Curriculum Vitae

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Qualifications

BSc 12/07/1984

University of the Punjab,

Lahore

MB BS 30/09/1986

King Edward Medical University,

Lahore

06/07/1992 **FRCSI**

Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

30/09/1999 FRCS (Paed)

Intercollegiate Speciality Board in Paediatric Surgery,

Royal College of Surgeons in Edinburgh,

United Kingdom

Postgraduate Certificate in

Health Research and

25/06/1999

University of Portsmouth

Development School of Postgraduate Medicine, Portsmouth

PhD degree 01/05/2009

King's College, University of London

Honorary Professor of

25/10/2015

Paediatric Surgery Awarded by Shiraz University of Medical Sciences,

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Registration and Membership of Professional Bodies

General Medical Council Registration No. 4479712

Entry in Specialist Register 14/09/2004 **of General Medical Council**

Medical Protection Society Membership No. 177768

British Medical Association Membership No. 7019284

British Association of

Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS) Member since 1997

British Association of

Paediatric Endoscopic Surgeons Member since 2006

(BAPES)

Consultant Appointment

Dates	Grade / Speciality	Hospital
01/09/2010 to date	Consultant Paediatric Surgeon	Evelina London Children's Hospital, Guy's & St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust
04/10/2004 to 31/08/2010	Consultant Paediatric Surgeon	University Hospital, Lewisham, NHS Trust, London

Previous Appointments And Trainings

01/10/2003-03/10/2004	Specialist Registrar in Paediatric Surgery	Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children, NHS Foundation Trust, London
02/04/2003-30/09/2003	Specialist Registrar in Paediatric Surgery	University Hospital Lewisham, NHS Trust, London
01/10/2000-01/04/2003	Clinical Research Fellow Paediatric Surgery	Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust, London

01/10/2000-01/04/2003	Specialist Registrar (on call) Paediatric Surgery	St George's Hospital NHS Trust, London
01/10/1999-30/09/2000	Clinical Fellow Paediatric Surgery	University Hospital Lewisham, NHS Trust, London
04/08/1997 — 03/08/1999	Specialist Registrar in Paediatric Surgery	Southampton University Hospital, NHS Trust, Southampton
10/10/1994- 31/07/1997	Specialist Registrar in Paediatric Surgery	Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust, Liverpool
01/07/93 - 30/09/94	Registrar in Paediatric Surgery	The Children's Hospital Temple Street, Dublin

Summary of Experience as a Consultant Paediatric Surgeon

Evelina London Children's Hospital, Guy's & St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust, London from 01/09/2010 to date and University Hospital, Lewisham NHS Trust, London from 04/10/2004 to 31/08/2010

I have been a full time Consultant Neonatal and Paediatric Surgeon at Evelina London Children's Hospital, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust and University Hospital Lewisham, NHS Trust since October 2004. The paediatric surgery services were based at University Hospital Lewisham and then transferred to Evelina London Children's Hospital in September 2010, where acute emergency and elective complex paediatric and neonatal surgeries are performed. I provide acute emergency and elective complex services along with 7 other consultant colleagues.

My practice includes neonatal and paediatric general and colorectal surgery and minimally invasive laparoscopic surgery. I have on average two all day elective theatre sessions including some Saturdays and two all day outpatient clinic sessions, one face to face and one virtual at Evelina Children's Hospital every month. I have two all day theatre sessions and one all day and one half day outpatient clinic sessions at University Hospital Lewisham every month. This includes one specialised colorectal clinic in each Hospital every month. I have two outreach clinics alternating every month between William Harvey Hospital in Ashford and Maidstone Hospital.

The Evelina is a major Regional Specialist Hospital in London taking referrals from a population of approximately 3 million in South East England.

I have the following expertise and experiences and leading role:

Expertise in anorectal manometry and endosonography and surgical treatments of colorectal disorders in children. I have developed a special interest in anorectal manometry, biofeedback training, endosonography and treatment of Hirschsprung disease, anorectal malformations, chronic functional constipation and faecal incontinence. My colorectal referrals come from a wide network of national and international sources.

I have wide experience in lower and upper gastrointestinal surgery and minimally invasive surgery. This includes percutaneous endoscopic insertion of feeding gastrostomy and jejunostomy, antegrade continent enema (ACE) stoma, appendicectomy, staged Fowler Stephen's orchidopexy, inguinal herniotomy and ovarian pathologies.

I successfully secured funding to purchase state of art 3D high resolution anorectal manometry system and 3D endosonography scanner in 2017. I have established a wide network of national and international paediatric colorectal surgical referrals from across the United Kingdom and overseas.

Lead Surgeon for Transition of Adolescent Care Service

I have led setting up the new service of 'Transition of Adolescent Care Service' in collaboration with adult colorectal surgical colleagues at St Thomas' Hospital since November 2020. We have evidence of provision of a high quality and uninterrupted, coordinated care, which is developmentally and psychosocially appropriate for the young adolescents through a process of preparation rather than one of transfer. The feedback from parents and patients have been very positive.

Pioneered new treatment of botulinum toxin injection and innovative transcutaneous needlefree injection of the toxin into external anal sphincter for chronic idiopathic constipation and anal fissure in children. This was the result of my double blind randomised controlled research trials and my PhD thesis at King's College London, which is used worldwide.

