

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## PERSONAL DETAILS

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## MEDICAL QUALIFICATIONS

1985-1990 **MB. Ch.B** Liverpool Medical School.

Feb. 1995 **FRCS Ed** Royal College of Surgeons,  
Edinburgh

May 2003 **FRCS Ed (General Surgery)**  
Intercollegiate Specialty  
Examination in General  
surgery, Bath

July 2005 **MD** Leeds University

***'DNA Mismatch Repair in Population-  
Based Studies of Colorectal Cancer'***

## OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

April 2015	<b>MML</b>	University of Glasgow (Master of Medical Law)
		<b><i>'A consideration of the legal and ethical obstacles to consent in current medical practice'</i></b>
March 2018		<b>Certified Civil Mediator Training,</b> London School of Mediation

## CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

April 2005 -		Consultant Hepatobiliary and Upper Gastrointestinal Surgeon
		Department of Surgery, Raigmore Hospital, Old Perth Road Inverness United Kingdom IV7 8NA

## ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

June 2012-March 2020		Clinical Director
		Surgery & Anaesthetics Division, Raigmore Hospital
November 2014- January 2024		Training Programme Director
		NHS Education for Scotland North Region
August 2008- December 2012		Service Lead
		General Surgery & Urology, Raigmore Hospital

## **MEDICO-LEGAL SUMMARY**

I have accepted instructions as a medical expert for over 15 years, during which time I have undertaken a Masters Degree in Medical Law (MML). I have also undertaken formal civil mediation training.

Since accepting my first instruction from in 2010 I have provided expert opinion in approximately 125 clinical negligence cases for the Central Legal Office, covering Breach of Duty, Causation and Condition & Prognosis. Since 2020 I have also accepted instruction on behalf of the Pursuer across the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland.

I have attended the Court of Session (DH vs Lanarkshire Health Board, BT v Forth Valley Health Board), with all other cases addressed out with the Court. I have provided expert opinion on instruction from CLO at a Fatal Accident Enquiry in Scotland, and provided opinion to the Coroners Service of Northern Ireland.

I receive instruction arising from Personal Injury.

Date of first medical report / clinical negligence report: 2010

Average number of instructions annually: 40

Defender / claimant ratio: Approximately 3:2

Number of Joint Statements ('meeting of experts statement') in Scotland: 15

Attendance at Court: 4

## **PERSONAL SUMMARY**

I am currently employed as a General Surgeon with an interest in Hepatobiliary, Upper Gastrointestinal and General Surgery at Raigmore Hospital, Inverness, having taken up post April 2005. My qualifications are MD FRCS Ed. I was awarded a Masters in Medical Law (MML) from the University of Glasgow in April 2015. I achieved the status of a Certified Civil Mediator after studying with the London School of Mediation in 2018.

I undertook Specialist Registrar training in General Surgery in the Manchester region between 1996 and 2001. I completed my M.D. in Imperial Cancer Research Fund's Genetic Epidemiology Laboratory in Leeds. I then undertook subspecialty training in hepatobiliary surgery in Manchester and London between 2001 and 2005.

I was appointed as a general surgeon with a hepatobiliary and oesophago-gastric interest to Raigmore Hospital in April 2005. I re-established the pancreatico-biliary and oesophago-gastric cancer resection service in NHS Highland after an extended period of dormancy, during which all patients considered for resection were referred to neighbouring centres. I established the liver resection service in NHS Highland. I have overseen a developing HPB / OG team that now comprises 4 consultant surgeons.

Consequently my practice reflects the breadth of hepato-pancreatico-biliary and oesophago-gastric disease including onward referral for complex cases, as well as encompassing the generality of surgery. I contribute to the general surgical on call service, with ongoing responsibility for the full spectrum of emergency surgical disease, with the exception of vascular and complex urological patients. Acute biliary disease is a major component of acute surgical practice, and I am involved in the management of patients with gallstone disease on a frequent basis.

My general surgical interests include laparoscopic surgery, the management of abdominal wall herniae, general surgery of childhood, therapeutic endoscopy and ERCP. I am a member of the North of Scotland HPB and OG MDT.

I was Training Programme Director for Surgical Trainees on the North of Scotland Surgical Training Scheme from 2014 - 2023. I am now Chair of the Surgical Training Committee. I was Clinical Director for the Surgery and Anaesthetics Division in Raigmore Hospital between 2012 and 2020.

I was awarded the Silver Scalpel Award from the Association of Surgeons in Training in 2020, in recognition of my involvement in Surgical Training.

