

We are growing!

The USC Institute of Urology is pleased to introduce our newest faculty members: Monish Aron, M.D.; Mihir M. Desai, M.D.; and Anne K. Schuckman, M.D. These three

new additions to our team bring standout surgical subspecialty expertise focused on different aspects of urology.

In addition to bringing surgical excellence, we are committed to ensuring that our patients and referring physicians have complete access to our services. Our promise to our patients is personalized care which adds a caring, human touch to technical expertise.

Our promise to referring physicians:

- Prompt appointments: within 48 hours of referral
- Second opinion consults
- Seamless communication
- Refer patients back to you for continuity of care

Our growing team of experts covers the entire range of advanced urologic practice. We are here to assist you with your most complex cases. As such, we look forward to partnering with our referring physicians and urologists as we work together to deliver world-class care to our patients.

Please visit us at uscurology.com or call us at (323) 865-3700 to schedule and appointment or for more information.

Sincerely,

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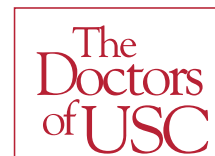
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Monish Aron, M.D., Professor of Urology, Co-Director, Robotic Surgery & Advanced Laparoscopy

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Dr. Aron is an internationally recognized expert in robotic, laparoscopic, and “belly-button” surgery for cancer and non-cancer diseases of the adrenal, kidney, ureter, bladder and prostate. He has pioneered the development of robotic kidney surgery, laparoscopic and robotic “belly button” surgery through a single hidden incision, and NOTES transvaginal nephrectomy research. Dr. Aron is also experienced in image-guided ablation for kidney and prostate cancer, laparoendoscopic single site surgery (LESS), and robotic surgery for female pelvic organ prolapse and incontinence.

Background

- Staff Urologist, Center for Laparoscopic and Robotic Surgery, Cleveland Clinic.
- Fellowships in Advanced Laparoscopy and Advanced Robotics, Cleveland Clinic.
- Authored more than 170 scientific publications and book chapters.

Recognition

- G B Ong Medal by the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, 2001.
- First Prize: Best Video Session, AUA 2009: Transvesical robotic radical prostatectomy.
- Best Paper Award: 26th World Congress on Endourology and SWL, 2008: Flexible robotic ureteroscopic laser lithotripsy for renal calculi: initial clinical experience.

Recent Publications

- Transvaginal Nephrectomy with a Multichannel Laparoscopic Port: A Cadaver Study. *BJU Int.* 2009; 103(11): 1537-41.
- NOTES Hybrid Transvaginal Radical Nephrectomy for Tumor: Stepwise Progression Toward a First Successful Clinical Case. *Eur Urol.* 2009.

Anne K. Schuckman, M.D., Assistant Professor of Urology, Chief of Urologic Oncology, LAC+USC Medical Center

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Dr. Schuckman’s clinical specialties include testicular cancer, bladder cancer, kidney cancer, urinary reconstruction and neobladder construction. She has extensive experience with complex retroperitoneal masses, including those requiring major vascular resection and reconstruction. She performs open and laparoscopic procedures, including laparoscopic nephrectomy and partial nephrectomy. Dr. Schuckman’s research interests include outcomes and fertility of testicular cancer, outcomes with neobladder formation and treatment of advanced penile cancer.

Background

- M.D., University of Southern California.
- Surgical internship and urology residency, LAC+USC Medical Center.
- Urologic oncology fellowship under Dr. Donald Skinner, USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center and Hospital.

Recognition

- Chief Resident, 2005 – 2006.
- Awarded the Gerald P. Murphy Scholar Award by the American Urological Association in 2006.
- Board certified by the American Board of Urology.

Recent Publications

- “Outcomes in High Risk Testicular Cancer Patients Treated with High Dose Chemotherapy”, *AUA*, 2009.
- “Cardiopulmonary Bypass and Level IV Tumor Thrombus: Deep Hypothermic Circulatory Arrest May Limit Perioperative Mortality.” 2009.

Mihir M. Desai, M.D., Professor of Urology, Director, Robotic Surgery
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Dr. Desai is a nationally and internationally recognized expert in robotic, laparoscopic and endourologic surgery. He has considerable experience in laparoscopic and robotic surgery for cancers of the kidney, prostate and bladder, ureteroscopic and percutaneous treatment of urinary stones and tumors, and image-guided ablation of kidney tumors and prostate cancer. His pioneering work includes, novel techniques for treating uretero-pelvic obstruction, developing novel flexible robotic platforms, single-port (scarless “belly button”) laparoscopic surgery for various urologic conditions and research in natural orifice surgery (NOTES).

Background

- Associate Professor of Urology, Cleveland Clinic.
- Director, Center for Endourology and Endourology Fellowship Program, Cleveland Clinic.
- Authored over 150 peer-reviewed publications and book chapters.
- Associate Editor of *UROLOGY* and reviewer to many journals.

Recognition

- Won endourology essay contest awards in 2001, 2002, and 2003.
- Awarded “Best Video” at the American Urology Association meetings each year between 2000 and 2009.
- Gold Medal awarded by Gujarat University in 1996.

Recent Publications

- Percutaneous Endopyeloplasty: a Novel Technique. *J Endourol.* 2002; 16:431.
- Robotic-Assisted Laparoscopic Adrenalectomy. *Urology.* 2002; 60(6).
- Laparoscopic Radical Nephrectomy for Tumor with Level I Renal Vein Involvement. *J Urol.* 2003; 169:483.

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