Extensive experience in surgical treatment of major neonatal disorders including necrotising enterocolitis, Hirschsprung disease, anorectal malformations, repair of oesophageal atresia and tracheoesophageal fistula, diaphragmatic hernias, intestinal atresia, exomphalos, gastroschisis and repair of intestinal malrotations and volvulus. I implemented the bedside sutureless closure of gastroschisis following insertion of a preformed silo in our department.

Lead author of Neonatal Surgical Guidelines in neonatal intensive care unit at St Thomas' Hospital. I have led drawing neonatal surgical guidelines, which have been adopted by Clinical Governance Committee for management of necrotising enterocolitis, oesophageal atresia and tracheoesophageal fistula, diaphragmatic hernia, Hirschsprung disease, anorectal malformations, gastroschisis, exomphalos, bile stained vomiting, rectal suction biopsy and rectal wash out.

Innovative service of awake anorectal manometry and biofeedback training and endosonography in our department. I commenced this service, which obviated the need for ketamine anaesthesia and improved theatre utilisation for surgical procedures. The awake studies provided more information about rectal sensory and pelvic floor defectation dynamic disorders.

Multidisciplinary team collaboration with our neonatologists, gastroenterologists, urologists, cardiologists, community paediatricians and clinical nurse specialists. This has been essential to deliver a high quality service based on multidisciplinary team (MDT) input for management of patients with complex medical and surgical disorders.

I fully recognise the importance of good working and professional relationship with surgical and medical colleagues, nursing staff, secretaries, patients and their family.

Honorary Professor of Paediatric Surgery, Shiraz University of Medical Sciences

I was awarded 'Honorary Professor of the Shiraz University of Medical Sciences' in recognition of my contribution to academic education and exceptional commitment to the field of medicine and valuable experience in practice and advancement of medical sciences on 25th October 2015.

Honorary Senior Lecturer King's College, University of London

I have been awarded the title of Honorary Senior Lecturer in recognition of my research and undergraduate and postgraduate teachings and trainings from King's College, University of London on 1st November 2012.

My research work is recognised nationally and internationally and has led to numerous publications in international peer reviewed Journals and presentations in international conferences. My research work has provided evidence for the first time, based on double blind randomised control trials for investigations and surgical treatment of chronic idiopathic constipation and faecal incontinence in children.

Honorary Teacher of King's College, University of London

I was given the title of 'Honorary Teacher of the College' in recognition of my undergraduate teachings to Medical Students at King's College, London in July 2009.

Undergraduate Teaching

I have been an Educational supervisor of 4th and 5th year medical students for their clinical placements in Acute Care, General Practice, Emergency Medicine and Critical Care, Mental Health, Women's Health, Child Health and Career Development since 2018.

I have supervised 4th year medical students for their SSC rotation (MUS4069 Neonatal Surgery) and 5th Year students for their Career SSC, during a 4 week block from January 2013 to June 2016. I have been an Examiner for Year 4 Formative Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCE) at King's College, London since 12/03/2018.

I have supervised external medical students for their <u>'Elective Placement'</u> through King's College, London from other countries including, Australia, France, Germany, Italy, Portugal, Greece and Hong Kong from 2015 to date.

The feedback from medical students have been very positive and they have contributed to numerous quality improvement projects and audits, presented in peer reviewed international conferences and published in recognised journals, please see below.

Postgraduate Teaching

I am actively involved in regular formal teaching and training of specialist registrars, junior doctors and nursing staff in our department. This has been in the form of lectures to GPs and to postgraduate trainees on Deanery Regional Study Day about common paediatric surgical problems.

Medicolegal Experience

I have been an expert witness to provide medico-legal report since 2008. I have kept up to date by attending the medicolegal training courses listed under section of continuous medical education. I undertake approximately 15 cases annually. I have prepared joint medical reports and attended as an expert in four court hearings.

Audit Lead

I was the Audit lead for Paediatric Surgery from 2004 to 2018. I have led 17 audits, of which 12 have been published in peer reviewed journals & all presented in international peer reviewed conferences.

Grants

I have led service improvement initiatives and successfully obtained grant of £120,000 to upgrade the anorectal manometry and endosonography systems and set up the new services of oesophageal & colonic manometry in collaboration with gastroenterologist colleagues at Evelina Children's Hospital in 2017.

I also obtained £5,000 grants from the Evelina Charitable Trust for clinical research and updating the computer system of anorectal manometry equipments at Guy's Hospital in 2002.

Member of Intercollegiate Speciality Board of Examiners in Paediatric Surgery

I have been a member of the Intercollegiate Speciality Board of Examiners of Royal Colleges of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland in written and oral section of 'Exit Specialty Examination' in paediatric surgery since June 2017.

Chief organiser of International Anorectal manometry and Endosonography Training Course and Workshop in United Kingdom and overseas

I have been the chief organiser and trainer of the 1st and 2nd International Anorectal Manometry and Endosonography Training Course and Surgical Workshop in United Kingdom on 9th February 2012 and 21st and 22nd May 2014 and in Iran in November 2010 and 24th and 25th December 2015. Delegates attended were paediatric surgeons, paediatricians, gastroenterologists and clinical nurse specialists from United Kingdom, Europe, America and Asia. The feedback from delegates attending the courses was very positive and they expressed interests for future training courses.

Faculty of Minimally Invasive Laparoscopic Paediatric Surgery Training Course, Shiraz University of Medical Sciences, Iran, 24-25 November 2017

The conference included four simultaneous sessions comprised of Asian endometriosis, colorectal, bariatric, and paediatric surgery. There were approximately 300 delegates of whom 50 had come from abroad.

