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Education

Graduate School (MBA)

University of Connecticut
School of Business - Part-time MBA Program
Master in Business Administration:
Concentrations: Healthcare and Management

08/2010 – 12/2019

Medical School (MD)

Our Lady of Fatima University
Fatima College of Medicine
Valenzuela City, Philippines
Degree: Doctor of Medicine (MD)

08/1996 – 11/2000

Undergraduate Education (BS)

College of Mount Saint Vincent (CMSV)
Riverdale, NY
Major: Biology/Pre-Med with a concentration in Molecular Biology
Minor: Mathematics
Degree: Bachelor of Science

09/1992 – 05/1996

Postdoctoral Training

Fellowship Training

Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition
Digestive Diseases and Nutrition Center
Women & Children's Hospital of Buffalo
University at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY

07/2006 – 06/2009

Internship and Residency Training

Pediatrics
UMDNJ – New Jersey Medical School (Rutgers University)
Newark, NJ
Affiliate Hospital: Hackensack University Medical Center
Hackensack, NJ

07/2003 – 06/2006

Academic Appointments

Associate Professor of Pediatrics
University of Massachusetts Medical School - Baystate
Worcester, MA

03/2021 – Current

Associate Professor of Pediatrics
University of Connecticut School of Medicine

09/2018 – 11/2019

Updated: December 11, 2020

Farmington, CT

Assistant Professor of Pediatrics
University of Connecticut School of Medicine
Farmington, CT

07/2009 – 09/2018

Other Positions and Employment

Attending Physician – Pediatric Gastroenterologist
Division of Digestive Diseases, Hepatology & Nutrition
Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford, CT

07/2009 – 11/2019

Pediatric Advisory Committee for the FDA
Special Government Consultant

09/ 2016 – Present

Associate Medical Staff
Department of Pediatrics
Connecticut Children's Medical Center
Saint Mary's Hospital, Waterbury, CT

05/2013 – 2016

Consultant, Pediatric Gastroenterologist
Department of Pediatrics
Danbury Hospital, Danbury, CT

02/2011 – 11/2019

Major Leadership Positions

Division Chief – Pediatric Gastroenterologist
Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology & Nutrition
UMMS-Baystate Dept. Pediatrics and Baystate Children's Hospital
Springfield, Massachusetts

11/2019 – Present

Educational Activities

Educational Leadership, Administration and Service

Director, Pediatric Gastroenterology Fellowship Program
Department of Pediatrics
Division of Digestive Diseases, Hepatology & Nutrition
Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford, CT
University of Connecticut School of Medicine

08/2014 – 01/2018

Associate Director, Pediatric Gastroenterology Fellowship Program
Department of Pediatrics
Division of Digestive Diseases, Hepatology & Nutrition
Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford, CT
University of Connecticut School of Medicine

09/2009 – 08/2014

Director, Pediatric GI/Radiology/Surgery CME Activity
Department of Pediatrics
Division of Digestive Diseases, Hepatology & Nutrition
Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford, CT
University of Connecticut School of Medicine

2011 – 2018

Director, Pediatric GI/Pathology CME Activity	2011 – 2018
Department of Pediatrics	
Division of Digestive Diseases, Hepatology & Nutrition	
Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford, CT	
University of Connecticut School of Medicine	

Teaching Activities in Programs and Courses

University of Massachusetts Medical School-Baystate, Springfield, MA

Autoimmune Hepatitis	03/25/2021
Baystate Children's Hospital	
ED Residents and Staff Didactics Lecture	

Lower GI Bleeding in Children	12/02/2020
Baystate Children's Hospital	
ED Residents and Staff Didactics Lecture	

Gastroesophageal reflux in infants and Children	07/22/2020
Constipation in Children	
Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders in Children	
Baystate Children's Hospital	
ED Residents and Staff Didactics Lecture	

Cystic Fibrosis associated Gastrointestinal Issues	05/07/2020
Baystate Children's Hospital	
Pediatric Residency Academic Half Day Lecture	

