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Education

1995 B.S., Biology, University of Michigan (Magna Cum Laude)

1999 M.D., Wayne State University School of Medicine

Post Graduate Education and Training

1999-2005 Residency, General Surgery, National Naval Medical Center

2006-2007 Fellowship, Advanced Laparoscopy and Endoscopy

Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine

Certifications

2006 Diplomat, General Surgery, American Board of Surgery

2013 Lean Six Sigma, Green and Yellow Belts

Department of Veterans Affairs

2016 Recertification, General Surgery, American Board of Surgery

Medical Licensures

Inactive Indiana
Inactive Ohio
Active Maryland

Military Service

1995-1999	Ensign, US Navy Reserve, Detroit.
1999-2005	Lieutenant, US Navy, Bethesda, MD
2005-2006	Lieutenant Commander, US Navy
	USS GEORGE WASHINGTON, Norfolk, VA
2006-2008	Lieutenant Commander, US Navy, Bethesda
2008-2009	Commander, US Navy
	Camp al Taqaddum, Iraq
2009-2010	Commander, US Navy, Bethesda
2010-2011	Commander, US Navy
	Camp Arifjan, Kuwait
2011-2012	Commander, US Navy, Bethesda
	Honorable Discharge, 2012.

Employment History

Academic Appointments

2004-2005	Instructor, Surgery, Uniformed Services University
2006-2007	Instructor, Surgery, Case Western Reserve
2007-2012	Assistant Professor, Surgery, Uniformed Services University
2012-2016	Assistant Professor, Surgery, UMSOM
2016-present	Associate Professor, Surgery, UMSOM

Profession Society Membership

2004-present	General Member, Society of American Gastrointestinal and		
	Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES)		
2004-2010	General Member, Washington, DC Chapter		
	American College of Surgeons		
2007-present	Fellow, American College of Surgeons		
2010-2012	Board Member, Washington, DC Chapter		
	American College of Surgeons		
2012-present	General Member, Association of Academic Surgery		

Honors and Awards

1995	Phi Beta Kappa, University of Michigan
2004	First Prize, Surgical Residents Competitive Forum,

	Washington, DC Chapter, American College of Surgeons
2005	Harry Zehner Traveling Fellowship,
	Washington, DC Chapter, American College of Surgeons
2013	Surgery Resident Teaching Award, UMSOM

Clinical Activities

Clinical Expertise

Board certified general surgeon Fellowship-trained in advanced laparoscopy and endoscopy Clinical expert in complex hernia repair and advanced GI surgery Research focus on advanced imaging in surgery and simulation education Process and Quality Improvement expert

Scope of Clinical Practice

2012-present	Baltimore VAMC ~250 cases per year Chief of General Surgery
	87.5% FTE
2012-present	University of Maryland Medical Center
	~125 cases per year
	12.5% FTE
2012-present	UMMC, Midtown Campus
	~125 cases per year

Institutional Service

2012-2015	Medical Director, MASTRI Simulation Center		
	Oversee staff of 3 and budget of \$600,000. Provide		
	oversight for over 6000 learners per year in simulation		
	center.		
2012-present	Chief, Perioperative Services, Baltimore VAMC		
2012-present	Member, Perioperative Executive Committee,		
	Baltimore VAMC		
2013-present	Chair, Medical Records Committee, Baltimore VAMC		
	Oversee process to reduce delinquent record rate from 55%		
	to 13% over 6 months.		
2014-present	Interviewer, UMSOM Admissions Committee		
2015-present	Chair, Surgical Process Improvement Committee		

	Baltimore VAMC		
2015-present	Member, Executive Process Improvement Committee		
-	Baltimore VAMC		
2015-present	Co-Chair, UMMC Colon SSI Reduction Task Force		
National Service			
2007-present	Member, Fundamentals of Endoscopic Surgery Committee,		
	SAGES		
2007-2012	Faculty Member, Basic Laparoscopy Course, SAGES		
2008-present	Member, Guidelines Committee, SAGES		
2008-present	Ad hoc reviewer, Surgical Endoscopy		
	12 manuscripts reviewed per year		
2011-present	Faculty Member, Skills Course: Surgical Endoscopy:		
	Advancing MIS and Retooling our Workforce		
	American College of Surgeons Clinical Congress		
2013-present	Ad hoc reviewer, Journal of Surgical Research		
	10 manuscripts reviewed per year		
2013-present	Member, Publications Committee		
2012 2017	Association of Academic Surgery		
2013-2015	Member, Open to MIS Committee, SAGES		
2013-2014	Faculty Member, CBD Exploration Skills Course, SAGES		
2013-present	Course Chair, FES Learning Center, SAGES		
2016-present	Member, Acute Care Surgery Task Force, SAGES		
2017-present	Leader, Living Guidelines Task Force, SAGES		
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Local Service			
2009-2012	Chair, Young Surgeons Committee, Washington DC		
2009 2012	Chapter, American College of Surgeons		
2009-2012	Director, All-City Grand Rounds, Washington DC		
2010-2012	Councilor, Washington DC Chapter, American College of		
	Surgeons		
2010-2012	Course Director, Resident Basic Science Review Course,		
-	Washington DC Chapter, American College of Surgeons		

