

Faisal Alzahrani, MD, FRCSC, ABOto

Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Citizenship: Saudi

WORK EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor. Head and Neck Oncology & Reconstruction Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery. College of Medicine. King Saud University	2023- Present
Faculty Consultant Head and Neck Oncology & Reconstruction, Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, University of Western Ontario/ London Health Science Centre. Ontario, Canada	2021-2022

EDUCATION

Year	Degree	Institution
2012	MD	King Saud University
2013	Internship	King Saud University

POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL TRAINING

Year	Degree	Institution
2014-2019	Residency in Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery	Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada
2019-2020	Fellowship Head & Neck Oncology-Reconstruction	Yale University, Connecticut
2020-2021	Fellowship Head & Neck Oncology-Reconstruction	University of Western, Ontario

BOARD CERTIFICATION

Year	Board
2019	Royal College of Surgeons Canada (FRCSC). Otolaryngology-HNS
2021	American Board of Otolaryngology-HNS (ABOto)

MEDICAL LICENSURE

Year	Type	Province/ State
2022-present	Independent/Consultant	Saudi Commission for Health Services
2020-Present	Independent/Consultant	College of Physicians Surgeons Ontario
2019-2020	Fellow	Connecticut State Medical License
2014-2019	Resident	College of Physicians Surgeons Nova Scotia

EXAMINATIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS

2017	United States Medical Licensing Examination step 3 (USMLE)
2016	Medical Council of Canada Qualifying Exam (MCQE)-LMCC
2015	United States Medical Licensing Examination step 2CS
2014	United States Medical Licensing Examination step 1 (USMLE)
2013	United States Medical Licensing Examination step 2CK (USMLE)
2013	Medical Council of Canada Evaluating Examination (MCCEE)
2012	Basic Life Support (BLS) & Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)

ACHIEVEMENTS/HONORS/AWARDS

Chief Resident, Division of Otolaryngology - HNS Dalhousie University	2019
Resident Teaching Award of the year Department of Surgery, Dalhousie University	2017
Poliquin National Resident Research Competition – 2 nd place Award Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery	2016
SEED Fund for Research. Amount: 50,000 CAD Department of Surgery, Dalhousie University	2015
First class honor - GPA 4.78/5 Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS/MD) King Saud University	2013
First class honor - GPA 4.98/5 Preparatory Year for Health Sciences Colleges King Saud University	2007

TEACHING ROLES

Adjunct Professor. Department of Otolaryngology. University of Western Ontario. Resident didactics	Present
Otolaryngology residents teaching didactics Dalhousie University, Yale University and University of Western Ontario	2014-2021
Skilled clinician course teaching for medical student Dalhousie university	2017
Teaching Assistant Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery King Saudi University	2013-2014

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Ontario Medical Association – ENT Section	2020-present
American Head and Neck Surgery Society (AHNS)	2017-present
Canadian Society of Otolaryngology- Head and Neck Surgery (CSO-HNS)	2014-present

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Indoor Halifax soccer league	2016-2018
Colleges Soccer League. College of Medicine team, King Saud University	2008-2010
Colleges Volleyball League. College of Medicine, King Saud University	2011-2012

COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS

Residency Selection Committee, Division of Otolaryngology-HNS, Dalhousie	2016-2018
Residents Training Committee, Division of Otolaryngology-HNS, Dalhousie	2018-2019
Student membership Committee of American College of Physicians	2011
World Blood Donor Day, Organizing committee. Blood bank-King Saud university	2010
Inspired the university employees and the public towards blood donation	

COURSES

Sialoendoscopy Course- Harvard Medical School. USA	2022
Flap Harvest Fellows course- Ohio. USA	2020
Advanced Microsurgery Course – Columbia University. USA	2019
Davinci Transoral Robotic Surgery Course. London. ON Canada	2020
AO- Facial Trauma Course. San Diego, CA, US	2018
8 th McGill Facial Plastic Surgery Course. Montreal, QC, Canada	2017
Temporal Bone Dissection Course Ann Arbor, MI, USA	2017
Endoscopic & Skull Base Surgery Course. Winnipeg, Canada	2016
AHNS Thyroid & Parathyroid Surgery Course. Seattle, WA, USA	2016
Otolaryngology junior residents Emergency Lifesaving Surgical Boot camp. London, Ontario	2015

