

Curriculum Vitae

William F. Sasser, M.D., F.A.C.S.

Education:

Undergraduate degree and major, university and date

Vanderbilt University
Nashville, TN
BA *cum laude* June 1956

Graduate degree and major, university and date

Emory University
Atlanta, GA
M.D. June 1960

Postgraduate training:

Internship

Internship, 1960-1961
Washington University School of Medicine
Barnes Hospital
St. Louis, MO

Residency

Assistant Resident in Surgery, 1963-1965
Washington University School of Medicine
Barnes Hospital
St. Louis, MO
Chief Resident in Surgery, 1965-1966
Washington University School of Medicine
Barnes Hospital
St. Louis, MO

Fellowship

Clinical Fellow, 1965-66
The American Cancer Society
St. Louis, MO

Cardiothoracic Surgery Fellow, 1966-1968
Washington University School of Medicine
Barnes Hospital
St. Louis, MO

Fellow, 1966-1967
Southern Medical Association

Cancer Control Senior Clinical Trainee, 1967-1968
United States Public Health

Board Certification and Licensure:

National Board of Medical Examiners
#62180, July 1961

American Board of Surgery
#14658, March 1967

American Board of Thoracic Surgery
#1953, October 1968

Georgia #9246, 1960-2006

Missouri #R3146, 1967-pres

Current Position and Address:

Adjunct Associate Professor, 2003-pres
Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery
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Clinical Staff Appointments:

1968-1979	Homer G. Phillips Hospital St. Louis, MO
1969-2001	Christian Hospital Northeast St. Louis, MO
1968-2003 2003-pres	St. John's Mercy Medical Center Emeritus St. Louis, MO
1976-2003 2003-pres	DePaul Hospital Emeritus St. Louis, MO

1978-2001	Missouri Baptist Hospital St. Louis, MO
1988-2003	St. Luke's Hospital St. Louis, MO
2003-pres	Saint Louis University Hospital St. Louis, MO
2003-2004	Des Peres Hospital St. Louis, MO
2005-pres	St. Mary's Health Center St. Louis, MO

Professional Society Memberships:

1985-1997	American Association for Cancer Research
2001-pres	American Association for Thoracic Surgery
1984-1998	American College of Chest Physicians
American College of Surgeons	
1971-pres	
1976-1977	Educational Committee (MO Chapter)
1977-2001	Liaison Fellow, Commission on Cancer
1987-1993	Missouri Credentials Committee
1996-2001	Governor
1997-2001	Executive Committee, Board of Governors
1998-2001	Secretary, Board of Governors
1998-2001	Chairman, Governors' Committee to Study the Fiscal Affairs of College
1998-2001	Finance Committee, Board of Regents
2001-pres	Committee on Development
2005-2006	Second Vice President
2008-pres	American College of Surgeons Foundation Board of Director
1989-pres	General Thoracic Surgical Club
1989-1995	International Society of Disease of the Esophagus
2001-pres	International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer
Missouri State Surgical Society	
1979-1994	
1982-1984	Councilor
1982-1985	Chairman, Membership Committee

1984-1985	Vice President
1985-1986	President-Elect
1986-1987	President
1987-1988	Secretary-Treasurer

St. Louis Metropolitan Medical Society

1968-pres	
1970-1971	Chairman, Insurance Committee
1985-1987	Delegate, Missouri State Medical Society
1992-1994	Delegate, Missouri State Medical Society

St. Louis Surgical Society

1970-pres	
1987-1991	Director
1997-1999	Director
1989, 1999	Chairman, Nominating Committee
1991	Chairman, Centennial Committee
1995	President-Elect
1996	President

St. Louis Thoracic Surgical Society

1975-pres	
1978-1982	Secretary-Treasurer
1982-1984	President
1984-1986	Council
1998-1999	Council

Society of Thoracic Surgeons

1972-pres	Cardiothoracic Surgical Ad Hoc Committee
1989-1991	Practice Guidelines
1992-1995	Education and Resources Committee
1996	Chairman, Education and Resources Committee
1992-2002	Industry Relations Committee
1997-2000	Nomenclature and Coding Committee
1998-2001	Standards and Ethics Committee
2001-pres	Ad Hoc Health Policy Development Committee

Southern Thoracic Surgical Association

1972-pres	
1990-1993	Tiki Award Committee
1991-1993	Councilor
1995-2001	Governor, American College of Surgeons
1993-1994	Vice President
1999-2000	President-Elect
2000-2001	President
2001-2002	Chairman of the Council
1999-2004	Executive Council

1998-pres	Southern Surgical Association
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Southwestern Surgical Congress	
1976-pres	
1078-1983	Missouri Councilor
1978-1983	Executive Committee
1977-1983	Membership Committee
1978-1982	Chairman, Membership Committee
1978-1983	Medical Education
1981-1990	Exhibits Committee
1982-1990	Chairman, Exhibits Committee
1986-1990	Budget and Finance Committee
1988-1989	Future Meeting Sites Committee
1988-1989	Chairman, Future Meeting Sites Committee
1988-1989	Vice President
1989-1990	President-Elect
1990-1991	President
1992-pres	Historian
1991-1993	Nominating Committee
1993	Chairman, Nominating Committee
1993	Chairman, Centennial Celebration Committee

