

Curriculum Vitae

Name: **Waldemar W. Zawislak**

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Date of Birth:

Place of birth:

Age:

Nationality:

Marital Status:

Current Post:

Associate Specialist in General Surgery
Altnagelvin Area Hospital
Glenshane Road,
Londonderry, BT47 1SB

Qualifications:

Lekarz Medycyny 1989
(Cracow University , Poland)

Fellowship of the Polish College of Surgeons 1991

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ATLS provider - 1997, 2003

GMC Registration:

Full Registration No

Membership of Societies:

American Hernia Society

The Medical Protection Society (Membership No.

British Medical Association (Membership No.

Education:

Grammar:

1977-1981 Liceum Ogólnokształcące im. Zofii
Nalkowskiej
ul. Skarbinkiego, Kraków. Poland.

*Ordinary Level
Passes:*

Polish Language, Polish Literature, English Language,
German,
History, Mathematics, Additional Mathematics,
Physics,
Statistics, Chemistry, Biology, Additional Chemistry
and Biology.

*Advanced Level
Passes:*

Polish Language and Literature, Mathematics,
Biology, Physics.

University:

1981-1987 Collegium Medicum,
Jagiellonian University at Kraków

*Examinations
Passed:*

Anatomy (June 1981) Chemistry (1981)
Biochemistry, Physiology (July 1982)
Biophysics (1982)
Microbiology, Pharmacology (May 1983).
Pathology (March 1985)
Philosophy, Sociology (1985)
Internal Diseases, Paediatrics (June 1986)
Psychiatry (1986)
Obstetrics & Gynaecology (May 1987)
Surgery (August 1987)

Graduated in November 1988

**Hospital
Experience:**

Undergraduate: 1981-1986, Teaching Hospitals throughout Poland.

1985, 8 weeks in Department of Gastroenterology,
Glostrup University Hospital, University of Copenhagen,
Denmark.

1986, 3 weeks in Department of Neonatology,
University of Texas Teaching Hospital,
Austin, USA.

Duties

General Surgery, Accident & Emergency. Intensive Care Unit,
Internal Diseases, Paediatrics, Neonatology

**Postgraduate:
Previous
Appointments:**

1 March 1988 – 30 May 1988
House Officer in Paediatrics,
City Children's Hospital, ul. Strzelecka 2, Krakow, Poland.

Duties

Paediatric Unit, also covering Intensive Care Unit and Cardiac
Monitoring Unit

1 June 1988 – 30 July 1988
House Officer in Obstetrics and Gynaecology,
I Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology,
Collegium Medicum,
Jagiellonian University, Krakow.
ul. Kopernika 23, Krakow, Poland.

Duties

Teaching University Hospital, 300 bed Gynaecology and Obstetric Unit
under supervision of Prof. Jan Madej.

1 August 1988 – 30 December 1988
House Officer in General Medicine/Allergology
Department of Allergology,
Collegium Medicum, Jagiellonian University, Krakow.

Duties

Teaching Hospital, General Medical Unit and Allergology Unit under the
supervision of Professor Andrzej Szczeklik, also covering Intensive Care
Unit, Cardiac Monitoring Unit & Cardiac Arrest Team.

**Postgraduate
(cont.):**

1 January 1989 – 1 March 1989

**House Officer in General Surgery and Orthopaedic Surgery,
II Department of Surgery,
Collegium Medicum,
Jagiellonian University, Krakow.**

Duties

General Surgery Unit under the supervision of Prof. O. Gedliczka,
Orthopaedics and Trauma Unit under supervision of Mr. A. Gorniak,
Consultant in Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgery.

I assisted at upper GI and colorectal surgical procedures and performed myself minor procedures such as appendicectomy. I was involved in management of general surgical and trauma patients.

1 March 1989 – 30 August 1990

**SHO in Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery
II Department of Surgery,
Collegium Medicum,
Jagiellonian University, Krakow.**

Duties

Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery Unit under supervision of Mr. Gorniak-
Consultant in Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery.

Operative experience particularly in hand surgery.

Fracture Clinic, providing first line treatment for all types of fractures seen in Casualty including manipulations and joint aspirations. I was involved in the management of major trauma and the pre and post operative care of ward patients. I assisted at emergency laparotomies, thoracotomies and craniotomies.

1 September 1990 – 28 February 1991

**Senior House Officer in Trauma and Neurotraumatology
II Department of Surgery,
Jagiellonian University, Krakow**

Duties

Trauma Surgery Department including training in Neurotraumatology.

