs. 192 – 202.

John L. Cameron, M.D., Editor

COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP

Gulf South Quality Network, New Orleans, LA

Chairman, 2012-Present

- Actively lead a 1600 physician, 8 institution clinically intergraded network, which includes:
 - East Jefferson General Hospital; and
 - Tulane University School of Medicine
 - Initiated the first large scale shared saving plan with a major insurer in the state of Louisiana.

MD Anderson Physician Network at EJGH, New Orleans, LA

Physician Head for Colorectal Cancer Surgery, Present

- Responsible for concordance with 21 quality measures for colorectal cancer surgery at East Jefferson General Hospital.
 - The concordance is reviewed at three-year intervals and East Jefferson has exceeded the grouped standard in 2008 and 2011.

GSQN, New Orleans, LA

Chairman of Committee, 2007-2010

- Created the first Clinically Intergraded Physician Network in Louisiana and led the presentation to the Federal Trade Commission in 2010.

GSQN East Jefferson General Hospital, New Orleans, LA

Chairman, 2010-2012

- Led the hiring of our current President and oversaw the creation of the infrastructure and Quality Committee to implement the network.
- Signed GSQN's first shared saving/value based contract.

Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, LA

Chairman, Department of Surgery

East Jefferson General Hospital, New Orleans, LA

Chairman, By Laws Committee & Department of Surgery

Officer, Medical Executive Committee

Secretary

Treasurer

Vice Chief of Staff
Member, Surgical Procedures Committee

HONORS

Middlesex Hospital, London
Senior Surgical Rotation, 1973-1974
Professor Leslie Le Quesne

M D Anderson Physician Network
Credentialed Physician

RESEARCH

University of Oklahoma Biological Station, Madill, Oklahoma
Field Research: Behavior, taxonomy, populations. 1962, 1963, 1964
Dean Carl Daniel Riggs

University of Texas Medical Branch – Department of Physiology
Laboratory Research: The effect of diet and sex on the metabolism of vitamin C in the liver of rats.
Dr. D.W. Stubbs 1970-1971

Ochsner Foundation Hospital, New Orleans, LA
Clinical Research: Squamous cell cancer of the anorectum.
Dr. Patrick Hanley 1974-1975

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
Research: Squamous cell and basaloid cell cancer of the anorectum.
1979-1980