



THE PLASTIC SURGEONS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THE HISTORY OF APRASSA:

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Section 1: The beginnings of Plastic Surgery in South Africa

International warfare and the two World Wars in particular did little to benefit Mankind, but they undoubtedly did play a role in the development of the speciality of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

Prior to World War 2, there were no recognised nor registered plastic surgeons in South Africa. Jack Penn, a graduate of the University of Witwatersrand Medical School in 1931, trained as a general surgeon in Great Britain. He also spent time in the United States, where he was exposed to some of the American pioneers of Plastic Surgery.

He returned to South Africa in 1937 to practice as a surgeon in Johannesburg and he joined the South African Medical Corps with an expressed interest in Plastic Surgery. When the second World War broke out, he was sent back to England and he spent most of 1940 learning plastic surgical techniques from the four British masters at the time – Harold Gillies, Archibald Mc Indoe, Pomfret Kilner and Rainsford Mowlem.

On his return to South Africa, with the assistance of the Oppenheimer family in Johannesburg, he established the Brenthurst Military Hospital for Plastic Surgery in their home. There, and later at the Tara Hospital, with the team that he assembled, he treated and operated on thousands of injured and burnt soldiers, airmen and military servicemen for the duration of the war.

After the war, Penn established a private plastic surgical practice in Johannesburg. He had built a special new private hospital for his and other surgeons' practices; with the Oppenheimer's consent it was named the Brenthurst Clinic.

Jack Penn later gained international fame when he went to Japan, and subsequently Israel, to teach and help the local surgeons manage their war casualties.

He was granted a Professorship in Plastic, Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery by the Dental Faculty of the University of the Witwatersrand. Whereas his rank in the South African Medical Corps throughout his war services years remained at Major, his post-war part-time Consultant post elevated him to a Brigadier.

South African's second plastic surgeon was Norman Petersen; unfortunately, very few details of his career are known. Like Penn, he spent much of the first year of the war in England gaining experience in the established plastic surgical units. On his return to South Africa he worked in Durban on war casualties at the Springfield Military Hospital, part of the King George V Hospital complex.

In 1945 he moved to Cape Town when he was appointed Plastic and Maxillo-Facial Surgeon to Groote Schuur Hospital. He also had a part-time private practice in the city, and he retired in 1961.

James Cuthbert trained first as a medical scientist in Cape Town, achieving a PhD. He then graduated as a doctor from the University of London, and was commencing a career in Orthopaedics in Edinburgh, when at the outbreak of the war, he was drafted into Harold Gillies' plastic surgical unit, where he remained until the end of the war. Thereafter he spent some time in Yugoslavia before arriving in Johannesburg in 1948 when he was appointed Plastic and Maxillo-Facial Surgeon to the Johannesburg group of teaching hospitals.

Cuthbert's first Registrar or trainee in plastic surgery was Dennis Walker, who had had a full training in general surgery. Walker registered as a plastic surgeon in 1954, officially took over as Head of the Plastic Surgery Department in 1967 and was made an Associate Professor the following year.

David Sydney Davies, a graduate of the University of Oxford in 1922, trained as a general surgeon in Britain and from 1929 to 1945 worked in Persia (now Iran), mostly in Teheran. After the war was over, he came out to Cape Town where he was appointed as an Assistant and later as a Registrar, to Norman Petersen.

He registered as a plastic surgeon in 1949, and remained on the staff of Groote Schuur hospital, as well as having a part-time private practice, until his retirement in 1960.

Bernard ("Barney") Franklin Bishop was the first plastic surgeon to open a private practice in Durban. A University of Cape Town graduate (in 1925), he had trained first in Britain as a general surgeon. He practised as a general practitioner in Kimberley as well as doing some surgery. His interest aroused by the developments in plastic surgery during the war, he went to Oxford in the early 1950's to qualify in the speciality, and he started in practice in Durban in 1953. He was given a part-time appointment at the Addington and King Edward VIII hospitals on a fee-for-service basis.

Thus by 1956 there were six registered plastic surgeons in South Africa – and they decided that the time was right to form some sort of professional association. Hence the Association of Plastic Surgeons of Southern Africa, the forerunner of the present Association of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgeons of Southern Africa, came into being.

It should be noted that these initial plastic surgeons had had their speciality registered by the then South African Medical and Dental Council as 'Plastic and Maxillo-Facial Surgery'. From 1960 to 1965 the speciality was labelled 'Plastic Surgery', and from 1966 onwards as 'Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery'. Accordingly, the name of the Association was changed in 1971 to the 'Association of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons of Southern Africa', and again in 2016 to the 'Association of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgeons of Southern Africa'.

In 1974 the South African Medical and Dental Council was expanded to become the Health Professionals Council of South Africa.

The initial Association of Plastic Surgeons was designated of 'Southern' rather than 'South' Africa (as with the subsequent name changes) in the hope that plastic surgeons from neighbouring countries might become members. This created a problem when the Association became part of the Medical Association of South Africa (MASA), in that MASA regulations at the time stipulated that members of a group within MASA, such as the Association of Plastic Surgeons, also had to be members of MASA.

Until recently there was in fact, only one non-South African plastic surgeon who became a member of APSSA. He was Bertram Owen-Smith, who practiced as a fully qualified plastic surgeon in Salisbury, Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) from 1957 to 1982 – but he first had to join MASA before he could become a member of APSSA. Owen-Smith's story is worth recording. At the beginning of the war he was training to be a pilot when the engines of the aircraft he was flying failed – and the aeroplane crashed. Owen-Smith was severely burnt, and for almost two years he was treated by and operated on, many times, by Archibald McIndoe and his team at East Grinstead.

When the war ended, Owen-Smith, so inspired by the work done by McIndoe, went to Medical School in London, then subsequently trained to become a plastic surgeon under McIndoe. Once qualified he commenced in practice in Salisbury, both in the private sector as well as providing an invaluable service to the State hospitals.

During his time there he did attend a number of the Association meetings and congresses. Towards the end of his career he became a member of the Rhodesian Parliament, but he returned to England when he retired in 1982.

Section 2: The founding of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of Southern Africa

On 4 August 1956, Jack Penn convened a meeting in Johannesburg (the venue was not recorded in the minutes) with four of the other five plastic surgeons in South Africa, namely Barney Franklin Bishop, James Cuthbert, David S Davies and Dennis Walker. Norman Petersen was unable to attend.

Penn gave an inaugural address in which he gave the reasons for calling the meeting, including the establishment of an Association of Plastic Surgeons. A constitution modelled on that of the British Association of Plastic Surgeons was adopted. Jack Penn was elected President of the Association and Dennis Walker the Secretary/Treasurer.