**Postgraduate
(cont.):**

1 March 1991 – 3 November 1991

Senior House Officer in General Surgery.

**II Department of Surgery and Gastroenterology, Collegium Medicum,
Jagiellonian University, Krakow.**

Duties

Teaching University Hospital, 100 bed General Surgical Unit. Intensive care unit. I assisted at upper GI and colorectal procedures including gastrectomies, Whipple procedures, pancreatectomies, colectomies, AP and anterior resections of rectum, as well as at breast and thyroid surgery.

I performed myself open cholecystectomies, hernia repairs, small bowel resections, mastectomies with axillary clearance.

I performed diagnostic and therapeutic upper GI endoscopy.

I was responsible for immediate post-operative care in Intensive Care Unit.

15 July 1990 - 1 August 1990

"visiting surgeon" - Plastic Surgery Unit

**Kristianstad City Hospital,
Kristianstad, Sweden**

Duties

Plastic Surgery Unit under supervision of Prof. J. Gundersen.

I assisted mainly at breast reconstruction surgery.

10 November 1991 – 30 June 93

Registrar in General Surgery,

**II Department of Surgery and Gastroenterology,
Jagiellonian University, Krakow**

Duties

Teaching University Hospital, 100 bed General Surgical Unit under supervision of Prof. O. Gedliczka.

Operative experience in upper GI and colorectal surgery.

2 January 1993 - 28 February 1993

"visiting surgeon" in General Surgery

**Klinik und Poliklinik für Allgemeine Chirurgie
der Westfälischen Wilhelms Universität
Jungeblodtplatz 1, W-4400 Münster, Germany**

Duties

Teaching University Hospital, General Surgical Unit under supervision of Prof. Bunte.

Operative endoscopy unit under supervision of Prof. Kautz.

I assisted at kidney and liver transplantation as well as at procedures in gastrointestinal surgery and colorectal surgery. I also assisted at operative endoscopy procedures including biliary stenting, ERCP, laser therapy of advanced oesophageal carcinoma, colonoscopy and polypectomy.

**Postgraduate
(cont.):**

1 August 1993 - 30 October 1993
SHO in Cardiac Surgery
Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast

Duties Teaching Hospital, Cardiac Surgery Unit under supervision of Mr. D. J. Gladstone, consultant cardiac surgeons.
I was responsible for immediate post-operative care on the 25 bed Cardiac Surgical Intensive Care Unit, as well as later post-operative care on the wards. Operatively, I learnt to perform saphenous vein harvesting. I was second assistant at over fifty open heart procedures.

2 January 1994 - 15 July 1994
Registrar in General Surgery,
II Department of Surgery and Gastroenterology ,
Jagiellonian University, Krakow

Duties Teaching University Hospital, General Surgery Unit.
I continued my surgical training as a registrar and furthered my interest in GI surgery and endoscopy.

3 August 1994 - 31 January 1995
SHO in General Surgery,
Mater Infirmorum Hospital,
Crumlin Road, Belfast.

Duties Teaching Hospital, General Surgical Unit, under the supervision of Mr T. Diamond (Biliary Surgery), Mr C. Harvey (Vascular Surgery) Mr B. Wilson (Urology)
While working on this surgical unit I gained wide ranging exposure to both elective and emergency surgery. This post helped to consolidate my experience in all aspects of general surgery.

1 February 1995 - 31 July 1995
SHO in Vascular Surgery,
Belfast City Hospital,

Duties Teaching Hospital, Vascular Surgical Unit, under the supervision of Mr. B Lee and Mr. R Hannon, Consultant Vascular Surgeons.
I was responsible for the management of elective and emergency vascular and general surgical admissions. I assisted at 100 vascular surgical procedures (including fem-pop, axillo-fem bypasses, abdominal and thoracic aortic aneurysm repairs).
I performed basic vascular procedures such as femoro-popliteal bypass.
I was responsible for teaching medical and dental students. I was also organising and presenting audit meetings.

**Postgraduate
(cont.):**

1 August 1995 – 6 August 1996
Sp. Registrar in General Surgery and A&E
Lagan Valley Hospital,
Lisburn, Northern Ireland.

Duties

General Surgical Unit under supervision of Mr. V. Loughlin, consultant surgeon.

I assisted at and performed myself hernia repairs, left and right hemicolectomies, anterior resections of rectum, open and laparoscopic cholecystectomies. I continue to develop my experience in endoscopy performing diagnostic and therapeutic upper GI endoscopy and colonoscopy. I was also covering A&E department.

