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**Education:**

2009 MD St. George’s School of Medicine, St. George, West Indies

2005 MPH, Epidemiology Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, New Orleans, LA

2003 BS, Neuroscience Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

**Postgraduate Training:**

5/2015 – 6/2015 Fellowship in Advanced Endoscopy

Markus Krankenhaus University

Frankfurt, Germany

Mentor: Dr. Karl H. Fuchs

7/2014 – 1/2015 Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Surgery and

Advanced Gastrointestinal Surgery

University of California, San Diego, CA

Mentor: Dr. Santiago Horgan

2009 – 2014 General Surgery Residency, Department of Surgery

Orlando Regional Medical Center, Orlando, FL

Level One Trauma Center, UF Health Cancer Center

**Academic Appointments:**

4/2022 – present Vice Chair of Surgery, Clinical Operations

Morsani College of Medicine

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

1/2021 – present Division Chief, Gastrointestinal Surgery

Section of Hernia & Abdominal Wall Reconstruction

Section of Foregut Surgery & Minimally Invasive Surgery

Section of Bariatric & Metabolic Surgery

Morsani College of Medicine

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

5/2019 – 1/2021 Section Chief, Bariatric & Metabolic Surgery

Morsani College of Medicine

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

5/2019 – present Associate Professor of Surgery

Morsani College of Medicine

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

12/2017 – 4/2019 Division Chief, Minimally Invasive & Bariatric Surgery

Tulane Department of Surgery, New Orleans, LA

10/2016 – 4/2019 Honorary Henderson Chair of Surgery

Tulane Department of Surgery, New Orleans, LA

7/2015 – 4/2019 Assistant Professor of Surgery

Tulane School of Medicine, New Orleans, LA

**Hospital Appointments:**

1/2022 – present Medical Director, GI & GI Surgery Service Line

2022 Ranking – State #1 Nation #26

2021 Ranking – State #1 Nation #24

Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, FL

6/2021 – present Director, Robotic Surgery

Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, FL

9/2020 – 9/2022 TGH Medical Staff Officers, Elected *Member-At-Large*

One of Three elected members to represent 1,600 physicians

Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, FL

8/2020 – present Director, Surgical Servicies

Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, FL

5/2019 – present Director of Bariatric Surgery

Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, FL

1/2016 – 4/2019 Director of Bariatric Surgery

Tulane Medical Center, New Orleans, LA

4/2018 – 4/3029 Director of Bariatric Surgery

University Medical Center, New Orleans, LA

**Other Appointments:**

5/2019 – present Fellowship Director, Advanced GI & Bariatric Surgery

Morsani College of Medicine

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

7/2020 – present Acting Internship Director, 4th year surgical students

Morsani College of Medicine

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

5/2019 – 6/2020 Associate Clerkship Director

Morsani College of Medicine

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

4/2016 – 4/2019 Clerkship Director, 3rd & 4th year surgical clerkship

Tulane School of Medicine, New Orleans, LA

7/2018 – 4/2019 Fellowship Director, Bariatric & Surgical Endoscopy

Tulane Department of Surgery, New Orleans, LA

8/2017 – 4/2019 Director of Tulane Simulation Center

Tulane School of Medicine, New Orleans, LA

**Leadership & Advocacy**

2021 Florida Chapter of American College of Surgeons delegate to Florida Medical Association

6/2021 Brandeis Heller School Leadership in Health Policy Course

5/2020 – 6-2020 USF & TGH & Muma Business School Leadership Course

**Teaching Awards, Honors and Memberships in Honorary Societies:**

2022 2022 Tampa Top Doctor List

2022 Robert A. Good Honor Society

2022 SSAT Visiting Grand Round Professor Award

2022 Castle Connolly 2022 Top Doctor

2021 Top Doc of Tampa – Bariatric Surgery – Peer Selected

2021 Board Member, SAGES

2020 Best Doctors in Tampa Bay, Surgery, - Peer Selected

2020 ASE – Nominated, Dr. Reed Williams Excellence in Innovation In Surgical Education Award

2020 SAGES- Recipient of the Brandies Leadership Program for Health Policy and Management Award

2020 Top Doc of Tampa – Bariatric Surgery – Peer Selected

2020 USF/TGH Physician Leadership Program

2019 Best Attending; Tulane University Owl Club, selected by medical students

2019 Top Doc of Tampa – Peer Vote

2018 Academy of Clerkship Directors

2018 Health Care Hero, New Orleans, LA

2018 AOA Tulane University, Surgery

2017/2018 Tulane University Medical School Class Sponsor

2017 Recognition of Excellence Award, Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons

2017 Gold Humanitarian Award, Tulane University

2017 The James R. Korndorffer. Jr. Award in Recognition of Excellence in Surgical Education

2017 Best Attending; Tulane University Owl Club, selected by medical students

2017 Best Clerkship; Tulane University Owl Club, selected by medical students (first time since 1984)

2017 Overall Best Department; Tulane University Owl Club

2017 Recognition of Excellence Award, Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons

2016 The James R. Korndorffer. Jr. Award in Recognition of Excellence in Surgical Education

2012 Resident of the Year, Orlando Regional Hospital Wide

2012 Academic Research, Orlando Regional Hospital Wide

2011 Surgical Resident of the Year, Orlando Regional

2005 – 2009 Iota Kappa Alpha Honor Society

2005 – 2009 Geoffrey Bourn Academic Scholarship

**TEACHING:**

**Department of Surgery Teaching**:

2020 – present Director, Surgery Outcomes Research Team, (SORT)