It was decided to invite a number of distinguished plastic surgeons from Great Britain and the United States of America to become Honorary members. The President would extend this invitation to Harrold Gillies, Archibald McIndoe, Pomfret Kilner and Rainsford Mowlem, from England, and to Sterling Bunnell, James Barrett Brown, Robert Ivy and Jerome Webster from the USA.

Plastic surgeons in Southern Africa would be Full members.

Associate membership would be offered to medical or dental practitioners who were 'interested' in plastic surgery. Although there was a total of fourteen applications for this category of membership in the subsequent six months – which were approved – so little interest in the Association was taken by these Associate members in the coming years that by 1962, it was decided to terminate this category of membership.

Slightly over a year later, on 18 September 1957, the first Annual General Meeting of APSSA took place at Wentworth Hospital in Durban. It was attended by all six of the plastic surgeons in South Africa, and by an auspicious guest, Professor Pomfret Kilner from Oxford.

On the previous day, a ward round and a clinical meeting had been held, organised by Barney Bishop, at the Wentworth Hospital. In the afternoon papers were read by two of the surgeons, and further cases were presented.

Following the AGM there were further case demonstrations and discussions, and that evening the first Association of Plastic Surgeons dinner. Professor Kilner informed the members of the Association that the British Association of Plastic Surgeons would be presenting them with an engraved ebony and silver gavel, as he gave the best wishes of the British Association whom he represented, to the meeting.

Addendum: The Original Associate Members

It was reported at this first AGM in 1957 that there were fourteen Associate Members of the Association. They were:

Mark Cohen	BDS	Cape Town
P Davies	LDS	Cape Town
E Epstein	MBCChB DOMS	Johannesburg
AJ Fowler	MBCChB	Brakpan
SJ Hersch	MBBCh FRCS	Johannesburg
A Joffe	LDS	Johannesburg
J Jankowitz	FRCS	North Rand
S Kark	FRCS	Durban
E Lipworth	MBBCh FRCS	Johannesburg
L Melser	MD DPH	Johannesburg
LV Pearson	MD	Durban
R Wall	LDS	Durban
P Wilson	MBCChB	Cape Town
T Wolpe	MBCChB	Benoni

Sidney Hersch, a general surgeon at the time, went onto train as a plastic surgeon, and was registered as such in 1961.

For the rest, this category of membership was done away with by 1962.

Section 3: The early meetings of APSSA 1957 to 1971

During this period, an Annual General Meeting was held nearly every year, but at irregular intervals. On a number of occasions, a clinical meeting with the presentation of papers by members was combined with the AGM.

In 1969 the AGM took place in Pretoria within a 5-day congress of the Medical Association of South Africa. On four of those days there were sessions of interest to plastic surgeons, and members participated in delivering papers and contributed to the discussions.

Date	City	Venue	Format
17-18/09/1957	Durban	Wentworth Hospital	AGM and clinical meeting
29-31/12/1958	Cape Town	Groote Schuur and Red Cross Hospitals	AGM and clinical meeting
4/04/1960	Johannesburg	J Penn's Home	AGM
1961	Cape Town	D.S. Davies' Home	Meeting (date was not recorded)
3/01/1962	Cape Town	Not recorded	AGM
10/12/1962	Johannesburg	Brenthurst Clinic	AGM
24/07/1963	Johannesburg	Brenthurst Clinic	AGM
29/05/1964	Durban	Wentworth Hospital	AGM and clinical meeting
29/07/1965	Port Elizabeth	Marine Hotel	AGM
9/10/1966	Cape Town	Red Cross Hospital	AGM

18/07/1967	Durban	Not recorded	AGM
12/06/1968	Johannesburg	Brenthurst Clinic	AGM
7-11/07/1969	Pretoria	Not recorded	AGM & MASA Congress
7/10/1970	Cape Town	President Hotel	AGM and clinical meeting
17/04/1971	Johannesburg	Sunnyside Park Hotel	Special General Meeting and clinical meeting

Section 4: The University Academic Departments and Divisions of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery

University of Witwatersrand

Although Jack Penn was appointed Professor of Plastic, Maxillo-Facial and Oral Surgery by the university in 1944, it was in the Dental and not the Medical Faculty; so the trainees in surgery in the teaching hospitals had no exposure to his teaching and experience. Penn also favoured the American system whereby Registrars or trainees could do at least part of their training in private hospitals or clinics as opposed to the State or University teaching hospitals, whereas the South African Medical and Dental Council would not accept this.

Penn's practice was entirely in his private clinic, so the Council would not recognise any period of time trainees spent under his guidance and tutorship. Penn thus eventually gave up his Professorship by 1950.

In 1948, James Cuthbert was appointed Plastic and Maxillo-Facial surgeon to the Johannesburg group of teaching hospitals, and Dennis Walker was his first Registrar. Walker was registered by the SA Medical and Dental Council as a Plastic and Maxillo-Facial surgeon in 1954, and he took over as acting head of the division when Cuthbert died in 1964. He was appointed an Associate Professor in 1968 and retired in 1981.

Walker's successor as head of the division was John Legge who had done his specialist training in Ontario, Canada. Legge's tenure, however, was short-lived as he resigned in 1982 and emigrated back to Canada. A succession of newly qualified plastic surgeons acted as head of the division over the next eight years: Saul Braun (1982-85), Tom Ford (1985-87) and Anwar Kadwa (1987-90).

Donald MacKay, both medically and dentally qualified, returned from a Fellowship at Penn State University to take up a full-time post as head of the division. Within two years he had resigned and emigrated back to the USA. His successor was Colin Song until he too emigrated, to Singapore in 1997. George Psaras took over in 1998 as acting head, was officially appointed so and as an Adjunct Professor in 2002 and resigned in 2008 to emigrate to Cyprus.

Tim Christofides then took over running the division although he was never actually officially appointed as acting head. Elias Ndobe, on the other hand, was officially appointed, as well as being made an Associate Professor in 2012. Christofides was rewarded with an Adjunct Professorship in 2015.

Laurence Chait and Alan Widgerow were awarded Honorary Associate Professorships in 1999 for their many years of valuable contributions to the division. During his training Chait did a Hand Fellowship at the University of Louisville in the USA, as well as a Fellowship in Microsurgery with Bernie O'Brien in Melbourne, Australia.

He was the senior author of multiple publications emanating from his practice and the Wits department, including a world-first on the use of Botox in the management of the cerebral palsy hand.

In 2001 he was invited as the Kazanjian visiting lecturer to Harvard University to give a series of lectures. In the same year he was awarded the Fellowship by Peer Review of the College of Plastic Surgeons of South Africa, one of only three South African plastic surgeons so honoured.