## POST-GRADUATE EMPLOYMENT

**Specialist Registrar** (North West Region, General Surgery):

Oct 2004- April 2005	<b>Registrar,</b> Upper Gastrointestinal and Hepatobiliary Surgery, Blackburn Royal Infirmary
Oct 2003 – Oct 2004	<b>Senior Clinical Fellow, Liver Transplantation &amp; Hepatobiliary Surgical Unit,</b> Royal Free Hampstead NHS Trust, London
Oct 2002 – Oct 2003	<b>Registrar, Hepatobiliary Surgical Unit,</b> North Manchester General Hospital
Oct 2001 - Oct 2002	<b>Registrar, Hepatobiliary Surgical Unit,</b> Manchester Royal Infirmary
Feb 1999 – Oct 2001	<b>Research Fellow, Imperial Cancer Research Fund,</b> Genetic Epidemiology Laboratory, St. James University Hospital / Leeds General Infirmary, Leeds
Oct 1998 – Feb 1999	<b>Registrar, Hepatobiliary and General Surgery,</b> Manchester Royal Infirmary
Oct 1997 – Oct 1998	<b>Registrar, General Surgery,</b> Royal Oldham Hospital
Sept 1996 - Oct 1997	<b>Registrar, General Surgery,</b> Birch Hill Hospital, Rochdale
Feb 1996 - Sept 1996	<b>Registrar, Renal Transplant Surgery,</b> Manchester Royal Infirmary

**Senior House Officer posts (Mersey SHO rotation):**

Aug 1995-Feb 1996	<b>Senior SHO General Surgery,</b> Countess of Chester Hospital, Chester
Aug 1994-Aug 1995	<b>General Surgery,</b> Countess of Chester Hospital, Chester
Feb 1994-Aug 1994	<b>Renal Transplant Surgery,</b> Royal Liverpool University Hospital
Aug 1993-Feb 1994	<b>Orthopaedics,</b> Countess of Chester Hospital, Chester
Feb 1993-Aug 1993	<b>Paediatric Surgery,</b> Alder Hey Children's Hospital, Liverpool.
Aug 1992-Feb 1993	<b>Accident and Emergency,</b> Countess of Chester Hospital, Chester
Feb 1992-Aug 1992	<b>Accident and Emergency,</b> Walton Hospital, Liverpool
Aug 1991-Feb 1992	<b>General Surgery</b> Fazakerley Hospital, Liverpool

**House Officer Posts:**

Aug 1990-Oct 1990	<b>General Surgery</b>
Nov 1990-Jan 1991	<b>Thoracic Surgery</b>
Feb 1991-Apr 1991	<b>Medicine for the Elderly</b>
May 1991-July 1991	<b>General Medicine</b>
	Fazakerley Hospital, Liverpool

**UNDERGRADUATE PRIZES**

June 1988	Distinction in pharmacology
November 1988	J.Hill Abram prize in pharmacology and general therapeutics.
November 1988 Scholarship	Christopher Bushell Undergraduate

November 1989  
Scholarship

Christopher Bushell Undergraduate

## POSTGRADUATE PRIZES

Family history of HNPCC-spectrum cancer is associated with deficient mismatch repair.

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Finan P.J, Gray S, Quirke P, Bishop D.T.

**Winner of British Journal of Surgery 'Best Research Paper'**

Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain & Ireland, Brighton, July 2000.

**'Silver Scalpel' Award**

Association of Surgeons in Training, March 2020

## PUBLICATIONS

### PAPERS PUBLISHED:

**Lost gallstones mimicking a gastric pylorus tumour**

Fung KY, Lim CBB, Ashcroft M, Coggins RP

*Case Reports in Internal Medicine* 2014; 1(2): 179

**Obturator Hernia – Case report**

Brennan S, Coggins RP, Miller J

*Hospital Doctor of Ireland*; 2010

**Traumatic testicular dislocation: A case report and literature review**

Parnaby C, Coggins R, Hendry P.

*Scottish Medical Journal*: Feb 2010 55;57

**MLH1 -93G>A promoter polymorphism and risk of mismatch repair deficient colorectal cancer**

JM Allan, J Shorto, J Adlard, J Bury, R Coggins et al

*Int. J. Cancer*: 123, 2456-2459 (2008)

**Association between family history and mismatch repair in colorectal cancer**

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Bell S.M, Crockford G.P, Quirke P, Finan

P.J, Bishop D.T.

*Gut* 2005;54:636-642

**Small bowel perforation caused by an ingested foreign body masquerading as acute appendicitis**

King N.K, Coggins R.P., McCloy R.F

*Hospital Medicine* 2003;64(7):436

**Delivery of surgical care in a district general hospital without high dependency unit facilities**

Coggins R.P

*Postgraduate Medical Journal 2000; 76:223-226*

**Value of a surgical high-dependency unit**

Jones H.J.S, Coggins R, Lafuente J, de Cossart L.

