

The Transformation of Surgery: From Ancient Techniques to Modern Advancements

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Abstract

Surgery has long been a cornerstone of medical practice, evolving from ancient rudimentary techniques to advanced, life-saving procedures. This article explores the critical role surgery plays in modern medicine, examining its significance in diagnosis, treatment, and patient care. It delves into how surgical interventions have become essential in managing a wide array of conditions, from acute trauma to chronic diseases, and highlights the advancements in surgical technology and techniques, such as minimally invasive surgery, robotic-assisted procedures, and precision medicine. The article also discusses the collaborative nature of surgery, emphasizing the importance of multidisciplinary teams and the ethical considerations inherent in surgical decision-making. Ultimately, this piece underscores surgery's indispensable contribution to the medical profession and its ongoing evolution in response to the growing complexity of healthcare challenges.

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INTRODUCTION

Surgery has long been seen by the public as the distinctive and dramatic work of the physician. It has also commanded great respect because of its visually impressive physical aspect. A surgery man can see and touch the cause of his patient's distress. However, this had been the least effective sector of medical practice and progress. It had long been unsafe to have anything cut off the body, since bleeding was difficult to stop and most of these operations began in open wounds quickly went septic. Hence, and because there were few ways outside the immediate area of pain through the unbroken skin to tell the sufferer what was happening, diagnoses of internal disease, which all too often killed by being misunderstood, went far astray. Finally, it must be said that surgery calls into special focus the evils of professional arrogance. The surgeon's usual explanation for the high mortality from his operations was that they were so severe that nothing could be done about it. This raised the obvious question of why then perform such dangerous acts. However, because it could be seen that at least some operations must be helpful, though the surgeon could not say why, he generated an exaggerated respect. When he did not kill, he was a hero. The ordinary medical practitioner, whose *raison d'être* was mostly tending those too disordered to work or fight, could hardly compete with this in a society where both men and women admired toughness and skill.

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The great change did not take place till the beginning of the 19th century and was prompted largely by one discovery. This came from one of the speedy revolutionaries that a young field called "biology", a word, and so a concept, originating in 1801 chief exponent, and sealed by the great Lamarck in his *Philosophie Zoologique* of 1809. This great idea, known too with the advancing grammatical consciousness of the later days as "evolution", has stood as a distinct discipline since 1802 or earlier. Today biology, the thought of life, is by an enormous distance the liveliest of all

sciences; the place where the most vital ideas, and therefore, changes and the furthest reaching, are to be found. This idea was born 200 years after, in the time of rapid expansion of industrial civilization and a coincidental increasing rate of extraction of energy from the earth, has become a very profound obligation to the future of life on this sphere, and there can be no doubt that its affiliation with biology is the appropriate form of its entification (L. Kneebone, 2016) [1].

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

The term “professional” is derived from the Latin “profiteri”, meaning “to claim publicly”. In modern English, the word is used to describe certain groups of workers in the service and production processes of a complex modern society. For a worker to be recognized as a professional, (s) he typically has to undergo a prolonged period of formal or apprenticeship training, the internalization of a “body of knowledge”, rigorous monitoring of their techniques and behaviors, and the establishment of norms to regularize their services. This column will investigate some of the historical aspects of the making and regulation of the “professions” of surgery, pharmacy and physiotherapy during the last 300 years in Europe and the USA.

It is repeatedly claimed that “modern” surgery began with the collapse of the Hippocratic bar on the surgical treatment of wounds, and its replacement by far more radical advice to excise both the devitalized tissue and the poisoned discharge from hostile wars. In the “dark ages” of classical scholarship it was fashionable to dismiss the achievements of the medieval surgeons, as of much else, and to insist that between the fall of Rome and the rebirth of learning only the most rudimentary surgery was practiced in the West. It is now known that such a condemnation was quite unwarranted. Detailed study of the writings of the Orthodox Western medieval surgeons shows that they possessed a highly sophisticated knowledge of anatomy; that they had worked out many ingenious methods of closing wounds, of reducing fractures, of extracting calculus from the bladder and stones from the gallbladder, and of operating on more than a dozen injuries to different parts of the head.

ANCIENT SURGICAL PRACTICES

In the battles of the Trojan War, bloodshed and death were omnipresent, as for the wounded it was extremely probable an undesired, premature trip to the Hades realm. Among the cohort of heroes who fought on the plains of Troy, Machaon, the warrior physician of the Achaeans, was the most renowned in the medical field. Machaon healed the famous leader of the Myrmidons, Eurypylus. Considered son of God Asclepius, protector of warrior healers, Machaon was filled with the light of knowledge that resembles mythical status. It was not only the supernatural consecration received by the poet, but the fact that he indeed existed. After a thorough study of various sources during the Late Bronze Age, the conclusion supports that Machaon was the first documented surgeon ever to step on earth of the history of medicine. The clinical experience and the secret healing arts that Machaon possessed, scribing the incision lines on the fateful mist-filled days of an ancient theatre of slaughter, laid down the cornerstone of hospital sacred temple. This was a covenant between the mortals and the world of immortals. It was ordered that all Hellenic states respected it: the wounded and sick, the slave and the free, should be given shelter and care until they were fully recovered or dead. In this way, from the olive groves that elegantly seasoned the rigid nakedness of the arid landscape, sanctuaries were established. The most famous, unique and panhellenic renowned was the Asclepieion of Epidaurus. The healing cases that prayed and dreamt to the god during their stay left behind over 70,000 inscribed stelai. All these units had a strict organization and functioned as hospitals under the conformance of strict protean hygienic codes. Lots of interesting inscriptions engraved on the walls of the healing sanctuaries allow for an early understanding of the prevalent surgical practices. Interestingly enough, some kind of pictures show patients undergoing a series of previously unattested diagnostic examinations to be treated by an array of surgical operations involving the head-neck region.

EVOLUTION OF SURGICAL TECHNIQUES

Ever since the origins of the medical profession, the practice of medicine has established a certain role for physicians and, with the florescence of a particular surgical practice, a specific counterpart for

surgeons. In the Hippocratic texts, the basic directions for doctors get framed within the obligation to “prescribe the right diet” and to “apply medications” in a rational manner. On the other hand, the ancient “surgery manuals” detail the knowledge and skills required by the “handworker” doctor. If a kind of dispute among physicians and surgeons is quite clearly displayed, the different contributions of both medical arts were formally recognized. Surgeries’ role within medicine is rather well defined in the Hippocratic Oath: “I will not cut for stone, even for patients in whom the disease is manifest; I will leave this operation to be performed by practitioners, specialists in this art” (preferable translation). For its part, the practitioners of the archaic “hand-labor” were bound to a less noble ethic, as shown by the numerous warnings against charlatans and the heavy workload they had to endure.

Since the beginning of the 1990s, surgeons and physicians had been more frequently at odds over the new forms of hand-labor straining the boundaries between the two “work praxes”. In this debate, one could detect the ancient accusation that whichever handworker was a threat to the patient’s health: “some [surgeons] remove the umbilical tumors unpleasantly, and cause a ravenous enlargement of the neck; others by the manner of extracting teeth [non-operable by surgeons] cause a pain which has no end”. Without delving too much into the categorization of hand-worker practices, both physicians and surgeons have been uniformly concerned with minimizing the risks and the complications attendant to the use of the scalpel. This has been true from Antiquity to the present day, with the result that the history of Western surgery can be charted in many ways, but most appositely through the evolving techniques of operating with the knife. On or about the year 2000, with the introduction of the international pricing system DRG in the Swiss hospital system, surgeons were required to reduce the patient’s stay in the hospital, thus accelerating hand-worker intervention to ever-more pointed starts and finishes. With such an introduction, open intervention was quickly tightened into a routine that was enriched with the introduction of endoscopic procedures (Alkatout et al., 2021) [2]. At the same time, an ever-increasing quantity of more complicated clinical pictures contributed to the progressive development and spread of the many specialty clinics of the hospital.