7 August 1996 – 31 October 1996
Sp.Registrar in General Surgery,
Mid Ulster Hospital, Magherafelt, Northern Ireland.

Duties

General Surgical Unit, with special interest in laparoscopic surgery under the supervision of Mr. P. Pyper and Mr. Hawe.

I gained wide ranging exposure to both elective and emergency surgery as well as experience in A&E department.

I was assisting at and performing myself wide range of elective and emergency surgical procedures including colon surgery and laparoscopic procedures. As the sole registrar I have been responsible for ward management and supervision of SHOs.

3 November 1996 – 5 February 1997
Senior SHO, Minimal Invasive Therapy Unit,
Stepping Hill Hospital, Stockport

Duties

Minimal Invasive Therapy Unit, Teaching hospital, under supervision of Mr. William Brough and Mr. G T Deans.

I gained invaluable experience in laparoscopic surgery as well as general surgery assisting Mr. Brough at wide range of laparoscopic procedures including laparoscopic cholecystectomies, hernia repairs, appendicectomies, Nissen funduplications, and adrenalectomies.

I attended Audit and Post Grad meetings.

6 February 1997 – 5 August 1997
Specialist Registrar in General Surgery
Mid Ulster Hospital, Magherafelt.

Duties

General Surgical Unit, with special interest in laparoscopic surgery.

Having the experience from Minimal Invasive Therapy Unit in Stockport I could particularly develop my skills in laparoscopic surgery.

I was also assisting at and performing myself wide range of elective and emergency surgical procedures including colon surgery.

**Postgraduate
(cont.):**

6 August 1997 – 3 February 1998
Specialist Registrar in General Surgery
South Tyrone Hospital, Dungannon

Duties

Registrar in General Surgery. General Surgical Unit, with special interest in laparoscopic surgery under the supervision of Mr. R. Peyton. I gained more experience in laparoscopic surgery. I also carried out more complex surgical procedures such as colectomies, total proctocolectomies, AP and anterior resection of rectum.

4 February 1998 – 4 August 1998
Specialist Registrar in General Surgery
Almagelvin Area Hospital, Glenshane Road, Londonderry BT47 1SB

Duties

GI Surgical Unit under the supervision of Mr. R. Gilliland, consultant colorectal surgeon. I gained further experience in colorectal surgery. I was also involved in teaching medical students.

Courses and Conferences Attended:

"GI Disorders. A critical Review", Glasgow 29 November 1994

Anastomosis Workshop, Northern Ireland Council for Postgraduate Medicine and Dental Education, Belfast City Hospital, 22 - 23 June 1995

"Current Controversies in Gastro-Intestinal Disease", London 1 December 1995

"GI Symposium" Gothenburg Sweden, 25 - 27 January 1996

**"Course of Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy" South Tyrone Hospital, Dungannon
5 - 6 February 1996**

I learnt the principles of safe laparoscopic cholecystectomy and performed two laparoscopic cholecystectomies under supervision.

**"Current Approaches for the Management of Advanced Colorectal Cancer", Belfast
25 March 1996**

**Autumn Meeting of North of England Gastroenterology Society. Stepping Hill Hospital,
16 November 1996.**

**Advanced General Surgical Videoscopic Course. Stepping Hill Hospital.
28-29 November 1996**

**Advanced Trauma Life Support Course - Daisy Hill Hospital, Newry, Northern Ireland
November 1997**

**The Glasgow Surgical Forum. The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow
12/13 November 1998**

St. Marks Colonoscopy Workshop - June 1999

Course of Hernia Repair (Prolene Hernia System) - Liverpool, February 2000

3 rd International Colonoscopy Masterclass – St. Mark's Hospital, London, April 2000

Practical

Procedures:

Appendicectomy open and laparoscopic, hernia repairs, laparoscopic and open cholecystectomy, nephrectomy, splenectomy, intestinal and colo-rectal surgery; right, left hemicolectomy, anterior resection of rectum, AP resection of rectum. Mastectomy with axillary clearance. Basic vascular bypass and anastomosis, varicose vein ligation and stripping. Hand surgery; tendon and nerve repair, internal fracture fixation, Diagnostic and therapeutic upper GI endoscopy and colonoscopy.
*/I performed over 2000 upper GI endoscopies and 200 colonoscopies/
Copy of my logbook is available on request.*

Research projects

The Role of Helicobacter Pylori in Peptic Ulcer Disease

(As a surgical trainee I performed research into the role of Helicobacter Pylori in Peptic Ulcer Disease. In June 1993 I was invited by Prof. Waldstrom to continue my research in the University of Lund in Sweden, where I had a grant for developing animal models for H.pylori infection.)