Teaching Service

Medical Student Teaching

Small group lecture, Hernia, Surgery Clerkship 15 3rd year students, 6 contact hours per year 2012-present

2012-present Skills session leader, Suturing, Surgery Clerkship

8 3rd year students, 48 contact hours per year

2012-present Faculty, Abdominal Examination,

10 2nd year students, 2 contact hours per year

2012-present Attending Surgeon, VA General Surgery: inpatient service,

outpatient clinic, operating room, small group sessions 2 3rd year medical students, 200 contact hours per year

2013-present Faculty, Anatomy for Surgery Course

8 4th year students, 4 contact hours per year

2013-present Faculty, Laparoscopic Skills Session, Surgery Boot Camp,

12 4th year medical students, 3 contact hours per year

Resident Teaching

2012-present Attending Surgery, VA General Surgery; inpatient service,

colonoscopy clinic, outpatient clinic, teaching sessions

2-4 surgery residents, 300 contact hours per year

2012-present Faculty, Mock Oral Boards

2 surgery residents, 6 contact hours per year

2012-present Basic and clinical science lecture series

Hernia and Foregut sessions

16 surgery residents, 4 contact hours per year

2014-present Simulation skills session leader

Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery 2-4 surgery residents, 50 contact hours/year

Grant Support

Active Grant

06/01/2014-06/01/2016 Co-investigator (1%) PI: E Ritter

Development of a proficiency based training

program for FES

SAGES Foundation Grant Total Direct Costs: \$30,000

Completed Grant

04/21/2014-01/21/2015 Principal Investigator (10%)

Thermal Endoscope for Laparoscopic Surgery

Maryland Innovation Initiative

Publications

Peer-reviewed journal articles

- 1. Chao A, **Pearl J**, Perdue PW, Wang D, Bridgeman A, Kennedy SO, Ling G, Rhee P. Utility of routine serial computed tomography for blunt intracranial injury. J Trauma. 2001; 51870-5.
- 2. **Pearl J**, Ramirez AR, Petruziello M, Perdue PW. Small bowel perforation after a quad cough maneuver. J Trauma. 2001; 51: 162-3.
- 3. **Pearl JP**, Elster EA, Golocovsky M. Nonfunctional islet cell carcinoma of the pancreas. Am Surg. 2002; 68: 886-8.
- 4. **Pearl JP**, McNally MP, Perdue PW. Femoral vessel injury in modern warfare since Vietnam. Mil Med. 2003; 168: 733-5.
- 5. **Pearl JP**, Chao A, Kennedy SO, Rhee P. Penetrating portal vein injury: case series. J Trauma. 2004; 56: 779-82.
- 6. **Pearl JP**, Parris J, Hale DA, Hoffman SC, Bernstein WB, McCoy KL, Swanson SJ, Mannon RB, Roederer M, Kirk AD. Immunocompetent T-cells with a memory phenotype are the dominant cell type following antibody-mediated T-cell depletion. Am J Transplant. 2005;5(3):465-74.
- 7. Preston EH, Xu H, Dhanireddy KK, **Pearl JP**, Leopardi FV, Starost MF, Hale DA, Kirk AD. IDEC-131 (anti-CD154), sirolimus and donor-specific transfusion facilitate operational tolerance in non-human primates. Am J Transplant. 2005;5(5):1032-41. (collected and analyzed data)
- 8. **Pearl JP**, McNally MP, Elster EA, DeNobile JW. Benign pneumoperitoneum after colonoscopy: A prospective pilot study. Mil Med. 2006; 171(7): 648-9.
- 9. Marks JM, Ponsky JL, **Pearl JP**, McGee MF. PEG Rescue—A practical NOTES technique. Surg Endosc 2007. 21(5): 816-9. (collected and analyzed data)
- 10. **Pearl JP**, Xu H, Leopardi F, Preston E, Kirk AD. CD154 Blockade, Sirolimus, and Donor-Specific Transfusion Prevents Renal Allograft