TYPES OF SURGERY

When an operation is being considered or planned, the risks, benefits, and potential complications will be explored. It is likely that the outcome will be good, and for many people, an operation will be the beginning of an improvement in their health. Each year, millions of operations are carried out around the world, with the great majority ending satisfactorily for patients and the clinical teams involved. Many involve just a single small cut and the insertion of a scope through a blood vessel, the skin, or other tubular structure (L. Kneebone, 2016) [1]. Most surgical operations are routine procedures carried out by a group of expert professionals. They generally proceed in a sequence that is often parallel to that of a range of other professionals whose involvement may be less publicized. Until the 1990s, most major operations were “open” procedures carried out under general anesthetic. Although the ways in which such operations were carried out differed considerably, many of the processes and practices related to the operation itself were relatively common. Most such operations were thought of in terms of stages and that certain adjustments in a patient’s positioning and the team around the operating table often occurred at similar times. A large range of open operations that were undertaken in the chest and abdomen could be seen as being concerned with similar kinds of “work”: the exposure of organs/systems, the carrying out of whatever necessary tasks (resection, repair, and anastomosis), and the completion of the procedure (closing of the abdomen/chest). With some exceptions, such procedures often lasted similar lengths of time, and this temporal constraint often played a major part in defining the scope of “the operation”. In some specialties (such as urology and ENT), most operations undertaken were in relation to just a few sites, and there were often relatively few approaches to reaching the target anatomy and achieving the desired end. In the last 30 years, laparoscopic (keyhole) surgery has become the norm for many operations. A combination of improved lenses/cameras, more reliable insufflators with better gas exchange, and advances in precision miniaturized instruments helped prompt the development of keyhole techniques in the 1980s. Since then, there has been rapid growth in new procedures across all specialties. Advances in anesthetic drugs and techniques mean that patients now

also, more frequently, remain conscious whilst undergoing major procedures. Prior to the 1980s and 90s, general anaesthetic would be necessary for interventions in the chest and abdomen. However, the precise manipulation of delicate anatomical structures in such areas was also, and continues to be, at times, a vital part of a patient's treatment. A common factor between those survivors who choose to pursue a legal action related to their care seems to be the failure of the operation team to effectively manage unanticipated bleeding or inadvertent injury to vulnerable internal structures, leading to often catastrophic consequences.

Elective Surgery

Surgery is one of the oldest practices in the medical profession and continues to be the most effective mode of treatment in modern medicine. Different surgical procedures involve endoscopy, orthopaedics, neurosurgery, thoracic, transplant, and laparoscopic procedures, among others. In recent times, many new techniques have been developed including robotics, which have enhanced the quality of patient care. Due to its effectiveness, surgery is widely practiced and considered the most expensive mode of treatment. Elective surgery is any planned surgery which is always considered as a scheduled surgery. The current pandemic has exposed the risk of maintaining elective surgery, particularly in adult orthopaedics.

Elective surgery is defined as any planned surgery and is always considered as a scheduled surgery. It is always arranged by an appointment. The timing of the procedure is always dependent on the patient's choice as well as comfort. It is always used in various specialties, such as cardiology, orthopedics, breast surgery, and gynecology. Numerous problems arise when there is a delay in this kind of surgery. The most common is it may cause depression, anxiety, increased work stress, pain, and an increase in healthcare costs. Although unplanned admissions occupy most surgical beds, most developing countries still rely heavily on this type of care. Quantitatively, surgical care is expensive when hospital charges are considered. Equally, the suffering and distress of patients generate a large hidden economy cost to the community. Current pandemic has high risk of maintaining elective surgery, particularly in adult orthopedics. Even it necessitated the suspension of all kinds of routine or elective surgeries because of their inherent limitations. With the availability of life-saving elective surgery, time will reduce mortality and morbidity (Jeyaraman et al., 2024) [3].

Inaccurate or inadequate scheduling can result in a hospital running operating theatres with insufficient case time or staffing to complete a disproportionate number of surgeries. The cost of such scheduling is estimated to be approximately 9% of the annual health care budget in the United Kingdom (Mirza et al., 2018) [4]. Elective Surgery (ES) is defined as any planned surgery which is always arranged with the patient in advance. It is used to help stress the fact that operating on the patient's condition is needed but can be delayed for some time. ES is any planned surgical procedure which aims to improve an individual's quality of life psychologically and/or physically, reinstate independence and in particular cases prolonged life. It involves any surgery which has been queried by primary care or secondary care doctors, with a view to a hospital appointment being made to discuss the surgery further. Competing demands on increasingly limited resources has led to significant wait times between consultation and surgical treatment. Emergent surgeries are prioritised above elective surgeries. Elective surgeries are usually scheduled based on the health care provider's availability. Enterprises, due to the considerable expense of surgeon time, theatre time and associated resources required for surgery, will choose schedules which make full utilisation of such resources. Inaccurate scheduling can mean that more surgeries are planned than can physically occur during a day. Conversely, under-scheduling can mean that hospital running operating theatres with insufficient case time or staff to complete a disproportionate number of surgeries. The costs of such forms of over or under scheduling are severe.

Emergency Surgery

The World Society of Emergency Surgery has created a project for a retrospective evaluation of all patients admitted to their hospitals with the most common diagnoses treated under the EGS definition. One reason emergency surgery is struggling to find its place in the surgical ward is the shortage of

skilled general surgeons for 24-hour activation, a limitation in skilled nursing personnel and suitable ICU beds, and a deficiency in performing frequent grade-of-care shifts to lower the workload in the most overcrowded wards. Emergency surgery also tends to have a low profile with the hospital administration, partly because it looks like a non-selective or “easy” task, partly because the caseload is of non-paying or badly paying patients. The powerful tool known as the Worldwide EGS Formation and Evaluation Project makes it easy to record prospectively all the EGS procedures and the visiting division of each patient, as well as to retrospectively evaluate laboratory tests timing and values, surgical timing, and sources of admission, readmission, reoperation, or discharge.

The organization joins forces with the aim to promote the formation of dedicated EGS operating theatres for each participating centre. Such a commitment will require the agreement of the administration of each participating centre regarding the designation of an active operating theatre for EGS available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Each participating centre will commit to activating the EGS operating theatre upon consult request by the different wards or from the emergency department and to performing EGS procedures earlier than 3 hours from the request. An initial short formation period will provide the commitment of each center which will subsequently be granted with a “call-up” form. Despite problems inherent in medical management under the classical view of the patient-health provider relationship or even general problems of medical practice, some repetitive “patterns” have, however, been frequently observed across different countries in different events.

Minimally Invasive Surgery

Minimally invasive surgery has changed the face of gastrointestinal surgery and made it more acceptable to patients. Open surgical approaches for many gastrointestinal procedures are being replaced by laparoscopic and robotic procedures. Minimally invasive surgery creates a smaller and fewer incisions, reduces post-operative pain and discomfort, and improves cosmetic outcomes. At the same time, laparoscopic surgery limited the visualization of the operation and restricted the degrees of freedom compared to open surgery. Whenever coworkers controlled, the surgical robot manipulates an ergonomic control device and provides improved image quality and 3D visualization, 7 degrees of freedom (DOF) for movement of the end-effector and considers the rest of the entry ports and minimally invasive range of motion. Some of which are. The use of surgical robots increases the precision of surgeons due to tremor filtering and accurate tools, so many alternative options for minimally invasive surgery are being explored using surgical robots (S Singh & K Shinde, 2023) [5]. The first laparoscopic cholecystectomy in 1987 was performed by Philippe Mouret in France. The success of laparoscopic cholecystectomy in recovering and decreasing hospital stays in patients has demonstrated the potential of minimally invasive procedures. After the advent of laparoscopic cholecystectomy, advances in imaging and endoscopic technology have led to the development of minimally invasive procedures in various surgical subspecialties apart from cancer, colorectal, and bariatric surgery. Minimally invasive surgery has become conventional surgery in the treatment of many diseases over the last 20 years. New minimally invasive surgery methods are still being adopted and experimented with, and robotic surgery introduced in the early 2000s remains one of the alternatives for minimally invasive surgery. Rapid advances in technology and the proliferation of knowledge about minimally invasive surgery by surgeons will further improve the advantages of better minimally invasive procedures and enable more patients to benefit from the advantages.

Robotic Surgery

Robotic surgery, a form of robot-assisted surgery, is a revolutionary technology that has enabled more minimally invasive and precise approaches to medical care. Robot-assisted surgical platforms are controlled by the surgeon and have been increasingly applied to provide surgical assistance in various disciplines. The procedures are performed through smaller incisions than those used in traditional surgery. The development of robotic surgery has revolutionized surgeons’ approach in different medical disciplines (Rivero-Moreno et al., 2023) [6]. It is an evolving technology that overcomes the limitations of conventional surgical techniques by providing more dexterity and increasing the degree of freedom compared to traditional laparoscopy. Robotic surgery also has become the standard of care for various

surgical pathologies. Over the last three decades, rapid spread of this surgical approach has occurred with an ever-increasing number of procedures performed every year.

