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CURRICULUM VITAE

**PERSONAL DATA:**

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**EDUCATION:**

Dartmouth College

Bachelors of the Arts in Spanish Literature, *cum laude*, -- June 1997

The University of Connecticut School of Medicine

Doctor of Medicine -- May 2003

The Joseph L. Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University

Masters of Public Health – February 2000

The Mount Sinai Hospital, New York City

Internship in General Surgery -- 2003-2004

The Mount Sinai Hospital, New York City

Residency in General Surgery -- 2004-2008

The John Wayne Cancer Institute

Fellowship in Breast Surgery – 2008-2009

**LICENSURE:**

State of New York 235175  
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State of California (inactive) A104770

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**BOARD CERTIFICATION:**

American Board of Surgery

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

### Present Positions:

Attending Breast Surgeon, Assistant Clinical Professor, Montefiore Medical Center – 2015 – 2016. Senior-most breast surgeon on faculty, charged with re-building The Montefiore- Einstein Center for Cancer Care.

Attending Breast Surgeon and Chief of Oncoplastic Surgery, Hackensack University Medical Center – 2013 – 2015.

Chief of Breast Surgery, Hackensack University Medical Center at Pascack Valley – 2014 – 2015.

Director of Breast Services, The New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, Continuum Cancer Centers of New York – 2009 – 2013.

Assistant Clinical Professor, The Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, NY – 2008 – 2013.

Attending, The Beth Israel Medical Center, New York, NY – 2010 – 2013.

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

The American Society of Breast Surgeons  
The Society of Surgical Oncology  
Fellow, American College of Surgeons  
The New York Metropolitan Breast Cancer Group  
American Society of Breast Diseases

## **HONORS AND AWARDS:**

AVON Walk For the Cure, Medical Director

The Mount Sinai Hospital Department of Surgery, Teaching Resident

The Arnold P. Gold Foundation Award for Humanism and Excellence in Teaching, The Mount Sinai School Of Medicine

The University of Connecticut Health Center Auxiliary Award in recognition of clinical and academic excellence

Hinz Family Scholarship, University of Connecticut School of Medicine

Magna Cum Laude Society, Dartmouth College.

Phi Beta Kappa National Honor Society, Dartmouth College

Golden Key National Honor Society, Dartmouth College

Rufus Choate Scholar, Dartmouth College

Tucker Foundation Research Fellowship, Dartmouth College

Dickey Endowment Research Fellowship, Dartmouth College

Rotary International Internship, Rotary Club International

The Milton Sims Kramer Book Prize, Dartmouth College

## RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

1. Rachel Wellner; Oncoplastic Surgery. Chapter in *Breast Reconstruction: Current Perspectives and State of the Art Techniques*. Ed. Spiegel, 2013.
2. Jay Orringer, MD, Rachel B. Wellner, MD MPH, Maureen A. Chung, MD PhD, Armando Giuliano, MD: Algorithm for mastectomy incision selection: *Plast Reconstr Surg* (submitted).
3. Rachel Wellner, MD, MPH, FACS; Lester Silver, MD, FACS; Celia M. Divino, MD, FACS, Department of Surgery, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York. How to Establish an Overseas Surgical Rotation: Lessons from the Mount Sinai Experience. *American College of Surgeons: Division of Education*, March, 2012.
4. RB Wellner, I Zairis, F. Wolodiger, NP Nagarsheth. Boerhaave's Syndrome Secondary to a Giant Benign Mucinous Cystadenoma of the Ovary. In Press, *Jo Gyn & Obstetrics*.
5. RB Wellner, C Biggs, S Arora, D Telem, Y Tammaro, A Lambert. A Prospective Evaluation Of The Nipple-Areolar Complex After Mastectomy. Poster presentation, *The Miami Breast Conference*, 2008.

