General and Vascular Surgery at Mount Auburn Hospital
Surgical Services in the Divisions of General and Vascular Surgery

Mount Auburn Hospital’s Divisions of General and Vascular Surgery have had, as their primary purpose, the provision of consultative care and operative services to the hospital’s referral base. Surgeons serving in these divisions are broadly trained to serve the emergent and undifferentiated needs of the community while offering the specialty care necessary to function as viable members of multispecialty management teams.

We value the interaction with our colleagues in medicine, family practice, gynecology, medical specialties, emergency medicine, anesthesia, and radiology.

Recent recruitments to the department have mirrored national trends in surgery. Vascular training in many institutions has split from general surgical training and is becoming increasingly catheter-based; reflecting this change, Drs. Chantel Hile and Michelle Martin have been recruited to the Division of Vascular Surgery and will function as full time vascular surgeons at Mount Auburn Hospital. Working with Drs. Frank Vittimberga and Rick Bartlett, they will bring our total number of vascular surgeons to four.

Most recently, Drs. Karen Ahlert, Jaisa Olasky, and Jordan Gutweiler have been added to the Division of General Surgery and bring their expertise from Massachusetts General Hospital, University of Southern California, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, and Lahey Clinic to our institution.

We hope you find this brochure useful as a guide to surgical services in the Divisions of General and Vascular Surgery.

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Chairman, Department of Surgery, Mount Auburn Hospital
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Karen Ahlert, MD, completed her surgical residency at the Massachusetts General Hospital. She is board certified in surgery. She is a general surgeon practicing the full breadth of general surgery. She has practice interests including colorectal surgery, biliary surgery, and hernia repair. Her practice encompasses both open and minimally invasive techniques.

Lawrence Geoghegan, MD, completed his surgical residency at Boston City Hospital and is board certified in surgery. He is Chief of Surgery at MIT’s Medical Department and Director of the Nutrition Support Service at Mount Auburn Hospital. He has a practice interest in breast surgery and has considerable general surgery and trauma experience, having managed a MASH unit in the Vietnam War.
Jordan Gutweiler, MD, completed his surgical residency at the Lahey Clinic and is board certified in surgery. He practices the breadth of general surgery with practice interests including colorectal surgery, inguinal and ventral hernia repairs, and thyroid surgery. He is trained in minimally invasive surgery and particularly interested in its application to colorectal and inguinal hernia surgery.

Jean Kim, MD, completed her surgical residency at St. Elizabeth’s Medical Center, and is certified by the American Board of Surgery. She has a particular practice interest in breast surgery.
Julie Kim, MD, completed her surgical residency at Boston University Medical Center and is board certified in surgery. She completed a bariatric surgical fellowship at Tufts Medical Center. She is a member of the Tuft Medical Center Physician Organization and directs the bariatric surgical program at Mount Auburn Hospital. Dr. Kim offers weight loss evaluation and surgical procedures for obesity including gastric banding, gastric bypass, and sleeve gastrectomy. Dr. Kim is experienced in foregut surgery such as laparoscopic hiatal hernia repair, laparoscopic paraesophageal hernia repair, laparoscopic Nissen repair, laparoscopic hilar myotomy, and laparoscopic gastric resection for benign disease. She has interests in laparoscopic hernia repairs and general abdominal surgery.
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SPECIALTY: Surgery
SUB-SPECIALTY: Critical Care, Surgical Oncology
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BOARD CERTIFICATION: Surgery, Surgical Critical Care
ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT: Professor, Harvard Medical School

Russell Nauta, MD, completed his surgical residency at the Brigham and Women’s Hospital and is board certified in surgery and surgical critical care. His practice interests include surgical oncology, hepatobiliary surgery, reoperative abdominal surgery, abdominal wall reconstruction and hernia repair.

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SPECIALTY: Surgery
SUB-SPECIALTY: Minimally Invasive Surgery
RESIDENCY: Los Angeles County and University of Southern California Medical Center, CA (2012)
FELLOWSHIP: Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, MA (2013)

Jaisa Olasky, MD, completed her surgical residency at University of Southern California/Los Angeles County Hospitals, and a minimally invasive fellowship at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. She is board certified in surgery. She has a practice interest in open and laparoscopic abdominal surgery, particularly hernia repairs, gallbladder surgery, surgery of benign and malignant gastric disease, small bowel pathology, and the diagnosis and treatment of gastroesophageal reflux.
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SPECIALTY: Surgery
LANGUAGES: Persian/Farsi, Spanish
RESIDENCY: University of California at San Francisco, CA (1993)
FELLOWSHIP: University of California at San Francisco, CA (1995)

Sareh Parangi, MD, completed her surgical residency at the University of California at San Francisco. She is board certified in surgery. She has a particular practice interest and expertise in thyroid and parathyroid disorders and has performed many operations for these diseases utilizing the latest techniques, including recurrent laryngeal nerve monitoring.