The major advantages of robotic surgery include not only its ease of use, but also that it provides better 3D visualization allowing for an improved hand-eye coordination. The surgeon is also allowed to sit in an ergonomic position during operation which reduces fatigue (Mehta et al., 2022) [7]. Robotic systems are equipped with a motion scaling feature, enabling the surgeon to perform delicate maneuvers with minimal effort. It has been demonstrated that the use of robotics reduces intraoperative blood loss, intraoperative and postoperative complications as well as improves the quality of life of patients. Robot systems have become a major investment for hospitals not only in terms of costs and maintenance, but also in terms of training of the operating team. As it is expected, robot systems have been rapidly adopted in the U.S. with an annual growth without a lower limit. At the beginning of 2020, there were 1012 surgical robots in the U.S. in use, with an average annual increase of newly installed robotic systems by 15.2%.

SURGICAL SPECIALTIES

Surgery is considered the pinnacle of the medical profession. Historically, surgery was in many ways more advanced than medicine. A good surgeon could excise a tumour, remove a bladder stone, or even trephine the skull and leave his or her patients with an at least fighting chance of survival. This is much more than could be achieved by the medical profession of the same area. To become a consultant therefore clinicians had to have a good understanding of surgical principles, and indeed even if they were not allowed to wield the knife themselves, the great physicians of ancient times all had at least some surgical knowledge.

Since the invention of antibiotics, surgery has been transformed. Some would argue, de-skilled. The decline in surgical knowledge within the medical profession is beginning to cause concern. The recently retired director of the Royal College of Nursing has argued that the decline in surgical knowledge within the medical profession is dangerous. The predominate position of medicine over surgery within the medical profession has also been raised.

On the other hand, the comedians of a British television show parodied the Indian community in their sketches about the Indian GP who, no matter how minor or ridiculous the presenting complaint always advised his patients to take two paracetamols. The jokes were popular because the perception of medicine as all powerful is held by a wide audience. This difference in perception may be because surgery is often in the public eye in a different way than medicine – successful surgical intervention is often a visual cure.

General Surgery

To the public and to many within the medical profession, those who embody surgery hold a place of respect and awe that is not easily let go. Surgeons are seen as dashing heroes fighting against death. Most surgeons view their profession as simply a craft that is learned through years of trial and error within the controlled chaos of the emergency room or operating theatre. Surgery in America today can best be described by how it is taught, since what was traditionally the golden path to residency in general surgery is in many instances no longer a guarantee of surgical practice. As the average medical student must wade through a morass of CT scans, blood-test results, and cellular biology to discover what role surgery holds in the crazy whirl of the health “industry” (by cash value, this is the largest in the country), a question begins to form. Why do this at all? (Søreide, 2009) [8]. When disease has been diagnosed, options for treatment can include watch and wait, medication, or surgery. How surgeons come to play in all of this are simple; “my abdomen hurts, and the doctors want to shoot X-rays at it”. Upon review, I find myself 2 years later, being talked to by a now green-clad individual about where a 90-degree, molar-toothed, iron bar will be shoved in and ripped through my sternum. There can be said no need for the hardware, no need for special windows, or even that silly wafting gas – surely, it’s a fad. How

does the role of the chill, nonchalant “Intervention Breathing” fit into general surgery, “the last of the true cowboys” in American Medicine? It matches it close (within two feet, anyway), a fact that is not comforting in the least.

Orthopedic Surgery

Introduction Surgery is a branch of medical science that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of diseases or injuries by an operative procedure. At first glance it can be considered as a mechanical intervention. As in any other fields of medical science, the goals of surgery have become more safety, to be more effective with less injury to other tissues. New devices and techniques have developed to fulfil these criteria. Besides surgical proficiency, substantial knowledge of pathologic principles is obligatory for being a good and responsible surgeon. Today, surgery is divided into two main parts according to its rules and goals: open surgery and minimally invasive surgery. Endoscopic surgery and robotic surgery are included in the minimally invasive surgery. These surgical methods provide the same results as open surgery with smaller incisions, less blood loss, and shorter healing processes.

Orthopedic Surgery Orthopedics is the medical field that deals with diseases and injuries of the musculoskeletal system, involving the muscles, bones, ligaments, tendons, nerves, and skin. Being one of the first surgical fields in the history of medicine, it was initially restricted to simple procedures. Today, it has become one of the most advanced and technically demanding fields of surgery. Minimal invasive treatment strategies and advanced tools and implants are changing as a daily routine. However, orthopedic procedures are generally cost-intensive. Growing health care expenses and limited resources have forced numerous countries to reinforce financial restraints. Besides, legal regulations and social factors enforced by the patients result in the acceleration of this process. At the same time, advanced medical devices and technologies offer new solutions for high quality healthcare. The spread of 3D medical printers stands as an example. The traditional specialization of doctors, obedience of corporate rules, and misperception of others’ jobs prevented orthopedic surgery from benefitting of new professional features. It is now merged with advanced medical technology, the operating rooms supported by highly trained applications, 3D developers and engineers. Customized care and surgery are the new frontiers of research that are still unexplored. (Shi et al., 2022) [9] [Therefore, an orthopedic surgeon is required to bear the additional responsibility of leading multidisciplinary teams in the development and introduction of innovative medical techniques and devices. This paper describes the major features of the future orthopedic surgeon that are required by modern approaches in this field.

Cardiac Surgery

Cardiovascular surgery, the surgical subspecialty that deals with pathologies of the heart and its associated blood vessels, is a relatively young medical specialty. Open heart surgery was unthinkable before December 1952. But within coronary surgery its evolution is relatively recent within the wider framework of cardiovascular surgery. The technological advances and the expansion of surgical techniques in cardiovascular surgery since then are nothing less than remarkable. Rapid growth in demand for cardiac care followed in the second half of the century, which influenced by in large extent, the alteration in the attitude of medical professionals towards cardiovascular surgery. To understand contemporary changes in training of cardiac surgical fellows, a historical perspective is provided.

Cardiology, particularly coronary interventions, has fascinated the imagination of the public. A heart patient to one belonging to the upper echelons is invariably heard saying, even in the vernacular, “I got serious; they had to put a stent.” But lurking within such modish, cavalier statements is an underlying, collective astigmatism which equates cardiac surgery with various endoscopic, lab-based procedures, barring mere dramatic improbability. Simple medical case problems are widely advertised during prime-time television chat shows. The emergence of telemedicine has further reinforced this predilection. To the common man, the appearance of the cardiologist’s work is much more appealing. A heart patient is usually kept back a day prior to the intervention. An elective procedure is performed in a heart care centre and the patient is off on the second postoperative day. The onus is on the

cardiovascular surgeon to enter a detailed discussion with his family members, explaining the nature of the work, the need of being present in hospital for long periods of time on some occasions and the enormity of the postoperative care.

Neurosurgery

Neurosurgery is the medical specialty involved in the surgical treatment of pathologies that affect the nervous system. This practice is divided into two distinct branches: on the one hand, the brain, spinal cord, meninges, and skull are part of central nervous system (CNS) disorders; and peripheral nerves and the spine itself are part of peripheral nervous system (PNS) pathologies. Currently, these percentages have increased, and several papers show that almost half of all neurological pathologies to be treated require assistance from neurosurgeons overall (Gilard et al., 2021) [10]. The role of neurosurgery in the medical profession is crucial. This specialty includes different pathological areas with poorly defined or controversial treatments, varying surgical technicalities and high postsurgical-risk complications. The surgical activity of the neuroscientist requires consideration of clinical-surgical data (among which neuroimaging diagnostics play a key role, also in follow-up), neurological tests, and often the daily confrontation with the tumor committee. On the cutting side, these specialists perform treatments on very small anatomical segments where every possible intervention, even with the best-known and most advanced techniques, presents complications that would be unacceptable to other operators (De Jesus Encarnacion Ramirez et al., 2024) [11].

Pediatric Surgery

The effects of different characteristics of paediatric surgeons on patient outcomes after paediatric surgery are unclear. Therefore, carried out a systematic review to evaluate patient outcome differences between paediatric surgeons and paediatric general surgeons at hospitals different from those at which the training occurred, and to determine whether hospital structure affects patient outcomes after paediatric surgery. Paediatric surgeons defined by the American Board of Paediatrics (ABP) qualifications or who specialized in paediatric surgery at academic centres and hospitals with a higher volume of paediatric patients were shown to improve patient outcomes. Paediatric surgeons educated in university hospitals and practitioners in metropolitan areas provided care for healthier children. Although the patient population was vulnerable, paediatric surgeon treatment mitigated the health care disparities resulting from social determinants. Together with the improvement of expertise due to sub-specialization, the results suggest that convenient access to paediatric surgeons at general hospitals could reduce the chance of resection for children with intussusception and that there may be benefits derived from PEDS certification. Consequently, continuous training for certified paediatric surgeons is provided, with the lifecycle approach suggested, to maintain optimal resources for the care of children with surgery (M. Alaish et al., 2020) [12]. Optimal resources for children's surgical care need to be defined, and APSA endorses the notion that by offering them, a fundamental social contract of health systems with the youngest patients entrusted to their care is honoured. In completing them, ongoing constructive engagement with regional health systems and policy makers is key. That the substantial risks to population health posed by the COVID-19 pandemic render these considerations particularly urgent. However, the response to the pandemic must be considered as an opportunity to address these goals.