Celiac Disease	03/12/2020
Baystate Children's Hospital	
Pediatric Residency Academic Half Day Lecture	

Other

"Gastroesophageal Reflux in Infants and Children"	02/08/2018
University of Saint Joseph, West Hartford, CT	
Physician Assistant Program, Gastrointestinal Diseases and Nutrition Lectures	

Advanced Clinical Problem-Solving Elective	07/10/2017
USMLE Step 2 CK Board Review	
Elective course for 4th year medical students – UCONN	

Advanced Clinical Problem-Solving Elective	07/21/2016
USMLE Step 2 CK Board Review	
Elective course for 4th year medical students – UCONN	

"Gallbladder and Pancreatic Disease in Children"	12/18/2015
Resident didactic lecture - Connecticut Children's Medical Center	

Advanced Clinical Problem-Solving Elective 07/23/2015
 USMLE Step 2 CK Board Review
 Elective course for 4th year medical students - UCONN

"Acute and Chronic Pancreatitis" 05/05/2015
 Presented to the Department of Pediatric Gastroenterology

Advanced Clinical Problem-Solving Elective 07/11/2014
 USMLE Step 2 CK Board Review
 Elective course for 4th year medical students - UCONN

"Syndromes with GI Manifestations" 08/03/2012
 Resident didactic lecture - Connecticut Children's Medical Center

"Enteral Nutrition: The Alternatives" 02/06/2012
 Presentation on enteral nutrition and feeding tubes given to Dentistry
 Residents at Connecticut Children's

"Jaundice and Bilirubin Metabolism" 09/02/2011
 Resident didactic lecture - Connecticut Children's Medical Center

"Childhood Obesity" 02/19/2009
 Resident didactic lecture - Connecticut Children's Medical Center

Education for the Public/Community Education

1. "Food Allergies: Facts, Fads and Myth-Conceptions" 01/10/2018
 The Children's Museum – West Hartford, CT

Investigation

Grants

- NIH/SBIR (Finck, PI) 4/01/2018 – 2019
 - A retrievable autologous bioengineered esophageal implant as a novel treatment for long-gap esophageal atresia (R44)
 - Purpose of this grant is to explore the use of a retrievable scaffold as a way to treat pediatric esophageal defects and injuries using Biostage's cellspan esophageal implant.
 - Role: Clinical Advisor (5%)
 - Direct costs: \$747,782

Completed

- CCMC Friends (Sayej, PI) 7/01/2013 – 6/30/2016
 - Adopt-a-Program grant (CCMC Friends)
 - "Endoscopic phenotypes in patients with eosinophilic esophagitis are associated with unique molecular fingerprints: a pilot study"
- Direct costs: \$25,000

Health Care Delivery**Leadership Positions**

Investigator Site Champion for I-Act Institute for Advanced Clinical Trials Baystate Health	2020 - Present
Director, Pediatric Procedure Unit Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology & Nutrition Baystate Children's Hospital Springfield, Massachusetts	Nov 2019 – Present
Regional Medical Director for GI and Nutrition Connecticut Children's Subspecialty Group Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford, CT	Sept 2018 – Nov 2019
Director, Eosinophilic Esophagitis Program and Center Division of Digestive Diseases, Hepatology & Nutrition Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford, CT	03/2015 – 11/2019
Director, Pediatric Capsule Endoscopy Division of Digestive Diseases, Hepatology & Nutrition Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford, CT	10/2009 – 11/2019
Co-director, Connecticut Children's Aerodigestive Team (CCAT) Division of Digestive Diseases, Hepatology & Nutrition Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford, CT A collaborative team: departments of Gastroenterology, Pulmonology and ENT	02/2012 – 07/2014

Certification and Licensure

• Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine	2019 – Present
• Commonwealth of Massachusetts – Controlled Substance Registration	2019 - Present
• State of Connecticut Medical License	2008 – Present
• State of Connecticut Controlled Substance Registration	2009 – 02/2020
• Federal DEA License	2008 – Present
• New York State Unrestricted Medical License	2006 – 2017
• Ohio State Training Medical License (Training License)	

