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Education, Present +Early Positions

Professor Adrian Săftoiu, MD, PhD, MSc, FASGE has a long standing expertise as a senior gastroenterologist, being the Scientific Director of the Research Center of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, University of Medicine and Pharmacy Craiova, Romania. Prof. Săftoiu graduated in 1995 in the Faculty of Medicine, University of Craiova, followed by specializations in internal medicine (2000) and gastroenterology (2002). Prof. Săftoiu has received intensive training in advanced diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopy, with emphasis on endoscopic ultrasound (EUS) and endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP), in several centers, including University Hospital Aarhus and Gentofte University Hospital, Denmark. Other clinical stages included telemedicine training at the East-West Space Science Center, University of Maryland at College Park, USA, confocal laser endomicroscopy (CLE) training at the University of Mainz, Germany and a short-term observer visit in MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, USA. From September 2012, Prof. Săftoiu holds a position of Visiting Clinical Professor at the Department of Endoscopy, Copenhagen University Herlev Hospital, Denmark.

Research Interest

Current research interests include hybrid fusion imaging techniques (including co-registered EUS-CT/MR, EUS-guided CLE, etc.), diagnostic and therapeutic EUS (including elastography and contrast-enhanced examinations), natural orifice transluminal endoscopic surgery (NOTES and EUS-guided NOTES procedures), etc.

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Course & Lectures

During past 15 years, Dr. Săftoiu took part at more than 75 international congresses, symposiums and workshops, including selected oral presentations (frequently during United European Gastroenterology Week and Digestive Disease Week in USA), invited state-of-the-art reviews and invited livedemos of endoscopy and endoscopic ultrasound (Paris, Athens, Antalya, Berlin, Seoul, Moscow, Tel Aviv, Izmir, Bergen, Copenhagen, Chicago, Vienna, Stockholm, etc.). Invited talks included several internationally established schools, including Asan Medical Center, Seoul (2009), AV Vishnevsky Institute of Surgery, Moscow (2010, 2011), Johns Hopkins, Baltimore (2010), University of Copenhagen (2011, 2012), University of Bergen (2011, 2013), University of Oxford (2012), Harvard Medical School, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston (2012), University College London (2014).

Scientific Activity

Scientific activity of Prof. Săftoiu included the publication of 171 PubMed/Medline papers, several of them in high impact publications, including 166 ISI articles, cited 1949 times in other ISI journals (ISI Web of Science accessed March 2016), leading to a Hirsch index (h-index) of 21. Also, Prof. Săftoiu published 14 books and book chapters, including 5 international book chapters. Prof. Săftoiu is member of several scientific societies in Romania and abroad, including the Executive Board of the European Federation of Societies of Ultrasonography in Medicine and Biology (EFSUMB), Research Committee of the European Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ESGE), American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Fellow (FASGE) and American Gastroenterological Association (AGA). Experience as an evaluator was based on the “peer-review” activity in the following journals: Gastroenterology, Pancreatology, Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, Endoscopy, Journal of Pancreas, World Journal of Gastroenterology, European Journal of Ultrasound (Ultraschall in der Medizin), Journal of Gastrointestinal and Liver Diseases, Journal of Clinical Ultrasound, etc. Evaluation activity included national research competitions, as well as evaluation for E.C. FP7 projects, Hong-Kong Research Grants Council, Swiss National Science Foundation and Catalan Agency for Health Technology Assessment. Dr. Săftoiu is member of the Editorial Board of Journal of Gastrointestinal and Liver Diseases, Endoscopic Ultrasound, Medical Ultrasonography and World Journal of Gastroenterology.