LANGUAGES

English: Fluent
Arabic: Fluent

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

The Impact of Surgical Resectability on Outcomes for Patients Undergoing Primary Radiation Treatment for Human Papillomavirus-Related Oropharyngeal Cancer. Fnais N, Laxague F, **Alzahrani F**, Fung K, Gravio, Eric, MacNeil SD, Mendez A, Yoo J, Lang P, Mymryk J, Barrett J, Tay K, Leung A, Nichols A, Palma D. International Journal of Radiation Oncology, Biology, Physics. February 2022.
DOI:[10.1016/j.ijrobp.2022.02.025](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijrobp.2022.02.025)

Transoral robotic surgery for the identification of unknown primary head and neck squamous cell carcinomas: Its effect on the wait and the weight. **Alzahrani F**, Sahovaler A, Mundi N, Rammal A, Fnais N, MacNeil SD, Mendez A, Yoo J, Fung K, Laxague F, Warner A, Palma DA, Nichols A. Head Neck. 2022 May;44(5):1206-1212. doi: 10.1002/hed.27023. Epub 2022 Feb 27. PMID: 35224796.

Prophylactic Central Neck Dissection for Clinically Node-Negative Papillary Thyroid Carcinoma. Alsubaie KM, Alsubaie HM, **Alzahrani FR**, Alessa MA, Abdulmonem SK, Merdad MA, Al-Khatib T, Marzouki HZ, Algarni MA, Alherabi AZ. Laryngoscope. 2021 Oct 28. doi: 10.1002/lary.29912. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 34708877.

Glutamine for prevention and alleviation of radiation-induced oral mucositis in patients with head and neck squamous cell cancer: Systematic review and meta-analysis of controlled trials. Alsubaie HM, Alsini AY, Alsubaie KM, Abu-Zaid A, **Alzahrani FR**, Sayed S, Pathak AK, Alqahtani KH. Head Neck. 2021 Oct;43(10):3199-3213. doi: 10.1002/hed.26798. Epub 2021 Jul 9. PMID: 34240498.

A Manufacturer and User Facility Device Experience Analysis of Upper Aerodigestive Endoscopy Contamination: Is Flexible Laryngoscopy Different? Jiang R, Kastle DA, **Alzahrani F**, Kohli N, Lerner MZ. Laryngoscope. 2021 Mar;131(3):598-605. doi: 10.1002/lary.28826. Epub 2020 Jun 19. PMID: 32558941.

Hyperprogression of a Sinonasal Squamous Cell Carcinoma Following Programmed Cell Death Protein-1 Checkpoint Blockade. Izreig S, **Alzahrani F**, Earles J, Mehra S, Judson BL, Pan Z, Rahmati RW.. JAMA Otolaryngol Head Neck Surg. 2020 Dec 1;146(12):1176- 1178. doi: 10.1001/jamaoto.2020.2584. PMID: 32940637.

Online Adult Tonsillectomy Resources: Are Patients Getting Readable Recommendations? **Alzahrani F**, Wizney L, Hong P. B-ENT. 2018. Vol 14: 203-209

Insomnia in primary care settings: Still overlooked and undertreated? Almeneessier AS, Alamri BN, **Alzahrani F**, Sharif MM, Pandi-Perumal SR, BaHammam AS. J Nat Sci Med 2018;1:64-8

The Hippo component YAP localizes in the nucleus of human papilloma virus positive oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma. **Alzahrani F**, Clattenburg, Muruganandan, Bullock, MacIsaac, Wigerius, Williams, Graham, Rigby, Trites, Taylor, Sinal, Fawcett, Hart. Journal of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery (2017) 46:15 DOI 10.1186/s40463-017-0187-1

Absent Ulnar Artery Detected by Allen's Test Prior to Radial Forearm Free Flap. Taylor B, **Alzahrani F**, Levi E, Taylor SM, Rigby M, Trites, Hart R. Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery – Global Open: April 2017 - Volume 5 - Issue 4-p1299

The facial nerve versus the retromandibular vein: a new anatomical relationship.

Alzahrani F, Alqahtani K. Head Neck Oncol. 2012 Nov 27;4(4):82.

<http://www.oapublishinglondon.com/images/article/pdf/1355866394.pdf>

Impact of neuromonitoring of recurrent laryngeal nerve and surgical loupes on the outcome of thyroidectomy: A retrospective chart review. Alshahrani M, **Alzahrani F**, Alghamdi A, ALghamdi F, Alshalaan Z, Al-Qahtani K. Saudi Med J 2013; Vol. 34 (8).