Certifications

- Certified: Subspecialty of Pediatric Gastroenterology 2011 – Present
- Certified: American Board of Pediatrics 2007 – 2017
- MOC cycle 2017 – Present
- National Board of Physicians and Surgeons (NBPAS) 2014 - Present

Scholarship

Peer-reviewed publications

Asterisk (*) is for corresponding author (i.e. the person most responsible for the contents of the manuscript) as listed in the journal.

1. Robson, J. *, Lusman, S. S., Lee, C. K., Merves, J., Middleton, J., Perez, M. E., Desai, N. K., **Sajej, W.**, Sivagnanam, M., Solomon, A. B., Colombo, J. M., Rosen, J. M., Van Buren, K. W., Brown, J. B., Turmelle, Y. P., Cerezo, C. S., Loomes, K. M., Huang, J. S., Quiros-Tejeira, R. E., Benkov, K., ... Sauer, C. G. (2020). Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition Entrustable Professional Activities: Development of an Assessment Tool and Curricular Resources. *Journal of pediatric gastroenterology and nutrition*, 71(1), e40–e45. PMID: 31988878
2. Wong J, Goodine S, Samela K, Vance KS, Chatfield B, Wang Z, **Sajej WN***. Efficacy of Dairy Free Diet and 6-Food Elimination Diet as Initial Therapy for Pediatric Eosinophilic Esophagitis: A Retrospective Single-Center Study. *Pediatr Gastroenterol Hepatol Nutr*. 2020 Jan;23(1):79-88. Epub 2020 Jan 9. PMID: 31988878
3. **Sajej WN***, Isakoff MS, DiGiuseppe JA, Moote D, Balarezo F, Finck C, Hyams JS. Primary Cutaneous Follicle Center Lymphoma in a 16-Year-Old Male with Crohn's Disease Exposed to Infliximab and Methotrexate. *J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr*. 2019 Nov 26. [Epub ahead of print]. PMID: 31789777
4. Jensen T*, Wanczyk H, Sharma I, Mitchell A, **Sajej WN**, Finck C. Polyurethane scaffolds seeded with autologous cells can regenerate long esophageal gaps: An esophageal atresia treatment model. *J Pediatr Surg*. 2018 Oct 22. PMID: 30429066
5. Mink R*, Schwartz A, Carraccio C, et. al.; Steering Committee of the Subspecialty Pediatrics Investigator Network. Creating the Subspecialty Pediatrics Investigator Network. *J Pediatr*. 2018 Jan;192:3-4.e2. PMID: 29895838 (Role: Collaborator)
6. **Sajej WN***, Foster C, Jensen T, Chatfield S, Finck C. Expanding and characterizing esophageal epithelial cells obtained from children with eosinophilic esophagitis. *Pediatr Res*. 2018 June 12. PMID: 29895838
7. Fable JM, Fernandez M, Goodine S, Lerer T, **Sajej WN***. Retrospective comparison of fluticasone propionate and oral viscous budesonide in children with eosinophilic esophagitis. *J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr*. 2017 May 9. PMID: 28489670.