- Rejection in Cynomolgus Monkeys Despite Homeostatic T-Cell Activation. Transplantation 2007. 83(9): 1219-1225.
- 11. Duncan JE, Corwin CH, Sweeney WB, Dunne JR, DeNobile JW, Perdue PW, Galarneau MR, **Pearl JP**. Management of colorectal injuries during Operation Iraqi Freedom: Patterns of stoma usage. J Trauma 2008. 64(4) 1043-7.
- 12. **Pearl JP,** Marks JM, Hardacre JM, Ponsky JL, Delaney CP, Rosen MJ. Laparoscopic management of complex small bowel obstruction: Is it safe? Surg Innov 2008. 15(2) 110-113.
- 13. Ponsky LE, Poulose BK, **Pearl J**, Ponsky JL. Natural orifice translumenal endoscopic surgery: reality or myth? J Endourol. 2009; 23(5); 733-5.
- 14. Crane NJ, McHone B, Hawksworth J, **Pearl JP**, DeNobile J, Tadaki D, Pinto PA, Levin IW, Elster EA.Enhanced surgical imaging: Laparoscopic vessel identification and assessment of tissue oxygenation. J Am Coll Surg. 2008 Jun;206(3):1159-66.
- 15. Hoffman SC, **Pearl JP**, Blair PJ, Kirk AD. Immune profiling: molecular monitoring in renal transplantation. Front Biosc. 2003; 8: 444-62.
- 16. **Pearl JP**, Wind GG, Ritter EM. A meandering external iliac artery: Potential doom outside the triangle. J Am Coll Surg 2009. 208(3): 478-9.
- 17. **Pearl JP**, Rosen MJ. Second-look laparoscopy after laparoscopic relief of strangulated small bowel obstruction. Surg Laparosc Endosc Percutan Tech. 2009 Jun;19(3):241-3.
- 18. Elster EA, **Pearl JP**, DeNobile JW, Perdue PW, Stojandinovich A, Liston Wa, Dunne JR. Transforming a military treatment facility into a trauma center: Lessons learned from Operation Iraqi Freedom. ePlasty 2009. Jul;24(1): 295-303.
- 19. Nikfargam M, McGee MF, Trunzo JA, Onders RP, **Pearl JP**, Poulose BK, Chak A, Ponsky JL, Marks JM. Transgastric natural orifice transluminal endoscopic surgery peritoneoscopy in humans: a pilot study in efficacy and gastrotomy site selection by using a hybrid technique. Gastrointest Endoscopy. 2010; 72(2): 279-83. (collected and analyzed data)
- 20. Cox TC, **Pearl JP**, Ritter EM. Rives-stoppa abdominal hernia repair combined with laparoscopic components separation of abdominal wall components: a novel approach to complex abdominal wall closure. Hernia. 2010; 14(6): 561-7. (performed surgery, analyzed data)
- 21. Jin J, Williams CP, Soltanian H, Smith MK, **Pearl J**, Sanabria J, Rosen MJ. Use of abdominal wall allotransplantation as an alternative for the

- management of end stage abdominal wall failure in a porcine model. J Surg Res. 2010; 162(2): 314-20. (performed surgery, analyzed data)
- 22. **Pearl JP** and Pennypacker JL. Infarction of a lipoma of the lesser omentum; laparoscopic treatment of a rare condition. Laparosc Endosc Percutan Tech. 2011; 21(4): 197-9.
- 23. **Pearl J**, Price R, Richardson W, Fanelli R. Guidelines for diagnosis, treatment, and use of laparoscopy during pregnancy. Surg Endosc. 2011; 25(11): 3479-92.
- 24. Lucas DJ, Glaser, JJ, **Pearl JP**. Laparoscopic distal pancreatectomy for retrieval of a proximally migrated pancreatic stent. JSLS. 2012; 16(1):169-72.
- 25. Ritter EM, Cox TC, Trinca KD, **Pearl JP**. Simulated Colonoscopy Objective Performance Evaluation (SCOPE): a non-computer-based tool for assessment of endoscopic skills. Surg Endosc. 2013 Nov;27(11):4073-80.
- 26. Trinca KD, Cox TC, **Pearl JP**, Ritter EM. Validity evidence for the Simulated Colonoscopy Objective Performance Evaluation scoring system. Am J Surg. 2014 Feb;207(2):218-25. (analyzed data, revised manuscript)
- 27. Hazey JW, Marks JM, Mellinger JD, Trus TL, Chand B, Delaney CP, Dunkin BJ, Fanelli RD, Fried GM, Martinez JM, **Pearl JP**, Poulose BK, Sillin LF, Vassiliou MC, Melvin WS. Why Fundamentals of Endoscopic Surgery (FES)? Surg Endosc. 2014 Mar;28(3):701-3. (project conception and design)
- 28. **Pearl J**, Fellinger E, Dunkin B, Pauli E, Trus T, Marks J, Fanelli R, Meara M, Stefanidis D, Richardson W. Guidelines for privileging and credentialing physicians in gastrointestinal endoscopy. Surg Endosc. 2016 30 (8): 3184-90.

