

Dr Lau Peng Choong is a Consultant General and Upper GI Surgeon in University Malaya Medical Centre(UMMC) and University Malaya Specialist Centre(UMSC). He started his career in surgery in Penang after graduating from Universiti Sains Malaysia in 2001. After serving the community in Penang, he joined the UMMC in 2005 and completed his Masters of Surgery in 2009. University of Malaya appointed him as a Senior Lecturer after his graduation. His subspecialty interest is in Upper Gastrointestinal and Minimally Invasive Surgery. His training includes a fellowship in Advanced Gastric Cancer Surgery in Seoul, South Korea plus he also did a year of clinical fellowship in Upper GI and Bariatric Surgery in Coventry, United Kingdom under the sponsorship of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

Dr Lau's main area of interests are in gastrointestinal cancers (especially gastric and oesophageal), gastric ulcers, gastro-oesophageal reflux disease, achalasia, gallstone disease, inguinal and abdominal wall hernias as well as bariatric procedures (surgery for weight loss and metabolic syndrome). He is also an expert in laparoscopic (keyhole) surgery and believes that keyhole surgery does benefit the patient in hastening the recovery time and shorten their time off work.

## **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION**

2001 - MD, UNIVERSITI SAINS MALAYSIA (USM)

2009 - MASTER OF SURGERY ,UNIVERSITY OF MALAYA (UM)

2011 - Member of Academy of Medicine of Malaysia (AM)

Fellowship Training :

2013 (April – June) – Visiting Fellow Advanced Gastric Cancer Surgery - Seoul National University Hospital (SNUH), South Korea

2013 – 2014 – Post CCT Fellow UGI Surgery – University Hospital Coventry and Warwickshire (UHCW), UK

## **CURRENT APPOINTMENT**

2009 – 2012 : Senior Lecturer and Clinical Specialist in Upper GI and General Surgery,  
University Malaya Medical Centre, Malaysia

2014 – 2015 : Consultant Upper GI, Bariatric and General Surgeon,  
University Malaya Medical Centre, Malaysia

2015 – present : Head of Unit, Upper GI and Bariatric Surgery,  
University Malaya Medical Centre

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

National :

Malaysian Upper Gastrointestinal Surgical Society – Council Member 2016 – 2018

Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition Society of Malaysia – Hon Treasurer 2016 – 2018

Society of Endoscopic and Laparoscopic Surgeons of Malaysia – Council Member 2016 – 2018

Malaysian Metabolic and Bariatric Surgical Society – Life member - 2014 – present

International :  
Endoscopic and Laparoscopic Surgeons of Asia (ELSA) – Life Member  
Asia Pacific Hernia Society (APHS) – Life Member

## ARTICLE IN ACADEMIC JOURNALS

### 2017

- [Krishnasamy K<sup>1</sup>](#), [Li Yoong T<sup>1</sup>](#), [Mei Chan C<sup>1</sup>](#), [Peng Choong L<sup>1</sup>](#), [Chinna K<sup>1</sup>](#). 2017. Identifying Malnutrition: Nutritional Status in Newly Diagnosed Patients With Cancer. [Clin J Oncol Nurs](#). 2017 Feb 1;21(1):E23-E29 (*ISI-Indexed*)

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- R. Jackson, C. Taylor, U. Shariff, P.C. Lau, Vi. Menon. 2015. Routine Histological Review of Gallbladders from Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy. *Br J Surg* 2015; 102 (Suppl. 1): 2. (*ISI-Indexed*)
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### 2014

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- Jamie Farmer, Tom Pidgeon, Naomi Gibbs, Quentin Oury, Peng Choong Lau, Umar Shariff, Lam Chin Tan, Vinod Menon. 2014. Laparoscopic Heller's cardiomyotomy: A safe and effective surgical treatment of achalasia. *BJS* 2014; 101 (S6): 1-54 (*ISI-Indexed*)

### 2012

- Eng Hong Pok, Kin Fah Chin, Chee Loong Yeap and Peng Choong Lau. 2012. Slow Progress of Bariatric Surgery in Malaysia: Surgeon's Opinion. *ANZ J Surg* 82(Suppl 1): 13-13 (*ISI/SCOPUS Indexed Publication*)
- Pok EH, Chin KF, Lau PC and Yeap CL. 2012. Intrathoracic Leak After Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy: Thoracoscopic Primary Repair With Reinforced Pleural Flap. *ANZ J Surg* 82(Suppl 1): 95-95. (*ISI/SCOPUS Indexed Publication*)
- Lau PC, Kumar S, Ng KL, Lopez G. 2012. Omental Torsion Secondary To Left Inguinal Hernia: A Diagnostic Challenge. *ANZ J Surg* 82(Suppl 1): 72-72 (*ISI/SCOPUS Indexed Publication*)
- Chee Loong Yeap, Kin Fah Chin, Eng Hong Pok, Peng Choong Lau. Laparoscopic Management Of De Garengeot's Hernia. *ANZ J Surg* 2012; 82(Suppl 1): 71-71 (*ISI/SCOPUS Indexed Publication*)
- Yeap CL, Chin KF, Pok EH, Lau PC. 2012. Tension Gastrothorax And Emergency Percutaneous Needle Gastric Decompression As A Life Saving Procedure A Case Report. *ANZ J Surg* 82(Suppl 1): 28-28 (*ISI/SCOPUS Indexed Publication*)

## **2010**

- Lau Peng Choong, Nur Aishah Mohd Taib, Sanjay Rampal, Marniza Saad, Anita Zarina Bustam, Yip Cheng Har; High Tumour Stage and Margin Clearance are still important prognostic factors for post-mastectomy locoregional recurrence in Malaysia; Asian Pacific Journal for Cancer Prevention,11,1409-1416 Dec 2010 (*ISI-Indexed*)
- ARUNSALAM A.P, RAVINDRAN K, POK E.H, YEAP C.L, LAU P.C, CHIN, K.F. 2010. Spontaneous bowel perforation in an ecchymosis type Ehlers Danlos syndrome (EDS). Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology 25(9)Supp 2: A175-A175 (*ISI-Indexed*)
- Choong LP, Taib NA, Rampal S, Saad M, Bustam AZ, Yip CH. High tumour stage and margin clearance are still important prognostic factors for postmastectomy locoregional recurrence in Malaysia. Asian Pac J Cancer Prev 2010;11(4):1409-16. (*ISI-Indexed*)

## **2009**

- Lau PC, Rampal S, Saad M, Bustam A, Taib NA, Yip CH. Post Mastectomy Locoregional Recurrence in Malaysia Experience From University Malaya Medical Center) World J Surg (2009) Sep;33 Suppl 1:S69 (*ISI-Indexed*)

## **2008**

- Yip CH, Mohd Taib NA, Lau PC. 2008. Does a positive family history influence the presentation of breast cancer? Asian Pac J Cancer Prev. 2008 Jan-Mar;9(1):63- 5. (*ISI/SCOPUS Indexed Publication*)