The paediatric surgery sessions included lectures for fetal intervention and neonatal minimally invasive laparoscopic surgery. There was also a workshop for fetoscopy in sheep. The neonatal laparoscopy section included lectures through Skype, which were very good and innovative. There

was also a hand on training workshop of minimally invasive laparoscopic surgery in rabbits for training on neonatal operations. There were 16 delegates participating in the workshop.

The feedback from delegates was very positive. Participants were very pleased with the programme and expressed their interest for future training courses in Iran in collaboration with paediatric surgery centres in United Kingdom.

Faculty of Operative Skills in Neonatal & Paediatric Surgery Workshop, 22-23 April 2015

I was a faculty member of above paediatric surgical training course organised by the Royal College of Surgeon in England.

Faculty of International Paediatric Endoscopic Workshop, Leeds Institute for Minimal Invasive Therapy, 14-17 July 2015

I am a faculty member of above hands on laparoscopy training course organised by the Royal College of Surgeon in England.

Member of International Affairs Committee of the British Association of Paediatric Surgeons

I am a member of the International Affairs Committee of the British Associations of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS) since 2011. The committee facilitates award of scholarships and travelling fellowships to trainees and established paediatric surgeons from Africa, Asia and Middle East to attend BAPS conferences and observe paediatric surgery practice in United Kingdom. The committee also provides simulation skills training course in these countries.

Invited presentations and lectures

- 1. I was invited as a Guest Speaker to discuss 'Constipation and Faecal Incontinence in Children' at 17th national Congress of Paediatric Common Diseases and Emergencies' in Mofid Hospital, Tehran University of Medical Sciences on 17th December 2021 and 27 November 2022.
- 2. I was a Guest Speaker in national Webinar of 'Surgical Management of Hirschsprung Disease in Shiraz University of Medical Sciences on 24th December 2021.
- 3. I was an invited guest Lecturer in Hands-on Workshop on Diagnostic and Operative Endoanal Ultrasonography to present two lectures on Endoanal Ultrasonography: use in Paediatrics and Chronic Constipation in Children: combined endosonographic and manometric approach at Sant' Orsola-Malpighi University Hospital, 40138 Bologna, Italy on 29 October 2020.
- 4. Invited Speaker to talk on 'Necrotising Enterocolitis and Spontaneous Intestinal Perforation' at the 71st International Simpson Smith Symposium at UCL Institute of Child Health, London on 24th September 2019.

- 5. Transcutaneous needle-free Injection of botulinum toxin into the external anal sphincter: A novel treatment for chronic idiopathic constipation in children. Presented at Royal Liverpool Children Hospital Alder Hey, Liverpool on 1st April 2009.
- 6. Use of Botulinum toxin in treatment of childhood constipation. Presented at International Joint Paediatric Surgical and Medical Chronic Constipation Seminar, Margate, 8-9 November 2007 and at Barts and the Royal London Hospital, NHS Trust on 21st October 2008.
- 7. Investigations of anorectal manometry, endosonography and colonic transit study and Botulinum toxin treatment in childhood constipation. Presented at the International Joint Paediatric Surgical and Medical Chronic Constipation Seminar, Margate, 8-9 November 2007.
- 8. Common Elective and Acute Problems in the General Surgery of Childhood Course at the Royal College of Surgeons of England from November 2006 to November 2008.

Research Supervisor

I was the supervisor for clinical research fellow in paediatric surgery from 2008 to 2010. I was the local co-investigator for multicentre randomised trial of interval appendicectomy in children (CHINA study) at Evelina Children Hospital, London in 2012.

Peer Review Activity

I am a peer reviewer for the following Journals:

- 1. Journal of Pediatric Surgery.
- 2. British Medical Journal.
- 3. Journal of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition.
- 4. European Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology.
- 5. Biomed Central Gastroenterology
- 6. Pediatric International.
- 7. Clinical and Experimental Gastroenterology
- 8. Expert review of Gastroenterology and Hepatology

Research Activities

Global PaedSurg Collaboration

I have been a member of Global PaedSurg Collaboration team at King's College London. This was a multicentre, international, prospective cohort study to investigate mortality from gastrointestinal congenital anomalies at 264 hospitals in 74 Low-, Middle- and High-Income Countries, from October 2018 to April 2019, (Funder Reference: 203905/Z/16/Z). The study has been completed and published in Lancet in July 2021, please see publications.

PhD Degree Title: Investigations and Treatments of Overactive Internal Anal Sphincter in Chronic Idiopathic Constipation in Children

I have successfully completed my above research work at Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation

Trust between October 2000 and April 2003 and obtained a PhD degree from King's College, University of London on 01/05/2009.

During my research, I investigated role of the internal anal sphincter in chronic idiopathic constipation in children by anorectal manometry, anal endosonography and colonic transit study and evaluated the anal sphincter weakening procedures.

I was the principal investigator for two double blind randomised controlled trials of 'anal dilatation' versus 'no dilatation' and 'botulinum toxin' injection versus 'myectomy' of the internal anal sphincter for treatment of childhood idiopathic constipation, which were approved by Ethics Committee of Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust.

As a result of my research work, we have changed our practice and no longer perform invasive procedures of anal dilatation and myectomy of the internal anal sphincter for childhood constipation. We have introduced botulinum toxin as a new treatment modality in children with chronic constipation, which is use worldwide. My research works have been published and presented in peer reviewed international journals and conferences, please see peer reviewed publications and presentations.