Non-peer-reviewed journal articles

- 1. **Pearl JP**, Preston E, Kirk AD. Tolerance: is it achievable in pediatric solid organ transplantation? Pediatr Clin N Am. 2003; 50: 1261-81.
- 2. Ponsky JL, Kalloo AN, **Pearl JP**. How will NOTES influence gastroenterology? AGA Perspectives 2007. 3(2):4-5.
- 3. **Pearl JP**, Marks JM. The future of teaching surgical endoscopy. Surg Innov. 2006; 13(4): 280-3.
- 4. **Pearl JP**, Marks JM. Endolumenal therapies for gastroesophageal reflux disease: are they dead? Surg Endosc. 2007; 21(1) 1-4.
- 5. **Pearl JP,** Ponsky JL. Natural orifice translumenal endoscopic surgery: Past, present, and future. J Min Access Surg 2007; 3: 43-46.
- 6. **Pearl JP**, Ponsky JL. Natural Orifice Translumenal Endoscopic Surgery: A critical review. J Gastrointest Surg 2007;
- 7. **Pearl JP**, Marks, JM, Ponsky JL. Hybrid surgery: combined laparoscopy and natural orifice surgery. Gastrointest Endosc Clin N Am. 2008. 18(2): 325-32.

8. **Pearl J**.The power of collaboration between surgery and engineering. J Surg Res. 2015 Jul;197(1):65-6.

Book Chapters

- 1. **Pearl J**, Rosen M, Onders RP. Laparoscopic Inguinal Hernia. In Cameron JL (ed) Current Surgical Therapy, 9th edition. Elsevier. Philadelphia, PA. 2007.
- 2. **Pearl JP** and Marks JM. New technology in endoscopy. In: Soper N, Swanstrom LL, Eubanks WS (eds). Mastery of Laparoscopic and Endoscopic Surgery, 3rd ed . Lippincott Williams and Wilkins. Philadelphia. 2009.
- 3. **Pearl JP** and Ponsky JL. The dominant role of endoscopy in gastrointestinal surgery. In: Soper N, Swanstrom LL, Eubanks WS (eds). Mastery of Laparoscopic and Endoscopic Surgery, 3rd ed . Lippincott Williams and Wilkins. Philadelphia. 2009.
- 4. **Pearl JP** and Ponsky JL. Endoscopic treatment for gastroesophageal reflux. In: Zwischenberger JB, Townsend Jr, CM, Evers, BM (eds). Atlas of Thoracic Surgical Techniques. Elsevier. Philadelphia, PA. 2010.
- 5. Ponsky JL and **Pearl JP**. Upper and lower endoscopy. In: Fischer JE (ed). Mastery of Surgery. Lippincott Williams & Wilkins. Philadelphia, PA. 2012.
- 6. **Pearl JP** and Ritter EM. Stangulated inguinal hernia. In: Jacob BP and Ramshaw B (eds.), The SAGES Manual of Hernia Repair. Springer. New York, NY. 2013.
- 7. **Pearl JP.** Esophagus. Inn: Jarrell BE and Kavic SM. NMS Surgery, 6th ed. Lippincott Williams and Wilkins. Philadelphia. 2015.

Major Invited Speeches

Local

- 1. Pearl, J., Natural Orifice Surgery, DC Chapter ACS, Washington, 2007.
- 2. Pearl, J., New treatments for GERD, DC Chapter ACS, Washington, 2008.

National

- 3. Pearl, J., Abdominal Wall Reconstruction of Wounded Warriors SAGES, San Antonio, 2011.
- 4. Pearl, J. Acute Care Surgery: Laparoscopy in the Pregnant Patient SAGES, Nashville, 2015.

International

5. Pearl, J. Natural Orifice Surgery. Emerging Technology Session. International Symposium of Military Surgeons. Hamburg, Germany. 2007.