University of Cape Town

In 1945, Norman Petersen was appointed head of the Plastic and Maxillo-Facial Unit at Groote Schuur Hospital. He was soon joined by David S Davies, first as Clinical Assistant and then Registrar. He was registered as a Plastic and Maxillo-Facial surgeon by the Medical and Dental Council in 1949 and remained on the staff of Groote Schuur Hospital as well as having a part-time private practice until his retirement in 1960.

His son, also David Davies, was the next Registrar to be trained in Cape Town. He qualified in 1959 and was appointed to the staff of Groote Schuur and the Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospitals. He started in private practice in 1960, and the following year was appointed the head of the department on the retirement of Norman Petersen.

Ken Dyer came down from Durban to take over from David Davies as head of the department in 1974 but returned to Durban the following year. His place was taken by Roger Strover, another Cape Town trainee, who had been in practice for the previous five years in Salisbury, Zimbabwe.

A contemporary of Roger Strover as a trainee in Cape Town, Cecil Bloch, gave up his private practice in the city to become full-time head of the department in 1980, and he was appointed an Associate Professor. On his retirement in 1998, Donald Hudson, already an Associate Professor on account of the multiplicity of his publications, succeeded Bloch as head of the department.

Des Fernandes was awarded an Adjunct Professorship for his many years of outstanding contributions to the department. The only doctorate achieved by a UCT trainee or staff members is a PhD awarded to Nick Kairinos.

University of KwaZulu Natal

The Universities of Natal and Durban-Westville merged in 2004 to become the University of KwaZulu Natal.

In 1953, Barney Franklin Bishop was given a part-time appointment as plastic surgeon to the Addington and King Edward VIII hospitals in Durban. These were the two hospitals where Registrars in general and orthopaedic surgery in the Surgical Division of the then University of Natal Medical School received their training. However, these hospitals were not recognised by the Medical and Dental Council for the training of Registrars in plastic surgery until 1969, by which time three other plastic surgeons had joined the staffs of the two hospitals as part-timers – they were Michael Harris, John Youngleson and Ken Dyer.

Michael Harris had been a member of the South African Medical Corps from 1940 to 1947 and had worked under Norman Petersen at the Springfield Military Hospital.

After a period in general practice after the war, he went to Oxford to receive his formal training in plastic surgery, and once qualified, joined Barney Bishop in practice in Durban in 1962. When Bishop moved to Pietermaritzburg in 1967, Harris became, as a part-timer, the head of the plastic surgery department.

One of the first Registrars to receive his training in Durban was Willie de Villiers – who then took over as full-time departmental head from Michael Harris in 1977. De Villiers resigned at the end of 1980 to go into private practice, and Warwick Morris acted as part-time head for slightly under two years until the appointment of Edward Bowen-Jones as full-time head. He, in turn, resigned in 1991 to go into private practice, and Anil Madaree succeeded him as full-time head. Madaree was awarded a Professorship in 1994.

Professor Madaree earned a unique distinction as a plastic surgeon in that he was elected as the President of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa, in which capacity he served from 2010 to 2013. He was also the President of the International Society of Craniofacial Surgery from 2009 to 2011.

His department is also notable compared to all the other Universities in that two of its members have been awarded MD degrees (Alain Flamment and Edward Bowen-Jones), and two others earned a PhD (Mahendra Daya and Corne Nel).

Warwick Morris was an active part-time member of the department for 46 years, and at one stage he also held a part-time appointment in the division of plastic surgery of the University of the Witwatersrand (for 15 years) where he helped establish the Craniofacial Service at the Johannesburg Hospital. Morris was South Africa's representative on EQUAM, the European Committee on Quality Assurance and Medical Devices in Plastic Surgery, based in Regensburg, Germany, from 1994 to 2007.

He was only one of three Presidents of APRASSA who was also the President of the South African Society for Surgery of the Hand; one of three South African plastic surgeons who was awarded the Fellowship by Peer Review of the College of Plastic Surgeons of South Africa; and one of three plastic surgeons who were active in their respective branches of the South African Medical Association, serving on the Executive Committees, as branch Presidents, as National Councillors, and all being awarded Bronze medals by the Medical Association for their contributions. The other two were 'Engel' Engelbrecht in Cape Town and Wolf Losken in Pietermaritzburg.

University of Pretoria

The first registered plastic surgeon in Pretoria was Pierre Hugo, an experienced general surgeon who had worked during and after the war with Jack Penn, and who did his formal training in plastic surgery under Archibald McIndoe at East Grinstead in England. Hugo was given a part-time appointment at the Pretoria General Hospital in 1959.

His first Registrar was Johannes Erlank, who registered as a specialist in 1970 and was appointed to the staff of what had then become the HF Verwoerd Hospital.

Erlank took over as head of the division in 1972 when Pierre Hugo elected to go into full-time private practice with Jack Penn in Johannesburg.

Piet Coetzee, who had trained at Medunsa, took over as full-time head in 1987, and was awarded an Associate Professorship in 2002.

In 1997 the HF Verwoerd Hospital had its name changed to the Pretoria Academic Hospital. Coetzee retired in 2015 and Solly Selahle succeeded him as head of the clinical unit within the department of surgery. The hospital had been renamed the Steve Biko Academic Hospital in 2008. Selahle resigned in 2019 and his place as head was taken over in 2020 by Nkhensani Chauke-Malinga.

University of Stellenbosch

WDF ("Fana") Malherbe trained as a plastic surgeon in Amsterdam and subsequently at East Grinstead in England under Archie McIndoe.

He returned to Cape Town in 1960 and was given a part-time appointment at the Karl Bremer Hospital to start a plastic surgical unit under the auspices of the University of Stellenbosch Medical School. The unit was transferred with the Medical School to the Tygerberg Hospital in 1976.

Alastair Lamont, who had trained in Glasgow and Cape Town, was appointed full-time head of the department in 1981 and was awarded a full Professorship in 1984. He resigned from his post in 1988 and was succeeded by Ronnie Brink for approximately two years before Bennie Zeeman became full-time head in 1990, until his retirement in 2005.

His place was taken by Frank Graewe who had had an exceptional training before being invited to become the head of the department. After his five years as a Registrar at Tygerberg, Graewe did two Fellowships in France and another in the United States. He then worked in Munich for over three years during which time he was awarded a Doctorate by the Technical University of Munich. He took up the post at Tygerberg hospital at the end of 2005, was appointed an Associate Professor, but resigned to go into private practice in 2016.

Alex Zuhlke took over as acting head until the appointment of Professor Sammy Al-Benna in 2019. Professor Al-Benna has a PhD from his early training days. Wayne Kleintjes is the other University of Stellenbosch department of plastic surgery Consultant who holds the same qualification.