2. Transcutaneous needle-free injection of botulinum toxin into the external anal sphincter: a novel treatment of childhood constipation and anal fissure

I was the principal investigator for observational study of needle-free injection of botulinum toxin into the external anal sphincter muscles for treatment of chronic idiopathic constipation and anal fissure in children, which was approved by Ethics Committee of University Hospital Lewisham.

The needle-free technique is pain-free and more effective as botulinum toxin is delivered to wider muscle area and it can be given to awake children in outpatient setting without anaesthesia. This is beneficial for patients, timesaving for parents, and cost-effective for health care providers. There is also no risk of intravascular injection of the toxin or needle stick injury.

The study was published in Journal of Pediatric Surgery, J Pediatr Surg. 2009 Sep; 44(9): 1791-8.

Peer Reviewed Publications

- 1. **Keshtgar AS**, Selim I. Role of 3D high resolution anorectal manometry compared to conventional technique in management of constipation and faecal incontinence in children. J Pediatr Surg. 2023 Feb;58(2):251-257. doi: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2022.10.018. Epub 2022 Oct 22.PMID: 36414477.
- 2. **Keshtgar AS**, Nellihela L, Wright H. Long-term outcome of antegrade colonic enema (ACE) stoma for treatment of chronic constipation and fecal incontinence in children. J Pediatr Surg. 2022 Nov;57(11):575-581. doi: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2022.07.004. Epub 2022 Jul.
- 3. Wright N.J., Leather A.J.M, Ade-Ajayi, N., Keshtgar, A.S. et al. Global PaedSurg Research Collaboration. Mortality from gastrointestinal congenital anomalies at 264 hospitals in 74 low-income, middle-income, and high-income countries: a multicentre,

- international, prospective cohort study. Lancet 2021 Jul 24;398(10297):325-339. DOI: 10.1016/S0140-6736(21)00767-4. Epub 2021 Jul 13.
- 4. **Keshtgar A.S**. Book Chapter-5, Normal Endosonographic Features of the Anal Canal in Children. In Anorectal endosonography and manometry in pediatrics published by Springer Nature, Switzerland AG, 2021.
- 5. **Keshtgar A.S**. Book Chapter-13, Anorectal Manometry and Endosonography in Paediatric Faecal Incontinence. In Anorectal endosonography and manometry in pediatrics published by Springer Nature, Switzerland AG, 2021.
- 6. Thakkar H., Bassett C., Hsu A., Kufeji D., Agrawal M., Richards C., **Keshtgar A.S.** Functional Outcomes in Hirschsprung Disease A Single Institution's 12-year Experience. J Pediatr Surg. 2017, Feb; 52(2): 277-280. DOI: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2016.11.023
- 7. Nigel J Hall, Simon Eaton, Michael P Stanton, MD, Agostino Pierro, David M Burge, Alireza Keshtgar et al Active observation versus interval appendicectomy after successful non-operative treatment of an appendix mass in children (CHINA study)/ an open-label, randomised controlled trial The Lancet Gastroenterology & Hepatology, 2017, Apr; 2(4): 253–260. DOI: 10.1016/S2468-1253(16)30243-6
- 8. Joodi M, Fathi M, Sabzevari A, **Keshtgar AS**, et al. Intraoperative Sonographic Guided Pull-through Anorectoplasty: A Novel Procedure for Imperforate Anus and Rectourethral Fistula: A Clinical Trial Study. Int J Pediatr. 2017, 5(48):6195-6200. DOI: 10.22038/ijp.2017.23287.1966
- 9. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Kufeji D., Choudhry M.S., Clayden G.S., Ward H.C. Anorectal manometry with and without ketamine for evaluation of defecation disorders in children. J Pediatr Surg. 2015 Mar; 50(3): 438-43. DOI: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2014.08.016
- 10. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Ward H.C., Clayden G.S. Pathophysiology of chronic childhood constipation: Functional and morphological evaluation by anorectal manometry and endosonography and colonic transit study. J Pediatr Surg. 2013 Apr; 48(4): 806-12. DOI: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2012.08.037
- 11. Sadeghi R., Kianifar H.R., Pardis S.H., Adineh P.Z., Dabbagh V.R., **Keshtgar A.S.**Accuracy of hepatobiliary scintigraphy for differentiation of neonatal hepatitis from biliary atresia: systematic review and meta-analysis of the literature. Pediatr Radiol. 2013 Aug; 43(8): 905-19. DOI: 10.1007/s00247-013-2623-3
- 12. Njere I., Islam S., Parish D., Kuna J. **Keshtgar A.S**. Outcome of peripherally inserted central venous catheter in surgical and medical neonates. J Pediatr Surg. 2011 May; 46(5): 946-50. DOI: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2011.02.037
- Clayden G.S., Adeyinka T., Kufeji D., Keshtgar A.S. Surgical management of severe chronic constipation. Arch Dis Child. 2010 Nov; 95(11): 859-60.
 DOI: 10.1136/adc.2009.180802
- 14. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Ward H.C. Clayden G.S. Transcutaneous needle-free Injection of botulinum toxin: A novel treatment of childhood constipation and anal fissure. J Pediatr Surg. 2009 Sep; 44(9): 1791-8. DOI: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2009.02.056