Members; 83 Active researchers, 2022

Members; 52 Active researchers, 2021

Members; 6 Active researchers, 2020

2020 – present Acting Internship Director

Morsani College of Medicine

2020 – present Faculty Advisor, Global Surgery Student Alliance, USF Chapter

2019 – present Fellowship Director, Advanced GI & Bariatric Surgery

Morsani College of Medicine

2019 – present Associate Clerkship Director

Morsani College of Medicine

2018 – 2019 Fellowship Director, Bariatric Surgery

Tulane University Medical School

2016 – 2019 Clerkship Director, Surgery

Tulane University Medical School

2015 – 2016 Assistant Surgical Clerkship Director

Tulane University Medical School

2014 – 2015 Resident Instructor

University of California, San Diego

2011 – 2013 Resident Instructor

University of Central Florida Medical School

2006 Teaching Assistant, Anatomy

St. George’s School of Medicine

2005 Teaching Assistant, Biochemistry

St. George’s School of Medicine

2004 – 2005 Teaching Assistant, Epidemiology Methods

Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine

**Medical School Teaching:**

2019 – Present Course Director, Elective Course, Title: General Surgery Acting Internship, 4th year medical students; 2-10 students per year, Course number MEL 8811

Description: Rotation of students on Surgical Service who are going into Surgery

2019 – Present Course Director, Elective Course, Title: Entrustable Professional Activities (EPA) Course; 8-30 students per year

2019 – Present Instructor, Elective Course, Title: Surgical Care Clerkship, Course number BCC 7164

2019 – Present Instructor, Elective Course, Title: Advanced Surgical Skills, Course number MEL 7815

2019 – Present Instructor, Elective Course, Title: Advanced Surgical Anatomy and Pathophysiology, Course number MDT 8600

2016 – 2019 Course Director, Required Course, Title: General Surgical Clerkship, 3rd year students: 28-35 students per block (6-blocks per year)

Description: An 8-week core rotation with exposure to general surgery and the surgical subspecialties with standardized curriculum.

2016 – 2019 Course Co-Director, Elective Course, Title: Honors Surgery; 4th year students: 16-28 per year

Description: A one-month of intensive residency preparation course for those going into General Surgery Residency

2016 – 2019 Course Director, Elective Course, Title: Surgery Research; 4th year students: 2-10 per year

Description: A one-month course in surgical research

2016 – 2019 Course Director, Elective Course, Title: SURG5501 Surgical Pathways: 1st & 2nd year students: entire medical school class

Description: A two-week course in a preceptorship model to expose pre-clinical

students to surgery

**Mentorship**

**Fellows**

Dr. Kais Rona 2018 Residency: UCLA Current Position: Private Practice Los Angeles

Dr. Luis Serrano 2019 Residency: East Tennessee Current Position: Division Chief, UCF

Dr. Joseph Sujka 2020 Residency: Orlando Health Current Position: Assistant Prof. USF

Dr. Bryan David 2021 Residency: UK Current Position: Private Practice, Dallas

Dr. Pete Peterson 2021 Residency: USF Current Position: Private Practice,St. Petersburg

Dr. Robert Acho 2022 Residency: Henry Ford Current Position:

Dr. Lauren Mctaggert 2022 Residency: UTSW Current Position:

Dr. Malcom Taylor 2023 Residency: Tulane Current Position

Dr. Ashley Worth 2023 Residency: Georgia Current Position

**Research**

Dr. Marias Biamas George, Medical Student, Tulane Current – Resident CMC

Dr. Annie Hess Medical Student, Tulane Current – Residency LSU

Dr. Anglia Volk Resident, Tulane Current – Plastic Surgery Fellowship, Dallas

Dr. Tara Berry Resident, USF Current – Transplant Fellowship, USF

Dr. Antony DeSantis Resident, USF Current – Trauma Fellowship, Shock Trauma

Dr. Michael Rogers Resident, USF Current – Resident USF

Dr. Abdul-Rahman Fadi Diab Research Fellow, USF 2022 Current – Fellow USF

Dr. Hannah Zuercher Medical Student, USF Current

Dr. Courtney McCowen Medical Student, USF

Dr. Victoria Sands Medical Student, USF

Dr. Paige DeBliuex Medical Student, USF

**Lectures by Invitation:**

**International:**

**DuCoin CG** (2022, May) Lecture: Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease in the Bariatric Patient, Saint Luke’s

Memorial Hospital, Ponce PR, ASMBS

**DuCoin CG** (2022, May) Lecture: Obesity, Infertility, and Bariatric Surgery, Saint Luke’s

Memorial Hospital, Ponce PR, ASMBS

**DuCoin CG** (2021, Nov) Lecture: Worldwide Update on Esophageal Cancer, Bar Ilan University, Israel &

Gulf Medical university of the United Arab Emirates, Virtual Grand Rounds

**DuCoin CG** (2019, Dec) Lecture: The Current Status of the Adoption of Robotic Oesophagectomy: Training and Education Challenges, Robotic Esophagectomy, International Delphi Study, Ghent Brussels

**DuCoin CG** (2017, Oct) Lecture: Perioperative management of the Bariatric Patient: current

ERAS protocol of a United States Hospital, Asociacion Medica del Hospital Angeles Mocel A.C.

