

Curriculum Vitae

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Personal Details

- Gender - Male
- Nationality – India, Green Card (USA)

Medical Education

- America Board of Surgery – Certified 04/2012
- ECFMG Certified - 2004
- M.R.C.S - Royal College of Surgeons of England, United Kingdom 2001 – 2004
- M.B.B.S - Andhra Medical College, Visakhapatnam, India 1993 - 2000

Current Position

- General Surgeon – Christie Clinic, Champaign, IL – Since 09/2012

Residency Positions

- Fellowship in Minimal Invasive and Robotic Surgery – University of Illinois at Chicago, IL – From 09/2011 to 09/2012
- Chief Resident in General Surgery - New York Hospital Queens-Cornell University Medical College, NY – From 07/2010 to 06/2011
- Categorical Residency in General Surgery - New York Hospital Queens-Cornell University Medical College and New York Medical College, NY – From 07/2007 to 06/2010
- Preliminary Residency in General Surgery - St John Hospital and St Joseph Mercy Oakland Hospital, MI – From 07/2004 to 06/2006
- MRCS Surgical rotations - University Hospitals of North Tees and Hartlepool, Stockton on Tees, UK and Royal Liverpool University Hospital, Liverpool, UK- From 02 / 2001 to 06 / 2004

Certification / Licensure in United States

- Permanent Medical Licensure in Illinois (No 036128021)
- American Board of Surgery – Certified 04/2012
- ATLS, ACLS, FLS

Medical School Honors / Awards

- Dr Anderson Memorial gold medal in Surgery - Andhra Medical College - 03/98
- Merit certificate in Ophthalmology - Andhra Medical College - 09 / 1997
- Merit certificate in Pathology - Andhra Medical College - 10 / 1996
- Merit scholarship in Intermediate - Andhra Pradesh state government - 06 / 1990

Membership in Honorary / Professional Societies

- American College of Surgeons (ACS)
- Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES)
- Royal College of Surgeons of England, UK
- Permanent registered member in General Medical Council, UK

Publications

- Transhiatal versus Transthoracic Esophagectomy for Esophageal Cancer: A 2005 – 2011 NSQIP comparison of modern multicenter results. WA Papenfuss, M Kukar, K Attwood, VR Kakarla... - Journal of Surgical Oncology, 2014
- The role of faecal diversion in low rectal cancer: A review of 1791 patients having rectal cancer resection with anastomosis for cancer, with and without a proximal stoma. S Nurkin, VR Kakarla, DE Ruiz, WG Cance... - Colorectal Disease, 2013
- A NSQIP comparison of modern multicenter results for trans hiatal versus transthoracic esophagectomy. WA Papenfuss, M Kukar, SN Hochwald, VR Kakarla... - Journal of Clinical Oncology, 2013
- Using mobile app technology for patient data capture and implementation. SJ Nurkin, SB Edge, VR Kakarla, NI Khushalani – Journal of Clinical Oncology, 2012
- Elective Laparoscopic versus Open Colectomy for symptomatic Diverticulosis – An analysis of ACS-NSQIP Database. VR Kakarla, SJ Nurkin, S Sharma, DE Ruiz... - Surgical endoscopy, 2012
- Are laparoscopic bariatric procedures safe in superobese (BMI >50) patients A NSQIP data analysis. VR Kakarla, K Nandipati, M Lalla, A Castro, S Merola - Surgery for Obesity and Related Diseases, 2011
- Extended focused assessment with sonography for trauma (EFAST) in the diagnosis of pneumothorax: Experience at a community based level I trauma center. KC Nandipati, S Allamaneni, R Kakarla, A Wong... - Injury, 2011
- Small undetectable Spigelian hernia: Clinical and minimally invasive approach. VR Kakarla, S Allamaneni, A Dildeep, KC Nandipati... - The American surgeon, 2010