- 15. Hall N., Kufeji D, **Keshtgar A.S.** Out with the old and in with the new: A comparison of rectal suction biopsies with traditional and modern biopsy forceps. J Pediatr Surg. 2009; 44, 395-398. DOI: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2008.10.093
- 16. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Athanasakos E., Clayden G.S., Ward H.C. Evaluation of outcome of anorectal anomaly in childhood: The role of anorectal manometry and endosonography. Pediatr Surg Int 2008 Aug; 24(8): 885-92. DOI: 10.1007/s00383-008-2181-1
- 17. **Keshtgar A.S**, Solitary rectal ulcer syndrome in children (**Invited Leading Article**). Eur J Gastroenterol Hepatol. 2008 Feb; 20(2): 89-92. DOI: 10.1097/MEG.0b013e3282f402c1
- 18. **Keshtgar A.S.,** Ward H.C., Sanei A., Clayden G.S. Botulinum toxin, a new treatment modality for chronic idiopathic constipation in children: long-term follow-up of a double-blind randomized trial. J Pediatr Surg. 2007 Apr; 42(4): 672-80. DOI: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2006.12.045
- Keshtgar A.S., Ward H.C., Richards C., Clayden G.S. Outcome of excision of megarectum in children with anorectal malformation. J Pediatr Surg. 2007 Jan; 42(1): 227-33. DOI: 10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2006.09.021
- 20. **Keshtgar A.S**, Ward H.C., Clayden G.S. Role of anal dilatation in treatment of idiopathic constipation in children: Long-term follow up of a double blind randomized controlled study. Pediatr Surg Int 2005; 21:100-105. DOI: 10.1007/s00383-004-1336-y
- 21. **Keshtgar A.S.,** Ward H.C., Clayden G.S. Thickening of the internal anal sphincter in idiopathic constipation in children. J Pediatr Surg 2005; 40:1217 (Abstract).
- 22. Clayden G.S., **Keshtgar A.S.**, Carcani-Rathwell I., Abhyankar A. The management of chronic constipation and related faecal incontinence in childhood. Arch Dis Child Pract 2005; 90 ep58-ep67. DOI: 10.1136/adc. 2004. 066019
- 23. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Clayden G.S., Ward H.C. Diagnosis and management of children with intractable constipation (Invited Article). Semin Pediatr Surg 2004; 13:300-309. DOI: 0.1053/j.sempedsurg.2004.10.018
- 24. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Ward H.C., Clayden G.S. Thickening of the internal anal sphincter in idiopathic constipation in children. Pediatr Surg Int 2004; 20:817-823. DOI: 10.1007/s00383-004-1233-4
- 25. Clayden G.S., **Keshtgar A.S.** Management of childhood constipation. Postgrad Med J. 2003 Nov; 79(937): 616-21. DOI: 10.1136/pmj.79.937.616
- 26. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Ward H.C., Clayden G.S. Investigations for incontinence and constipation after surgery for Hirschsprung's disease in children. Pediatr Surg Int 2003; 19: 4-8. DOI: 10.1007/s00383-002-0897-x
- 27. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Griffiths M.D. Incarceration of umbilical hernia in children: Is the trend increasing? Eur J Pediatr Surg 2002; 12:1-4. DOI: 10.1055/s-2003-38299
- 28. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Rickwood A.M.K. Urological consequences of incomplete cord lesions in patients with myelomeningocele. Br J Urol 1998; 82: 258-260. DOI: 10.1046/j.1464-410x.1998.00721.x

- 29. **Keshtgar A.S.,** Turnock R.R. Wandering calcified ovary in children. Pediatr Surg Int 1997; 12: 215-216. PMID: 9156868
- 30. **Keshtgar A.S.,** Losty P.D., Pierro A., Lloyd D.A. Recent advances in the management of Peutz Jeghers Syndrome in children. Eur J of Pediatr Surg 1997; 367-368. DOI: 10.1055/s-2008-1071194
- 31. Buckley T.F., **Keshtgar A.S.** et al European Subarachnoid Haemorrhage Study Group. Effect of calcitonin gene related peptide (CGRP) in patients with delayed postoperative cerebral ischaemia after aneurysmal subarachnoid haemorrhage. Lancet 1992; 339: 831-34.

Peer Reviewed International Presentations

- 1. **Keshtgar AS**, Mobini M, Jagielka K, Venkatasubramaniam P, Gan D, Wang A, Parthipun A. Outcomes of Percutaneous Endoscopic Gastrostomy (PEG) versus Radiologically Inserted Gastrostomy (RIG) in Children: A Preliminary Report. Presented at 69th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons, Bruges, 21-23 June 2023.
- 2. Husain S, **Keshtgar AS**. Comparison of 3D-high resolution anorectal manometry (3D-HRARM) with and without ketamine in the assessment of anorectal function. Awarded Best Student Oral Presentation at London Medical Student Research Conference 2023, 12th March, 2023.
- 3. **Keshtgar AS**, Selim I. Role of 3D high resolution anorectal manometry compared to conventional technique in management of constipation and faecal incontinence in children. Presented at 68th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons, Birmingham, 13-15 July 2022.
- 4. Nellihela L, Wright H, **Keshtgar AS**. Long term outcome of antegrade continent enema stoma (ACE) stoma for constipation and faecal incontinence in children. Presented at International Conference of European Pediatric Surgeons' Association, Athens Greece, 1-4 September 2021.
- 5. **Keshtgar A.S.** Invited Guest Lecturer in Hands-on Workshop on Diagnostic and Operative Endoanal Ultrasonography. Endoanal Ultrasonography: use in Pediatrics and Chronic Constipation in Children: combined endosonographic and manometric approach. Presented at Sant' Orsola-Malpighi University Hospital, 40138 Bologna, Italy on 29 October 2020.
- 6. **Keshtgar A.S.** Necrotising enterocolitis and spontaneous intestinal perforation (SIP) in neonates. Presented at Lewis Spitz and Edward Kiely international symposium and 71st Simpson Smith Memorial Lecture, Institute of Child Health, University College London on 24th September 2019.
- 7. **Keshtgar A.S.,** Thakkar H., De Rome K. Outcome of botulinum toxin treatment for functional constipation in children. Presented at 64th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons, London,19-21 July 2017. Presented preliminary results in International congress of World Federation of Association of Pediatric Surgeons, Washington DC, United States 8-11 October 2016.