Mexico City, Mexico - translation available

**DuCoin CG** (2017, Oct) Lecture: Surgical Endoscopy – Advanced treatment for Achalasia and

GERD, Asociacion Medica del Hospital Angeles Mocel A.C. Mexico City, Mexico translation available

**National:**

**DuCoin CG** (2022, Oct) Lecture: Laparoscopic Common Bile Duct Exploration: What Every General Surgeon

Should Know, Bailout Maneuvers. American College of Surgeons, Clinical Congress, San Diego, CA

**DuCoin CG** (2022, July) Invited Speaker: Antireflux Surgery — TIF, LINX, Fundoplication, Gastric Bypass,

Society of Robotic Surgery, Orlando FL

**DuCoin CG** (2022, March) Moderator: Defining Foregut Surgery (SAGES,SSAT,ASMBS, AFS)

SAGES, Denver CO

**DuCoin CG** (2022, March) Invited Speaker: Masters Bariatrics: Revisional Bariatric: Revisional Bariatric

Surgery. Magnetic Sphincter Augmentation for Reflux, SAGES, Denver CO

**DuCoin CG** (2021, October) Invited Speaker: A Paved Path on a Unique Road, Medical Student to Fellow of

the American College of Surgeons. ACS National Meeting, Virtual Meeting

**DuCoin CG** (2021, September) Invited Speaker: POEM, Heller, Z-POEM, POP, Pyloroplasty. Advocacy

Summit, AFS, Nashville TN

**DuCoin CG** (2021, August) Invited Speaker: Update on Leak Management – Stents, EVAC, Septotomy and

Beyond. SAGES, Las Vegas

**DuCoin CG** (2021, August) Moderator: SAGES Quick Shot: Foregut Surgery. SAGES, Las Vegas

**DuCoin CG** (2021, May) Moderator: SSAT Quick Shot Session: Esophagus, Gastric, Bariatric & Metabolic,

Digestive Disease Week, DDW, Virtual Meeting

**DuCoin CG** (2020, December) Invited Speaker Fellows’ Course: Bariatric Surgery, Patient Positioning,

Thromboprophylaxis, and Prophylactic Antibiotics, Medtronic Fellows Course, 750 attendees

**DuCoin CG** (2020, October) Invited Speaker: Laparoscopic Gastric Band: Complications for the General

Surgeon. American College of Surgeons, Virtual Meeting

**DuCoin CG** (2020, August) Moderator: Navigating the Long Road Ahead: Career Planning, Mastering the

Fundamentals, and All That SAGES Has to Offer. Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic

Surgeons, Virtual Meeting

**DuCoin CG** (2020, August) Lecture:Update on The Next Big Thing: Highlighting SAGES Future and Link to Innovation. . Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons, Virtual Meeting

**DuCoin CG** (2019, April) Panel: Esophageal Motility Disorders. Society of Surgical Alimentary Tract

(SSAT), Digestive Disease Week, San Diego, CA

**DuCoin CG** (2019, April) Panel: Fellowship Success. Society of Surgical Alimentary Tract

(SSAT), Digestive Disease Week, San Diego, CA

**DuCoin CG** (2018, April) Lecture: Assessment using Observed Structured Clinical Exam

(OSCE). Association Surgical Education National Meeting, Austin, TX

**DuCoin CG** (2018, April) Lecture: Bariatric Complications – Management of Intestinal Perforation

after Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass. Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons, Seattle,

Seattle, WA

**DuCoin CG** (2018, April) Lecture: Laparoscopic Gastric Band Placement & Endoscopic

Removal. Top 21 Expert Tips & Tricks. Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons, Seattle, WA

**DuCoin CG** (2018, April) Lecture: Update Regarding the Society of American Gastrointestinal

And Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES) Grant Distribution and Impact on Recipient’s Academic

Career. Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons, Seattle, Seattle, WA

**DuCoin CG** (2017, Oct) Lecture: Bariatric Endoscopy: Aftercare Platforms, Obesity Week,

American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.

**DuCoin CG (**2017, Sept) Lecture: Tips & Tricks to Treat Small Bowel Pathology with MIS

Techniques; MIS Surgery Week, San Francisco CA

**DuCoin CG** (2016, Nov) Lecture: Pain Management Beyond PCA Role of: TAP Block &

Exparel. American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgeons, New Orleans, LA

**Regional:**

**DuCoin CG** (2022, April) Grand Rounds: Esophageal Cancer, The Spectrum of Disease.

David Geffen School of Medicine, University of California Los Angeles, CA

**DuCoin CG** (2021, Nov) Lecture: Update on Esophageal Pathology: GERD, Achalasia, Esophageal Cancer.

TGH Fall Symposium, Update and Treatment Strategies in Medicine. EUA Palm Beach Resort, West Palm

Beach, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2021, July) Lecture: Foregut Robotic Surgery, Developing a New Curriculum, Mayo Clinic

Jacksonville FL

**DuCoin CG** (2020, Dec) Grand Rounds at University of South Florida: Esophageal Cancer, The evolution of

Tri-modal Treatment and Advanced Surgical Options. Morsani College of Medicine, University of South

Florida, Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2020, Dec) Grand Rounds at Brown University: Esophageal Cancer, The Spectrum of Disease.

Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University, Providence, RI. https://youtu.be/swvFB3MYBcc

**DuCoin CG** (2020, Jan) Lecture: Post-Operative Swallow study, is this test needed? Course: Endoscopic Techniques in Bariatric Surgery, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

**DuCoin CG** (2020, Jan) Lecture: The devil is in the detail, Endovac, Course: Endoscopic Techniques in Bariatric Surgery, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

**DuCoin CG** (2020, Jan) Lecture: The Anatomy of reflux after bariatric surgery, Course: Endoscopic Techniques in Bariatric Surgery, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

**DuCoin CG** 2019, Oct) Lecture: Bariatric Surgery in the Cirrhotic Patient: Innovations in Hepato-Biliary Surgery, St Petersburg, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2019, Jan) Lecture: Intraoperative endoscopy, is leak test needed? Course: Endoscopic Techniques in Bariatric Surgery, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

**DuCoin CG** (2019, Jan) Lecture: Clips and Pigtails and Endovac, Course: Endoscopic Techniques in Bariatric Surgery, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

**DuCoin CG** (2019, Jan) Lecture: Factors causing reflux after bariatric surgery, Course: Endoscopic Techniques in Bariatric Surgery, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

**DuCoin CG** (2019, Jan) Lecture: Endoscopic sleeve gastroplasty/Aspiration therapy, Course: Endoscopic Techniques in Bariatric Surgery, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

**Local:**

**DuCoin** (2022, Oct) Invited Speaker: HCA/USF Consortium; Cultivating Resident and Fellows as Educators, HCA Division Office, Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2022, July) Invited Guest: Robotic Surgery First Assist – Role of the RNFA. Tampa General Hospital RNFA Program. Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2022, March) Lecture: GERD in Bariatric Surgery, Pasco County Gut Club, Pasco, FL

**DuCoin CG, Docimo S** (2022, March) Grand Rounds: Bariatric Surgery and its role in Orthopedics. Department of Orthopedic Surgery, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG,** Musin A (2021, Nov) Lecture: Bariatric Surgery and Peri-Operative Nutrition, to Nutrition Research and Health Scholarly Concentration, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG,** Mooney A, Wiles L, Abbas A (2021, April) Grand Rounds: Update on Bariatrics, University of South Florida, Department of Orthopedic Surgery, Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2020, Dec) Lecture: Bariatric + Transplant Surgery, A Focused Developmental Strategy, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2020, Nov) Lecture: Clinical Educator Learning Series (2020-2021): Promotion Process: Signed, Sealed and Delivered & How to Write a Letter of Recommendation, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2020, March) Panel: Opioid Reduction in the Surgical Population, Opioid Awareness Event, Tampa General, Straz Center, Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2020, February) Lecture: Obesity, Reproductive Health, and Bariatric Surgery, Grand Rounds, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2019, November) Lecture: The Impact of Bariatric Surgery, Grand Rounds Department of Surgery, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

**DuCoin CG** (2019, March) Lecture: History of Surgery in New Orleans, Southern Society of Clinical Researchers, New Orleans LA

**DuCoin CG** (2019, March) Lecture: GERD – Alternates to the Nissen Fundoplication, Endoscopic

Treatment for GERD. Grand Rounds Department of Medicine, Gastroenterology, New Orleans, LA

**DuCoin CG** (2018, Sept) Lecture: Radiofrequency Ablation for Barrett’s Esophagus,

Bariatric Endoscopy Course, New Orleans, LA

**DuCoin CG** (2018, Sept) Lecture: Surgical Management of Chronic Leak in Post-Operative

Bariatric Patient. Bariatric Endoscopy Course, New Orleans, LA

**DuCoin CG** (2018, Sept) Lecture: Surgical Management of Stricture in Post-Operative Bariatric

Patient, Bariatric Endoscopy Course, New Orleans, LA

**DuCoin CG** (2018, Sept) Lecture: Perioperative Care of the Bariatric Patient, Anesthesia Grand

Rounds, Tulane University, New Orleans LA

**DuCoin CG** (2017, Nov) Lecture: Surgical Education, General Surgery Grand Rounds, Tulane

University, New Orleans, LA

**DuCoin CG** (2017, July) Lecture: Esophageal Cancer. Grand Rounds, University Medical

Center, New Orleans, LA

**DuCoin CG** (2017, June) Lecture: The Bariatric Patient – Diet Implications for Surgery and

Beyond, Health Meets Food Conference, New Orleans LA

**DuCoin CG** (2017, Feb) Lecture: Bariatric Patients in an Academic Hospital Setting and some

specific considerations. Gynecological and Obstetrics Grand Rounds, New Orleans, LA