- Effect of Neoadjuvant radiation on perioperative morbidity in low anterior resection for rectal cancer. (Abstract) V Kakarla, S Nurkin, D Ruiz, H Tiszenkel – Diseases of the Colon and Rectum, 2010
- Role of fecal diversion for low rectal cancer resection. (Abstract) VR Kakarla, SJ Nurkin, K Nandipati, H Tiszenkel... - Annals of Surgical Oncology, 2010
- Meckel's diverticulum as a cause of intestinal obstruction in third trimester of pregnancy. F Anooosh, D Ambujakshan, M Nittala, K Nandipati, VR Kakarla... - Am J Case Rep, 2009

Presentations

- Minimally Invasive Cholecystectomy – Retrospective study comparing Laparoscopic vs Robotic approach. David Calatayud, Venkata R Kakarla, Luca Milone, Francesco M Bianco, Enrique F Elli, Pier C Giulianotti
 - Presented at Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES) annual meeting at San Diego, CA – March 07 – 12, 2012
- Elective Laparoscopic versus Open Colectomy for symptomatic Diverticulosis – An analysis of ACS-NSQIP Database. Venkata R Kakarla, Dan Ruiz, Steven Nurkin, Saurab Sharma, Howard Tiszenkel
 - Presented at Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES) annual meeting at San Antonio, TX – March 30 – April 2, 2011
- Breast Specimen Sonography is Effective in Decreasing Re-Excision Rates after Breast Conservative Surgery for Breast Cancer. Venkata R Kakarla, Manmeet Malik, Anna Kundel, Kap J Sung
 - Presented at American College of Surgeons 96th Annual Clinical Congress in Washington , DC – October 3 – 7, 2010
 - Presented at Murry Friedman Resident Paper competition of American College of Surgeons – Brooklyn & Long Island Chapter meeting in New York, NY - May 2010 – Won third prize
 - Presented at 2010 Residents and Fellows day at New York Hospital Queens, Flushing, NY – May 12, 2010
- Early Outcomes Following Transhiatal and Transthoracic Esophagectomy for Cancer. Steven Nurkin, Venkata R Kakarla, Soni Chousleb, Subroto Paul, Paul Lee
 - Presented at American College of Surgeons 96th Annual Clinical Congress in Washington , DC – October 3 – 7, 2010
- Are Laparoscopic Bariatric Procedures safe in super obese (BMI >50) patients? A NSQIP data analysis. Kakarla VR, Nandipati K, Lalla M, Castro A, Merola S
 - Presented as “Top 10 papers” at 27th Annual Meeting of American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgeons Annual meeting at Las Vegas, NV – June 21 – 26, 2010
- Predictors of Mortality following Pancreaticoduodenectomy for Periampullary Cancer. Kakarla VR, Annamalai A, Nandipati K, Nurkin SJ, Addasi A