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SPECIALTY: Surgery
SUB-SPECIALTY: Breast Surgery
RESIDENCY: Medical Center Hospital of Vermont, VT (1989)
BOARD CERTIFICATION: Surgery
ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT: Clinical Associate Professor, Harvard Medical School

Susan Pories, MD, completed her surgical residency at the University of Vermont, followed by a surgical oncology fellowship at the New England Deaconess Hospital. She also completed a medical education fellowship at Mount Auburn Hospital. She is board certified in surgery and is a breast surgeon specializing in complex breast cancer cases. Dr. Pories has made a dedicated commitment to breast cancer care and co-directs the Hoffman Breast Center at Mount Auburn Hospital.
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**SPECIALTY:** Surgery
**RESIDENCY:** Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, MA (1997)
**BOARD CERTIFICATION:** Surgery

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT:** Clinical Assistant Professor, Harvard Medical School

Janice Saal, MD, PhD, completed her surgical residency at the New England Deaconess Hospital. She is board certified in surgery. She has broad practice interests in general surgery, particularly thyroid, colorectal and laparoscopic procedures. Dr. Saal co-directs the Hoffman Breast Center and is no longer taking surgical patients.

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**SPECIALTY:** Surgery
**SUB-SPECIALTY:** Bariatric Surgery

**RESIDENCY:** SUNY Health Center, NY (2007)
**FELLOWSHIP:** Tufts Medical Center, MA (2008)
**BOARD CERTIFICATION:** Surgery

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT:** Assistant Professor of Surgery, Tufts University School of Medicine

Sajani Shah, MD, completed her surgical residency at Downstate University SUNY and is board certified in surgery. She completed a bariatric surgical fellowship at Tufts Medical Center and is a member of the Tufts Medical Center Physician Organization. She has a particular interest in weight loss surgery and performs laparoscopic gastric bypass, sleeve gastrectomy, gastric banding, and revisions of previous bariatric surgery. She has expertise in laparoscopic cholecystectomy and laparoscopic hernia repairs, as well as other minimally invasive procedures.
General and Vascular Surgery

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**Specialty:** Surgery  
**Sub-specialty:** Vascular Surgery  
**Residency:** New England Deaconess Hospital, MA (1985)

**Fellowship:** University of California, San Francisco, CA (1989)

**Board Certification:** Surgery, Vascular Surgery  
**Academic Appointment:** Assistant Clinical Professor, Harvard Medical School

Frederick Bartlett, MD, completed his surgical residency at the New England Deaconess Hospital and a vascular fellowship at University of California at San Francisco Hospitals. He is board certified in surgery and vascular surgery with a special interest in endovascular and minimally invasive surgical techniques.

**FRANK J. VITTIMBERGA, M.D.**

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**Specialty:** Surgery  
**Sub-specialty:** Vascular Surgery  
**Residency:** Boston City Hospital, MA (1967)

**Fellowship:** Baylor University School of Medicine, TX (1968)

**Board Certification:** Surgery, Vascular Surgery  
**Academic Appointment:** Assistant Clinical Professor, Harvard Medical School

Frank Vittimberga, MD, completed his surgical training at Boston City Hospital and vascular surgical fellowship at Baylor University. He is board certified in surgery and vascular surgery, and has extensive and broad practice interest and experience in general surgery, vascular surgery, and endovascular surgery.
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**SPECIALTY:** Surgery
**SUB-SPECIALTY:** Vascular Surgery
**RESIDENCY:** Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, MA (2004)
**FELLOWSHIP:** Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, MA (2007)

**BOARD CERTIFICATION:** Surgery, Vascular Surgery

Chantel Hile, MD, completed her surgical residency and vascular fellowship at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and is board certified in surgery and vascular surgery. She specializes in endovascular and open surgical treatment of arterial and venous diseases including minimally invasive varicose vein ablation, creation and maintenance of dialysis access, arterial and venous stenting, and bypass surgeries.

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**SPECIALTY:** General Surgery
**SUB-SPECIALTY:** Vascular Surgery
**RESIDENCY:** Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, MA (2011)
**FELLOWSHIP:** Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, MA (2013)

**BOARD CERTIFICATION:** Surgery

Michelle Martin, MD, completed her surgical residency and vascular fellowship at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. She is board certified in surgery and vascular surgery. She specializes in endovascular and surgical treatment of arterial and venous disease, including minimally invasive varicose vein ablations, creation and maintenance of dialysis access, arterial and venous stenting, and bypass surgeries.