- 8. Nellihela L., Said A., Upadhyaya M., Bouhadiba N., **Keshtgar A.S.**, Richards C., Kufeji D. Agrawal M. Clinical outcome of patients with congenital Herat defecata and congenital d'apragmatici hernial. Presented in World Federation of Association of Pediatric Surgeons, Washington DC 8-11 October 2016.
- 9. Nellihela N., **Keshtgar A.S.** Outcome of antegrade continent enema (ACE) stoma for treatment of chronic constipation and faecal incontinence in children. Presented at 64th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons, London, 19-21 July 2017.
 - Presented preliminary results at the 24th Congress of the Asian Association of Pediatric Surgeons and 53rd Annual Congress of Japanese Society of Pediatric Surgeons, Fukuoka, Japan, 24-26 May 2016.
- 10. Thakkar H., Bassett C., Hsu A., Kufeji D., Agrawal M., Richards C., **Keshtgar A.S.** Outcomes in Hirschsprung Disease A Single Institution's 10-year Experience. Presented at the 24th Congress of the Asian Association of Pediatric Surgeons and 53rd Annual Congress of Japanese Society of Pediatric Surgeons, Fukuoka, Japan, 24-26 May, 2016.
- 11. Manuele R., Cheung S., Kufeji D., Richards D, Kadhim H, Matthews C, **Keshtgar A.S.** Effect of intrasphincteric botulinum toxin on post operative obstructive symptoms in children with Hirschsprung disease. Presented at 22nd International Colorectal Club Conference, Milan 13-15 June 2015.
- 12. Hall N.J., Stanton M.P., Burge D.M., Pierro A., Eaton S. **Keshtgar A.S.**, on behalf of the CHINA study collaborators and the PSTRN: Active observation versus interval appendicectomy following successful non-operative treatment of appendix mass in children: randomised controlled evaluation.
- 13. Bisharat M., **Keshtgar A.S.** Botulinum toxin: A new solution for an old problem. Presented as an abstract at 61st Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons Edinburgh 16-19 July 2014.
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- 23. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Ward H.C., Clayden G.S. Transcutaneous needle-free Injection of botulinum toxin into the external anal sphincter: A novel treatment for chronic idiopathic constipation in children. Presented at 55th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS), Salamanca, Spain, 2-5 July 2008.
- 24. Islam S., Gonzalez J., **Keshtgar A.S.** Outcome of peripherally inserted central venous catheter (PICC) in surgical and medical neonates. Presented at 55th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS), Salamanca, Spain, 2-5 July 2008.
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- 31. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Ward H.C., Richards C., Clayden G.S. Outcome of excision of megarectum in children with anorectal anomaly with respect to sphincter quality and presence or absence of neuropathy. Presented at 51st Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS), Oxford 27-30 July 2004.
- 32. **Keshtgar A.S.,** Sanei A., Ward H.C. Manometry data analysis for windows in clinical practice. Presented at 15th International Research Symposium in Pediatric Surgery, Marseille, 3- 4 October 2003.
- 33. **Keshtgar A.S.,** Ward H.C., Clayden G.S. Anorectal manometry under ketamine anaesthesia in children: A reliable technique. Presented at 15th International Research Symposium in Pediatric Surgery, Marseille, 3- 4 October 2003.
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- 36. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Clayden G.S., Ward H.C. Role of anal dilatation in the treatment of idiopathic constipation in Children: Preliminary results of a double blind randomised controlled Trial. Presented at 50th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS), Estoril, Portugal 15-18 July 2003.
- 37. **Keshtgar AS**, Clayden G.S., Ward H.C. Surgery for Idiopathic Megarectum in Children. Presented as a Poster at 49th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS), Cambridge, 18-21 July 2002.
- 38. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Clayden G.S., Ward H.C. Investigations for incontinence and constipation after surgery for Hirschsprung's disease. Presented at 47th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS), Sorrento, Italy, 18-21 July 2000.
- 39. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Puri P. Cystic hygroma and lymphangioma in children: Clinical course, surgical management and long-term outcome. Presented at 44th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS), Istanbul, 22-25 July 1997.
- 40. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Rickwood A.M.K. Urological consequences of incomplete cord lesions in patients with myelomeningocele Presented at 44th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS), Istanbul, 22-25 July 1997.

- 41. **Keshtgar A.S.**, Rintala R.J., Lamont G.A., Losty P.D., Lloyd D.A. Complications following fundoplication and gastrostomy in neurologically impaired children. Presented at 43rd Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS), Jersey, 16-19 July 1996.
- 42. **Keshtgar A.S.,** Pierro A., Losty P.D., Lloyd D.A. Recent advances in the management of Peutz-Jeghers Syndrome in children. Presented at the 42nd Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS), 25-28 Sheffield, July 1995.
- 43. **Keshtgar A.S.,** Fitzgerald R.J. Xanthogranuloma Pyelonephritis in children, a diagnostic dilemma. Presented at Annual national meeting of Irish Paediatric Surgeons; Belfast, 23-24 April 1994.