THE SURGICAL TEAM

Objective

To reconstruct the dynamics of the surgical team of the hospital-based critical care operating theatre in Sri Lanka, by exploring the interprofessional interactions of the surgical team from the surgical registrars' perspective in a single-site. Non-participant observation, informed by the go-along interview method, was used. Twenty-one critical surgical procedures were observed. Analysis of the data was abductive and interpretivist and drew on complexity and practice theories. The findings indicated a highly dynamic and nuanced system of interprofessional interactions, particularly among health professionals, structured by a range of implicit rules and unsanctioned agreements. Power gradients

were negotiated, and higher-status professionals under- rather than over-instructed lower-status professionals to display dominance (Jayasuriya-Illesinghe et al., 2016) [13]. Agreement Within the Team Was Often Nodal: In Many Cases, It Was the Anaesthetics Who Initiated Action Which the Nurse and Surgeon Rapidly Agreed To: "Nurse, let's go on after this." "Doctor, Put the needle in. Take it in. Nurse put the next one in." This health care worker's colleagues swiftly complied. Such compliance appeared to be routine, regardless of whether the action taken was to proceed to the next planned step or deliver a cautionary instruction. Casual Anaesthetics Were Often the Target of Such Summaries, Which Proved an Effective Technique to Bring All Team Members Up to Date: "Anaesthetist, one unit was already giving, now we are going to give another unit. Have you arranged the X match?" Nexting and summarizing were strategies employed by the team to communicate plans or coordination queries between professional groups in a succinct manner.

Surgeons

It is often suggested that the knightly qualities are peculiarly characteristic of the ideal surgeon. Courage and his technical achievement are qualities which are thought to be the vital equipment in him. There is certainly much to be said for this view. The history of surgery is replete with tales of astounding feats performed by men who had the hearts of tigers and more than a little of the flamboyance of a legendary figure. Long before the days of the pyramid builders' men were trepanning skulls and opening abscesses with bone or flint; the historical records depict unsophisticated eruditions being carried out without anaesthesia or antisepsis in ancient Egypt; and the acquirement we learn of the skilled practitioners is that he knows where to cut. Renaissance surgery is epitomised in the figure of a notable surgeon, twice made immortal, first by the phrase that signifies his work; and still better by his courage and resource at a significant event when, lacking haemostats, he improvised a ligature of three pieces of gold thread and saved the life of a prominent figure.

The broad pattern of surgical practice as we know it today was largely designed in the fifty years that centred on the turn of the century. This was a time of great vigour and high accomplishment, when surgical adventurers the world over were ready to exploit to the full the twin discoveries of anaesthesia and antisepsis. This was the era of the "anatomical" surgeon, and speed and technical dexterity wedded to courage and imagination were the qualities that led to success and fame—and fortune. It was the epoch of the dynasty of the drug combine, when the brilliantly successful operator could leave the hospital and repair to his car, and with the correct flourish of his surgeon's sleeve, whisk his favourite model off for a celebratory drink.

Anesthesiologists

The Section on Anaesthesiology was instituted "to further excellence in this phase of the art for the future benefit of surgery." Toward the same end, the American College of Anaesthesiologists offers a qualifying system. Such professional recognition has long been the goal of the anaesthesiologists throughout the land, states (E. Wasmuth, 1960) [14]. Now, at long last, the anaesthesiologist has been honoured, and it is the expressed belief of this essayist that medicine has at last awakened to the realization that the sphere of the anaesthesiologist is no longer that of "the man who sleeps at the head of the table." This task of being entrusted with the patient's life for the selected duration of the operation is no easy responsibility and, in view of the nature of the hazards involved, would appear to be, in itself, not without great physical and moral suffering.

Those surgical procedures which were heretofore too dangerous to undertake are today routinely performed because of the many remarkable advances in the art and practice of surgery. The American College of Anaesthesiologists concur in's statistical counts of difficult and time-consuming tasks that lie ahead in the anaesthesiologist's quest to render "optimum care for the protection of humanity from the perils of anaesthesia and of surgery." In addition to these pressing needs, they recognize the imminent necessity of programs designed to improve the present image of both anaesthesiologists and resident trainees. Since the American College of Anaesthesiologists Executive Committee remains the

primary short-range tool for directing the College and its various committees, a descriptive listing of 45 especially acute difficulties is therefore cogently apparent in this scholarly work for careful consideration by college leadership.

Nurses and Technicians

Automated surgery, surgery assisted by computer, has come about with the conjunction of mechatronics and robotics. Some of the traditional rules of surgery have been changed and there is wide acceptance of what is still experimental for most applications. The fate of such technologies in the service of mankind and what role the medical profession will be able to play is to be seen. I can perceive some directions this fascinating development has taken. As a novelty, it is the computer that performs the surgical intervention. Procedures are recorded in special devices used by the computer. The computer has a set of instruments to carry them out. Of course, it has milling cutters, drills, saws, lasers, and those to be designed. It also has robot arms for the handling of such instruments, and they are servo-controlled in three and able to report. The computer also provides vision, as it has a mechanical binocular coupling. In three dimensions and stereoscopically, very likely the mechanical hands have their own eyes, forty each other and the binocular. The pictures are processed in real-time, and the computer is able to direct the surgical job itself too. A TV-modem permits the monitoring of the operating site and some x-ray pictures are also to be taken. In time and spatial resolution, a new technology has been developed. Actors have been placed on the patient's skin, some in accordance with the reference points of the surgical procedure others as able to report. Changes in the posture of the patient, provoked by the surgical intervention itself, nevertheless, can have their update traced down through ultrasonic goggles or booties in order not to lose control.

Support Staff

In fact, the modern practice of a tertiary level laparoscopic (lap) surgical procedure is complicated and requires attention to five requisite components. The apparent simplicity of this assertion belies the long and winding path of success in global surgery, laden with cleverly disguised land mines. The principals herein applied the five S's of global surgery approaches on several laps hernioplasties in the West Bank since 2017. Successive cases are examined, showcasing the progression of each of the five Ss of global surgery that need to be considered to advance progressive medical procedures and mentoring in lesser-developed countries (LDCs) as a visiting surgeon. Ideally, this will offer a blueprint and timeline to those contemplating performing multi-faceted surgical procedures at a tertiary hospital in a low-to-middle-income country.

It is well known that engaging in global surgery is difficult. It seems that much of the focus thus far has been on the surgery itself when discussing global surgery. There are many challenges acutely focused on technology and technique in the surgical procedure, such as insufficient supplies and the constant struggle for intraoperative anesthetic drugs (M. Novotny et al., 2022) [15]. A recent study suggests that managing the surgical process is also considered one of the most expensive aspects of all hospital activity and ensuring that it is performed in an effective manner beneficially improves performance hospital (Nora et al., 2019) [16].

PREOPERATIVE CONSIDERATIONS

Surgical procedures can be an uneasy experience for a patient for many reasons, from a fear of the procedure and the possible outcome to a fear of the caregivers and of the environment. It is important for physicians to consider the patient's physical condition prior to recommending surgery; if poor, the procedure may be postponed in favor of an improvement and to reduce the morbidity and mortality rates associating with a surgical procedure. The exercise program and the basic recommendations are discussed, including exercise frequency, intensity, and type, along with reasonable haste for the completion of the exercise program. The future direction of preevaluation suggests an ongoing dialogue among the surgeon, the physical therapist, and the patient regarding the need for and the goals of an exercise program prior to surgery.

Patient Evaluation

This paragraph discusses patient evaluation. There is substantial variation in how preoperative medical evaluation (PME) is operationalized, and limited evidence supporting the benefit of PME has been documented (R. Riggs et al., 2017) [17]. Surgeons order the bulk of preoperative testing and are uniquely positioned as the gateway for patients into the broader arena of medical assessment. They are also among the few habitually preoperative health care providers who are not medically, or primary care trained. Surgeons' beliefs, attitudes and practices may be particularly influential in determining how preoperative evaluation is conducted. Yet surgeons' views on what is fundamentally a multidisciplinary practice-involving patients' traditional providers, preoperative evaluators typically from other disciplines, anaesthesiologists, and other proceduralists-have not been explored in depth. The objective of this study was to explore surgeons' practices and their beliefs about PME in a broad variety of surgical disciplines.