6. RB Wellner, J Dave, U Kim, T Menes. Altered lymphatic drainage after breast conserving surgery and axillary node dissection: Local recurrence with contralateral intramammary nodal metastases. *Clinical Breast Cancer*, 2007.
7. D Silverberg, CM Divino, L Silver, RB Wellner, ML Marin. Establishing an International Training Program for Surgical Residents. *The Journal of Surgical Education*, May 2007.
8. D Silverberg, CM Divino, L Silver, RB Wellner, ML Marin. Dept. of Surgery, Mount Sinai School of Medicine. Presented at *APDS Surgical Education Week*, March 2006.
9. RB Wellner, S Goldberg, U Sarpel, E Chin, H. Shen, U Kim. Intramural Cecal Hematoma After Blunt Abdominal Injury. *Surgical Rounds*, December 2005.
10. I.M. Ibrahim, S. Vaimakis, F Silvestri, RB Wellner. Laparoscopic Repair of Iatrogenic Colon Perforation. Poster presentation *SAGES*, 2005.
11. *Aging, Heart Disease, and Its Management: Facts and Controversies*. Eds. Niloo M. Edwards M.D, Mathew S. Maurer M.D., Rachel B. Wellner M.P.H.: The Humana Press, Inc., 2003.
12. MS Maurer, NM Edwards, RB Wellner, et. al. The Impact of Body Mass Index on Complications from Cardiac Surgery in The Oldest Old. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, June 2002.
13. MR Williams, RB Wellner, MC Oz, et. al. Long Term Survival and Quality of Life in Cardiac Patients with Prolonged Intensive Care Unit Stays. *Annals of Thoracic Surgery*, 2002;73 1472-1478.
14. Rachel B. Wellner. Project Ocotal. *World Outlook Magazine*, Dartmouth College Journal of International Affairs, 1996.

## LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

1. *Surgical Management of Breast Cancer: Myths and Facts*. Speaker, BOLD (Bronx Oncology Living Daily), 2016.
2. *Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy*. Speaker, The New York Roentgen Society, 2015.
3. *Oncoplastic Surgery*. Speaker, Grand Rounds, Montefiore Medical Center, 2015.
4. *Screening, Diagnosis, Primary Therapy, Oncoplastic Surgery*. Speaker, White Plains Hospital CME Activity, 2015.

5. *Oncoplastic Surgery*. Speaker, Grand Rounds, Hackensack University Department of Medicine, 2013.
6. *Oncoplastic Surgery*. Speaker, Grand Rounds, Palisades Medical Center Department of Surgery, 2013.
7. *Oncoplastic Surgery*. Speaker, Grand Rounds, Hackensack University Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, 2014.
8. *Surgical Management of Breast Cancer: Myths and Facts*. Speaker, WPIX 11 Cares, 2014.
9. *Surgical Management of Breast Cancer: Myths and Facts*. Speaker, SHARE, New York, 2010.

#### **GRANTS/PROTOCOLS (IN PROGRESS)**

1. SPORE: TMEM assembly during systemic dissemination of breast carcinoma cells. Project Leaders: Maja Oktay and John Condeelis.
2. E4112: Prospective Study of Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) and Multiparameter Gene Expression Assay in Ductal Carcinoma In Situ (DCIS); NRG, ALLIANCE, SWOG.
3. TMAM: Tumor Associated Macrophages In Human Breast Carcinoma; Principle Investigators: Rachel B. Wellner, MD and Jeffrey W. Pollard, PhD.
4. BOLD-Metta Peer Navigation Program: The goal of this one-year grant is to provide spiritual support and peer navigation to underserved breast cancer patients facing late stage cancer through restorative retreats for patients and families, and teaching peer navigators to deliver Loving Kindness meditation to their patients. Susan G. Komen Community Breast Health Grant. Collaborators: Moadel-Robblee (PI), Camacho MD, Wellner MD. (2016-2017).

#### **TELEVISION/MEDIA APPEARANCES/OUTREACH**

1. Featured doctor *Assessing the Risks; Stage 0 Breast Cancer Non-invasive*, Fox and Friends, 2015.
2. Featured doctor *On the Fence: The Pros and Cons of Breast Screening*, Cure Magazine, 2015.

3. Organized the *8th annual Dr. Edward S. Greenwald Breast and Cervical Screening Event*, sponsored by The Montefiore Einstein Center for Cancer Care, co-sponsored by Time Warner, Inc., and Four Billion Strong, Inc.
4. Featured doctor *PIX11 Cares: Breast Cancer Awareness Month Special*, WPIX11, October 2015.
5. Featured doctor *Hometown with Dr. Rachel Wellner*, WMBC, October 2014.
6. Featured doctor *PIX11 Cares: Breast Cancer Awareness Month Special*, WPIX11- October 2014.
7. Featured doctor *BRCA Gene*, WPIX11, October 2014.
8. Featured doctor *How a New Blood Test Can Predict Cancer's Return*, Fox and Friends, 2014.
9. Featured doctor *The Empowered Patient*, CNN, 2010.
10. Featured doctor Sirius Satellite Radio, 2010.
11. Featured doctor *The Komen Foundation's Race For the Cure*, CBS2 NY Komen Special, 2009.
12. Featured doctor *Breast Oncology and Reconstruction*, ABC Radio, 2009.