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Qualifications

Aug 2016	Certificate of Completion of Training	Cardiothoracic Surgery
May 2015	Royal College of Surgeons	FRCS (CTh)
Mar 2011	Imperial College, London	PhD
Jul 2009	The Open University	MBA – Healthcare Management
Nov 2005	RCS, Edinburgh	MRCS
Jul 2000	University of Southampton	Bachelor of Medicine
Jul 1999	University of Southampton	BSc (Hons)

Employment

Aug'20 – Present	Consultant Thoracic Surgeon	The Private Sector (UK & Middle East)
Oct '16 – Aug'20	Consultant Thoracic Surgeon	University College London Hospitals
Oct '16 – Aug'19	Honorary Consultant Thoracic Surgeon	North Middlesex University Hospital
Feb '18 – Aug'20	Clinical Governance and Audit Lead	University College London Hospitals
Feb '10 – Sep '17	Specialist Trainee in CT Surgery	West Yorkshire and the Humber Deanery Leeds Teaching Hospitals (54 months) Sheffield Teaching Hospitals (14 months) Hull & East Yorkshire Hospitals (12 months)
Feb '05 – Oct '09	Clinical Research Fellow in Mechanical Circulatory Support	Royal Brompton and Harefield NHS Trust
Feb '04 – Feb '05	Senior SHO in Cardiothoracic Surgery	Royal Brompton and Harefield NHS Trust

Principal professional specialisms

I am an expert in minimally invasive surgery of the chest where I perform more than 90% of the procedures using VATS. I specialise in all aspects of thoracic surgery, including, but not limited to:

- Lung resection for benign and malignant diseases
- Malignant and benign pleural diseases
- Mediastinal diseases including nodal biopsies, benign and malignant thymic tumours such as thymomas
- Chest wall and rib reconstruction following trauma and excision for benign and malignant diseases
- Flexible and rigid bronchoscopy, airways biopsy and stenting
- Lung volume reduction surgery
- Mesothelioma surgery

Professional Memberships and Bodies

- General Medical Council – Membership 4717858
- Medical Defense Union – Membership 391546F
- Member of the Royal College of Surgeons
- Member of the European Society of Thoracic Surgery
- Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Thoracic Disease
- Member of the Pleural Working Group of the European Society of Thoracic Surgery

Languages

Fluent Arabic, Armenian and English

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Medico-legal Experience

I have been trained in expert witness report writing and have been writing medicolegal reports for more than seven years. I have experience in all aspects of adult thoracic surgery and I have been the clinical governance and audit lead in Thoracic Surgery since 2018.

I have been a member of the Clinical Audit Quality Improvement Committee (CAQIC) and the Peri-operative Resuscitation Review Team (P-ORRT) at University College London Hospitals. I have an extensive experience in incident reviews, complaints handling and the legal requirement for DNACPR Notice.

My areas of interest and expertise include but not limited to:

- All aspects of adult thoracic surgery specifically complex cancer cases
- Personal injury involving chest wall fractures reporting on current condition and prognosis
- Clinical negligence reporting on aspects of breach of duty and causation
- Clinical governance reporting on serious incidents and DATIX investigations and process, surgical safety standards, and WHO checklist compliance
- The adherence to national and international guidelines and whether patients followed the appropriate investigative and treatment pathways

Relevant Courses

Dec 2017	Bond Solon – London, UK	Excellence in Report Writing
Jan 2016	STS – Phoenix, USA	Advanced Tracheal Procedures
Nov 2015	RCS – Hull	ATLS
Nov 2015	ISC Medical – London	Teach the Teacher
Nov 2015	ESTS – Hamburg	Chest Wall Surgery
Nov 2015	ESTS – Leeds	International Leadership & Management
Jun 2015	Pulmonx – Leeds, UK	3 rd Yorkshire Emphysema Symposium
Nov 2012	Sheffield Teaching Hospitals	Early Diagnosis & Treatment in Lung Cancer

Publications, Presentations and Research Grants

I have published more than 60 papers and abstracts on topics in cardiothoracic surgery in peer-reviewed journals including NEJM, Circulation, Lancet and European Journal of Heart Failure. I am a co-author in six book chapters. I have more than 80 presentations and posters in National and International Meetings.

I have experience in applying for educational and research grants:

- 2007 – GE Healthcare; £60,000 over 3 years to fund PhD Project
- 2005 – Magdi Yacoub Institute; £9,000 pa to fund PhD student annual fees
- 2005 – Thoratec Incorporation; £215,000 over 4 years and 9 months to fund PhD
- 1998 – Wellcome Trust in association with Southampton University; £2,400 personal grant for excellence in Intermediate BM and £8,000 University fees for Intercolated BSc

I have significant experience in completing and guiding juniors in submitting Ethics Application Forms:

- 2017 – UCLH Research Office; Chief Investigator - REC Ref: 17/0459
- 2012 – NRES Committee Yorkshire & The Humber; Principle Investigator - REC Ref: 12/YH/0100
- 2006 – Brompton, Harefield & NHLI Ethics Committee; Principle Investigator - REC Ref: 06/Q0404/20

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Extracurricular Interests and travel

I have special interests in music and reading, in particularly history and politics. I enjoy photography and I coach children in school years 3-10 in chess for local and regional competitions. I am a well travelled, and enjoy experiencing and learning about different cultures and heritages.

I am a Trustee in a UK Registered Charity Organisation, Copts in Need, aiming to provide shelter and education to people below the poverty line in Egypt and Sudan. The charity is also involved in helping those in needs in other deprived regions and areas with major human crisis such as Syria and Iraq.