

## PURPOSE

This program is designed to provide academic and private practice Otolaryngologist/Head & Neck Surgeons with an update regarding the advantages and limitations of laser and robotic surgery, as well as, hands-on experience using the DaVinci surgical robot in the cadaver lab setting. This series will provide a review of current and new laser and robotic treatment strategies to treat benign and malignant lesions of the upper aerodigestive tract, as well as thyroid and parathyroid lesions.

## OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of these learning Activities, the participants should be able to:

- Review and discuss the risks and benefits of laser surgery for upper aerodigestive tract lesions
- Describe advantages and limitations of robotic surgery for oropharyngeal and thyroid benign and malignant tumors
- Identify patients who will benefit from TORS or robotic thyroid surgery, as well as those that are not appropriate candidates

## CREDIT

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## The 8th Annual Blitzer Forum

### Laser and Robotic Surgery in Otolaryngology/Head & Neck Surgery

**Saturday, April 28, 2012**



20 Prospect Avenue, Suite 907  
Hackensack, NJ 07601

## The Voice Center at Hackensack University Medical Center Presents

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Saturday, April 28, 2012  
7:00 AM - 3:30 PM

*The David Joseph Jurist Research  
Center for Tomorrow's Children  
40 Prospect Avenue  
Hackensack, NJ*

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## Conference Faculty

### Course Director

#### **Brian Benson, MD**

Chief, Division of Laryngeal Surgery and Voice Disorders  
Director, The Voice Center at Hackensack UMC  
Co-Chief, Head & Neck Oncology, John Theurer Cancer Center

### Keynote Speakers

#### **Eric Genden, MD**

Professor and Chairman, Department of Otolaryngology/  
Head & Neck Surgery and Professor of Neurosurgery  
Mt. Sinai Medical School

#### **Ronald Koppersmith, MD**

Associate Professor of Surgery  
Texas A&M Health Science Center  
The Texas Institute for Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery

### Guest Faculty

#### **Soly Baredes, MD**

Professor and Chairman, Department of OTO/HNS  
UMDNJ—New Jersey Medical School

#### **Andrew Blitzer, MD, DDS, FACS**

Clinical Professor of OTO/HNS  
Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons

#### **Paul Carniol, MD**

Clinical Professor, OTO/HNS  
UMDNJ—New Jersey Medical School

#### **Tanya Meyer, MD**

Assistant Professor, Department of OTO/HNS  
University of Washington Medical Center

#### **Catherine Sinclair, MD**

Attending, St. Luke's/Roosevelt Hospital

#### **Marshall Strome, MD**

Director, Head and Neck Oncology, The Head and Neck  
Surgical Group, St. Luke's/Roosevelt Hospital

## Program

- 7:00 Registration and Breakfast**  
**8:00 Welcome and Introduction**  
Brian Benson, MD  
**8:15 Laser Fundamentals**  
Milton Waner, MD  
**8:30 Laser Safety**  
Paul Carniol, MD  
**8:45 Office Laser Procedures**  
Andrew Blitzer, MD  
**9:00 Laser Microsurgery of the Larynx**  
Moderator: Andrew Blitzer, MD  
Panelists: Tanya Meyer, MD, Phillip Song, MD,  
Lucian Sulica, MD, Nwanmegha Young, MD  
**9:30 Discussion**  
**9:45 Break and Refreshments**  
**10:00 Surgery of the Hypopharynx**  
Catherine Sinclair, MD  
**10:15 The Many Faces of HPV**  
Tanya Meyer, MD  
**10:30 Teaching Robotic Surgery Skills**  
Soly Baredes, MD  
**10:45 TORS**  
Eric Genden, MD  
**11:15 Robotic Thyroidectomy**  
Ronald Koppersmith, MD  
**11:45 Where are We Today with  
Robotic Surgery?**  
Marshall Strome, MD  
**12:00 Discussion**  
**12:30 Lunch**  
**1:30 Robotic Laboratory  
Cadaver Demonstrations**  
**3:30 Conclusion and Adjourn**  
Brian Benson, MD

## Registration

Registration Fee: \$50.00 Physician  
\$25.00 Other

Complimentary for Hackensack UMC Staff,  
Otolaryngology Residents and Fellows

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