Excision and closure using incorporated gentamycin (Collotamp-G) versus marsupialisation for chronic pilonidal sinus. Results of prospective randomised controlled trial -

Presented at Irish Association of Coloproctology, Dublin May 2000

A prospective comparative trial of closed versus open-ended vasectomy with regard to chronic post vasectomy pain (orchialgia) – (Completed, ready for publication)

A prospective randomised controlled study of standard tension-free Lichtenstein open mesh repair versus Prolene Hernia System repair of inguinal hernia – started March 2000

Audit Experience

As a surgical trainee both in the Teaching University Surgical Department in Krakow, Poland and in the UK I was responsible for the regular collection, input and presentation of audit data for the monthly morbidity/mortality conferences. I was collecting audit data for morbidity/mortality of aneurysm repair in Vascular Unit in Belfast City Hospital.

I was co-ordinating mortality and morbidity audit in Mid-Ulster Hospital and South Tyrone Hospital.

Teaching Experience

I was responsible for teaching medical and dental students year 3, 4, 5 and final year in the Teaching University Surgical Department in Krakow, Poland from October 1991 till July 1994. This involved regular sessions 3 times a week. I was also responsible for running undergraduate exams. I was giving presentations and lectures for GP.

I was involved in teaching medical and dental students, year 4 and 5 in Belfast City Hospital and other hospitals in my Northern Ireland rotation from August 1994 till now. I performed similar duties in Stepping Hill Hospital in Stockport.

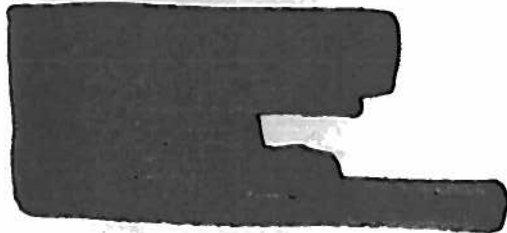
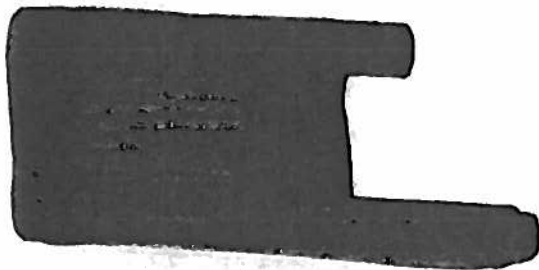
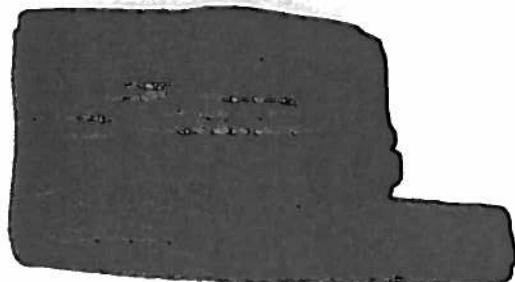
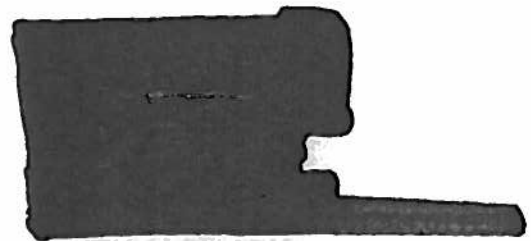
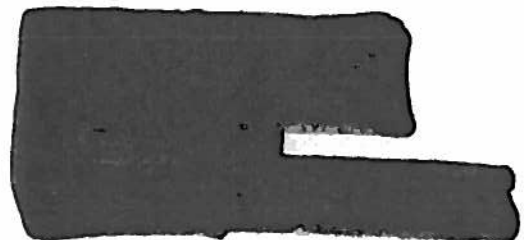
I was involved in teaching medical student and preparing exams in Altnagelvin Hospital.

Main Interest:

Abdominal wall and groin hernia repair both laparoscopic and open.
Minimal invasive surgery. Abdominal wall reconstruction.

General Interests:

In my free time I enjoy participating in a number of sports. I was particularly involved in skiing being the member of the University Team. I also enjoy yachting and swimming as well as ground tennis. I am interested in classical and jazz music playing piano myself.

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