

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Present Institutional Appointment: Yale University School of Medicine

Attending Surgeon Yale-New Haven Hospital
Assistant Professor of Surgery
Director of Bariatric Surgery
Section of Gastrointestinal Surgery

Past Institutional Appointment: Yale University School of Medicine

Chief, Section of Surgical Gastroenterology
January 2003 – April 2003

Past Hospital Appointments:

Staff Surgeon West Haven VA Medical Center
July 2002 – June 2003

FELLOWSHIP:

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Baltimore, Maryland
July 2001 – June 2002
Clinical Fellow of Laparoscopic and Endoscopic Surgery

RESIDENCY:

YALE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

YALE-NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL

New Haven, Connecticut
June 1995 – June 2001
Internship and Residency in General Surgery

EDUCATION:

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

College Station/Temple, Texas
August 1991 – June 1995
Doctor of Medicine, with Honors

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Waco, Texas
June 1990 – August 1991
Master of Arts; Biology

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Waco, Texas
August 1986 – May 1990
Bachelor of Science; Biology

LEE'S SUMMIT HIGH SCHOOL

Lee's Summit, Missouri
August 1982 – May 1986

BOARD CERTIFICATION:

American Board of Surgery

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Outstanding Surgical Housestaff Teacher, Yale University School of Medicine (2001)
First Place Award, General Surgery Presentation, at the Connecticut chapter of the ACS (2000)
Helen Salyer Anderson Award (1995)
Gathwright Award (1993, 1995)
Merck Award (1995)
Outstanding Student in Pathology (1995)
Alpha Omega Alpha (1994)
Lange Publications Award (1994)
Bard-Parker Award (1994)
Pharmacology and Toxicology Award (1993)
Vesalius Award in Anatomy (1993)
Academic Excellence Award (1992-1995)
McGraw-Hill Book Award (1992)

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS:

Abir F, Eisenberg D, Bell, RL. Laparoscopic ventral hernia repair using a two (5 mm) port technique. Presented at the Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons, September 22-25, 2003, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Bell RL. The Surgical Treatment of Clinically Severe Obesity. Presented at the Connecticut Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates, September 19-20, 2003, FoxWoods Casino Mashantucket, Connecticut.

Bell RL, Reinhardt KE, Cho E, and Flowers JL. A ten-year, single institution experience with laparoscopic splenectomy. Presented at the Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons, March 12-15, 2003, Los Angeles, California.

Lutcavage C, Bell RL, Cho E, Reinhardt KE, Castellanos PF, and Flowers JL. Efficacy of laparoscopic antireflux surgery for laryngopharyngeal reflux disease. Presented at Digestive Disease Week, May 22, 2002, San Francisco, California.

Bell RL, Cho E. Technique of laparoscopic left donor nephrectomy. Presented at the 8th World Congress of Endoscopic Surgery, March 12, 2002, New York City, New York.

Bell RL, Cho E, Lutcavage C, Reinhardt KE, Jacobs SC, and Flowers JL. Laparoscopic donor nephrectomy does not adversely affect long-term quality of life. Presented at the Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons, March 16, 2002, New York City, New York.

Bell RL, Seymour N. Laparoscopic treatment of fulminant ulcerative colitis. Presented at the Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons, April 18 – 21, 2001, St Louis, Missouri.

Gabriel N, Hewlitt S, Bell RL, Rosser JC. Laparoscopic repair of a perforated duodenal ulcer (Cine Presentation). Presented at the Connecticut chapter of the ACS, November 14, 2000, Waterbury, Connecticut.

Bell RL, Atweh N, Possenti P, et al. Horner's syndrome due to traumatic injuries. Presented to the Fifth International Conference on Pediatric Trauma, June 19, 2000, Vail-Beaver Creek, Colorado.

Rosser JC, Bell RL, Harnett B, et al. The use of mobile low-bandwidth telemedical techniques for extreme telemedicine applications. Presented to the American Telemedicine Association Fourth Annual Meeting, April 18-21, 1999, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Bell RL and Frazee RC. Is Lymph Node Dissection Necessary for Follicular Thyroid Carcinoma? Presented to the Surgical Section of the Southern Medical Association, November 17, 1995, Kansas City, Missouri.