Honorary Societies, Honors and Awards:

1960	Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society
1975-1979	Vanderbilt University Board of Directors Alumni Association
1988-1991	Washington University Medical Alumni Association Executive Council
1996-pres	“Best Doctors in America”

Professional Services:

I. Committee memberships: (include hospital, university, department, professional society, educational and research review, i.e., study section, committees)

Christian Hospital Northeast, 1969-2001
1996-2000 Credentials Committee

DePaul Hospital, 1976-1977
1976-1977 Medical Staff Secretary

St. John’s Mercy Medical Center
1972-1988 Chairman, Cancer Committee
1974-1976 Executive Committee member at large

1978-2003 Chief, Thoracic Surgery Division
1980-1987 Vice Chairman, Department of Surgery
1982-1987 Oncology Unit Planning Committee
1984-1989 Surgical Quality Assurance Committee
1985-1986 Oncology Steering Committee
1987-1991 Oncology Advisory Board

Saint Louis University Hospital

2003-2007 Cancer Committee

2007-pres University Medical Group Legal and Compliance Committee

Review Organizations:

1972-1994 St. Louis Blue Shield Board of Trustees

1987-1989 Missouri Patient Care Review Foundation
Quality Assurance Criteria Committee

2. Editorial and Journal Review Boards

1984-1985 *Res Medica*

1995-pres Video Journal of Cardiothoracic Surgery

Bibliography:

Papers published, in press, or accepted for publication in peer-reviewed journals; all authors, full title, journal (vol., pages), and year should be referenced.

1. Jaffe B, Sasser WF. Management of gastric persimmon bezoars. *Am J Surg* 11:962-965, 1967.
2. Sasser WF, Bennett DE, Ferguson TB, Burford TH. Primary adenocarcinoma of the lung in men. *Ann Thor Surg* 5:508-516, 1968.
3. Bennett DE, Sasser WF, Ferguson TB. Adenocarcinoma of the lung in men. *Cancer* 23:431-434, 1969.
4. Bennett DE, Sasser WF. Bronchiolas carcinoma: A valid clinicopathologic entity? *Cancer* 24:876-887, 1969.
5. Sasser WF, Bari WA. Surgical and pathologic aspects of asbestosis. *South Med J* 74:1178-1181, 1981.
6. Sasser WF, Bari WA. Asbestos related pulmonary disease. *Res Medica* 1:24-27, 1983.
7. Sasser WF. The Janus Syndrome. *Am J Surg* 162:512-516, 1991.
8. Baglan RJ, Bo-Linn GW, Robbins PL, White LA, Sasser WF. Results of a public screening program for colorectal cancer: A cost-benefit analysis. *Res Medical* 6:12-17, 1993.
9. Tucker LE, Aquino T, Sasser WF. Mid-esophageal traction diverticulum: Rare cause of massive upper gastrointestinal bleeding. *Missouri Med* 91:140-142, 1994.
10. Sasser WF. Fifty years of thoracic and cardiac surgery at the Southwestern Surgical Congress: From tuberculosis to the artificial heart. *Am J Surg* 175:755-855, 1998.
11. Sasser WF. A passion to heal. *Ann Thor Surg* 73:11-14, 2002.
12. Sasser WF. Committee keeps college fiscally prepared for the Future. *Bulletin of the American College of Surgeons* 87:24-26, 2002.

Current and Past Teaching Responsibilities: (courses and topics)

Adjunct Associate Professor
Saint Louis University
Department of Surgery
Cardiothoracic Surgery Division

Supplemental Material:

Presentations (national and international meetings), seminars

1. "Adenocarcinoma of the Lung in Men." Society of Thoracic Surgeons, New Orleans LA, January 29, 1968.
2. "Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery: Association of Operating Room Technicians." St. Louis MO, June 14, 1975.
3. "Surgical and Pathological Aspects of Asbestosis." Southern Thoracic Surgical Association, San Antonio TX, November 3, 1979.
4. "Surgical and Pathological Aspects of Asbestosis." Little Rock Academy of Surgery, Little Rock AR, October 29, 1980.
5. "Caustic Esophageal Injury – Diagnosis and Prognosis." Invited Discussant, Southwestern Surgical Congress, Phoenix AZ, May 2, 1983.
6. "Treatment of Esophageal Cancer." Surgical Grand Rounds, St. John's Mercy Medical Center, St. Louis MO, March 30, 1985.
7. "Developments in Oncology." Panel Discussion, Community Clinical Oncology Program, St. Louis MO, April 23, 1985.
8. "Therapeutic Alternatives in Esophageal Cancer." Invited Discussant, Southwestern Surgical Congress, Las Vegas NV, April 29, 1985.
9. "Evaluation of Solitary Pulmonary Nodule." Surgical Grand Rounds, St. John's Mercy Medical Center, St. Louis MO, June 11, 1987.