Mention must be made of Peet Van Deventer. Apart from his MBChB and his MMed (Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery) he has a BSc (Hons) and MMedSc. He has been a lecturer in Anatomy, Physiology and Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery for most of 50 years, from 1969 to 2018, mainly at the University of Stellenbosch, but also for a few years at the University of the Free State. He started his plastic surgical private practice in 1980 and in 2020 was still enjoying his profession.

It must also be recorded that Alastair Lamont, by visits every three months, provided a plastic surgical consultant service to Namibia from 1983 to 2014. When he relocated to Johannesburg in 1993, he also provided a similar service to Gaborone in Botswana from 1996 to 2016.

University of the Free State

Hume Maxwell trained as a plastic surgeon in Cape Town and started in practice in Bloemfontein in 1971, when he was granted a part-time appointment at the Provincial hospitals.

However, it was not until he was joined in 1975 by Heinrich Nikschat, who had had his training in plastic surgery in England, that their department was recognised by the Health Professions Council for the training of Registrars in plastic surgery.

JF (“Koos”) Scholtz was their first trainee and when he qualified, he accepted an appointment to start a plastic surgical unit at Medunsa and the Ga-Rankuwa Hospital.

Ronnie Brink was appointed early in 1976 as full-time head of the department. Although he went into private practice after two years, he remained as acting head until Kobus van Zyl took up the post as a full-timer in 1987. Jannie Barnard was a second full-time appointee at that time.

Brink left Bloemfontein in 1988 to take over as head of the department at Tygerberg Hospital and Barnard followed him three years later.

Thus, when Kobus van Zyl died prematurely in 1996, Heinrich Nikschat took over running the department as a part-timer until the appointment of Wayne Smith as Professor and full-time head the following year. Smith resigned and emigrated to the Arab Emirates in 2000. Thus, Nickschat again acted as head, until Fred Jooste was appointed in a full-time capacity, and Professor, in 2003.

Jooste retired in 2019. His replacement appointed early in 2020, Corne Nel, is a remarkable academic in that he holds both a PhD and a master’s degree in Public Health Education. He did his plastic surgical training in Durban, was a full-time Consultant there for a while, then went into private practice in Johannesburg until his appointment as head of the department in Bloemfontein, the University where he did his undergraduate medical degree.

Medunsa

The Medical University of South Africa was established in the Ga-Rankuwa Hospital complex north of Pretoria in 1976. Five years later the plastic surgery department was started with the appointment of JF (“Koos”) Scholtz as Professor and Head.

Medunsa merged in 2005 with the University of the North to become the University of Limpopo. The Ga-Rankuwa Hospital had been renamed the Doctor George Mukhari Hospital two years previously.

Scholtz resigned in 2005 and emigrated to the Middle East. Over the next six years a number of surgeons headed the department for varying but short periods of time – Johan van Wyk, Yvonne Brakovsky, Danie Hoffmann, Stefan Rawlins and Solly Selahle. In 2011, Gysie Annandale accepted a full-time post as Professor and head of the department and he remained there until 2017.

He was succeeded by Kenneth Segwapa, who initially was acting departmental head and was then officially appointed in November 2019.

During Professor Annandale's tenure, the Health Sciences Faculty of the University of the Limpopo broke away and by 2015 was reconstituted as the Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University.

Walter Sisulu University

The Medical Faculty of the University of Transkei was established in Umtata in 1985, initially for undergraduate medical students only.

In 2005 the University of Transkei merged with the Eastern Cape and Border Technikons to become the Walter Sisulu University with Health Sciences as one of its four faculties.

With the progression to the education and training of medical postgraduates, the teaching platform of the Medical School in Umtata was expanded to include the East London and Port Elizabeth Provincial Hospital complexes.

In 2009, Chris Van der Walt, who had done his training at the Tygerberg Academic Hospital, was appointed plastic surgeon to the Port Elizabeth Provincial Hospital complex in the post previously held by Bertram Ah Chow – who had retired the previous year due to ill-health.

Van der Walt was assisted part-time for the first five years or so by the two plastic surgeons, Donald Solomons and Charles Apostolis, who had started in practice in Port Elizabeth in the late 1960's and who had provided a part-time plastic surgical service to the Provincial hospitals for the duration of their careers.

Van der Walt was authorised two Registrar posts in plastic surgery by the Health Professionals Council and the first trainee qualified and registered in 2015. She was thus the first plastic surgical post-graduate of the Walter Sisulu University.

Section 5: Annual General Meetings and Congresses

Dates	City/Region	Venue	Congress Chairman	Invited Guests
4-5/11/1971	Port Elizabeth	New Hotel Elizabeth	C Apostolis	R Chase
26-28/10/1972	Durban	Blue Waters Hotel	J Youngleson	R Dingman S Harrison
20-23/10/1973	Johannesburg	Carlton Hotel	I Kaplan	I Pitanguy
22-24/8/1974	Pretoria	UNISA	J Erlank	-
3-4/10/1975	Cape Town	Heerengracht Hotel	D Davies	-
1-3/9/1976	Johannesburg	RAU	D Hansen	R Broadbent
7-9/9/1977	Durban	Elangeni Hotel	K Dyer	-
12-14/9/1078	Bloemfontein	Bloemfontein Hotel	R Brink	U Hinderer G Freilinger

13–16/5/1979	Cape Town	Mount Nelson Hotel	R Strover	I Jackson
20–22/10/1980	Sun City		H De Wet	P Tessier F Nahai
4–7/8/1981	Kruger Park	Skukuza	J Erlank	F Ortiz-Monasterio J Boswick
5–8/4/1982	Plettenberg Bay	Beacon Island Hotel	C Apostolis	C Horton
21–27/5/1983	Umhlanga Rocks	Cabana Beach Hotel	W Morris	M Gonzales-Ulloa
31/8–2/9/1984	Pretoria	Holiday Inn	K Scholtz	-
10–14/9/1985	Cape Town	UCT Medical School	C Bloch	I Munro D Birdsell M Ferguson
28–30/8/1986	Johannesburg	Sandton Holiday Inn	S Braun	E Manders
11–14/10/1987	Drakensberg	Sani Pass Hotel	E Bowen-Jones	J Carraway A Roberts
1–3/9/1988	Bloemfontein	Medical School	K Van Zyl	Yu-Ray Chen
27-30/8/1989	Kruger Park	Berg-en-dal	P Coetzee	H Anderl D McGruther R MacFarlane W Morrison
10-13/10/1990	Cape Town	Cape Sun Hotel	R Brink	M Le Jour S Noordhof D Marchac P Maxwell
27-30/8/1991	Johannesburg	Johannesburg Hospital	A Lamont	J May H Holmstrom O Fenton D Banducci
18-22/10/1992	Cape Town	Arthur's Seat Hotel	C Bloch	F Nicolle G Lemperle W Muhlbauer G Freilingner Y Illouz P Guelinck
30/8 – 2/9/1993	Transkei	Wild Coast Sun Hotel	W Morris	J vd Meulen G Taylor R Pigott
17-19/10/1994	Sun City		K Scholtz	D Furnas R Nordstrom
20-24/8/1995	Kruger Park	Berg-en-dal	P Coetzee	P Sykes FC Wei B Sommerlad

