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Curriculum Vitae

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Current position

Dr Michalis Kontos is Assistant Professor in General and Breast Surgery at the University of Athens. He is the Lead of the Breast Unit of the 1st Department of Surgery of the University of Athens, Laiko Hospital since 2009.

Training and Clinical Experience

He graduated from the Medical School of the University of Athens in 1995 and was trained as General Surgeon at Laiko University Hospital. He completed his MD in 2005 at the University of Athens. Post specialisation he worked in the UK as Consultant Breast and Oncoplastic Surgeon.

Current clinical practice and interest

His main field of interest is the surgical treatment of breast diseases and he was of the first to offer sentinel node biopsy and oncoplastic breast conservation in Greece. As a specialised Breast Surgeon, he has extensive experience in the whole range of breast operations, including sentinel node biopsy, silicon based and LD breast reconstruction and oncoplastic conservation.

Research experience and publications

He has significant research experience and has worked as researcher at King's College London and the University of Athens. He has participated or lead research protocols in Greece and abroad and has more than 40 publications in PubMed indexed journals.

Currently he is participating in research involving HER-2 and androgen receptors in breast cancer, diagnosis and treatment of infections in silicon based reconstruction and psychological implications of diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer in the Greek population.

Teaching and training

He is also responsible for the breast training of surgical registrars in his Hospital and has taught undergraduate medical students in Greece and the UK. He supervises MD theses on breast cancer and surgical research and is a member of the faculty of Master's programmes in the University of Athens.

Research projects

1. MD (Res), Lactamic Esters and Breast Cancer. University of Athens, Dec 2001 - Oct 2005: Laboratory study on the in vitro effect of lactamic esters of chlorambucil on fresh breast cancer tissue and breast cancer cell lines.
2. Scinigraphy of axillary lymphatics. Principal Investigator. University of Athens, 2010-2012. Clinical Trial on the preoperative lymphatic scintigraphy in the detection of sentinel node in breast cancer patients.
3. TeraHertz Pulsed Imaging and breast cancer. King's College London, Guy's & St Thomas' Foundation Trust, Apr 2007 - Jan 2008: Preclinical Study on the use of TeraHertz Pulsed Imaging for the intraoperative breast cancer detection.
4. Harmonic scalpel and breast surgery. Principal investigator: Guy's & St Thomas' Foundation Trust, Aug 2005 - Aug 2006: Clinical study on the use of Harmonic scalpel in and its impact on intraoperative and postoperative parameters.
5. Digital Thermographic Imaging and breast cancer. Guy's & St Thomas' Foundation Trust, Jun 2006 - Jun 2007: Clinical study on the use of Digital Thermographic Imaging in the diagnosis of breast cancer.
6. Radio Frequency Ablation. University of Athens, 2002-2005: Series of projects focusing on the use of the internally cooled radio frequency electrodes in haemostasis after solid organ injuries, laparoscopic liver resection and laparoscopic partial splenectomy.
7. Surgical Haemostatic Devices. University of Athens, 2002-2005: Study of efficacy and safety of haemostatic surgical instruments including monopolar and bipolar electrocoagulation, different models of electronically controlled bipolar electrocoagulation and different models of harmonic scalpel.
8. Small for Size Syndrome after Liver Resection and methods for reduction of Mortality and Morbidity. Principal Investigator. University of Athens, 23 September 2011 (approval date).

Project in progress: Surgical experimental protocol on the liver failure observed after major liver resections and surgical methods of prevention.

9. Microwave assisted liver resection. Principal Investigator. University of Athens, 21 January 2009 (approval date). Experiment in progress: Microwave assisted parenchymal partial resection of solid organs.

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