8. Alkhouri RH*, Bahia G, Smith AC, Thomas R, Finck C, **Sajej W**. Outcome of medical management of intraabdominal abscesses in children with Crohn's disease. *J Pediatr Surg*. 2017 Mar 30. pii: S0022-3468(17)30208-7. PMID: 28427855
9. Jensen TJ*, Foster C, **Sajej W**, Finck CM. Conditional reprogramming of pediatric human esophageal epithelial cells for use in tissue engineering and disease investigation. *J Vis Exp*. 2017 Mar 22;(121). PMID: 28362412.
10. Grossi V*, Bezler N, **Sajej WN**. An ulcer of the duodenum in an adolescent caused by a pancreatic neuroendocrine tumor. *Clin Gastroenterol Hepatol*. 2016 Sep 6. PMID: 27613258.
11. **Sajej WN***, Ménoret A, Maharjan AS, Fernandez M, Wang Z, Balarezo F, Hyams JS, Sylvester FA, Vella AT. Characterizing the inflammatory response in esophageal mucosal biopsies in children with eosinophilic esophagitis. *Clin Transl Immunol*. 2016; 5:e88. PMID: 27525061.
12. **Sajej WN***, Knight PR III, Guo WA, Mullan B, Ohtake PJ, Davidson BA, Khan A, Baker RD, Baker SS. Advanced glycation end products induce obesity and hepatosteatosis in CD-1 wild-type mice. *BioMed Res Int*. 2016;2016. Article ID 7867852. PMID: 26942201.
13. Semancik E, **Sajej WN***. Oral immunotherapy for peanut allergy induces eosinophilic esophagitis: three pediatric case reports. *Pediatr Allergy Immunol*. 2016 Feb 17. PMID: 26888330.
14. Jensen T*, Blanchette A, Vadasz S, Dave A, Canfarotta M, **Sajej WN**, Finck C. Biomimetic and synthetic esophageal tissue engineering. *Biomaterials*. 2015 Jul; 57:133-41. PMID: 25916501.
15. Hollander LL*, Girard ED, Ruscher K, **Sajej W**, Finck C. Infected urachal cyst secondary to a Crohn's enterourachal fistula. *J Pediatr Surg*. 2012. PMID: 23217916.
16. Schaufler C*, Lerer T, Campbell B, Weiss R, Cohen J, **Sajej W**, Hyams J. Pre-operative immunosuppression is not associated with increased post-operative complications following colectomy in children with ulcerative colitis. *J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr*. 2012 Oct; 55(4):421-4. PMID: 22395189.
17. Patel R*, Baker SS, **Sajej WN**, Baker R. Two cases of helicobacter pylori-negative gastric outlet obstruction in children. *Case Rep Gastrointest Med*. 2011;2011. Article ID 749850. PMID: 22606426.
18. **Sajej WN***, Alkhouri R, Baker RD, Patel R, Baker SS. Esophagitis in children with celiac disease. *ISRN Gastroenterol*. 2011; 2011:489065. PMID: 21991513.
19. Baker SS*, Faden H, **Sajej W**, Patel R, Baker RD. Increasing incidence of community-associated atypical *Clostridium difficile* disease in children. *Clin Pediatr (Phila)*. 2010 Jul; 49(7):644-7. Epub 2010 Feb 11. PMID: 20150212.
20. **Sajej W***, Patel R, Baker RD, Tron E, Baker SS. Treatment with high-dose proton pump inhibitors helps distinguish eosinophilic esophagitis from non-eosinophilic esophagitis. *J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr*. 2009 Oct; 49(4):393-9. PMID: 19633574.

Books & Chapters

1. Todd Jenson, Christine M. Finck, **Wael N. Sajej**. Esophageal Tissue Engineering. In: *Frontiers in Science & Regenerative Medicine – Edition 3, Chapter 7*. Publisher: Bentham Science. June 2016