*British Journal of Surgery 1999; 86:1578-1582*

**A case of mistaken identity: primary cutaneous lymphoma presenting as venous ulceration.**

Tumman J, Coggins R.

*Hospital Medicine 1999; 60(10): 761*

**Use of a general surgical high dependency unit in a district general hospital : the first ten years**

Coggins R, Parkin C.H. de Cossart L.

*Journal of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh 1998; 43(6): 381-384*

**Improving post-operative care - the role of the surgeon in the High Dependency Unit. Coggins R. de Cossart L.**

*Annals of the Royal College of Surgeons 1996; 78: 163-167*

**CHAPTERS IN EDITED BOOKS:**

**1. Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease: Surgical Approach**

McCloy R.F, Coggins R.P, Nair R,G

In: E.J.Irvine, R.H.Hunt (eds) 2001

Evidence-based Gastroenterology. B C Decker, London

**MISCELLANEOUS PUBLICATIONS:**

**1. Advances in colon cancer: Extracts from the ESO Colorectal Cancer Conference**

Acknowledged contribution to the European School of Oncology conference manuscript

*Surgical Oncology 2002;11:107-122*

*Cancer Futures 2002;1:135-151*

## PRESENTATIONS TO LEARNED SOCIETIES:

**The use of Glasgow Predictive Scoring (GPS) in determining patient survival following oesophageal and gastric resection for malignant disease**

Thomas IM, Tamijmarane A, Coggins RP  
DDF

London, June 2015

*GUT 64(SUPPL 1):A280.2-A280 · JUNE 2015*

**Feeding jejunostomy tubes; an analysis of 122 cases**

CBB Lim, S Clements, T Hairudin, A Tamijmarane, R Coggins  
Poster of Distinction

Association of Surgeons of Great Britain & Ireland, 2013

**How does a northern trust with unique geographical challenges compare with Scottish national data for all cancers in keeping with terminally ill Upper Gastrointestinal cancer patients out of hospital – to die at home?**

Jones M, Godsman J, Coggins R

Presented to ASIT Annual meeting,  
Cardiff, 2012

*International Journal of Surgery 2012 Vol. 10, Issue 8, Page S94*

**Does the organisation of services in a geographically diverse region have impact upon delivery of end of life care for patients with Upper GI cancer?**

Jones M, Godsman J, Coggins R

Poster presentation to Association of Surgeons of Great Britain & Ireland,

Liverpool, 2012

*GUT 61(SUPPL 2):A12-A12 · MAY 2012*

**Reducing the incidence of thoracic duct injury with intra-operative jejeunal feeding**

Kumar M, Coggins R, Tamijmarane A

Oral presentation to the Royal Australian College of Surgeons  
Kuala Lumpur, 2012

**Surgical quality indicators on a national data set: Analysis of an outlying trust for emergency appendicectomy**

Milburn J, Wolf B, Coggins R

Poster presented to Association of Surgeons of Great Britain & Ireland,  
2012

**Does the organisation of services in a geographically diverse region have impact upon delivery of end of life care for patients with Upper GI cancer?**

Jones M, Godsman J, Coggins R

Presented to DDF

Liverpool 2012

*www.bjs.co.uk British Journal of Surgery 2012; 99 (Suppl. 6): 83–222 (p127)*

**Intra-operative jejunal feeding facilitates identification of the thoracic duct during oesophagectomy**

Kumar M, Coggins R, Tamijmarane A

Poster presented to AUGIS, 2011

**Ensuring patient information on splenectomy cards following surgery: Are we following the guidelines?**

Milburn J, Coggins R, Tamijmarane A

Oral presentation to AUGIS

2011

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/bjs.7752/pdf>

**Staging CT for suspected gastrointestinal cancer - should we wait for pathological confirmation?**

Martell G, Coggins R

Poster presented to Association of Surgeons of Great Britain & Ireland

2011

**Factors that influence survival and readmission following oesophageal stent placement.**

Ross NP, Hildebrand DR, Pasiaka M, Tamijmarane A, Coggins RP.

Poster presentation AUGIS 2010

*British Journal of Surgery 2010; 97(S5): 1–58*

**Analysis of the management of advanced inoperable oesophageal carcinoma in the Highlands.**

Fung A, Hayward A, Coggins RP, Tamijmarane A

Presented to AUGIS

Belfast, September 2010

**Has implementation of a dedicated Cancer Tracking Service improved compliance with 62-Day cancer targets for oesophago-gastric cancer?**

Laird JEC, Craig W, Tamijmarane A, Coggins R.P.