10. "Laser Bronchoscopy." Afternoon Clinical Program, St. Louis Surgical Society, St. Louis MO, January 20, 1987.
11. "Thoracic Trauma." Emergency Trauma Seminar, St. Louis MO, February 12, 1987.
12. "Management Strategies in the Jehovah's Witness Patients." Invited Discussant, Southwestern Surgical Congress, Monterey CA, April 26, 1989.
13. "Pre-operative Radiation, Chemotherapy, Complications Resection." Postgraduate Program, Southern Thoracic Surgical Association, Phoenix AZ, November 9, 1989.
14. "Pre-Operative Blood Transfusion Adversely Effects Prognosis of Patients with Stage I Non-Small Cell Cancer." Invited Discussant, Southwestern Surgical Congress, La Quinta CA, April 24, 1990.
15. "Second Primary Lung Cancer." Invited Discussant, Southern Thoracic Surgical Association, Marco Island FL, November 12, 1994.
16. "Thoracoscopy and Surgery of the Lung." Mid-Winter Conference, St. Anthony's Hospital, St. John's Mercy Medical Center, and St. Luke's Hospital, Naples FL, March 18, 1995.
17. "Thoracoscopic Surgery." 32nd Annual Meeting, Montana-Wyoming Chapter of American College of Surgeons, Jackson Hole WY, August 23, 1996.
18. "Thoracotomies, Lung Resection." St. Louis Community College, St. Louis MO, October 4, 1996.
19. "Fifty Years of Thoracic and Cardiac Surgery: From Tuberculosis to the Artificial Heart." Southwestern Surgical Congress, San Antonio TX, April 20, 1998.
20. "Is There a Role for Routine Mediastinoscopy in Patients with Peripheral T1 Lung Cancers?" Southwestern Surgical Congress, Colorado Springs CO, April 29, 2000.
21. "Optimal Management of Complicated Empyema." Invited Discussant, Southwestern Surgical Congress, Colorado Springs CO, April 10, 2000.

22. "Ethics Colloquium Part I: Errors in Medicine." American College of Surgeons, New Orleans LA, October 11, 2001.
23. "A Passion to Heal." Presidential Address, Southern Thoracic Surgical Association, San Antonio TX, November 9, 2001.
24. "Use of PET Scanning in Thoracic Malignancy." Eric P. Landers Visiting Professor, McGill University, Montreal Canada, April 18, 2002.
25. "Community Forum: Treating Lung Cancer in the 21st Century." McGill University, Montreal Canada, April 18, 2002.
26. "Lung cancer treatment." Saint Louis University, March 1, 2004.
27. "Mediastinal cysts and tumors." Saint Louis University, April 12, 2004.
28. "Chest wall tumors." Saint Louis University, June 28, 2004.
29. "Pleural diseases." Saint Louis University, October 22, 2004.
30. "Lung cancer – Diagnosis and Staging." Saint Louis University, February 18, 2005.
31. "Privileging and Recredentialing As Related to Age." The Law and Surgery: Ethical Intersections. American College of Surgeons, San Francisco, CA, October 20, 2005.
32. "Ethics and Professionalism." Saint Louis University, March 24, 2006.
33. "Chest wall tumors and defects." Saint Louis University, March 24, 2007.
34. "Mycobacterium and fungal disease." Saint Louis University, June 22, 2007.
35. "Endobronchial ultrasonography." Saint Louis University, October 19, 2007.
36. "Pulmonary metastases." Saint Louis University, January 18, 2008.
37. "Chest wall deformities." Saint Louis University, December 5, 2008.
38. "Lung cancer treatment." Saint Louis University, February 6, 2009.
39. "Lung cancer staging and diagnosis." Saint Louis University, April 3, 2009.

40. "FDG-PET does not accurately diagnose lung cancer in an area of endemic granulomatous disease." Invited Discussant, Southern Thoracic Surgical Association, Orlando, Florida, November 5, 2010.
41. Ellington C, Naunheim, Sasser W, Tuttle-Newhall B. Case of visceral pleural varices, in a child's C cirrhotic, with trapped lung and empyema. Poster abstract #50 (presentation). Southwestern Surgical Congress, 64th Annual Meeting, March 25-28, 2012, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA.

Military Service (if applicable)

USPHS, July 1961-June 1963

Seattle, WA

Community Service

1991-1993	Bellerive Country Club Director, Board of Governors
1999-pres	St. Louis Club Director
2003-pres	Visiting Nurse Association Board of Directors
2003-2011	Cathedral Basilica Board of Directors
2007-pres	Home Health Care Foundation
2007-pres	ARCH Research and Education Foundation