Informed Consent

There are generally recognized obligations concerning surgery, and inherent in all of these is the necessity for providing the patient information about the proposed procedure and obtaining consent. Just what information is necessary, and whether the extent of the consent exceeds the proposed treatment, is not universally defined. It is of value that the nature of the questions is known to the general surgeon, and some attention is given to the opinions of individuals in the related professions of internal medicine, obstetrics, and otolaryngology (E. Wasmuth, 1957) [18].

Patient consent must be obtained no later than immediately before the planned surgery, and the surgeon must be the person who provided the patient with information (Michalski et al., 2016) [19]. Consent for surgery must be made in writing. Before obtaining the patient's consent for surgery, the medical entity's notice of the planned procedure must be received. If the surgery is planned in a medical entity other than the one that has provided such information, information about the planned surgery should be obtained before the planned surgery in another way, for example, by phone or e-mail consultation. Before obtaining the patient's consent, the patient should receive relevant information, including information about health state, diagnosis, proposed method of undertaking surgery, expected consequences of surgery, expected medical and legal recovery time, prognostic implications for the patient, personal medical recommendations related to the patient's health state and its improvement, expected events after surgery, including suffering following medical intervention often felt by other patients, description of proposed surgery method, indication of surgical material, indication of the method of anaesthesia to be applied, potential additional fees after surgery. This information should be prepared in a separate or specially marked place to facilitate familiarity for the patient, and it should be written or printed in a clear, readable form. It is recommended to prepare the information in a standard form to be attached to the patient's case history. Once the patient has received such information, it is a good idea to settle all doubts that arose and assess what person's understanding the patient has received such information. The scope of information should be tailored to the understanding and perception of the patient, and the information should be communicated in an appropriate, understandable and undisturbed manner.

Risk Assessment

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Intraoperative Procedures

Injuries are part of everyday life, but some can have more serious consequences. Motor vehicle accidents, using machinery without the proper precautions, and physical resistance can produce serious

physical injuries and fractures. If this happens, it may be necessary to have a surgery. But what is the role of a professional surgeon in this, what should he take care of, and how is a surgery in the medical profession performed. A medical professional can predict the consequences of the accident even by examining the injury. He informs the patient about the results of the examination and informs what needs to be done. A surgery is required for bone fractures and in case of infection or if the structures of the eye are damaged that are not visible, such as the lens, and the only treatment is surgery. The day of the surgery is determined according to how urgent the surgery is required and the condition of the injury. Preoperative preparations for the day of surgery consist of examination, assessment and marking of the surgical area. The inspection and assessment of the surgical site are particularly of the status of the soft tissue, such as swelling, hematoma, open wounds where the surgical approach is to be documented. The peripheral blood flow, motor and sensory status is checked and noted. Subsequently, the side to be operated on is marked together with the patient. Patient's drug therapy history is determined during the enlightenment interview, especially regarding medicaments antithrombotic therapy. Clarification is to be made with the colleagues of anaesthesiology concerning which preparations are yet to be taken on the day of the surgery. It is important to evaluate all agents that could potentially negatively affect the outcome of the surgery and within the OPV must assess the known risks associated with medication under preoperatively and specialty surgery. Due to the growing number of operations and the increasing number of special operations, the need for detailed planning of preoperative patient preparation before elective surgery is also increasing. Operations vorbereitung in der Unfallchirurgie (Gromer et al., 2021) [21].

SURGICAL TECHNIQUES

A comprehensive framework for surgery goes beyond the scalpel and acknowledges the interdependencies of safety, precision, and prosperity on patient care. An overview of surgical practises may not only acknowledge an array of techniques but also recognize them as components within a broader strategy. Safety protocols, precision instruments, advanced technologies, specialized personnel, personalized plans, patient assessments, recovery systems, high standards, aseptic techniques, protective measures, preparation procedures, imaging modalities, and monitoring apparatuses all fit into a wider narrative. A tapestry of safety, precision, and prosperity is made, thereby approaching surgery as a process, rather than an event, and gestures are complete before, during, and after the procedure (Ansah Owusu et al., 2023) [22]. Well-kent for thirty centuries in the land of the pharaoh, surgery had yet to enjoy a safe and sound rebirth. Even as Apollo made clean and swift incisions in cutaneous mythology, real cuts were messy and slow in the world of blood and meat. So, maple wood wedges and a mallet were employed to separate bone from flesh with shock and push, ensuring that the once cutting edge was truly dull. A century of scalpels and ligatures in an antiseptic fever, a revolution in old wound care framed by a gentle Scot's systematic scepticism that germs might ride unwashed hands and ride fast the aisles of the scalp house. What is now so well embedded in modern surgical practice, beginning before the scalpel found skin and ending after the wound had closed and the scar had settled, constitutes an intricate dance with a dozen moves and spins.

Anaesthesia Management

Surgery is an ancient medical speciality with a lot of responsibilities and duties. Modern surgery is not only the art of cutting, sewing, and removing foreign bodies but now it is much more of this. The art of surgery has been elaborated by oncology, infectiology, cardiology, radiology, and others. It frequently transforms into a multidisciplinary teamwork. The everyday dealings of the surgeons with the anaesthesiologist increase the problems. It is difficult to support the surgery with aesthetic care. The platform of anaesthesia calls attention to airway and circulation disturbances during the operation. Airway management for surgeries not directly involving the airway has mainly been focusing on the prevention and management of airway injury, definition of airway-related malpractice claims, and alternative modes of airway management (T. Li et al., 2021) [23].

During surgeries on the susceptibility of silent aspiration people should split into 3 groups rather unguardedly: children, pregnant women, and elderly over 60 related patients. The intracranial position

of the larynx and other airway organs influence anaesthesia induction, endotracheal tube placement, airway control, well as mechanical ventilation. On the other hand, the trans tumoral or supraglottic location of the tumour in laryngopharyngeal oncological surgery alters the positioning of a common ETT surgery. For selected cases with poor lung function, pulmonary disease, or lung resection, the surgeon may want a more optimal position access or special field arrangement, which cannot always be optimized for airway management, ventilation, or standard aesthetic monitoring. Every surgery is the team activity directed by a mutual aim – the success of the operation and the likely recovery of the patient. But frequently either undue care or loss of it can give rise to the failure that one does not expect.

Intraoperative Monitoring

Intraoperative neurophysiologic monitoring (IONM) has become an important modality that is now routinely available in most tertiary neurosurgical centers around the world. Intraoperative monitoring consists of measuring and interpreting the electrical responses of the nervous system during surgical procedures. The goals are to help minimize the morbidity associated with surgical interventions and to assist in determining the extent of an acceptable surgical resection. Somatosensory evoked potentials (SSEPs) and motor evoked potentials (MEPs) are measurements of brain or spinal cord function in response to electrical stimulation of peripheral nerves or the cortex or spinal cord. With the latter terminology reflecting the integration of multiple monitoring “modalities” with IONM, the IONM is broadly and discuss the major active areas of IONM in the past 5–10 years. Any of the current monitoring modalities (e.g., SSEPs, MEPs, electromyography [EMG] and EEG) can provide real-time neural information and alert the neurosurgeon to adverse events that are correctable on a real-time basis (Ali et al., 2021) [24].

Many studies have reported up the safety and usefulness of SSEP and MEP monitoring for correcting nerve injury in spinal surgery or highly invasive neurosurgery. A new sensation-change wavelet (NSP wave) was described as an epoch-discriminant EMG response wavelet of the lateral femoral cutaneous nerve (LFCN) that occurred before sensation change during the retraction-causing formation of peripsoas fibrous (PPF) during monosegmental spinal surgery. Late neurologic injury is a rare but serious complication following spine surgery. Some innovative surgical methods can reduce the risk of these complications, so SSEP and MEP monitoring is an important tool in preventing late postoperative sequelae even if a patient undergoes deformity correction surgery for severe spinal deformities.

A study of 430 cervical spine procedures with SSEP and/or MEP monitoring is reported. A distinct routine with seven time-related events is described in which the utilization method can be presented: (1) Preoperative education and counseling of the patient, (2) Preoperative determination of the monitoring regimen, (3) Proper patient positioning, (4) Discipline with regard to draping and setup, (5) Discussion of the monitoring data with the surgeon, (6) Documentation of the monitoring data in the aesthetic record, and (7) Providing appropriate feedback to the anaesthetist caring for the patient.

