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Curriculum Vitae

Education

- BS, 1982, University of California, Berkeley, CA, Biophysics
- MD, 1986, University of California, Los Angeles, CA, Medicine

Residencies

- 1991, University of California, San Francisco, CA, Urology

Fellowships

- 1993, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA, Pediatric Urology

Program Affiliations

- UCSF Dept of Urology ^[2]

Clinical Expertise

- Pediatric urologic surgical reconstruction
- Hypospadias and genital reconstruction
- Urinary tract reconstruction

Biography

Laurence Baskin, MD graduated from the University of California at Berkeley with a Bachelors of Science in Biophysics and attended medical school at UCLA. Dr. Baskin completed his urology training at UCSF followed by a two years of pediatric urology at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Since completing his fellowship in 1993, Baskin has been on the faculty at UCSF, practicing pediatric urology exclusively.

In 1997, Baskin was appointed chief of pediatric urology. Baskin is primary author on over 200 peer-reviewed articles, editor of the Handbook of Pediatric Urology, Hinman's atlas of Pediatric Urologic Surgery and Assistant editor of the pediatric section, Journal Urology. Baskin is Principal Investigator on basic urologic research, clinical and mentoring grants funded by the National Institutes of Health. He is presently head of the NIH study section on urologic disease.

Dr. Baskin is President of the Society of Pediatric Urology, Past President of the Society of Fetal Urology, Asian Pacific Association of Pediatric Urology, American Association of Pediatric Urology and Genito-Urinary Reconstructive Surgeons. He is an active member of the American Urological Association, Society of Pediatric Urologic Surgeons and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and American Academy of Pediatrics. Dr. Baskin is a past member of the American Board of Urology exam committee.

Dr. Baskin is recipient of numerous awards including the John Duckett Medal from the European Society of Pediatric Urology, 2007, and the 2012 AUA Foundation John W. Duckett, MD Pediatric Urology Research Excellence Award.

Dr. Baskin is especially proud to have participated in humanitarian pediatric urology surgical trips to San Pedro Sula, Honduras, China and Saigon, Vietnam.

Research Overview

Laboratory Research

The mission of the Baskin laboratory ^[3] is to investigate the causes of congenital and acquired pediatric urologic diseases. By understanding etiology we hope to advance prospects for cure. The main focus of our research is to understand how cells signal and communicate during normal and abnormal development and the effects of abnormal prenatal environmental exposure.

The Baskin laboratory has been continuously funded from the National Institute of Health since 1995. Presently the lab has NIH funding for basic research in the areas of hypospadias and bladder development. The lab also has a grant from the National Science Foundation studying sexual differentiation in collaboration UC Berkeley and the spotted hyena colony.

Clinical Research

The Baskin team is participating in two NIH sponsored clinical research trials. The first is the TIDES study ^[4] about how everyday chemicals in food, cosmetics, and household products

may affect children's health and development. TIDES researchers are particularly interested in how the mother's exposure to these chemicals while pregnant may affect children before they are born. Presently, TIDES is enrolling pregnant women and their babies.

The second is the MOMS trial which is a NIH-sponsored multicenter clinical trial which began in 2002 to evaluate the best treatment for myelomeningocele ? fetal surgery or surgical repair after birth. Our role is to determine the long-term bladder function in these children.

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