2-4/9/1996	Johannesburg	Sandton Holiday Inn	C Song	R Goldwyn U Hinderer A Gheita
4-7/10/1997	Somerset West	Lord Charles Hotel	B Zeeman	R Barnett
2-4/9/1998	Bloemfontein	Bloemfontein Hotel	W Smith	G Matton
3-7/10/1999	Drakensberg	Champagne Sports Resort	A Madaree	J Baudet W Shaw
10-13/10/2000	Somerset West	Lord Charles Hotel	B Zeeman	F Firmin
7-10/10/2001	Sun City		K Scholtz	R Ellenbogen W Losken
20-24/10/2002	Kruger National Park	Berg-en-Dal	P Coetzee	B Guyuron D Soutar M Yaremchuk P Blondeel G Sibbald
19-23/10/2003	Magaliesberg	Mount Grace Hotel	G Psaras	B Zide M Cohen C van der Kolk V Kantoes
17-21/10/2004	East London	Hemingways Hotel	B Ritchie	J Pribaz S Byrd B Bauer H Becker
24-27/10/2005	Bloemfontein	Ilanga Estate	F Jooste	C Perlyn A Aiche
22-25/10/2006	Drakensberg	Champagne Sports Resort	A Madaree	B Jones S Levin S Spear
21-24/10/2007	Stellenbosch	Spier Estate	F Graewe	A Feller K Salyer
19-22/10/2008	Sun City		D Hoffmann	D MacKay J Losee J Serletti
16-18/10/2009	Pretoria	CSIR	P Coetzee	H Delmar D Fisher W Gubisch P Maitz
16-20/10/2010	Cradle of Humankind	Maropeng	R Halley-Stott	W Morrison M Siemionow
14-17/10/2011	Stellenbosch	Spier Estate	S Barker	G Jones JM del Yerro D Ross
19-22/10/2012	Drakensberg	Champagne Sports Resort	F Jooste	G Evans R Wixstrom

28-30/10/2013	Drakensberg	Champagne Sports Resort	A Madaree	F Menick R Zuker
16-19/10/2014	Stellenbosch	Spier Estate	F Graewe	A Swift C Mendieta P Cordeiro S Wall
23-25/10/2015	Port Elizabeth	Boardwalk Convention Centre	ZF Annandale	C del Pino Roxo M Ninkovic S Ahmad
16-18/9/2016	Kruger Park	Protea Hotel Kruger Gate	S Selahle	F Nahai M Hamdi J Masia M Nava
15-17/9/2017	Johannesburg	Sandton Hilton Hotel	E Ndobe	J Janis S Shah-Desai A Grobbelaar
14-16/9/2018	Kleinmond, Cape	Arabella Hotel	D Hudson	D Hammond J Marcus P Sullivan M Sforza
13-15/9/2019	Drakensberg	Champagne Sports Resort	A Madaree	A Aly A Jacono J Tae Kim I Younis

Section 6: APRASSA Congresses Invited Lecturers

Year	Jack Penn	Phoenix	Kehla
1985	J Penn		
1986	Prof DJ du Plessis		
1987	J Youngleson		
1988	F Malherbe		
1989	J Penn		
1990	Prof W Jackson		
1991	C Sunter		
1992	N Chapman		
1993	D Davies		
1994	JD Erlank		
1995			
1996	A Klaaste		
1997	F Malherbe		
1998	T Wilson		
1999	A Whitaker		
2000	Prof C Bloch		
2001	S Allison		
2002	Prof W van Riet	C Song	

2003	Prof D Block	A Widgerow	
2004	Prof P Clayton	A Madaree	B Binnewald
2005	A Travers	P Coetzee	G Morrison
2006	Prof E Cloete	G Psaras	F Malherbe
2007	A Van Niekerk	R Nicholson	W Morris
2008	Prof B Reilly	V Jandera	L Chait
2009	Prof H Rode	M Daya	A Lamont
2010	Prof L Burger	F Graewe	J Robertson
2011	S Johnson	C Pienaar	B Ritchie
2012	B Joubert	T Christofides	Did not take place
2013	D Grier	K Hoekstra	A Lamont
2014	N Borain	K Adams	D Fernandes
2015	Adv K Malunga	Did not take place	Did not take place
2017	M Lubner	M Murdoch	T Ford
2018	Prof T Noakes	A Zuhlke	F Jooste
2019	I Sooliman	D Liakos	A Bruce-Chwatt

Section 7: Office Bearers/Executive Committees

Dates	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Other Members
1956-57	J Penn	D Walker	D Walker	
1958-59	N Petersen	DS Davies	DS Davies	
1959-60	B Bishop	B Bishop	B Bishop	
1960-61	DS Davies	D Davies	D Davies	
1962-63	J Cuthbert	D Walker and	P Hugo	
1963-65	P Hugo	D Walker	D Walker	J Cuthbert S Hersch B Bishop B Binnewald
1966-69	J Penn	S Hersch then	G Drummond	B Bishop B Binnewald I Kaplan D Walker P Hugo
1970-72	S Hersch	G Drummond	G Drummond	B Binnewald D Davies P Hugo H de Wet I Kaplan J Youngleson
1972-74	I Kaplan	H de Wet	H de Wet	C Apostolis D Davies P Hugo J Youngleson

1974-76	D Walker	H de Wet	H de Wet	D Davies P Hugo F Malherbe J Youngleson
1976-78	D Davies	D Adendorff	D Adendorff	H de Wet D Hansen K Dyer F Malherbe
1978-80	F Malherbe	P Van Deventer	P Van Deventer	D Davies H de Wet K Dyer D Hansen W Losken
1980-82	H de Wet	J Visse	J Visse	C Bloch D Davies D Hansen W Losken F Malherbe
1982-84	D Hansen	J Visse	J Visse	C Bloch D Davies H de Wet W Losken F Malherbe
1984-86	W Losken	B Hugo	D Hansen	C Bloch J Erlank A Lamont J Visse
1986-88	J Engelbrecht	B Zeeman	W Losken R Strover	C Bloch B Hugo A Lamont
1988-90	C Bloch	B Zeeman	R Strover	J Engelbrecht B Hugo A Lamont W Morris
1990-92	A Lamont	D MacKay	W Morris	J Engelbrecht B Hugo A Widgerow B Zeeman
1992-94	W Morris	A Widgerow	W Morris	L Chait J Engelbrecht A Lamont B Zeeman
1994-96	L Chait	A Widgerow	W Morris	J Cooke J Engelbrecht T Ford B Zeeman