Postoperative Care

Postoperative management after major and minor thoracic surgeries is crucial for patients to recover and can be sometimes challenging. After the undergoing surgery for both major and minor thoracic surgical procedures, noontime measurements must be performed to verify the presence of specific treatments in the postoperative day and other laboratory and diagnostic investigations that the patient must undergo after the hospitalization. Generally, after all major thoracic procedures, the first 24–72 h need intensive surveillance, with hourly blood pressure, heart rate and respiratory rate check, and 4-hourly blood gas analysis, and then daily. If the patient is deemed critical, an intensive care unit (ICU or equivalent high dependence unit) may be needed. However, often too many patients with too many comorbidities undergo thoracic procedures, and the postoperative management becomes crucial to improve the prognosis and decrease the hospitalization in complications. Consequently, several health professionals involved in the management during the hospital time. The sooner the intervention of the

hospital figures, the better the outcomes of the patient. Therefore, a good collaboration between these figures, and the thoracic surgeons, is needed (Bertolaccini et al., 2023) [25].

It has been well understood how important the first days are, and who is responsible for what. Several crucial points of the postoperative care are listed. Those must be emphasized and considered for proper management, no matter which kind of procedure was performed, no matter the kind of the disease treated. Instead, many other small but intricate aspects still rely on the single, or missing at all, among others: pulmonary hygiene and the importance of the physical therapy; correct fluids balance; lobar chest tubes for upper lobes vs. bronchial blockers; the relevance of the correct pain control. Furthermore, it is intended to provide a review of both the most common problems after the thoracic surgery, and how these problems may be prevented through a series of the standardized protocols that the thoracic surgeons and other specialists can put in place or follow. Finally, an evidence-based approach is combined focusing on all these measures, looking at the key postoperative aspects, and to find a series of postoperative specialties, several standardized protocols which patients undergoing the lung resections can benefit the most. The intensive information on both welfare and the multi-disciplinary management of the Early Recovery After Surgery (ERAS) was conducted on the thoracic surgeons most vulnerable to suffering postoperative complications. Many specialties can be brought in because the postoperative problems are usually very complex and varied. It is concordant that many studies thoughts, shared protocols are needed to face unpredictable medical complications. Such randomized controlled trials showed a reduction in pain through epidural interventions and other medical complications were to be treated according with others blinding guidelines or Grading of Recommendations at Development, Evaluation, GRADE recommendation.

Recovery Protocols

The first patient-operated afflicted with anesthesia took place in 1955 in Boston and was performed by Stanley Hewell. His introduction to surgical proceedings, not classified by the disclosure and prevention of pollution, has caused a controversial discussion. When some surgeons accepted the groundbreaking drug with a warm welcome, especially due to the undeniable impact on the possibilities of anesthesia, an increasing number of opposing physicians questioned and resisted this solution – which religion or call impact found in the teachings of the prophets led to rejection of intervention. Currently, thanks to numerous restrictions of ongoing procedures and hard procedures, epileptic surgery is characterized by perspective safety and proactive use of topical tools. However, much reconstruction of substandard treatment care as permanent source of post-epileptic complications and violations is not very difficult and smooth for the patient. The use of a comprehensive, multi-specialized team and effective use of many conventions can only benefit disproportionately from better overall results, but also under the block health department. Successful example or effective management (cooperation) did not stand out at a time of severe medical problems, many times by a radical, perspective perspective, and the prognosis was weak. With this in mind, (Nartowicz et al., 2018) [26] is one of the First Professor participating in the British Medical Society. Early last year, it made a detailed discussion on the Methodist demand for medical institutions, focusing on the pathology of a more comprehensive, numerous fields, aware of the countless diseases affecting every organ human. Were difficult to pace a good understanding of all observers pursuing a time-consuming approach.

Managing Complications

Bleeding and Haemorrhage. Bleeding and haemorrhage are severe complications that may arise during or post-surgery, presenting a direct and life-threatening risk to the patient. Haemorrhage can occur intraoperatively as diffuse bleeding, or post-surgery as massive bleeding, and is acute if it is severe and occurs in the early post-surgery period. Postoperative bleeding may result in a palpable hematoma that, if untreated, can become infected or compress adjacent vital structures, leading to potentially fatal problems of airway obstruction or disruption of blood flow. Postoperatively, bleeding can also present as a hidden hematoma. Clinical signs of latent bleeding may develop hours to days post-surgery, depending on the blood volume and the anatomical location of the hematoma. Occult,

delayed haemorrhage may suggest damage of a vascular structure, coagulation disorders, or infection and requires imaging to confirm the diagnosis. Early detection and prompt intervention are fundamental for reducing the mortality. Morbidity and Mortality Secondary to Complications of Surgery.

Postoperative complications of general surgery remain a significant factor leading to morbidity and mortality. Reduced expansion in the lungs after surgery may lead to various problems in the respiratory tract. Cardiac problems can develop due to decreased myocardial perfusion, new arrhythmias, or other causes, and patients with pre-existent cardiovascular morbidity are notably susceptible to cardiac consequences. Renal dysfunction after surgery is frequently of the prerenal type. Post-surgery, there is often a reduction in blood flow to the kidneys that, in combination with potentially toxic drugs for the kidneys and a state of hyperinflammation, can cause functional problems that pass into acute kidney injury. In the presence of post-surgical morbidity or sepsis, organs are at risk of developing dysfunction, and close surveillance and well-timed management are crucial to avoid widespread organ dysfunction and failure. Adverse Reactions to the Administration of Aesthetic Drugs. Postoperative contraindications to anaesthesia can be of presurgical and post-surgery onset and refer to the practice of anaesthesia or aesthetic drugs. Among the potentially life-threatening post-surgery complications there is a respiratory arrest, with frequencies ranging from 0.07% to 0.2%. Thromboembolic events have catastrophic outcomes in patients undergoing medium- and high-risk surgery. Secondary neurologic morbidity to surgery has an estimated frequency of 9.5%. In total, 43.3% are permanent. Among the metabolic dislikes following a surgical incision, the most common is hyperglycaemia, whose onset has categories rates from 5.6 to 30.9%. Common Postoperative Complications. Postoperative complications in general surgery are numerous and significantly contribute to patient wellbeing. The complexity of the surgical tables is highlighted by the variety of postoperative mishaps possible. As postoperative complications in all surgical specialties are surveyed, significant effort is dedicated to hashing out each complication, its urgency, diagnostic approach, and management. Such an encompassing view of postoperative complications underlines the complexities and multifaceted nature of surgical practices. Positive surgical outcomes necessitate persistent, continuous surveillance of the patient in the perioperative period, adherence to evidence-based practices, and explicit recognition and direct management of encountered mishaps or complications. On the account of this introductory perspective, it is hoped to provide a comprehensive insight into postoperative complications and an audit of the necessary steps required to ensure a propitious surgical outcome.

Patient Education

Patient education can have many advantages. For the patient, it can reduce the level of stress, and for the doctor, it can make easier to obtain a patient's consent to a proposed treatment or examination. Regarding future surgery, patient education is a basis for obtaining the patient's informed consent to the surgery. Patients have the right, but also the duty, to understand information concerning their health. As recent advances in technology have also reached medicine, the question arises whether to use multimedia technology in patient-doctor relationships. The issue of proper patient education about a proposed treatment requires an individual approach to each patient. Such patient education should undergo modification and modernization, without changing the basis thereof – the need to talk with an attending doctor or surgeon – which is an essential element of the direct doctor-patient relationship and written consent for high-risk procedures. General knowledge comes down to general competence. A person ill-informed about her/his health cannot be motivated to act appropriately. Consequently, s/he can only partially benefit from the standard of medical care offered. Patient rights have been developed. They cannot fully use them if they are unaware of their diagnosis and treatment. If there is doubt as to the necessary informed consent to a surgical procedure, the burden of proof as to the delivery of the information shifts to the medical professional. The position is clear – information about the risk should be explained at the first visit and strictly reiterated before each subsequent date of the procedure.

Ethical Considerations in Surgery

Surgeons have a great responsibility. It is a general label covering a lot of activities. Yes, a surgeon is and should be responsible for what he or she does during surgery. But in fact, the surgeon is responsible for everything related to patients' treatment and care in surgical units. It is not by any means the best and correct way to act in every situation really. But it is considered as being it towards patients, relatives and colleagues. (Torjuul et al., 2005) [27] Studies have shown that physicians often are in doubt about the best and correct actions to take for the patients in specific situations. The surgical procedure is one of the most important activities for the patient's future life, and it requires a wealth of medical knowledge and skilled professionals and equipment. Nevertheless, patients do not only consist of the body and its functioning, but they are also social and cultural beings in relationships with others.