**DuCoin CG** (2016, Oct) Lecture: Perioperative Care of the Bariatric Patient. Presentation

Combined General Surgery and Anesthesia Grand Round, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

**DuCoin CG,** Mohiuddin A (2016, Mar) Lecture: Tulane Quality and the Future of Surgery.

Presentation General Surgery Grand Rounds, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

**DuCoin CG** (2015, Oct) Lecture: Advancements in Esophageal Surgery: Achalasia & GERD.

Presentation General Surgery Grand Rounds, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

**DuCoin CG** (2014, Sept) Lecture: Endoscopic Treatment of Gastric Perforation. Oral

Presentation presented at: General Surgery Grand Rounds, University of California San Diego,

CA

**DuCoin CG**, (2014, April) Lecture: Complex Abdominal Wall Hernia Repair. Oral Presentation

presented at: General Surgery Grand Rounds, Orlando, FL

**DuCoin CG**, (2013, May) Lecture: Surgical Education: Past, Present, Future. Oral Presentation

presented at: General Surgery Grand Rounds, Orlando, FL

**DuCoin CG**. (2008, April). Lecture: Epidemiology & Biostatistics. Oral Presentation presented

at: Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds; Brooklyn, NY

**CLINICAL ACTIVITIES AND INNOVATIONS:**

**Specialty Certification:**

2013 Fundamental Use of Surgical Energy (FUSE)

2012 Fundamentals of Endoscopic Surgery (FES)

2010 Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery (FLS)

2008 – present Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS)

2008 – present American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS)

**Professional Licenses:**

2015 - current/active Louisiana Medical License (MD.207991)

2014 - current/active Florida Medical License (ME119603)

**Fellowships**:

2018 Fellow of the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (FASMBS)

2017 Fellow of the American College of Surgeons (FACS)

2017 Fellow of Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (FSAGES)

**Practice Activities:**

3/2021 Performed first Robotic Median Arcuate Ligament Release

10/2020 Performed first Robotic Ivor Lewis Esophagectomy in Tampa

1/2020 Performed first Robotic Biliopancreatic Diversion and Duodenal

Switch procedure in Tampa

12/2019 Performed first Robotic LINX antireflux surgery in Tampa

12/2019 Performed first Robotic Heller Myotomy in USF/TGH system

12/2019 Performed first Robotic Nissen Fundoplication in USF/TGH system

7/2018 Performed first Robotic Esophagectomy in Tulane Health System

9/2017 Performed first Robotic Gastric Bypass in Tulane Health System

1/2017 Performed first Gastric Per Oral Endoscopic Myotomy (G-POEM)

surgery in the Gulf South (Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama)

9/2016 Performed first Robotic Heller Myotomy in Tulane Health System

9/2016 Performed first Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy in Tulane Health

System

8/2016 Performed first Robotic Nissen Fundoplication in Tulane Health

System

5/2016 Performed first Per Oral Endoscopic Myotomy (POEM) surgery

in the Gulf South (Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama)

**Clinical Innovations:**

11/2019 – present Director, USF/TGH, The Bariatric Transplant Institution, Tampa FL

5/2019 - present Director, USF/TGH Bariatric Center, Tampa, FL

Increased access to care for Medicaid and Medicare population of FL

8/2018 – 4/2019 Fellowship Director, Minimally Invasive & Bariatric

Tulane University Medical School

Started Fellowship, Accredited with Fellowship Council

11/2017 – 4/2019 Director, Bariatric Medicaid Program

University Medical Center

Lobbied State Congress for restricting of Medicaid payment plan

Started only bariatric Medicaid program in Louisiana

1/2016 – 4/2019 Director, “Accreditation” Tulane Bariatric Center

3 years of development, Center of Excellence on first attempt

9/2015 – 4/2019 Director, Tulane Esophageal Center

Performed first POEM & G-POEM

Started Robotic Esophageal Program

**Extramural Funding:**

2021 – 2023 Principal Investigator, SAGES endorsed multi-institutional study, *VITOM:*

*Open Abdominal Video; Value in Education, Ergonomics, and Video Basses Assessment.*  KARL STORZ. Sites; University of South Florida, University of Washington, Indiana University, The Ohio State, Bapstist Medial Miami. Budget: USD $435,025.00

**Technical and Other Scientific Innovations:**

6/2017 – Present Co-Founder, MasterSurgery.com

On-line surgical education video-based platform developed for the early surgical learner

10/2019 Creator, American College of Surgeons Video platform, Social

Medial Protection Campaign

11/2019 - 12/2021 Advisory Board, ReSuture

Startup simulation company, delivering high quality simulation at a low cost

**SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY:**

**Original Publications In Peer-Reviewed Journal**

1. Langfeier Liu, Nicholas Lewis, Rahul Mhaskar, Joseph Sujka, Christopher DuCoin, Robotic-Assisted Foregut Surgery is Associated with Lower Rates of Complication and Shorter Post-Operative Length of Stay. Surg Endo
2. Grimsley E, Capati A, Saad AR, **DuCoin CG**, Velanovich V. Novel "starburst" mesh configuration for paraesophageal and recurrent hiatal hernia repair: comparison with keyhole mesh configuration.