1996-98	A Widgerow	T Ford	J Cooke	G Morrison C Smit J Van Wingerden
1998-2000	G Morrison	T Ford	J Cooke	G Ash A Madaree J Van Wingerden A Widgerow
2000-02	J Cooke	T Ford	G Ash	M Kelly A Madaree J Van Wingerden
2002-04	T Ford	G Ash	J Van Wingerden R Robson	J Cooke M Kelly A Madaree G Morrison
2004-06	M Kelly	S Barker	R Robson	T Ford A Madaree G Morrison T Van Rooyen
2006-2008	R Robson	S Barker	P Scott	M Kelly A Madaree R Halley-Stott T Van Rooyen
2008-10	A Madaree	R Halley-Stott	P Scott	P Coetzee R Robson S Van Heerden T Van Rooyen
2010-12	S Barker	C Snijman	P Scott	A Madaree R Robson S Van Heerden T Van Rooyen
2012-14	S Van Heerden	C Snijman	P Scott	S Barker T Christofides V Jandera F Jooste T Van Rooyen
2014-16	T Van Rooyen	C Snijman	P Scott	T Christofides V Jandera F Jooste S Van Heerden D vd Westhuizen
2016-18	C Snijman	T Christofides	P Scott	K Adams M Daya V Jandera D vd Westhuizen

2018-2020	V Jandera		P Scott	K Adams T Christofides I Do Vale C Snijman D vd Westhuizen C Wittstock
2020 -	T Christofides		P Scott	I Do Vale V Jandera D Lazarus M Makakole M Murdoch M Phipson P Scott M v/d Velde C Wittstock

Section 8: Past and Senior Plastic Surgeons

As opposed to Section 10 which lists the present and active plastic surgeons in South Africa, this section gives details of:

- a) Past plastic surgeons – the early ones who are now deceased
- b) Senior plastic surgeons – those who have retired or are close to it, especially if they have made a major contribution to the speciality during their careers
- c) Plastic surgeons – who trained in South Africa and who have emigrated
- d) Plastic surgeons – graduates of South African medical schools who trained in other countries but practised in South Africa
- e) Plastic surgeons – graduates of South African Medical Schools who did their plastic surgical training in other countries and remained there. They are included as they are on the Health Professionals Council of South Africa’s register of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons

First names: As opposed to their full and formal first names or initials, the first names by which the surgeons were usually known have been used in the lists the follow.

Sources of information: The information in this section has been derived from:

- a) The register of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons of the Health Professionals Council of South Africa
- b) A list from the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa of all successful candidates for the Fellowship in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
- c) The internet, including individuals’ websites
- d) Information and recollections of many of the more senior plastic surgeons
- e) Minutes of the Association meetings from 1956 to 1977
- f) Congress brochures and programmes from 1973 to 2019

Notes and abbreviations:

d:	deceased, if confirmed and the date if known.
ED:	estimated dates: where dates could not be precisely confirmed, they can sometimes be estimated from other available information, such as the date of registration with the HPCSA, or the date of having passed the Fellowship examinations. It is mostly used for the years in which the surgeon was a Registrar in training.
FACS:	Fellow of the American College of Surgeons
FC Plast Surg (SA):	Fellow of the College of Plastic Surgeons of South Africa. The different Speciality Colleges within the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa were established in 2000. Thus, successful candidates for the Fellowship in Plastic Surgery from 2001 can append the letters - FC Plast Surg (SA) - behind their names, whereas from 1977, when the Fellowship in Plastic Surgery was first offered, to 2000, the letters - FCS (SA) - had to be used.
FCS(SA):	Fellow of the College of Surgeons of South Africa. Upto 1976 the Fellowship examination could only be taken in general surgery.
Fellow:	A period of additional training after completion of the prescribed years as a Registrar. Fellowships are offered by certain University programmes (mostly in the USA), internationally famous individuals and certain distinguished hospitals.
FRACS:	Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
FRCS:	Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons. There are four Royal Colleges of Surgeons in Great Britain and Ireland – England, Edinburgh, and Ireland and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. Those who have passed the Fellowship Examinations of one or more of the Colleges may append after their names the letters - FRCS (Eng), FRCS (Ed), FRCSI and FRCS (Glasg) or FRCS (G). FRCS will be used in the list that follows where it is not known from which College the surgeon obtained his Fellowship.
FRCS(C) or FRCSC:	Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada
FRCPCH:	Fellow of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health
FRFPS (Glasg)/FRFPSG:	Prior to 1962 the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow was titled the Royal Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. Thus surgeons who had passed their Fellowship examination used the letters FRFPS (Glasg) or FRFPSG after their names.
FTA:	Full-time appointment – either in an academic or University department or division, or to the Department of Health in a State or Provincial hospital.
HOD:	Head of Department or division
MASA / SAMA:	Medical Association of South Africa, formed in 1927. Combined with other organisations to become the South African Medical Association in 1998.
Med:	MEDUNSA, the Medical University of South Africa, established in 1976. It merged with the University of the North in 2005 to become the University of Limpopo. The Health Sciences Faculty (what had been MEDUNSA) subsequently broke away, and by 2015 was reconstituted as the Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University (SMU).

PTA: Part-time or sessional appointment, either to a University or Academic Department or division, or to State and Provincial hospitals.

P/P: Private Practice

SASSH: South African Society for Surgery of the Hand.

SMU: Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University

UCT: University of Cape Town

UFS: University of the Free State. (Up to 2000 it was known as the University of the Orange Free State)

UKZN: University of KwaZulu Natal (originally the University of Natal until it merged with the University of Durban-Westville in 2004)

UL: University of Limpopo (see Med)

UP: University of Pretoria

US: University of Stellenbosch/Stellenbosch University

WITS: University of the Witwatersrand

WSU: Walter Sisulu University – formed by the merger in 2005 of the University of the Transkei with the Border and Eastern Cape Technikons