2. Grossi V, **Sajej WN***. Colitis. In: Christine Waasdorp Hurtado, B. U. K. Li. The NASPGHAN Fellows Concise Review of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. 2nd ed. [E-book] NASPGHAN, 2016
3. Grossi V, **Sajej WN***. Radiation oncology. In: Christine Waasdorp Hurtado, B. U. K. Li. The NASPGHAN Fellows Concise Review of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. 2nd ed. [E-book] NASPGHAN, 2016
4. Mokha J, **Sajej WN***. Colic and gas. In: Christine Waasdorp Hurtado, B. U. K. Li, The NASPGHAN Fellows Concise Review of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. 2nd ed. [E-book] NASPGHAN, 2016
5. Mokha J, **Sajej WN***. Appendicitis. In: Christine Waasdorp Hurtado, B. U. K. Li. The NASPGHAN Fellows Concise Review of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. 2nd ed. [E-book] NASPGHAN, 2016
6. Pressley-Wallace A, **Sajej WN***. Chronic constipation and encopresis. In: Christine Waasdorp Hurtado, B. U. K. Li, The NASPGHAN Fellows Concise Review of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. 2nd ed. [E-book] NASPGHAN, 2016
7. Todd J, **Sajej WN**, Finck C. Esophageal tissue engineering. In: Atta-ur-Rahman, Shazia Anjum, Frontiers in stem cell and regenerative medicine. Vol 3. United Arab Emirates: Bentham Science; [E-book], 11-04-2015-Ebk series/FSCRM/EOI-59.
8. Schaufler C, Moote D, **Sajej W***. Ascites and peritonitis. In: Pohl JF, Jolley C, Gelfond D, Pediatric gastroenterology (a color handbook). 1st ed. CRC Press; May 27, 2014.

Non-Peer-reviewed publications

Wael N. Sajej, MD*, John Fisher, MD, Susan S. Baker MD, PhD. Two teens with retrosternal chest pain and odynophagia. Case report of two teens with minocycline-induced esophagitis. Consultant for Pediatricians. 2008 Aug; 7(8): 329-34.

Invited Presentations

International

1. "The Saga: Differentiating Eosinophilic Esophagitis vs. Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease" 05/27-29/2015
Invited speaker: The E'lite Pediatric GI Congress, Dubai, UAE
Oral Presentation

National

1. Philippine Pediatric Society of America 10/15/2016
Invited speaker: "Inflammatory Bowel Disease in Children," Newark, NJ
Oral Presentation
2. "The Internet and Your Child with IBD: The Good, The Bad and the Ugly" 10/03/2010
Invited speaker: Pediatric IBD Day 2010 – Manhattan, NY
CCFA sponsored program; Manhattan, NY
Oral Presentation

3. "Phlegmons in Children with Crohn's Disease" 04/2009
Presented at the Pediatric IBD Workshop, San Diego, CA
4. "Biomarkers in Non-Alcoholic Steatohepatitis" 04/2009
Presentation, 3rd Year Fellows Conference, Scottsdale, AZ

Regional

1. "Pediatric GI Poop-Pourri" 10/21/2015
Invited speaker: Connecticut Academy of Family Physician's (CAFP),
Plantsville, CT
Oral Presentation
2. "Failure to Thrive in Infants and Children" 04/28/2015
Grand Rounds presentation, Saint Mary's Hospital, Waterbury, CT
3. "Diagnosis & Management of Gastroesophageal Reflux in Pediatric Patients" 01/28/2014
Grand Rounds presentation, Saint Mary's Hospital, Waterbury, CT
4. "Eosinophilic Esophagitis: What We Know in 2010" 09/25/2010
Invited speaker: The Connecticut Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates (CTSGNA) Annual Seminar – Beyond the Scope 2010
Hartford, CT
5. "Phlegmons" in children with Crohn's disease: case series and discussion 11/2008
2nd Upstate Pediatric Gastroenterology Conference, Skaneateles, NY

Local

1. "Common Gastrointestinal Causes of Feeding Difficulties in Infants and Children" Clinical Assessment and Intervention for Pediatric Feeding Problems Conference, Hartford, CT, Conference sponsor: Connecticut Children's Medical Center 03/09/2019
2. "Eosinophilic Esophagitis: Recognition, Diagnosis and Treatment" 10/19/2018
Grand Rounds presentation, Danbury Hospital, Danbury, CT
3. Building Brighter Futures Conference 04/07/2017
Invited speaker: "The Nuts and Grains of Eosinophilic Esophagitis,"
Mystic, CT, Oral Presentation. Conference sponsor: Connecticut Children's Medical Center
4. "Gastroesophageal Reflux in Infants and Children" 04/03/2015
Grand Rounds presentation, Danbury Hospital, Danbury, CT
5. "Reflux and Aerodigestive Disorders in Children" 02/20/2013
Presentation to the Speech Department at Connecticut Children's Medical Center