Surg Endosc. 2022 Jul 28. doi: 10.1007/s00464-022-09447-9. Online ahead of print. PMID: 35902405

1. Diab AF, Oviedo RJ, Nazir S, Sujka JA, **DuCoin CG**. RYGB-Induced Gut Dysmotility and Retrograde

Intussusception: an Unusual Phenomenon. A Narrative Literature Review. Obes Surg. 2022 Aug

1. Grimsley EA, Barry TM, Janjua H, Eguia E, **DuCoin C**, Kuo PC. Exploring the paradigm of robotic surgery and its contribution to the growth of surgical volume. Surg Open Sci. 2022 Jun 20;10:36-42. doi: 10.1016/j.sopen.2022.06.002. eCollection 2022 Oct.
2. Reddy NC, Sujka J, **DuCoin CG**.Magnetic Sphincter Augmentation Algorithm for Post-bariatric Surgery Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease Patients. Obes Surg. 2022 Jul 9. doi: 10.1007/s11695-022-06168-9. Online ahead of print. PMID: 35809197
3. Bach GH, Crowell W, Griffith J, Rachman B, Bigness A, Reddy N, Sujka J, Mhaskar R, **DuCoin CG**. Peroral Endoscopic Myotomy; Novice Surgeon Learning Curve. Am Surg. 2022 Jun 16:31348221109457. doi: 10.1177/00031348221109457. Online ahead of print. PMID: 35710330
4. DeSantis AJ, Janjua H, Moina D, Davis G, Sands V, Weche M, Kuo PC, Sujka J, **DuCoin CG**. Association of Individual Surgeon Volume and Postoperative Outcome in Esophagomyotomy for Achalasia. Accepted for publication in Surgical Endoscopy. Publication date pending
5. Sujka J, **DuCoin CG**. Dr. Velanovich's Contributions to Understanding Barrett's Esophagus and its Treatment. Am J Surg 2022 Mar 4;S0002-9610(22)00146-5. doi: 10.1016
6. **DuCoin CG**, Wasselle J, Kayastha A, Zuercher H, Wilensky A, Sujka J, Mhaskar R, Kuo P, Velanovich V. Massive Paraesophageal Hernia Repair in the Obese Patient Population; Anti-Reflux Gastric Bypass vs Fundoplication. Journal of Laparoendoscopic & Advanced Surgical Techniques. Ahead of Print
7. Garfinkle R, Peterson RP, **DuCoin CG,** Altieri MS, Aggarwal R, Pryor AD, Zevin B. Consensus Priority Research Questions in Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgery in the Year 2020: Results of a SAGES Delphi Study. Surg Endo. Ah
8. Barry T, Janjua H, **DuCoin CG** Eguia, E, Kuo P. Does Adoption of New Technology Increase Surgical Volume? The Robotic Inguinal Hernia Repair Model. Ahead of Print
9. Nelson C, Sujka J, **DuCoin CG**. Surgical Resection of Gastro-pleural-bronchial Fistula After Prolonged Endoscopic Treatments. American Surgeon. Ahead of Print
10. Rogers MP, Velanovich V, **DuCoin CG**. Narrative review of management controversies for paraesophageal hernia. J Thorac Dis. 2021 Jul;13(7):4476-4483.
11. Rogers MP, DeSantis AJ, **DuCoin CG**. Oligometastatic Adenocarcinoma of the Esophagus: Current Understanding, Diagnosis, and Therapeutic Strategies. *Cancers* 2021, 13(17), 4352
12. Fuchs HF, Collins JW, Babic B, **DuCoin CG**, Meireles OR, Grimminger PP, Read M, Abbas A, Sallum R, Müller-Stich BP, Perez D, Biebl M, Egberts JH, van Hillegersberg R, Bruns CJ. *Robotic-assisted minimally invasive esophagectomy (RAMIE) for esophageal cancer training curriculum-a worldwide Delphi consensus study.* Dis Esophagus. 2021 Aug 11:doab055. doi: 10.1093/dote/doab055. Online ahead of print. PMID: 3438206
13. Kulshrestha S, Janjua HM, Bunn C, Rogers MP, **DuCoin CG**, Abdelsatter Z, Luchette F, Kuo PC, Baker MS. *A State Level Examination of Clinical Outcomes and Costs for Robotic and Laparoscopic Approaches to Diaphragmatic Hernia Repair.* J Am Coll Surg. 2021 Jul;233(1):9-19.e2. doi:0.1016/j.jamcollsurg.2021.05.003. Epub 2021 May 17. PMID: 34015455
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**SERVICE:**

**University Committees:**

2022 – Present Senator, USF Morsani College of Medicine

2022 – Present Member, By Laws of the Faculty Committee

2021 – Present Member, Claims Management Committee

2019 – 2021 Member, Curriculum Committee (3 year term)