Presented at AUGIS,

Belfast, September 2010

**Why are we waiting? An analysis of factors contributing to ongoing failure to meet 62 day cancer targets for oesophago-gastric cancer**

Laird, JEC; Craig, WL; Tamijmarane, A; Coggins, RP  
Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland,  
Liverpool, April 2010

**Benchmarking our oesophagogastric cancer management against National guidelines**

Parnaby C, Coggins R, Tamijmarane A  
Poster presentation, Association of Surgeons of Great Britain & Ireland,  
Liverpool, April 2010

**Outcomes of choledocholithiasis management with or without cholecystectomy**

Mitchell A, Tamijmarane A, Logie JRC, Coggins RP  
Poster presented to Association of Surgeons of Great Britain & Ireland  
Liverpool, April 2010

**Improved compliance with 62-day cancer targets for oesophago-gastric cancer following the introduction of a dedicated Cancer tracking Service**

Laird JEC, Craig W, Tamijmarane A, Coggins RP  
Presented to Association of Surgeons of Great Britain & Ireland,  
Liverpool, April 2010

**Why are we waiting? An analysis of factors contributing to ongoing failure to meet 62 day cancer targets for oesophago-gastric cancer**

Laird, JEC; Craig, WL; Tamijmarane, A; Coggins, RP  
Presented to ASIT  
*International Journal of Surgery* 12/2010; 8(7):530.

**Benchmark assessment versus local audit for the management of patients with potentially curative oesophagogastric cancer**

Parnaby CN, Coggins R, Tamijmarane A  
Presented to ASIT  
2010  
*International Journal of Surgery* 2010:8(7)

**Outcome of Patients with Potentially Curative Oesophago-Gastric Cancer Within the Highlands and Islands of Scotland**

Parnaby CN, Coggins R, Tamijmarane A  
Presented to ASIT  
2010  
*International Journal of Surgery* 12/2010; 8(7):546

**Survival after stenting for advanced oesophageal cancer is not influenced by need for readmission or restenting**

Ross N, Hildebrand D, Pasiaka M Coggins R, Tamijmarane A  
Presented at the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh Audit  
Symposium,  
Belfast, March 2010

**Improved compliance with 62-day targets for oesophago-gastric cancer following introduction of a dedicated Cancer Tracking Service**

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Fung A, Hayward A, Coggins R, Tamijmrane A  
Presented at the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh Audit  
Symposium,  
Edinburgh, March 2010

**An analysis of 5 cases undergoing Whipple's resection for benign adenomyomatous hyperplasia**

Ross N, McPhee J, Coggins R, Tamimarane A  
Poster presentation Scottish HPB MCN educational event  
Edinburgh, November 2009

**Outcomes of endoscopic choledocholithiasis management with or without cholecystectomy**

Mitchell A, Tamijmarane A, Logie J, Coggins R  
Presented at the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh Audit  
Symposium,  
Edinburgh, March 2009

**62 days and counting: an analysis of factors influencing management of patients with suspected oesophagogastric cancer**

Craig W, Coggins R.P.  
Presented at the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh Audit  
Symposium,  
Edinburgh, March 2006

**Role of CA 19.9 assay in the assessment of suspected hepatopancreatobiliary malignancy**

Coggins R.P., Sattout A, Vadeyar HJ, Sherlock DJ  
Poster presentation to the 6<sup>th</sup> World Congress of the IHPBA,  
Washington DC, USA. June 2004  
*HPB 2004; 6 (Supplement 1):153*

**Loss of expression of DNA repair proteins in a series of right-sided colon tumours**

Khan L.U.R, Coggins R.P., Gray S, Grabsch H, Quirke P, Finan P.J, Bishop D.T

Poster presentation to the Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland,

Edinburgh, July 2003

*Colorectal Disease 2003; 5 (Supplement 1): 61*

**Does methylene tetrahydrofolate reductase polymorphism predispose to hMLH1-deficient colorectal cancer?**

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Finan P.J, Bell S, Gray S, Quirke P, Bishop D.T. and the FSA Colorectal Cancer Study Group

Poster presentation at the 10<sup>th</sup> United European Gastroenterology Week

Geneva, Switzerland. October 2002

*Gut 2002; 34 (Supplement II):*

**Liver emergency : Case presentation**

Association of Upper Gastrointestinal Surgeons,  
Manchester, UK. September 2002

**Association between mismatch repair and family history in colorectal cancer**

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Finan P.J, Bell S, Gray S, Quirke P, Bishop D.T.

