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Sports Medicine and Reconstructive Foot and Ankle Surgery

CURRENT Private Practice

PRACTICE: Founder / Director: Foot & Ankle Specialty Group

PREVIOUS Associate: University Foot and Ankle Institute

PRACTICE: 2003 - 2013

HOSPITAL Cedars Sinai Medical Center

PRIVLEDGES: UCLA Medical Center- Santa Monica

Saint Johns Health Center

SURGERY 90210 Surgery Center

CENTERS: Precision ASC

LICENSURE: State of California: E 4431

DEA: BS8065751

BOARD American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery: *Diplomate*

CERTIFICATION:

PROFESSIONAL American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons: Fellow

MEMBERSHIPS: American Podiatric Medical Association

California Podiatric Medical Association

OFFICIAL Treating Foot and Ankle Specialist for

APPOINTMENTS: Los Angeles Ballet

RESIDENCY: Health South Surgery Center – San Francisco, CA

July 2002- **Director: Thomas Chang, DPM**

June 2003 PSR-24: Includes all foot and ankle procedures at surgery center

and California Pacific Medical Center; clinical office experience at

the Northern California Foot and Ankle Center.

DVAMC - Palo Alto, CA Director: Jack Bois, DPM

July 2001- PSR-12: Includes three months of First Chief and second call,

June 2002 managing all surgical candidates and performing all VA podiatric

surgical cases, supervising the clinic; rotations at VA and Stanford

University: Podiatric Medicine, Podiatric Surgery, Rheumatology, Psychology, Anesthesiology.

July 2000-June 2001 **PPMR:** Includes 13 weeks of call, managing inpatients, managing clinic five days per week, participating in surgical cases; rotations at VA and Stanford University: Podiatric Medicine, Radiology (with Donald Resnick, MD in San Diego), Vascular Surgery, Infectious Diseases, Pathology, Internal Medicine, Behavioral Medicine, Emergency Medicine.

EDUCATION:

Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine at Finch University Chicago Medical School

August 1996-May 2000

Doctor of Podiatric Medicine Degree

Bachelor of Science Degree, Cum Laude 1997.

September 1992-June 1996 **Knox College**

Graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree, Major in Biochemistry

with Honors; Dean's List; Honors Research Project in

Immunology.

HONORS & POSITIONS:

Scientific Journal Co- Editor: Present

Foot & Ankle Specialist

DVAMC - Palo Alto, CA (PSR-12)

Appointed Chief Resident first quarter.

Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine

Gait Laboratory Assistant 1997-2000; Durlacher Honors Society 1997-2000; State Society's Representative 1998-1999; Awarded Summer Research Fellowship at Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical Center 1997; American Podiatric Medical Student's

Association 1997 Appreciation Award.

May 1997-August 1997 Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine

Summer Research Fellowship:

<u>Factors Influencing Variation in Gait Adaptations After Total Hip Replacement</u>: Studying the gait patterns of patients with DJD of the hip joint with technologically advanced gait analysis and x-ray evaluation.

September 1995-

Knox College

May 1996

Honors Project: The Role of Serotonin on the Magnitude and Character of the Immune Response: A 58 page research thesis and oral defense after a year long examination of the relationship between the neuroendocrine system and the immune system.

June 1995- University of Chicago

August 1995 Fellowship: Summer Research Fellowship with REU Supplement

to NSF Grant (IBN-9408216) under Professor Martin Feder, PhD.:

Department of Organismal Biology and Anatomy.

PUBLICATIONS: Contributing editor of Anatomy chapter in *Compendium of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery 2003*.

Contributing author of Lateral Column Fusions Clin Podiatr Med

Surg. 2004 Jan;21(1):129-39. Review

When Neurosensory Testing Can Help Pinpoint The Cause Of Heel Pain. PodiatryToday. Sept. 2004

How To Diagnose And Treat Interdigital Neuritis. PodiatryToday. Jan. 2005

Contributing author of *Viscosupplementation (hyaluronans) in the treatment of ankle osteoarthritis*. Clin Podiatr Med Surg. 2005 Oct;22(4):585-97, vii.

Contributing author of *Sodium Hyaluronate in the Treatment of Osteoarthritis of the Ankle: A Controlled, Randomized, Double-Blind Pilot Study* J. Bone Joint Surg. Am. 2006; 88: 295-302. *Quantitative sensory testing.* Clin Podiatr Med Surg. 2006 Jul;23(3):545-57.

Quantitative sensory testing. Clin Podiatr Med Surg. 2006 Jul;23(3):545-57.

Pediatric and Adult Flatfoot Reconstruction: Subtalar Arthroereisis Versus Realignment Osteotomy Surgical Options. Clin Podiatr Med Surg. 2006 Oct;23(4):695-708, v. Review.

Correction of Deformities of the Lesser Digits
Foot & Ankle Specialist, Feb 2008; vol. 1: pp. 61 - 63.

Using platelet-rich plasma in the foot and ankle. Foot Ankle Spec. 2010 Apr;3(2):88-90.

Technology: correction of deformities of the lesser digits. Foot Ankle Spec. 2008 Feb;1(1):61-3.

Emerging Insights On Platelet-Rich Plasma. Podiatry Today, 2010 May;23

Using platelet-rich plasma in the foot and ankle. Foot Ankle Spec. 2010 Apr;3(2):88-90.

Current concepts for the use of platelet-rich plasma in the foot and ankle. Clin Podiatr Med Surg. 2011 Jan;28(1):155-70.

New technology and techniques in the treatment of foot and ankle injuries. Clin Podiatr Med Surg. 2011 Jan;28(1):19-41.

A Closer Look At Platelet-Rich Plasma For Achilles Tendon Pathology. Podiatry Today, 2011 Nov:24

Platelet-Rich Plasma: Can It Have An Impact For Plantar Fasciitis? Podiatry Today, 2012 Nov:25

MEDICAL

CONSULTANT: Available upon request.

LANGUAGES: French, Persian and Hebrew.

INTERESTS: Voice study (Opera), acting, filmmaking, traveling, water sports.

REFERENCES: Available upon request.