University of South Florida

2019 – Present Member/Founder – Surgical Education Committee

University of South Florida

2018 – 2019 Member, LCME Sub-Committee on Standard 6 & 7

Tulane Medical School

2017 – 2019 Member, Student Affairs Committee

Tulane University Medical School

2016 – 2019 Member, Curriculum Committee

Tulane University Medical School

2016 – 2019 Member, Clinical Competency Committee

2016 – 2019 Member, Tulane Medical School, Admissions Committee

2015 – 2019 Member, T3/T4 Committee

Tulane University Medical School

2015 – 2019 Co-Chair, Surgical Education Committee

**Hospital Committees:**

2022 – present Member, OR Governance

2021 – present Director, Surgical Suites

2021 – present Chair, Robotic Surgery Committee

Tampa General Hospital

2021 – present Member, Safety and Quality Committee

2020 – 2020 Chair, Mesh Reduction Program - $470,000 cost savings

2020 – present Member, Endoscopy Governance Committee

2020 – present TGH Medical Staff Officers, Elected *Member-At-Large*

One of Three elected members to represent 1,600 physicians

Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, FL

2019 – Present Member, Value-Analysis Committee

Tampa General Hospital

2019 – Present Member, Operating Room Utilization Committee

Tampa General Hospital

2019 – 2021 Member, Robotic Surgery Committee

Tampa General Hospital

2016 – 2017 Member, Institutional Review Board

Tulane Hospital

2015 – 2017 Member, Quality Committee

Tulane Hospital

2015 – 2019 Vice-Chair, Surgical Executive Committee

Tulane Hospital

2015 – 2019 Co-Chair, Robotic Surgery Committee

Tulane Hospital

**National Committees:**

2022 – 2023 President, YFA Governors Council, American College of Surgeons

2022 – 2023 Vice President, YFA Governors Council, American College of Surgeons

2022 – Present Board Member, SAGES

2022 – Present Member, Ethics and Conflict of Interest (COI) Committee, SUS

2022 – Present ACS Scholarships Committee (ad-hoc reviewers)

2021 – Present Chair, Research Committee, SAGES

2021 – Present Delegate, American College of Surgeons to Florida Medical Association

2020 – Present Chair, Communications Committee, YFA

2020 – present Education and Training Committee,

American Foregut Society

2020 – present YFA ACS Vice-Chair Education Pillar, Governing Council

Young Fellows of the Association of American College of Surgeons

2019 – present SAGES Committee Member, Foregut Task Force

2019 – present SSAT Committee Member, Esophageal Sub-Committee

Surgical Society of the Alimentary Track

2018 – present YFA ACS ***Governor***, Governing Council

Young Fellows of the Association of American College of Surgeons

2018 – present ACS Committee Member, Curriculum Committee

American College of Surgeons Accredited Education Institutes

2016 – present Board of Governors Survey Work Group. YFA Representative

2016 – present YFA ACS Committee Member, Communications Committee

Young Fellows of the Association of American College of Surgeons

2016 – 2019 ASE Committee Member, Clerkship Director Committee

Association of Surgical Education

2016 – present ASMBS Committee Member, Membership Committee

American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery

2015 – present SAGES Committee Member, Resident Education Committee

Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons

2014 – 2019 SAGES Committee Member, Membership Committee

Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons

2014 – present SAGES ***Co-Chair***, Research & Grant Committee

Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons

* Grant Review Board 2019 Denver, CO
* Grant Review Board 2018 Chicago, IL
* Grant Review Board 2017 Dallas, TX
* Grant Review Board 2016 Washington, DC
* Robotic Grant Review 2016 Chicago, IL

2013 RAS-ACS Nominated for Chair

Resident and Associate Society of the American College of Surgeons

2012 – 2013 RAS-ACS Vice-President, Membership Committee

Resident and Associate Society of the American College of Surgeons

2010 – 2011 APDS Resident Liaison

Association of Program Directors in Surgery

**Organizing Roles in Scientific Meetings:**

2022 Course Title: Laparoscopic Common Bile Duct Exploration: What Every \ General Surgeon Should Know, Bailout Maneuvers, Faculty

2022 Invited Guest. Halsted Society, Baltimore MD

2022 Co-Director: GERD Symposium, ASMBS, Dallas TX

2022 Instructor: Hands-On Course: Endostopic Stenting and VAC for Bariatric

Complications, SAGES, Denver CO

2020 Co-Director; Adapting to COVID-19 with Virtual Care to Optimize

Health Through a Multidisciplinary Weight Loss Team, CME, Tampa Florida

2020 SAGES Next Big Thing, Houston, Tx, February 2020, Co-Chair of Session

2020 Endoscopic Techniques in Bariatric, Case Western Reserve University,

Cleveland, OH, January 2020, Faculty

2019 Medtronic Robotic Oesophagectomy Advisory Board, Ghent, Brussels

2019 Gastrointestinal Motility Disorders, Society for Surgery of the Alimentary

Tract, San Diego, CA, May 2019, Panelist

2019 Course Director: Southern Society of Clinical Surgeons, Tulane Medical

School, March 2018, Director

2019 Endoscopic Techniques in Bariatric, Case Western Reserve University,

Cleveland, OH, January 2019, Faculty

2018 LINX Course, Johnson & Johnson, Phoenix, AZ, December 2018, Attended

2018 Bariatric Endoscopy Course, American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric

Surgery (ASMBS), Nashville, TN, November 2018, Instructor

2018 Bariatric Endoscopy Course, New Orleans, LA, September 2018, Director

2018 NBME Invitational Conference for Educators (NICE), Philadelphia, PA, May

2018, Attended

2018 Trouble Shooting Your Surgical Clerkship, Association of Surgical Education

(ASE), Austin, TX, April 2018, Instructor

2018 Surgical Endoscopy, American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery

(SAGES), Seattle, WA, April 2018, Instructor

2017 Endoscopic treatments for Bariatric Complications, American Society of

Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (ASMBS), Washington D.C. October 2017,