6. "Connecticut Children's Aerodigestive Team" 02/19/2013
Grand Rounds presentation, Connecticut Children's Medical Center
7. "Celiac Disease" 02/17/2012
Grand Rounds presentation, St. Francis Hospital, Hartford, CT
8. "Eosinophilic Esophagitis: An Emerging Disease" 01/11/2012
Grand Rounds presentation, Day Kimball Hospital, Putnam, CT
9. "Eosinophilic Esophagitis: An Emerging Disease" 11/22/2011
Grand Rounds presentation, Danbury Hospital, Danbury, CT
10. "Approach to Lower Gastrointestinal Bleeding in Children" 05/18/2010
Grand Rounds presentation, Connecticut Children's Medical Center
11. "Phlegmons" in children with Crohn's disease: case presentation 10/2008
Inter-City Inter-Departmental IBD Quarterly Conference, Buffalo, NY
Conference sponsor: Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo
12. "Infantile Botulism – Report of 2 Cases" 03/2006
Grand Rounds, UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School
13. "How to Evaluate the Child with Fever" 01/2006
Grand Rounds, UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School

Other Presentations, Posters & Abstracts

National

1. "A Cytokine Signature from Esophageal Mucosa Differentiates Eosinophilic Esophagitis from Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease" 10/12/2013
Oral presentation: NASPGHAN meeting, Chicago, IL
2. "Prevalence of Esophagitis in Children with Celiac Disease" 11/2008
Oral presentation: NASPGHAN meeting, San Diego, CA
3. "High-Dose Acid Suppression Distinguishes Severe Reflux Esophagitis from Eosinophilic Esophagitis" - Abstract #415 05/2008
Oral presentation: Digestive Diseases Week 2008, San Diego, CA

Local Presentations

1. "I am in Remission – Can I stop my Medication?" 6/24/2020
CCF Symposium Springfield, MA – New England Chapter
Zoom Oral Presentation
2. "What's on your plate?: Diet focus on maintaining remission and treating symptoms" CCF – Patient and Family IBD Symposium 11/06/2019
Holyoke, MA
Oral Presentation

3. "What's on your plate?: Diet focus on maintaining remission and treating symptoms" 04/28/2019
CCF – Connecticut Patient and Family IBD Symposium
Sheraton Hartford South Hotel, Rocky Hill, CT
Oral Presentation
4. "Management of IBD in Children" 10/18/2018
CCF - Hartford Patient & Family Education Program
Bethany Lutheran Church, West Hartford, CT
Oral Presentation
5. "What's On your Plate: Diet, Nutrition and IBD" 04/29/2018
CCF - Connecticut Patient & Family IBD Symposium
Courtyard by Marriott, Cromwell, CT
Oral Presentation
6. "Management of IBD in Pediatrics" 04/30/2017
CCF - Connecticut Patient & Family IBD Symposium
Courtyard by Marriott, Cromwell, CT
Oral Presentation
7. "Management of IBD in Pediatrics" 04/03/2016
CCFA - Connecticut Patient & Family IBD Symposium
Courtyard by Marriott - Cromwell, CT
Oral Presentation
8. "Painless Gastrointestinal Bleeding in Children" 04/07/2010
Presented at the "Update in Pediatric Gastroenterology" to community
pediatricians, Shelton, CT
Oral Presentation
9. "The Internet and IBD: What You Need to Know" 10/24/2009
Presented at the 4th Annual IBD Symposium – Hartford, CT
Oral Presentation