- Oral Paper Presentation at 9th World Congress of the International Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association, IHPBA 2010, Buenos Aires, Argentina - April 18-22, 2010
- Effect of Neoadjuvant Radiation on peri-operative morbidity in Low Anterior Resection for Rectal Cancer. Kakarla VR, Nurkin SJ, Nanadipati K, Ruiz DE, Tiszenkel HI
 - Presented at 2010 ASCRS Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN - May 15-19, 2010
- Role of Fecal Diversion for Low Rectal Cancer Resection. Kakarla VR, Nurkin SJ, Ruiz DE, Tiszenkel HI
 - Presented at Society of Surgical Oncology's 63rd Annual Cancer Symposium, St. Louis, MO - March 3-7, 2010
- Laparoscopic Vs Open Surgery for Rectal Cancer. Nurkin SJ, Kakarla VR, Ruiz DE, Tiszenkel HI
 - Presented at Society of Surgical Oncology's 63rd Annual Cancer Symposium, St. Louis, MO - March 3-7, 2010
- Mortality predictors of Clostridium Difficile Colitis Requiring Colectomy. Nurkin SJ, Kakarla VR, Turner JW
 - Oral Paper Presentation at American College of Surgeons 95th Annual Clinical Congress's Scientific Exhibition, Chicago, IL - Oct 11 – 15, 2009
- Surgeon Performed Sonographic Measurement of Optic Nerve Sheath Diameter to Assess Severity of Traumatic Brain Injury. Sheriff R, Nandipati K, Allamaneni S, Kakarla VR, Richards N
 - Oral Paper Presentations at American College of Surgeons 95th Annual Clinical Congress's Scientific Exhibition, Chicago, IL - Oct 11 – 15, 2009
- The Role of Inferior Vena Cava Diameter Measurement in Trauma Patients. Nandipati K, Kakarla VR, Richards N
 - Presented at American College of Surgeons 95th Annual Clinical Congress's Scientific Exhibition, Chicago, IL - Oct 11 – 15, 2009
- Impact of Intraoperative Breast Specimen Sonogram on Re-excision Rates after Breast Conservative Surgery. Kakarla VR, Nandipati K, Allamaneni S, Astorga R, Sung KJ
 - Presented at American College of Surgeons 95th Annual Clinical Congress's Scientific Exhibition, Chicago, IL - Oct 11 – 15, 2009
- Methadone Related Colonic Pseudo-obstruction. Kakarla VR, Nandipati K, Mandava N
 - Presented at Southeastern Surgical Congress Meeting, Atlanta, GA – Feb 7 –10, 2009
- Spigelian hernia – importance of clinical examination at the time of symptoms. Kakarla VR, Allamaneni S, Mandava N
 - Presented at Southeastern Surgical Congress Meeting, Atlanta, GA – Feb 7– 10, 2009
- Mechanical Complication of a Totally Implanted Venous Access Port in Cancer Patient. Anoosh F, Nandipati K, Kakarla VR, Sung KJ
 - Presented at Southeastern Surgical Congress Meeting, Atlanta, GA – Feb 7– 10, 2009

- Extended Focused Abdominal Sonography for Trauma (EFAST) is Highly Sensitive in the Diagnosis of Pneumothorax: Interim Analysis. Nandipati KC, Allamaneni S, Kakarla R, Wong A, Richards N, Satterfield J, Sung KJ
 - Oral Paper Presentation at American College of Surgeons Clinical Congress Meeting, San Francisco, CA – Oct 12 – 16, 2008
- Retrospective review of post-operative course of the patients who had hemicolectomy for colonic cancer between 1998 and 2003 at university hospital of Hartlepool, U.K. Kakarla VR, Bandi HN
 - Presented at Regional Colorectal Surgeons meeting in Newcastle, U.K - University Hospital of Hartlepool, U.K - 05 / 2003 - 07 / 2003
- Prospective audit on antimicrobial prophylaxis for minor wounds presenting to accident and emergency department. It was presented and used to set a protocol in the A&E department for antibiotic prescription for minor wounds. Kakarla VR, Clancy J
 - Inter-Hospital audit meeting - University Hospital of Hartlepool, U.K - 04 / 2002 - 07 / 2002

Volunteer and Extra-Curricular experience

- Developer and Editor of the website www.surgonc-articles.com
- Developer and publisher of multiple medical related iphone applications, including the cancer staging application for American Joint Commission on Cancer (AJCC)
- Member of platinum jubilee committee, Andhra Medical College - 01 / 1998
- Organizer - Andhra medical college science exhibition - 12 / 1997
- Volunteer - Pulse Polio - Global eradication of polio by 2000 - 07 / 1997 - 07 / 1997
- Volunteer - Hepatitis immunization camp - 01 / 1997 - 01 / 1999
- Active Member - Medico's Youth Forum - 04 / 1995 - 06 / 1999
- Member - National Cadet Corps (N.C.C) of India - 11 / 1993 - 06 / 1998