Instructor

2017 Surgeons as Educators; American College of Surgeons (ACS) Atlanta, Ga.

September 2017, Attended

**Community Service and Education:**

2017 NOMMS – New Orleans Medical Missions

Leon, Nicaragua: 19 major cases, education of 4 local residents, 3 German students, performed 3 laparoscopic appendectomies

**Membership in Professional & Scientific Societies:**

2021 – present Society of University Surgeons (SUS)

2019 – present American Foregut Society (AFS)

2018 – present Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract (SSAT)

2016 – present Association for Academic Surgery (AAS)

2015 – present The Association for Surgical Education (ASE)

2015 – present International Federation for the Surgery of Obesity and Metabolic

2015 – present American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (ASMBS)

Disorders (IFSO)

2010 – present Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES)

2009 – present American College of Surgeons (ACS)

**Ad Hoc Editorial Positions:**

2021 – present Journal of the American College of Surgeons

2021 – present The Journal of Thoracic Disease

2021 – present Annals of Esophagus

2021 – present American Surgeon

2020 – present Diseases of the Esophagus

2020 – present Journal of Clinical Medicine

2019 – present Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery

2017 – present Annals of Surgery

2017 – present Journal of Surgical Research

2017 – present Association of Surgical Education, Journal of

Surgical Education

2015 – present Society of American Gastrointestinal and

Endoscopic Surgery, Surgical Endoscopy

**Brief Narrative/Bio:**

Dr. Christopher DuCoin, MD, MPH, FACS, FSAGES, FASMBS is a board-certified general surgeon. His surgical interests include: Minimally Invasive Surgery of the Foregut, Advanced Endoscopy, and Bariatric Surgery. The foregut surgery which he specializes in is both benign and malignant esophageal diseases requiring esophagectomy, paraesophageal hernias, anti-reflux surgery, and esophageal motility disorders such as achalasia. His endoscopy area of expertise is that of the foregut nature and includes both diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, such as Peri-Oral Endoscopic Myotomy (POEM). Of note, Dr. DuCoin performed the first POEM surgery in the Gulf South.  While his specialty in foregut surgery helps people eat again, he also specializes in bariatric and weight loss surgery. Dr. DuCoin performs laparoscopic, robotic, and revisional bariatric surgery in some of the most medically challenging patients. He is one of the early adaptors of endoscopic Bariatric Surgery. Dr. DuCoin sees some of the most medically challenging patients such as pre-transplant and heart failure patients, in an attempt to optimize them for their transplant surgery.

He obtained his undergraduate degree from Tulane University, and received an MPH from the Tulane School of Public Health. After attaining his medical degree from St. George’s University, he then completed his general surgery residency at Orlando Regional Medical Center. Afterwards, he then finished a Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Surgery at University of California, San Diego with subspecialty training at the Markus Krankenhaus University in Frankfurt, Germany.

Upon completion of training, Dr. DuCoin joined the general surgery faculty at Tulane University Medical School. During his time in New Orleans he earned positions including Honorary Henderson Chair of Surgery, Director of Tulane Simulation Center, Director of Surgical Clerkship, Director of Bariatric Surgery, Fellowship Director, and was named Chief of Minimally Invasive and Bariatric Surgery. He was then recruited to his home state of Florida where he is Associate Professor of Surgery, Section Chief of Bariatric and Metabolic Surgery, Director of the Bariatric Center, and Fellowship Director of Advanced GI and Bariatric Surgery. He has performed over 5,000 surgeries and taught more than 30 surgical residents and numerous medical students the art of surgery.

Dr. DuCoin is well published, contributing to the scholarly literature with 28 peer-reviewed journal articles and 7 book chapters. He is involved in organizations such as the American College of Surgeons (ACS), the Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES), the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (ASMBS), the Association for Surgical Education (ASE), and the Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract (SSAT). He holds many high-ranking positions within these societies including being on the Governors’ Council for the Young Fellows Association. Dr. DuCoin is extremely passionate about surgical education and has been published in the Journal of Surgical Education. He is involved in resident and medical student education, training, and research, and has been bestowed numerous teaching awards. Dr. DuCoin also is a humanitarian, doing mission work in Nicaragua where he not only operates, but teaches the local surgeons advanced skills. He was recently named a ‘Health Care Hero’ and was awarded the Gold Humanitarian Award.

Finally, as a Florida native, Dr. DuCoin loves anything to do with the ocean. He enjoys watersports from sailing to surfing, from scuba diving to fishing. His favorite activity is spending time with his family. He is husband to his wife and high school sweetheart, Mattie, and father to their amazing daughters, Sophia & Elizabeth (Ella) and son Callahan (Cal).