Esophageal and Lung Institute presents

Bernard Dallemagne Lectureship in Surgical Innovation

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Wintergarden Conference Center
West Penn Hospital
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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The Esophageal and Lung Institute
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Conference Overview and Intended Audience

It has been well documented that gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD) is a common disorder which affects between 10 and 20 percent of the U.S. population. GERD can lead to a significant decrease in a patient’s quality of life. If left untreated, GERD can result in Barrett’s esophagus, which significantly increases one’s odds of developing an oftentimes lethal form of cancer known as esophageal adenocarcinoma. Globally, there has been much research and new techniques developed to detect, manage, and treat GERD and the conditions associated with the disease.

Attendance at this visiting lectureship activity will provide physicians a unique opportunity to learn from a highly recognized leader and innovator in the field of GERD. This conference will provide an overview of a new less invasive surgical treatment.

This conference is intended for primary care physicians, gastroenterologists, general surgeons, thoracic surgeons, and other health care professionals involved in the treatment of foregut and esophageal diseases.

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Guest Speaker

Dr. DeMeester has revolutionized esophageal surgery

Dr. Tom R. DeMeester is Professor and Chairman Emeritus, Department of Surgery, Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California. Dr. DeMeester received his medical degree from the University of Michigan and completed his surgical residency in general and thoracic surgery at The Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland.

Dr. DeMeester’s interest is in foregut and pulmonary disease. He, along with Dr. Lawrence Johnson, are the originators and developers of the field of non-invasive foregut ambulatory monitoring. Dr. DeMeester is a top global expert in gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD) and the originator of noninvasive foregut ambulatory monitoring. With this technology, Dr. DeMeester has made a number of important contributions to the understanding of the physiology and patho-physiology of diseases of the esophagus and their surgical correction. In the area of oncology, he has focused on malignant degeneration of Barrett’s esophagus and the surgical treatment of esophageal cancer. He had made many important contributions to the pathology and treatment of diseases of the esophagus throughout his career.

Esophageal pH monitoring is the current gold standard for diagnosis of GERD. It provides direct physiologic measurement of acid in the esophagus and is the most objective method to document reflux disease, assess the severity of the disease and monitor the response of the disease to medical or surgical treatment. It can also be used in diagnosing laryngopharyngeal reflux.

His studies have resulted in 490 publications in peer-reviewed journals, 175 book chapters, and 9 books. He has been invited to present 43 named lectures. He received an honorary Doctorate of Medicine degree from Linköping University, Sweden; Lund University, Sweden; the University of Athens, Greece; and the University of Padua, Italy. Dr. DeMeester was elected a member of The Johns Hopkins University Society of Scholars and an Officer of the French Order of Academic Palms. He has received honorary membership in the European Surgical Association, German Society of Visceral Surgery, Spanish Association of Surgeons, Association of Upper Gastrointestinal Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, Hungarian Surgical Society, and is an honorary fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. He served on several editorial boards and is an ad hoc reviewer of many surgical and medical journals. He was past president of five surgical societies. In 2008, Dr. DeMeester received the American Gastroenterological Association’s Masters Award in Gastroenterology for Sustained Achievement in Digestive Surgery, and in 2012 the American Surgical Association awarded Dr. DeMeester the Medallion for Advancement of Surgical Care.
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Location

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4800 Friendship Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15224

Parking

Parking is complimentary in the Liberty Avenue garage.
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Agenda

8:30 a.m.  Registration and Breakfast
9:30 a.m.  Resident/Fellow Case Presentation
10:30 a.m. Overview and Introduction  
            Blair Jobe, MD
10:35 a.m. “A New Therapy Era in the Therapy of GERD”  
            Tom DeMeester, MD

Additional Information

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Registration Information

The registration is free, but pre-registration is required.

Deadline to register:  May 3, 2017

To Register:

Online registration is preferred. To register online or download a brochure, please go to www.aghcme.org. Select Conference Schedule on the left, then scroll to find the Bernard Dallemagne Lecture.
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