Abstracts/Posters

1. Foster, Christopher; Chatfield, Sydney; Jersen, Todd; Wang, Zhu; Finck, Christine, **Sajej, Wael N.** A gene expression array as a diagnostic test in pediatric Eosinophilic esophagitis. [poster presentation Sa1165-2018]; DDW; 2018; Washington, DC.
2. Pressley-Wallace A., Foster C., Chatfield S.; **Sajej WN.** The IL-10/IL-5 ratio as a potential tool for monitoring the inflammatory process in eosinophilic esophagitis. [poster presentation]; NASPGHAN; 2017; Las Vegas, NV.
3. Wong J., **Sajej WN.** Clinical aspects of dietary therapy in children with Eosinophilic esophagitis. [poster presentation]; NASPGHAN; 2017; Las Vegas, NV.
4. Hajjat T., Weber B., Mohr F., **Sajej WN.** Utility of video capsule endoscopy in pediatric patients: A single center experience. [poster presentation]; NASPGHAN; 2017; Las Vegas, NV.
5. BradleyJerson, Barbara Rzepski, Zev Davidovics, Karan Emerick, Melissaa Fernandes, Franziska Mohr, Jasmeet Mokha, Kristin Philipp, **Wael Sajej**, Heidi Sweeney, Peter Townsend, Bella Zeisler,

Jeffrey Hyams. "We agree, It's not in your head" The successes and challenges of integrating psychosocial care: A review of one year with an embedded pediatric psychologist. [poster presentation]; NASPGHAN; 2017; Las Vegas, NV.

6. Jensen T, Mitchell A, Sharma I, **Sayej W**, Finck C. Synthetic scaffolding and amniotic fluid mesenchymal stem cells: a new surgical option for long gap esophageal atresia?. CAPS [podium presentation]; 2017 Oct 5-7; Alberta, Canada.
7. Jensen T, Mitchell A, Sharma I, **Sayej W**, Finck C. Tissue engineering approaches for treating long gap esophageal atresia. NESS [podium presentation]; 2017 Sept 8-10; Bretton Woods, NH.
8. Jensen T, Mitchell A, **Sayej W**, LaFrancesca S, Finck C. Esophageal scaffolds seeded with epithelial cells for esophageal replacement therapy. American Pediatric Surgery Association; 2017 May; Hollywood, FL. [best poster overall: Poster with 1-Minute Oral]
[best poster overall: Poster with 1-Minute Oral]
9. Pressley-Wallace A, **Sayej WN**. The IL 10/IL 5 ratio as potential tool for monitoring the inflammatory process in eosinophilic esophagitis. [poster presentation]; Pediatric Academic Society; 2017 May; San Francisco, CA.
10. Pressley-Wallace A, **Sayej WN**. The IL 10/IL 5 ratio as potential tool for monitoring the inflammatory process in eosinophilic esophagitis. [oral presentation] Eastern Society for Pediatric Research, 2017 March; Philadelphia, PA.
11. Wong J, Goodine S, Wang Z, **Sayej WN**. Efficacy of dietary therapy in children with eosinophilic esophagitis. [poster presentation] Eastern Society for Pediatric Research; 2017 March; Philadelphia, PA.
12. Jenson, Todd; Finck, Christine M.; **Sayej, Wael N.**; Foster, Christopher; Mitchell, Adam; Drinnan, Charles. Patient Specific Esophageal Epithelial Cells for Esophageal Tissue Engineering. 2016 World Congress of Pediatric Surgery; October 2016; Washington, DC
13. **Sayej WN**, Fernandez ML, Goodine S. Esophageal eosinophilia in pediatric patients with celiac disease resolves on a gluten free diet. [poster presentation] World Congress of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition; 2016 Oct; Montreal, Canada.
14. **Sayej WN**, Jensen T, Foster C, Fernandez M, Finck C. Characterization of cultured esophageal epithelial cells from pediatric patients with eosinophilic esophagitis. World Congress of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition; 2016 Oct; Montreal, Canada.
[awarded: Poster of Distinction]
15. Loh K, Bezler NS, Emerick K, **Sayej WN**. A rare case of symptomatic hereditary hemochromatosis in a 5-year-old male. [poster presentation] World Congress of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition; 2016 Oct; Montreal, Canada.
16. **Sayej WN**, Fernandez ML, Alexander L, Ritter P, Zeiter D, Mohr F. A prospective, randomized, single blinded study to evaluate two different 1-day bowel preparation regimens in children ages 8-21 years undergoing capsule endoscopy. [poster presentation] World Congress of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition; 2016 Oct; Montreal, Canada.
17. Jensen T, Pease M, Drinnan C, Mitchell A, **Sayej WN**, Finck C. Treatment of pediatric esophageal disease with a tissue engineered biomimetic construct. [oral presentation] TERMIS 4th World Congress; September 9-11, 2015; Boston, MA