Name	Basic Degree	Higher Degrees	Registrar Training	Career	Honours
Adendorff, Derrick	MBChB (UCT) 1968	FRCS (ED) 1972	UKZN 1972 - 1975	P/P: Cape Town Emigrated - Australia	
Ah Chow, Bertram	MBChB (UCT) 1970	FRCS (ED) 1979 MMed 1984	UCT 1980 - 1984 (ED)	FTA: Port Elizabeth Metropole Complex d 2010	
Apostolis, Charles	MBBCh (WITS) 1956	FRCS (ED) 1963	United Kingdom 1963 - 1965 (ED)	P/P and PTA: Port Elizabeth 1966 - 2014	
Auchincloss, John	MBChB (St Andrew's) 1969	FRCS (ED) 1975	UCT 1976 - 1979	P/P and PTA: Pietermaritzburg 1980 - 1994. Emigrated UAE	
Barnard, Jannie	MBChB (UFS) 1978	MMed (UFS) 1986	UFS 1981 - 1986	FTA: UFS 1987 - 1990 FTA: US 1991- 1992 P/P: Cape Town 1993 -	
Becker, Hilton	MBBCh (WITS) 1971	FRCS (ED) 1976	WITS 1976 - 1978	Emigrated USA 1979	
Berkowitz, Leslie	MBChB (UCT) 1968	FCS (SA) 1977	UCT 1973 - 1977	P/P: 1978-- Johannesburg	
Binnewald, Bertie	MBChB (UCT) 1952	DObst RCOG 1955 FRCS (Eng) 1957	UCT 1958 - 1960	P/P: Cape Town 1961-1995 PTA: UCT 1961-1999	UCT Gold Medal 1992

Bishop, Barney	MBChB (UCT) 1925	FRCS (ED) 1934	Oxford 1951 - 1952	P/P and PTA: Durban 1953 -1967 P/P: 1967 - 1974 Pietermaritzburg	
Bloch, Cecil	MBChB (UCT) 1953	FRCS (ED) 1966 FCS (SA) 1966	UCT 1966- 1968 (ED)	P/P and PTA: Cape Town 1968 - 1979 Hod UCT: 1980 - 1998	Associate Prof. UCT President SASSH 1979-1981 President APRASSA 1988-1990
Bolitho, Glynn	MBBCh (WITS) 1986	PhD 1993 FCS (SA) 1995 FRCS (C) FACS	UCT 1993 - 1995 (ED) Fellow Emory 1996	Emigrated to USA 1996	
Botha, Kobus	MBChB (UP) 1970	MMed 1981	UP 1976 - 1981 (ED)	P/P: Pretoria	
Boustred, Mark	MBBCh (WITS) 1979	FRCS (ED) FCS (SA) 1988 FCS (SA) 1995	UCT 1991 - 1995 (ED) Fellow Emory 1996- 1997	P/P: Cape Town 1997-1999 Emigrated New Zealand 2000	
Bowen-Jones, Edward	MB BS (London) MRCS LRCP 1967	DLO 1970 DObst RCOG - 1971 FRCS (Eng)- 1971 MD 1994 FRCS (Plast) - 2000 FC PlastSurg SA - 2001	Manchester, England 1973 – 1978	FTA & HOD: UKZN 1982 - 1991 P/P and PTA: UKZN 1991-2008 d - 2008	President SASSH 1997-1999
Braun, Saul	MBBCh (WITS) 1972	FRCS (ED) 1976	WITS 1977-1981	Clinical Head, WITS 1982 - 1985 P/P Johannesburg 1983 -	
Brink, Ronnie	MBChB (UP) 1967	MMed (UP) 1975	UP 1970 - 1975 (ED)	P/P and HOD UFS – 1976 - 1988 FTA and HOD US – 1988 – 1990 P/P Cape Town 1990 -	
Bruce-Chwatt, Andrew	MD (U of Malta) MRCS LRCP 1975	FRCS (Eng) 1983	US 1985 – 1988 (ED)	FTA: US 1988 -	

Caddy, Christopher	BSc MBChB (Edin) 1979	FCS (SA) 1987 FRCS (ED) 1988	UCT 1984 – 1988 (ED)	Emigrated - UK	
Cairns, Terry	MBBCh (WITS) 1972	FRCS (ED) 1976	UKZN 1976 – 1980	P/P: Durban 1981 – 1985 Emigrated UK	
Campbell, Geoffrey	MBChB (UCT) 1969	FRCS (Glasg) 1981	UKZN 1979 – 1983	P/P: Durban 1984 – 2010 d 2014	
Chait, Laurence	MBBCh (WITS) 1968	FRCS (ED) 1973 FC PlastSurg (SA) 2001	WITS 1973 – 1975 Fellow, Louisville 1975 Fellow, Melbourne 1976	FTA: Wits 1976 – 1979 PTA: Wits 1979-- P/P: Johannesburg 1979 -	President APRASSA 1994–1996 Hon. Associate Professor WITS 1999
Charles, David	MBChB (UCT) 1966	FCS (SA) 1973	UCT 1972 – 1975 (ED)	Emigrated USA	
Coetzee, Piet	MBChB (UP) 1972	MMed 1986	Med 1982 - 1986	FTA and HOD UP: 1987 – 2015 P/P: Pretoria 2015 -	Associate Professor 2002
Cohen, Sydney	MBChB (UCT) 1953	FRCS (ED) 1963	Edinburgh 1963–1966 (ED)	P/P: Cape Town Emigrated USA	
Conwright, Keith	MBChB (UCT) 1980	FCS(SA) 1996	UKZN 1991 – 1995 Swansea 1996	P/P: Pinetown 1997 – 2001 P/P: Cape Town 2002 -	
Cooke, John	MBBS (London) 1963	FRCS (Eng) 1975	UKZN 1972 – 1976	FTA: UKZN 1976 – 1979 P/P and PTA: Durban 1979 -	President: Natal Coastal branch of MASA 1986-1987 President APRASSA 2000-2002
Cort, Alex	MBBCh (WITS) 1941	FRCS (Eng) 1960	Roehampton 1960 – 1961 WITS 1961- 1962	FTA WITS 1963 – 1964 P/P and PTA: Johannesburg 1965 – 1997 d: 2010	
Cuthbert, James	MA MB BS (London)	PhD FRCS (ED)	Harold Gilles team 1940 – 1945	FTA and HOD WITS 1948 – 1964	President APRASSA 1962-1963