Presented at the 9<sup>th</sup> United European Gastroenterology Week  
Amsterdam, Netherlands October 2001

*Gut 2001; 49 (Supplement III): a2580*

**Association between mismatch repair and family history in colorectal cancer**

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Finan P.J, Bell S, Gray S, Quirke P, Bishop D.T.

Presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> joint meeting of the Leeds Castle Polyposis Group and the International Collaborative Group on Hereditary Nonpolyposis Colorectal Cancer

Venice, Italy. April 2001

**Family history of HNPCC-spectrum cancer is associated with deficient mismatch repair.**

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Finan P.J, Gray S, Quirke P, Bishop D.T.

Presented at the Seventh International Conference on Gastrointestinal Oncology,

Arcachon, France. September 2000

**Family history of HNPCC-spectrum cancer is associated with deficient mismatch repair.**

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Finan P.J, Gray S, Quirke P, Bishop D.T.

**Winner of British Journal of Surgery 'Best Paper'**

Presented to the Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland,

Brighton, July 2000.

*Colorectal Disease 2000; 2 (Supplement 1): 21-22*

**Deficiency of mismatch repair in non-HNPCC colorectal cancer.**

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Finan P.J, Gray S, Quirke P, Bishop D.T.

Poster presentation to the Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland,

Brighton, July 2000

*Colorectal Disease 2000; 2 (Supplement 1): 36*

**Expression of hMLH1 and hMSH2 in multiple HNPCC-spectrum cancers.**

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Finan P.J, Gray S, Quirke P, Bishop D.T.

Poster presentation to the Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland,

Brighton, July 2000

*Colorectal Disease 2000; 2 (Supplement 1): 37*

**Family history of HNPCC-spectrum cancer is associated with deficient mismatch repair.**

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Finan P.J, Gray S, Quirke P, Bishop D.T.

Poster presentation to the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland,

Cardiff, May 2000.

*British Journal of Surgery 2000; 87 (Supplement 1): 72*

**Is deficient mismatch repair important in non-HNPCC colorectal cancer?**

Coggins R.P., Cawkwell L, Finan P.J, Gray S, Quirke P, Bishop D.T.

Presented to the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, Cardiff, May 2000.

*British Journal of Surgery 2000; 87 (Supplement 1): 50*

**Evolution of MRSA infection on a vascular unit in a district general hospital.**

Clark M, Coggins R.P., Walker P, Williams G, Hulton NR

Presented to the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, Brighton, May 1999.

*British Journal of Surgery 1999; 86 (Supplement 1): 28*

**Postoperative care on an HDU reduces cardio-respiratory complications in patients undergoing major surgery.**

Jones HJS, Coggins R, Lafuente J, de Cossart L.

Presented to the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, Brighton, May 1999.

*British Journal of Surgery 1999; 86 (Supplement 1): 29*

**Delivery of surgical care in a district general hospital without HDU facilities.**

Coggins R.P.

Presented to the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, Edinburgh, May 1998

*British Journal of Surgery June 1998; 85 (Supplement 1): 57*

**High dependency units improve outcome**

Jones H. Coggins R.P. de Cossart L.

Presented to the Surgical Research Society, July 1998

*British Journal of Surgery 1998; 85 (11): 1588*

**Neurologic deficit following carotid endarterectomy**

Coggins R.P., Williams G.T.

Presented to the M62 Vascular meeting,

Manchester 1998

**Chronic sigmoid volvulus - a cause of pneumatosis cystoides intestinalis?**

Coggins R.P.

Presented to the Northwest 'Gut' Club, May 1997

**An audit of the use of critical care facilities in a district general hospital**

Coggins R.P Parkin C. de Cossart L.

Presented to the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, Glasgow, May 1996.

*British Journal of Surgery June 1996; 83 (Supplement 1): 38*

**An audit of the use of a high dependency unit by a vascular surgeon in a district general hospital.**

Coggins R.P Parkin C. de Cossart L.

Presented to the Liverpool and Northwest Society of Surgeons. 3rd November 1995.

**Diagnostic imaging of patients with possible infantile hypertrophic pyloric stenosis.**

Merei J. Lloyd D.A. King S. Coggins R. Pierro A. Turnock R.R. Carty H.

Poster presentation to the British Association of Paediatric Surgeons, XXXXI Annual International Congress, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

29th June - 1st July 1994

## **INVITED LECTURES**

1. Liver resection for malignant disease

Invited lecture to the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow Inverness Symposium, Inverness, May 2006

## **GENERAL EDUCATION**

### **SECONDARY EDUCATION**

1978-1983 St. Brendans College, Bristol

1983-1985 St. Brendans Sixth Form College, Bristol.