18. Rana A, Lerer T, Fernandez M, Hyams J, Sylvester FA, **Sajej W**. Routine premedication with intravenous methylprednisolone can prevent the need for dose intensification of infliximab in children with Crohn's disease. [poster presentation] NASPGHAN; 2015; Washington, DC.
19. Mokha J, Caimano M, Radolf J, **Sajej W**. Comparison of the gastric fluid microbiome of children with and without eosinophilic esophagitis. [poster presentation] NASPGHAN; 2015; Washington, DC.
20. Samela K, Vance K, Chatfield B, Goodine S, Lerer T, **Sajej WN**. Give SFED a chance. [poster presentation] NASPGHAN; 2015; Washington, DC.
21. Fable J, Fernandez M, Lerer T, **Sajej WN**. Comparison of oral topical corticosteroids in pediatric patients with eosinophilic esophagitis. [poster presentation] NASPGHAN; 2015; Washington, DC.
22. Semancik E, **Sajej WN**. Case series: peanut allergy oral immunotherapy inducing eosinophilic esophagitis. [poster presentation] NASPGHAN; 2015; Washington, DC.
23. Grossi V, Bezler N, Finck C, **Sajej W**. A rare case of duodenal ulcer in an adolescent male. [poster presentation] NASPGHAN; 2015; Washington, DC.
24. Alkhouri R, Bahia G, **Sajej W**. The outcome of medical management with IV antibiotics of intra-abdominal abscesses in children with Crohn's disease. [poster presentation] NASPGHAN; 2014; Atlanta, GA.
25. Maharjan A, **Sajej WN**, Ménoret A, Fernandez ML, Sylvester FA, Hyams JS, Vella AT. Biological assay to characterize esophageal lavage fluid from children with eosinophilic esophagitis. [poster presentation] NASPGHAN; 2014; Atlanta, GA.
26. **Sajej WN**, Fernandez ML, Sylvester FA, Hyams JS, Vella AT, Ménoret A. T-lymphocyte isolation and phenotyping from esophageal biopsies in children with eosinophilic esophagitis: pilot study. [poster presentation] DDW; 2013; Orlando, FL.
27. Ménoret A, Fernandez M, Sylvester FA, Hyams JS, Vella AT, **Sajej WN**. Proteomic mining of esophageal lavage from children with eosinophilic esophagitis. [poster presentation] DDW; 2013; Orlando, FL.
28. Francisco A. Sylvester*, Jeffrey S. Hyams, **Wael N. Sajej**, Bella Zeisler, Donna Zeiter, Karan Emerick, Marina Fernandez; "A 12-hour bowel prep with polyethylene glycol 3350 is effective, well tolerated and safe in children"
Oral presentation presented by Dr. Sylvester at DDW; May 19-22, 2012; San Diego, CA
29. Candi Schaufler*, Trudy Lerer, Brendan T. Campbell, Richard Weiss, Jeffery L. Cohen, Donna Zeiter, **Wael N. Sajej**, Jeffrey S. Hyams; "Pre-operative Immunosuppression is Not Associated with Increased Post-Operative Complications Following Colectomy in Children With Ulcerative Colitis"
Oral presentation presented by C. Schaufler at DDW; May 7-11, 2011; Chicago, IL: Control ID: 992899
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