Innovations

1. Botulinum toxin: a new treatment modality and needle-free injection of the toxin into the external anal sphincter as a novel treatment of chronic idiopathic constipation and anal fissure in children.

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Keshtgar A.S., Ward H.C. Clayden G.S. J Pediatr Surg. 2007 Apr; 42(4): 672-80. Keshtgar A.S., Ward H.C. Clayden G.S. J Pediatr Surg. 2009 Sep; 44(9): 1791-8
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I pioneered the above novel treatment for chronic childhood constipation and anal fissure during my PhD research work at King's College London as outlined above in research section.

2. Awake anorectal manometry and biofeedback training and endosonography for chronic idiopathic constipation in children

Presented at 59th Annual International Congress of British Association of Paediatric Surgeons and European Association of Pediatric Surgeons in Rome, 13-16 June 2012.

Published in Journal of Pediatric Surgery, J Pediatr Surg. 2015 Mar; 50(3):438-43.

I have introduced the above technique of awake anorectal studies without sedation or anaesthesia for management of colorectal motility disorders in children during my research work at Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust, London. I set up the service of awake anorectal manometry and biofeedback training and endosonography at Evelina Children Hospital in July 2013.

I had previously performed the awake studies as a day case procedure, which was tolerated well by children and it was cost beneficial for the hospital during my research work. The awake manometry study provided additional information about rectal sensation and dynamics of pelvic floor and anal sphincters muscle contractions. As a result of this work, the Trust gained additional revenue in excess of £100,000 per annum between 2000 and 2003. This helped funding my research project and getting approval from Hospital Management Board for a substantive research fellow post at Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust.

3. Anorectal manometry analyser software

Presented as a paper in 15th International Research Symposium in Pediatric Surgery, Marseille, 3-4 October 2003.

I designed and developed a new computer software programme with help of a computer programmer for analysing anorectal manometry data during my research work. My new software known as Anorectal Manometry Analyser (AMA), is written in Visual C ++ language for Windows environment.

The software enables clinicians and researchers to import data from any compatible recording analogue device or existing manometry machine and after analysis export the data to database programmes like Microsoft Excel or SPSS for statistical calculations. The AMA software produces high quality colour graphics and has capabilities to make detailed analysis of frequency and amplitude of intestinal contractions. AMA was a powerful tool in my research and clinical practice to keep an up to date digital record of patients investigations.

The AMA software programme was presented as a research paper in 15th International Research Symposium in Pediatric Surgery, Marseille, 3- 4 October 2003.

Management and clinical governance responsibilities

I have been responsible to provide high quality care to my patients and their families and to meet targets set by my department and Trust. I have represented my department in 'Clinical Improvement Committee' at University Hospital Lewisham and in "WHO Safety Group" at Evelina London Children's Hospital to discuss issues related to risk management, bed occupancy, length of hospital stay, efficient use of theatre resources and implementation of WHO check list in theatre.

Administrative and other responsibilities

I am responsible for efficient running of my firm with regard to service provision, training of medical students and junior doctors and maintaining good communications with my colleagues, nursing staff, children and their parents and GPs.

Team working

I fully recognise the importance of team working and being a team player. I have been able to establish good professional relationships with my surgical and medical colleagues, neonatologists, nursing staff and secretaries. This has benefitted provision of a high quality service and multidisciplinary team approach to our patients.

IT skills

I have expertise in designing and using computer database and spreadsheet programmes including Microsoft Access and Excel. I have advanced skills to use SPSS software for statistical analysis.

I designed a computer database programme with help of Information Technology department for our unit at Lewisham Hospital. The computer programme had the capability of collecting the

information about operative and non-operative admissions and morbidity and mortality data prospectively on daily basis.

Continuing Professional Development

Advanced Expert Witness Medicolegal Training Course Healthcare Knowledge Ltd,

Specialistinfo London, 18 July 2023

British Association of Paediatric Surgeons International Congress

Bruges, 21-23 June 2023

Birmingham, 13-15 July 2022 Nottingham 3-5 July 2019 London, 17-20 July 2017 Bournemouth, 16-10 July 2013 Rome, Italy 13-16 June 2012 Belfast, 19-22 July 2011

Salamanca, Spain, 2-5 July 2008 Edinburgh, 17-20 July 2007 Oxford 27-30 July 2004 Estoril, 15-18 July 2003 Cambridge, 23-26 July 2002 London, 17-20 July 2001 Sorrento, 18-21 July 2000 Liverpool, 20-23 July 1999 Bristol, 21-24 July 1998 Istanbul, 22-25 July 1997 Jersey, 16-19 July 1996

Rotterdam, 28 June -1 July 1994 Sheffield, 25-28 July 1995

UK Paediatric Colorectal Group Meeting (UK PCG)

UKPCG & BAPS meeting 18-19 November 2021

UKPCG London 20 May 2021 Online video conference via Zoom

Paediatric Educational Supervisor

15 November 2019 Workshop

London School of Paediatrics

3D Medlive: 3D Printing in Surgery London, 2-3 October 2019

Accredited by the Royal College of

Surgeons on England

Invited Lecturer in 71st International

Simpson Smith Symposium

24 September 2019

Institute of Child Health, University College, London

Advanced Medico-legal Expert Witness London, 19 June 2019

Course

Specialist Info. Healthcare Knowledge

Ltd.