Incidence of Lymphatic Metastasis to Neck Nodes Level IIb in Neck Dissection for Head and Neck Cancers: A Retrospective Study, **Faisal Alzahrani**, Khalid Al-Qahtani, Mohammed Alshahrani, Khamis Almufargi, Abdullah Alkhudhayri, Labeb Obad, Tahera Islam. International Journal of Head and Neck Surgery 2014: vol 5(3): 99-103.

RESEARCHES SUBMITTED UNDER REVIEW

Swallowing Outcomes Following Transoral Surgery for Early T Stage Oropharyngeal Cancer (OPC): A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis. Almoaidbellah Rammal, Adrian Mendez, Julie Theuer, **Faisal Alzarhani**, John Yoo, Kevin Fung, David A. Palma, Pencilla Lang, Anthony C. Nichols, S. Danielle MacNeil. Under review in **JAMA Otolaryngology**.

Changes in Lateral Neck Lymph Node Detection and Treatment in Papillary Thyroid Cancer in the United States. Roy Jiang, MS, Daniel Jacobs, BA, **Faisal Alzahrani**, MD, Elizabeth Holt MD PhD, Saral Mehra, MD MBA. Under review in **Laryngoscope**.

ONGOING RESEARCHES

Feasibility Study of Comparing Specimen Driven Margins to Classical Patient Driven Margins for Oral Cavity Cancers: Randomized Clinical Trial Study.

Postoperative Bleeding Following Minimally Invasive Transoral Surgery for Early Stage Oropharyngeal Cancer: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

Venous Flow Patterns in Head and Neck Microvascular Anastomoses with Double Vein Anastomoses.

POSTERS EXHIBITS

Absent Ulnar Artery Detected by Allen's Test Prior to Radial Forearm Free Flap.
Alzahrani E, Levi E, Taylor SM, Rigby M, Trites, Hart R
American Head & Neck Society meeting. Seattle, USA. 2016

The facial nerve versus the retromandibular vein: a new anatomical relationship.
Alzahrani E, Alqahtani KH.
4th International Conference in Otolaryngology, Audiology and Communication Disorders. Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. 2013

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Update On Tongue Reconstruction-Invited Speaker

Workshop. January 20, 2023. IFOS Meeting. Dubai

Managing the Neck in Early Stage Oral Cavity Squamous Carcinoma. **Faisal Alzahrani**, Saral Mehra.

Grand round. May 4th, 2020. Otolaryngology-Yale University

Interesting Head and Neck Cases. **Faisal Alzahrani**, Jatin Shah.

The Clarence T Sasaki Lectureship. May 24, 2020. Yale University

Single sided deafness, is cochlear Implant the best option? **Faisal Alzahrani**, Nael Shoman.

Grand round. Feb 2nd, 2018. Otolaryngology-Dalhousie University

Online Adult Tonsillectomy Resources: Are Patients Getting Readable Recommendations?

Faisal Alzahrani, Wizney, Hong.

Dalhousie Surgery Research Day. Podium presentation 2017

Management of Epistaxis in Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia. **Faisal Alzahrani**, Emad Massoud.

Grand round. Jan 25th, 2017. Otolaryngology-Dalhousie University

Hippo Signaling in Oropharyngeal Squamous Cell Carcinoma. **Faisal Alzahrani**, Clattenburg, Muruganandan, Bullock, MacIsaac, Wigerius, Williams, Graham, Rigby, Trites, Taylor, Sinal, Fawcett, Hart.

2nd Place –Award winner Poliquin Residents competition- Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-HNS meeting. Podium 2016

Review on Perioperative Free Flaps Management. **Faisal Alzahrani**, Mark Taylor.

Grand round. Jan 25th, 2017. Otolaryngology-Dalhousie University

Thyroidectomy our Experience at King Abdulaziz University Hospital. **Faisal Alzahrani**, Alshahrani M, Alghamdi F, Alqahtani K.

21st Saudi ENT-H&N SURGERY Conference. Podium 2012

Insomnia in primary care: A survey conducted on Saudis attending primary care clinics.

Faisal Alzahrani, Sharif M, BaHammam A.

Gulf Thoracic Congress, Dubai, UAE. Podium 2011