Most of these relationships are not equal in power, importance and information, like that between surgeons and their patients. All relationships require mutual trust, respect and empathy to be maintained and developed. In an individualistic understanding of ethics, it is argued that the quality of these relationships depends on the individuals only. They are either good or bad. But this has shown to be, at the very least, a too simplistic perspective. More profoundly, a relational ethical perspective means reflecting on the challenges we encounter in our relationships with others, and what it means to be a good person and a good professional, how to best fulfil our social roles and obligations. In the narrowest sense, a profession is understood as a dedicated set of specialized knowledge and skilled activities, often institutionalized within an educational framework and certified with a licensure. But it is also believed that traits that make a person a good Physician, Nurse, teacher or whatsoever are not only individual traits. Rather, they are characteristics of the relationship. Instead focusing only on the individual, one may think thus of the relationship of importance as something that involves two or more people. Such a shift gives room.

Patient Autonomy

Surgery, as a certain medical act, always implies confrontation between a physician as its executor and a patient as its recipient. There are rules that limit the practice of a physician, but the necessity of the healing of the patient may sometimes require going beyond the commonly accepted standards of therapeutic management (Rej-Kietla & Kryska, 2013) [28]. Legal responsibilities resulting from performing surgery are within the affirmative aspect the obligation to provide help. It is difficult to assume, however, that this duty may commit the physician to act at the patient's request, in the case of actions incompatible with the law, principles of social coexistence, medical deontology, good manners, or the principles of medical knowledge.

It is permissible, however, to establish negative obligations of the physician with the performance of surgery in the exclusive interest of the patient. This type of responsibility directs the physician to avoid what would or may harm the patient. Attention should be paid to the violation of this type of duty to show how such failure may contribute to the patient's right to claim damages from the physician performing surgery. A physician who informed an operated girl that "death from myocardial infarction may be painful" was previously accused of unintentionally causing death while he was convicted of causing her death by not giving her free treatment of acute heart failure. The question is critical, then, of the consequences of violating the negative obligation to provide or arrange care for the operated patient.

End-of-Life Decisions

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SURGERY AND TECHNOLOGY

In the cycle of innovation, translation, and implementation, technology is always far ahead of its application, particularly with culture and expectations. In healthcare and surgery, this cycle had been occurring about every 100 years. However, what began with the Centennial at Trafalgar in 1805 is now accelerating to nearly every decade. Nonetheless, it is acute pressure of new technology onto a very conservative profession that fundamentally drives the fear and excitement for many about the future of surgery and medicine (M. Satava, 2008) [29].

The first revolution for surgery began in the transition during the Industrial Age in the mid 1800's. An extraordinary convergence of scientific endeavours simultaneously revolutionized surgery. Anesthesia, asepsis, pathology, new instrumentation and techniques, and many more all appeared within a decade in the 1840's. For the first time in history, surgeons could safely and effectively reach deeper within the body to surgically correct the pathologies of nature. An extraordinary and unmistakable acceleration of surgery rapidly moved from butchery to a legitimate healing art.

Nearly a hundred years later, in the middle 20th Century, surgery once again was advanced by a confluence of events. With antibiotics, intravenous fluid and hyperalimentation, radical surgery resections now became possible, and chemotherapy could now effectively elongate the process and eliminate local extensions. Many people believe we are currently experiencing the birth of surgery's third great revolution. By the early 1990s, laparoscopic (or minimally invasive) surgery emerged and forever altered what was possible and acceptable to both the patient and physician. As in the prior two transitions, this current evolution is being driven by the introduction and rapid improvement of information Age technologies; video cameras and monitors significantly progressed the observation of internal body throughout the 90s.

Advancements in Surgical Tools

As early as the dawn of the 20th century, technological advancements were on the rise. Some of the most pivotal advancements were in surgical tools and techniques. Each year, doctors were developing new tools, often influenced by machines they used in World War I. This included small saws, drills, and picks. Other machinery, like artificial respirators, were modified to be used in surgeries. The ability to create new and improved tools allowed for more surgical procedures to be performed with increased success (Kumar & Goyal, 2024) [30].

Soon thereafter, the first laparoscope was invented by Georg Kelling when he placed a cystoscope inside a dog's abdomen. The most pivotal change to modern surgery is the dust-sized robot introduced at John Hopkins University in 1967. This type of surgery allowed for decreased bleeding, less pain, and lower risk of infection. The Da Vinci Robot is a major advancement in scientific history. It is the first truly robotic surgery. This involved subtracting much of the concept of surgery, since the surgeon no longer had to perform the surgery manually. Artificial intelligence (AI) would now make the decisions. The Da Vinci Robot could cut the body open and seal the open wound much like a sewing machine could punch out letters on paper and seal the page shut in the same fraction of a second.

However, this introduction of the Robot combined with nearly 20 years of research, payment, and development drove the United States Government into 40 trillion dollars' worth of debt. This forced them to take complete control of all medical facilities, requiring 12–18 years of medical training to receive the necessary medical qualifications to work (Ansah Owusu et al., 2023) [22].

TELEMEDICINE IN SURGERY

Future Trends in Surgery

The future of surgery is on the brink of a major change. Surgeons will need scientific and technical skills conducive to future trends as they develop a more upfront role in diagnostic techniques and the

medical management of patients. GPs and hospital attendants have traditionally referred patients to the consultant surgeon for diagnosis and treatment through surgery. This occurs often later in the course of illness.

As surgery will become more minimally invasive, surgeons will play a larger role in therapeutic interventions; for example, laparoscopic or thoracoscopic surgery, manipulating body tissues through narrow tubes, using optical systems for visualisation or guidance, and with the aid of high technology. It is suggested that up to 75% of surgical procedures may be performed with minimal access techniques by 2010 (Mitchell, 2020) [31]. There will be a greater emphasis on outcome measures. A further new emphasis is the use of information technology. Patients will need to access knowledge previously the reserve of the medical profession. Equally, the ability of the patient to have surgery will be determined not just by the surgeon, but by the integrated network of healthcare providers and payers, the Health Maintenance Organization and the health insurance company. Socio-economic factors could complicate patient care while on the waiting list. One concept is suggesting repair or replacement at the full depreciated value of a person. So, the older you are, the less will be done.

Personalized Surgery

The medical profession has always faced changes that have resulted in improvements in the health of patients. Therapeutics have evolved based on numerous investigations carried out by scientific communities. Developments in drugs, and discoveries of new diseases, or new treatments to already known diseases, have led to changes in medical protocols. However, the changes in medical protocols have been extremely abrupt in other areas that have not been discovered by the scientific community and that must be discovered by theoretical research. It can only be supposed that new methods and treatments are most useful. Changes in medical protocols have occurred for two reasons: Commercial interests and ignorance of current research in these new fields.

Besides, Citizenship, after observing that the new protocols have been harmful to his health, has ended up regulating commercial interests and taking the initiative. The authorities require scientific evidence and an action from the scientific community that clarifies which new procedures should be considered. Also, it is questioned whether the surgeries carried out for aesthetic purposes in private centers or insurances, have as their main objective the patient, all the patients are sufficiently informed of the characteristics of the surgery and the possible risks that it entails, and whether this type of interferences can affect the essential quality of the General Public Health service (Pamias-Romero et al., 2022) [32].

The personalized surgery or Adopt surgery concept is based on the use of new technological possibilities, currently possible, that allow the customization of the entire surgical process in all its phases. New technologies combining the use of high-resolution imaging, 3D processes, and 3D printing, make it easier to design custom-made solutions for each patient. The diagram in Figure 1 shows the first step is to perform a 3D image diagnostic of the injury of the patient and the healthy areas and I approach the case by means of a 3D digital model. Virtual as possible surgical treatment is carried out and is evaluated by obtaining a 3D model with CAD software to build medical guides, drills or specialized surgical instruments, conventional work that can take the form of 3D printed components quickly and inexpensively. Virtual plan is exported in 3D for consultation and to be able to carry out a real physical model of the plan. Thus, this plan is evaluated by means of physical models of bone and facial 3D printed with stereolithography or any other prosthetic anatomy or technology. The process can be optimized and finally exports in them for the rapid prototyping of the template of osteotomies or what is needed, from common printers or 3D printing services. Once obtained all the tools necessary to carry out the operation, the surgery is realized. The uses of personalized surgery involving a change in the traditional surgical process described have been used in a wide range of surgical sub-specialties (J. Kim et al., 2019) [33].

