

Curriculum Vitae

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Biography

Geoff is a Melbourne Upper Gastrointestinal Surgeon. He obtained his medical degree from Monash University and his Australian qualifications in Surgery in 2007. He then undertook two sub-specialty clinical fellowships in world-leading surgical units in the United States, first in laparoscopy and advanced gastrointestinal surgery at the University of North Carolina, and then in oesophageal surgery at the University of Southern California. As a faculty member of both these universities, he provided advanced management of upper gastrointestinal disease to his patients with an emphasis on minimally-invasive surgery.

Geoff works in both the private and public hospital systems, operating at Cabrini Hospital and Knox Private Hospital and at Eastern Health. Geoff is director of the MUGISG oesophageal physiology laboratory performing pH and impedance studies and high-resolution oesophageal manometry.

Geoff's interests include:

Cancers of the oesophagus and stomach

Assessment and management of oesophageal function and disease

Management of gastro-oesophageal reflux disease (GORD)

Advanced endoscopic procedures including the POEM procedure for achalasia and G-POEM for gastroparesis

Hiatal hernias

Bariatric (weight loss) surgery – sleeve gastrectomy, gastric bypass and intragastric balloon

Qualifications

Fellowship of the American College of Surgeons, FACS

Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, FRACS

Research outputs

SAGES 2022 guidelines regarding the use of laparoscopy in the era of COVID-19

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Minimally invasive surgery: hiatal hernia repair—a narrative review

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Laparoscopic management of gastric band erosions: a 10-year series of 49 cases

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Kohn, G. P., Galanko, J. A., Overby, D. W. & Farrell, T. M., Aug 2009, In: Surgery. 146, 2, p. 375-380 6 p.

The impact of socioeconomic factors on patient preparation for bariatric surgery

Balduf, L. M., Kohn, G. P., Galanko, J. A. & Farrell, T. M., Aug 2009, In: Obesity Surgery. 19, 8, p. 1089-1095 7 p.

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Endoscopic management of recurrent primary bile duct stones

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Prizes

SAGES International Ambassador Award

Kohn, Geoffrey (Recipient), 2014

SAGES Best Fellow's Research Paper

Kohn, Geoffrey (Recipient), 2009

SSAT Clinical Science Plenary Presentation Winner

Kohn, Geoffrey (Recipient), 2009

D.S. Rosengarten Surgical Trainee Research Prize

Kohn, Geoffrey (Recipient), 2001

Australian Orthopaedic Association Prize

Kohn, Geoffrey (Recipient), 1997

Box Hill Hospital Prize in Medicine

Kohn, Geoffrey (Recipient), 1997

Robert Power Scholarship in Surgery

Kohn, Geoffrey (Recipient), 1997

Press/Media**Incision-free surgery**

Geoffrey Kohn

1/05/20

1 item of Media coverage

Implementing an Evidence-based Approach to Selection of Type of Laparoscopic Bariatric Surgery

Geoffrey Kohn

14/07/09

1 Media contribution

International Medical Graduates and the Surgical Fellowship: A Guide for Program Directors and Prospective Fellows

Geoffrey Kohn

23/09/08

1 Media contribution

Knox Private Hospital surgeon Geoff Kohn performs peroral endoscopic myotomy

Geoffrey Kohn

20/09/16

1 item of Media coverage

Academic positions**ADJUNCT SENIOR LECTURER**

Eastern Health Clinical School

MONASH UNIVERSITY

31 Dec 2020 → present

President

Australasian Neurogastroenterology and Motility Association

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1 Jan 2018 → 1 Jan 2020

Guideline Committee Co-chair

Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons

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Secretary

Australasian Neurogastroenterology and Motility Association

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Thoracic / Foregut Fellow

University of Southern California

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1 Jan 2009 → 1 Jan 2010

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