

Prof Jimmy So received his surgical training in National University Hospital, Singapore. He was trained in Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery, Surgical Oncology, Bariatric Surgery, Therapeutic Endoscopy and Minimally Invasive Surgery. He received fellowship training at Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, USA. He was also appointed as visiting consultant surgeon in Esophageal and Gastric Surgery at the Royal Infirmary in Edinburgh, Scotland, UK. He established a multidisciplinary program for Esophageal and Gastric cancers in NUH in 2005. He also received fellowship training in gastric and esophageal cancer surgery in Japan, Korea and Hong Kong. He is the pioneer in endoscopic surgery for early esophageal and gastric cancers, robotic surgery and Peroral Endoscopic Myotomy (POEM) for Achalasia in Singapore.

Dr Jimmy So's special interests are in gastroesophageal cancer and obesity. He has published more than 100 peer reviewed scientific papers and received many research grants for his research work on these topics. He received a Gold Award at the annual scientific meeting of the National Healthcare Group. He was invited regularly to speak at International Gastric Cancer Congress, Annual Scientific Meetings of Japanese Gastric Cancer Association and Korean International Gastric Cancer Week. He has also presented his works at American Gastroenterological Association (AGA), American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE), Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES), and World Congress of Endoscopic Surgery.

He is founding president of the Asia-Pacific Gastro-esophageal Cancer Congress in 2006. In 2013, he was the council member of the Consensus Meeting at the 10th International Gastric Cancer Congress, held at Verona, Italy. He is also a founding member of Asia-Pacific Bariatric Surgery Society. Dr So is a member of editorial board of Journal of Gastric Cancer and reviewer for a number of prestigious medical journals including British Journal of Surgery, Surgical Endoscopy and Digestive Disease and Science. Presently, he is actively involved in management of patients with gastric and esophageal cancers, morbid obesity and other Upper GI disorders.

Current Position

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| 2009 - present | Professor | National University of Singapore |
| 2008 - present | Senior Consultant/Director | Upper GI Surgery, National University Hospital |

Academic qualifications

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| 2012 - 2013 | Master of Public Health | National University of Singapore |
| 1999 | Fellow | Academy of Medicine, Singapore |
| 1995 | Fellow | Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons of Glasgow |
| 1985 - 1991 | Medical Degree (MBChB) | The Chinese University of Hong Kong |

Professional Highlights

Chairman, Organising Committee, Asia-Pacific Gastric Cancer Congress in 2006, 2012
 Chairman, Organising Committee, GIST Tour 2011
 Chairman, Organising Committee, Gastric Cancer Awareness Month, Singapore Cancer Society
 Executive committee, Singapore Gastric Cancer Consortium (SGCC)

Awards and Honours

Best Doctor Award at the Annual Scientific Congress of National Healthcare Group,
 Young Surgeon Award, Academy of Medicine

Professional Memberships

American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE)
Society of American Gastrointestinal & Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES)
International Gastric Cancer Association (IGCA)
Society of Surgery for Alimentary Tract
International Society of Diseases of Esophagus (ISDE)

Research interests

Gastric cancer: carcinogenesis, biomarker, diagnosis & therapy (for details, please visit sgcc.sg)
Esophageal cancer
Obesity and metabolic syndrome
Diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopy

Selected Recent Publications (out of a total of 130):

1. Conversion Surgery Post-Intraperitoneal Paclitaxel and Systemic Chemotherapy for Gastric Cancer Carcinomatosis Peritonei. Are We Ready?
Chan DY, Syn NL, Yap R, Phua JN, Soh TI, Chee CE, Nga ME, Shabbir A, So JB, Yong WP.
J Gastrointest Surg. 2016 Dec 15. PMID: 27981493
2. ADAR-Mediated RNA Editing Predicts Progression and Prognosis of Gastric Cancer.
Chan TH, Qamra A, Tan KT, Guo J, Yang H, Qi L, Lin JS, Ng VH, Song Y, Hong H, Tay ST, Liu Y, Lee J, Rha SY, Zhu F, **So JB**, Teh BT, Yeoh KG, Rozen S, Tenen DG, Tan P, Chen L. **Gastroenterology.** 2016 Oct;151(4):637-650.
3. Intraperitoneal chemotherapy for gastric cancer with peritoneal disease: experience from Singapore and Japan.
Kono K, Yong WP, Okayama H, Shabbir A, Momma T, Ohki S, Takenoshita S, So J.
Gastric Cancer. 2016 Oct 20. [Epub ahead of print]
4. Longer examination time improves detection of gastric cancer during diagnostic upper gastrointestinal endoscopy.
Teh JL, Tan JR2, Lau LJ, Saxena N, Salim A, Tay A, Shabbir A, Chung S, Hartman M, **So J.**
Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology. 2015 Mar;13(3):480-487. PMID: 25117772
5. Signatures of tumour immunity distinguish Asian and non-Asian gastric adenocarcinomas.
Lin SJ, Gagnon-Bartsch JA, Tan IB, Earle S, Ruff L, Pettinger K, Ylstra B, van Grieken N, Rha SY, Chung HC, Lee JS, Cheong JH, Noh SH, Aoyama T, Miyagi Y, Tsuburaya A, Yoshikawa T, Ajani JA, Boussioutas A, Yeoh KG, Yong WP, **So J**, Lee J, Kang WK, Kim S, Kameda Y, Arai T, Zur Hausen A, Speed TP, Grabsch HI, Tan P.
Gut. 2014 Nov 10. pii: gutjnl-2014-308252. PMID: 25385008
6. Identification of molecular subtypes of gastric cancer with different responses to PI3-kinase inhibitors and 5-fluorouracil.
Lei Z, Tan IB, Das K, Deng N, Zouridis H, Pattison S, Chua C, Feng Z, Guan YK, Ooi CH, Ivanova T, Zhang S, Lee M, Wu J, Ngo A, Manesh S, Tan E, Teh BT, **So JB**, Goh LK, Boussioutas A, Lim TK, Flotow H, Tan P, Rozen SG.
Gastroenterology. 2013 Sep;145(3):554-65. PMID: 23684942