Artificial Intelligence in Surgery

Artificial intelligence (AI) is being widely integrated into healthcare. Continuous research is being carried out on the applicability of AI in the fields of medicine and surgery, and its potential benefits in screening and intervention (Zhou et al., 2019) [34]. Increased accuracy in the screening and diagnosis of certain pathologies has been found with the application of AI algorithms in specialties, such as ophthalmology. Consequently AI-based algorithms are deemed to be important in being able to secure early diagnosis and treatment. It has been found that in the evaluation of the risk of post-surgical complications and the selection of individuals for operative procedures, it is possible to predict the occurrence of possible complications within 30 days after surgery with a success rate of 93% using 410 learning-based artificial intelligence algorithms (Amin et al., 2024) [35]. It is also possible to identify an individual 7 days prior to certain microsurgical procedures with a 74% success rate using this artificial intelligence (AI) infrastructure.

Continuous studies in the field of surgery have also shown the importance and potential benefits of AI. Experiments and research in the field of orthopedics and neurosurgery showed a very marked improvement in the narrative of the diagnostic and prognostic processes of the surgical procedures used. The importance of AI development has also been emphasized by saying that with the increasingly accurate and fast diagnostics planned, patient-specific decision-making provides a “two-pronged” advantage, allowing advanced development in both diseases and treatments at the same time. Researchers have used 640,000 lumbar MRIs to train a deep convolutional neural network with the learning algorithm used around the vertebrae. This obtained learning algorithm shows successful accuracy values in the evaluation by using the area on non-stabilized vertebrae with degenerative spinal diseases.

Since 1996, machine learning (ML) has gained tremendous popularity in health, especially in the field of surgery. In studies, it is stated that opinions are put forward in a way that encourages development and that innovative ideas are relayed. The narrative review mainly covers studies focusing on promising research on the use of AI in surgery. Successful applications for AI in surgery have thus been reviewed. Applications have been classified from pre-operative planning to intra-operative intervention and post-operative evaluation. It is summarized regarding the current state, emerging trends and major challenges of AI development. In surgery, a new era is being inaugurated in which humans and machines are effectively treated with the progression of all the technologies mentioned above. A pioneer in computer-aided diagnosis methods expressed that the new frontier of AI will be medical analysis. Many genomic data derived from patients where an agreement is made with the pharmaceutical companies were also given to Artificial Intelligence for analysis and detailed medicine was aimed by producing them. Furthermore, some controversial rules were proposed to ensure data integrity and the confidentiality of the individuals, such as threatening to Jewish heritage for data integrity.

Global Perspectives on Surgery

Global health care systems are each unique, interconnected by common scientific knowledge and commitment to the wellbeing of patients. With awareness and understanding of each other’s contributions to the medical needs of societies around the world, international bonds are strengthened. Such a perspective reinforces the solemn duty that health care providers hold in society, the trust placed upon them by the public to provide competent and responsible care. Surgery holds a central role in medicine, in terms of both historical and current application due to the pivotal role the surgical suite has in treating threatening diseases. From the antiseptic revolution to the recent astonishing innovations in oncological surgery, the profession of surgery has always inhabited the cutting edge of medical knowledge (Harshini Malapati et al., 2023) [36]. It is the responsibility of the continued profession of surgery to ensure it remains the pinnacle of medical excellence to treat the evolving diseases of society. Ensuring and promoting an understanding of the work of surgical departments and their necessity in a

well-rounded health care system are paramount. This work, in turn, strengthens the bonds between the public and community of health care providers a public trust upon which society hinges. Surgery must be shown in full picture with the struggle it undertakes to save lives and curb disease. Through deep understanding and displaying of that understanding through action, the role of surgery nations and in humanity can be expanded and thus provide the best quality of care to humanity. The best of attention and the best of equipment should be available to those patients who need them and should be available to all patients wherever they may be located, in urban and in rural needs, in low and middle-income countries (LMIC), who maybe most of our patients. A profession, which is not committed in this way, cannot be called a profession, and should not have the rights of autonomy and independence that professions enjoy.

Surgical Care in Developing Countries

In high-income countries, surgical training is one of the longest and most rigorous programs in medical education. Most of the world, however, practices surgery in a wide variety of different contexts and settings. Making improvements requires guiding policies, programs, and education that are tailored to this context. Total worldwide annually about 234 million major surgical procedures take place. Of these, only about a quarter takes place in low- and middle-income countries where nearly three quarters of the world's population live. Conditions that are amenable to surgery are common in these countries, and this need contributes significantly to the burden of global disease. Several initiatives have been started that aim to reduce this global burden by improving emergency and essential surgical care in developing countries. They all recognize the worldwide lack of human resources for health care workers skilled in surgery, anesthesia, and obstetrics. The Bellagio Essential Surgery Group are part of this growing movement and aims to increase access to surgical services in district hospitals in sub-Saharan Africa. District hospitals are the first referral level for primary care facilities and responsible for the management of many common surgical conditions. 68–80% of the hospital bed-days are taken by surgical patients, a percentage that is expected to be maintained or increased according to recent recommendations. At the same time district hospitals are small hospitals with limited human, material and financial resources. Staffing problems are particularly acute: out of the 57 countries with less than 2.93 physicians per 10,000 inhabitants, 35 (61.4%) are in Africa. Anecdotal evidence suggests that it is common to find just one or no trained surgical providers in district hospitals. The policy analysis indicated how only 4.5% (considered as a proxy indicator of the performance of surgical patient care) of all the quality entities in district hospitals pertain to surgical hospital care. On the other hand, of all the quality problems that occur during such care, this condition contributes to over 20%. However.

Global Health Initiatives

Surgery saves lives. No one can deny the incredible impact that surgical interventions can have in healthcare. There are a litany of medical diseases that can be eradicated, or better, treated, with surgery. Arthritis, and its many syndromes, is a prime example. Plus, physical traumas are best addressed surgically. Any hepatic or renal damage is a sure candidate for surgery. There always will be a sickness that will require surgical intervention.

On the other hand, there's the fact that many surgeries are performed for patients to regain functionality, sometimes it's quality of life what's at stake, but it's not a matter of plain life and death. Yet even then surgery is what's needed. Disability and not functional illness is what most terrifies someone and, therefore, what they are more eager to have treated.

In developing countries, the scenario described above is even worse. Furthermore, in some of these countries, there is no public universal health system. South Africa, for instance, was until recently no exception. Now the «National Health Insurance» seems to be on its way. Still, the resources are far too limited for everyone to have surgical intervention on demand.

Besides, it can be argued, as is so currently in South Africa, that with such limited resources acting on the health system at large would be more beneficial than performing surgeries alone. Surely, that would surely improve the healthcare available to a greater number of patients. A totally valid argument, there is truth in it. But then again, looking at a bigger picture, the same can be said for any other health care. It is widely accepted, however, that investments in peasantry yield better results than investments in reinunnas, regardless of many other variables. This, plus the argumentation put forward above, suggest surgery should indeed be the cornerstone on the development of public health policies in South Africa and in other developing countries (Mac Quene et al., 2021) [37].

RESULTS

The integration of surgical interventions within the medical profession has significantly advanced patient outcomes across various domains. The application of modern surgical techniques, including minimally invasive procedures, robotic surgery, and precision medicine, has led to reduced recovery times, fewer complications, and improved overall patient satisfaction. In fields, such as oncology, cardiology, and orthopedics, surgery continues to play a pivotal role in achieving favorable prognoses, offering patients access to life-saving treatments. Additionally, advancements in surgical technology have facilitated greater precision and reduced the risks traditionally associated with invasive procedures. Collaborative efforts between surgeons, anaesthesiologists, nurses, and other healthcare professionals have further optimized the effectiveness and safety of surgeries.

CONCLUSIONS

Surgery remains an essential and evolving pillar of the medical profession, with its contributions to diagnosis, treatment, and recovery being invaluable. As technological advancements continue to shape surgical practices, the field holds immense potential for further improving patient care and outcomes. Surgeons, alongside interdisciplinary teams, will continue to be at the forefront of addressing the complex challenges of modern medicine. Ethical considerations and patient-centred approaches must remain central to surgical practice, ensuring that each intervention is tailored to the individual needs of the patient. The role of surgery in healthcare will undoubtedly continue to expand, offering new opportunities for innovation and life-saving interventions in the future.

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