Hannover 19 -30 October 2015 **Visiting Paediatric Surgeon**

> Department of Paediatric Surgery, Hannover Medical School, Germany

Speaking with impact Understanding ModernGov, London 21 April 2015

Advanced Laparoscopy in IRCAD/EITS, Strasbourg, 26-28 March 2015

Paediatric Surgery Course & Workshop

Mastering Professional Interactions Medical Protection Society, London

13 February 2015

Definitive Surgical Trauma Skills

(DSTS) Course

Royal College of Surgeons in England,

29-30 April 2014

International Paediatric Colorectal

Conference

Milan, Italy 13-15 June 2015 Dublin 15-17 June 2014 Rome, Italy 11-12 June 2012

Salamanca, Spain, 2-5 July 2008 York, England 14-16 July 2007 Helsinki, Finland 15-17 July 2006

International Congress of

European Association of Paediatric

Surgeons

Paris, 21-23 June 2018 Dublin, 18-21 June 2014

British Association of Paediatric Endoscopic Surgeons & European Society of Paediatric Endoscopic

Surgeons

Chelsea and Westminster Hospital, London,

3-4 November 2011

Paediatric Laparoscopy Course

Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children, 2011

Endoanal Ultrasound Course

St Thomas Hospital, NHS Foundation Trust, London,

6 July 2011

Canadian Association of Paediatric

Surgeons (CAPS)

42nd Annual International Congress, Saskatoon,

23-25 September 2010.

Medico-Legal Expert Advanced

Training Course

Healthcare Knowledge Ltd, London 21 April 2010

TAIP for Trainers and Assessors

Centre for Postgraduate Professional Education

St Thomas' Hospital, 10 March 2010

Managing a Pelvic Floor Service

Chilworth Manor, Southampton, 16 October 2009

Teaching the Teachers

Course for Consultants

King's College Hospital, London 24 July 2009

Good Clinical Practice and the Regulatory Requirements for Clinical

Trials

University Hospital Lewisham, 3 July 2009

International Simpson Smith Symposium

Institute of Child Health, University College London

24th September 2019

7 June 2001

Work placement Assessment for

Paediatric SPRs

London Deanery, 18 June 2009

Consultant Development Programme University Hospital Lewisham, London

> 18 March 2008 17 February 2009

London Trainers and Educational

Supervisors Day

The Royal College of Surgeons of England,

24 January 2008

NHS Innovation and Intellectual

Property Management Course

NHS innovations, London, 28 June 2006

Advanced Paediatric Laparoscopy

Course

Department of Paediatric Surgery, Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital, 7-8 November 2006

Advanced SPSS Statistics Course King's College Hospital, London, 15-16 December

2005

Laparoscopic Nissen Fundoplication

Course

Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guilford

9-10 December 2003, Minimal Access Therapy Unit

Guy's and St Thomas' Hospital, London **Management Course for Consultants**

25-29 January 1999

South & West Postgraduate Medical Education,

Bournemouth, 1-3 December 2003,

Paediatric Laparoscopy Course St. James's University Hospital, Leeds

14-17 July 1998

Risk Assessment Course Guy's Hospital, London, 27 June 2002

Innovation & the Law and Intellectual Properties Course Ultrasound for General Surgeons

Guy's Hospital, London, 26 March 2003

The Royal College of Surgeons of England, London,

2, 3 May 2002,

Clinical Skill Centre, Guy's Campus, London, 16-17 **Training the Trainers' (TIPS) Course**

May 2002

Faecal Incontinence Conference St Bartholomew's and the Royal London School of

Medicine & Dentistry, 13-14 April 2000

Anorectal Manometry Course	St Mark's Hospital, London, 27-28 June 2000	
Anal Endosonography Course	19th November 1999, St Marks Hospital, London	
Pena Course for Surgery of Anorectal Malformation	St. James's Hospital, Leeds, 18-20 September 1997	
Paediatric Surgical Skill Workshop	Alder Hey Hospital, Liverpool, 7, 8 March 1996	
Surgical Technique Workshop	Royal College of Surgeons of England, London, 6-9 June 1995,	
Digital Imaging and Photoshop	Guy's Hospital NHS Trust, London, 25 March 2003	
Introduction to Microsoft Excel Spread sheet Course	Guy's Hospital NHS Trust, London, 28-29 May 2002	
An Introduction to Effective Presentation Course	Guy's Hospital NHS Trust, London, 10 May 2002	
Advanced Microsoft Access Database Course	Guy's Hospital NHS Trust, London, 9 July 2001	
Paediatric Urology Continence	Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children, London,	
7th Nephro-Urology Symposium	9 July 2001 General Hospital, Leicester, 3 - 4 June 1999	
Advances and Controversies in Childhood Constipation Conference	Queen Elizabeth Queen Mother Hospital, Margate, 11-12 October 2000	
Oncology for the Paediatric Surgeon Conference	Royal Children Hospital, Bristol, 22 April 1997	
Advances and Controversies in Paediatric Urology	St James Hospital, Leeds, 22 March 1994	
State of the Art Symposium in Paediatric Surgery	Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin, Dublin, 19 July 1993	
Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS)	Royal College of Surgeons of England, Advanced London, 10.09.1993	

Extra-Curricular Activities

I enjoy regular physical activities including walkin and gardening, calligraphy, photography and reading books.