Buckley CJ, Manning LG, and Bell RL. High Speed Rotational Ablation (Transluminal Endarterectomy) of the Popliteal and Infrapopliteal Arteries for Limb Salvage in Patients with Severe Vascular Complications of Patients with Diabetes Mellitus. Presented to the Texas Surgical Society, April 4, 1995, Tyler, Texas.

POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP:

“Novel potentiation of interleukin 1 α production in endotoxin-stimulated IC-21 cells by ambient pressure augmentation” (1997-1998)

INTERNATIONAL LECTURES:

“Gastrointestinal Bleeding” Presented to University of Manaus School of Medicine, February 10, 1998, Manaus, Brazil.

“Mesenteric Ischemia” Presented to University of Manaus School of Medicine, February 13, 1998, Manaus, Brazil.

SURGICAL GRAND ROUNDS:

“The Inception of bariatric surgery at Yale: no small task” Presented to Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Surgery, September 17, 2003, New Haven, Connecticut

“Complications of Bariatric Surgery” Presented to Bridgeport Hospital, Department of Surgery, November 7, 2002, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

“The Surgical Treatment of Morbid Obesity” Presented to Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Surgery, October 23, 2002, New Haven, Connecticut.

“Resident as the Arbiter of Truth” Presented to Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Surgery, March 8, 2001, New Haven, Connecticut.

“Low-bandwidth Telemedical Applications in Ecuador” Presented to Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Surgery, May 19, 1999, New Haven, Connecticut.

“Surgical Care Abroad” Presented to Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Surgery, March 26, 1998, New Haven, Connecticut.

PUBLICATIONS:

Bell RL, Reinhardt KE, Cho E, and Flowers JL. A ten-year, single institution experience with laparoscopic splenectomy. *J Soc Laparoendosc Surg* 2004; submitted for publication

Abir F, Eisenberg D, Bell, RL. Laparoscopic ventral hernia repair using a two (5 mm) port technique. *J Soc Laparoendosc Surg* 2004; submitted for publication

Abir F, Modlin IM, Bell RL. The Surgical Treatment of Achalasia: Current Status And Controversies. *Dig Surg* 2004; submitted for publication

Eisenberg D, Bell, RL. The impact of bariatric surgery on severely obese patients with type 2 diabetes. *Diabetes Spectrum* 2003; 16:240-245.

Bell RL, Reinhardt KE, Flowers JL. Surgeon-performed endoscopic dilatation of gastrojejunal anastomotic strictures following laparoscopic Roux-Y gastric bypass. *Obes Surg* 2003;13:728-733.

Bell RL, Seymour NE. Laparoscopic treatment of fulminant ulcerative colitis. *Surg Endosc* 2002;16:1778-1782.

Bell RL, Atweh N, Ivy ME, Possenti P. Traumatic and iatrogenic Horner's syndrome. Case reports and review of the literature. *J Trauma* 2001;51:400-404.

Bell RL, Ovadia P, Spector S et al. Chest tube removal: end-inspiration or end-expiration. *J Trauma* 2001;50:674-677.

Rosser JC, Bell RL, Harnett B, et al. Use of mobile low-bandwidth telemedical techniques for extreme telemedical applications. *J Am Coll Surg* 1999;189:397-404.

Spector SA, Coppola CP, Bell RL, eds. *Critical Care Clinical Companion*. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams and Wilkins, 2000.

Bell RL, Rosser JC. Laparoscopic placement of feeding tubes. In Merrell RC, ed. *Laparoscopic Surgery: a Colloquium*. New York: Springer-Verlag, 1999:212-223.

Bell RL. Antibiotics and wound management. In: Spector SA and Coppola CP, eds. *Surgery Clinical Companion*. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams and Wilkins, 1999:5-17.

Bell RL, Rosenthal RA. Surgery in the elderly. In Hazzard WR, Blass JP, Ettinger WH et al, eds. *Principles of Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology*. New York: McGraw-Hill, 1999:391-412.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, Yale New Haven Hospital	1997 – 2001 2002 - present
Subcommittee on Formulary Policy and Process, Yale New Haven Hospital	2000 - 2001

SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP:

American Medical Association	1991 - 2001
American College of Surgeons	1997 - present
Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons	2000 - present
Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons	2003 – present
American Society of Bariatric Surgeons	2003 – present