Davies, David	MBChB (UCT) 1950	FRCS (Eng) 1953	UCT 1954 - 1958	PTA and HOD UCT 1959 – 1974 P/P Cape Town: 1960 – 1997	President APRASSA 1976-1978
Davies, David Sydney	BM BCh (Oxford) MRCS LRCP 1922	DM (Oxon) FRCS (ED) 1931	UCT 1945 – 1949	PTA UCT and P/P Cape Town 1949 – 1960 d 1989	President APRASSA 1960-1961
de Chalain, Tristan	MBChB (UCT) 1984	FCS (SA) 1992 FRCS (C) 1996 FRACS 1999	UCT 1989 – 1992 (ED) Resident Emory 1993 – 1995 Resident Toronto 1996 – 1997	Emigrated to New Zealand	
de Greef, Andre	MBBCh (WITS) 1975	MMed 1984	US 1979 – 1984	P/P Cape Town Emigrated to Canada	
de Villiers, Willie	MBChB (UCT) 1959	FRCS (ED) 1971	UKZN 1969 – 1971	FTA UKZN 1972 – 1980 HOD 1977 – 1980 P/P Durban 1981 – 2018	
de Wet, Hennie	MBChB (UP) 1952	FRCS (ED) 1960	WITS 1960 – 1962	PTA UP and WITS P/P Johannesburg	President APRASSA 1980-1982
Dinner, Melvyn	MBBCh (WITS) 1965	FRCS (Eng) 1971 FRCS (ED) 1971	WITS 1970 – 1972 (ED)	Emigrated to USA	
Drummond Greta	MB BS (Durham) 1950	FRCS (ED) 1960	England	PTA: Natalspruit P/P: Johannesburg d 2015	
Dyer, Ken	MBChB (UCT) 1943	FCS (SA) 1964	UCT 1961 – 1965	P/P and PTA Durban 1965 – 1980 HOD UCT 1974 - 1975 d 1980	
Edwards, Gereth	MBChB (UFS) 1987	MMed (UFS)	UFS	P/P: Johannesburg	
Elliot, David	MBBCh	FRCS	WITS 1980 – 1983	P/P: Johannesburg	

Engelbrecht, Engel	MBChB (UP) 1954	FCS (SA) 1961	UCT 1961 – 1963	PTA: Groote Schuur, Red Cross, Victoria, Conradie, Somerset, Woodstock hospitals P/P: Cape Town 1963 – 2004 d 2009	President Cape Western Branch of MASA. MASA bronze medal. President APRASSA 1986-1988
Erlank, Johan (Goeks)	MBChB (UP) 1960	MMed (Chir) 1970	UP 1966 – 1970	FTA: UP 1971–1975 HOD: UP 1975 – 1987 P/P: Pretoria 1975 -	
Esmonde-White, Maureen	MBBCh (WITS) 1957	FRCS (ED) 1961	England	P/P and PTA: Johannesburg	
Fenn, Christopher	MBChB (US) 1985	FCS (SA) 1994 FRCS (Plast)	UCT 1991 – 1994 (ED)	Emigrated to England	
Fernandes, Des	MBBCh (WITS) 1966	FRCS (ED) 1973	UCT 1973 – 1979	PTA and P/P: UCT / Cape Town 1980 -	Adjunct Professor UCT
Flamment, Alain	BSc 1963 MD (Paris) 1970	MD (UKZN) 1985	UKZN 1978 – 1981	UKZN: Acting Consultant 1981 – 1985 P/P: George 1985 - 2005	
Fleming, Drew	MBChB (UCT) 1983	FRCS (ED) FCS (SA) 1997	UCT 1995 – 1997 (ED) Fellow Emory 1997 – 1998	Emigrated to England 1998	
Ford, Tom	MBChB (UP) 1977	FRCS (ED) 1982	WITS 1982 – 1985	FTA and acting HOD WITS 1985 - 1987 P/P 1987 - Johannesburg	President APRASSA 2002-2004
Fouche, Kobus	MBChB (UP) 1976	MMed (Med) 1989	Med 1985 – 1989	P/P: Pretoria 1990 -	
Fourie, Larry	MBChB (UP) 1979	FCS (SA) 1988 FRCS	US 1984 – 1988 (ED)	Emigrated to England	
Goldin, Henry	MBChB (UCT) 1962	FRCS (ED) 1967	UCT 1968 – 1970	Emigrated to England	
Gordon, Luke	MBChB (US) 1987	FCS(SA) 1995	UKZN 1991 – 1995	P/P: Benoni Suspended by HPCSA 2020	

Green, Rodney	MBBCh (WITS)	FACS	Cleveland Clinic	Emigrated to USA	
Grobbelaar, Adriaan	MBChB (UP) 1984	MMed 1993 FCS (SA) 1993	UCT 1990 – 1993 (ED)	Emigrated to England	
Grove, Piet	MBChB	FCS (SA) 1970	UKZN 1968 – 1970 (ED)	P/P: Pretoria d 1970	
Hansen, Denys	MBChB (UCT) 1947	Dip Surg (WITS) 1953	WITS 1970 – 1972	General Practice: East London 1954 – 1969 P/P: 1974 – 1997 Johannesburg d 2015	President Border branch of MASA 1967/68 President APRASSA 1982-1984
Harris, Michael	MBBCh (WITS) 1937	FRCS (ED) 1961	Oxford 1959 – 1961	PTA and P/P Durban 1962–1986 HOD UKZN 1967 – 1977	
Hersch, Sidney	MBBCh (WITS) 1943	FRCS (Eng) 1950	WITS 1958 – 1961	PTA and P/P Johannesburg 1962 – d 1999	President APRASSA 1970-1972
Hockley, Garth	MBChB (UCT) 1961	FRCS (ED) 1972	United Kingdom	Emigrated to Australia	
Hugo, Ben	MBChB (UCT) 1970	FRCS (ED) 1975	US 1976-1977 Pittsburgh 1977 – 1979	P/P: Johannesburg Emigrated to USA 1992	
Hugo, Pierre	MBChB (UCT) 1940	MCh (UP) 1956	East Grinstead 1958	PTA/HOD: UP 1959 – 1972 P/P: Johannesburg 1960 – 1985 d 2005	President APRASSA 1963-1965
Joannides, Spyro	MB BS (Thesalonika) 1971	FRCS (Glasg) 1981	WITS 1975 – 1981	FTA: WITS 1981 – 1983 Returned to Greece	
Jones, Glynn	MBChB (Rhodesia) 1977	FRCS(ED) 1984 FCS (SA) 1987	UCT 1984 – 1987 (ED)	Emigrated to USA	
Jooste, Fred	MBChB (UP) 1978	MMed 1987	UP 1983 – 1987	P/P and PTA: Pretoria 1987 – 1994 P/P and PTA: Kimberley 1994 – 2003 HOD UFS 2003 - 2019	

Kadwa, Anwar	MBBCh (WITS) 1976	FCS (SA) 1986	WITS 1983 – 1986	HOD WITS 1987 – 1990 P/P 1990 – 2005 Johannesburg d 2005	
Kaplan, Hilton	MBBCh (WITS) 1989	FCS (SA) PhD 1997	UCT 1994 – 1997 (ED)	Emigrated to USA	
Kaplan, Isodore	MBChB (UCT) 1951	FRCS (ED) 1957 FRCS (Eng) 1958	Pittsburgh 1960 – 1962	P/P and PTA Johannesburg 1963 – 1977 Emigrated to USA 1977 d 1977	President SASSH 1969–1971 President APRASSA 1972-1974
Kay, Peter	MBBCh (WITS)	FRCS (ED) FRCS (C) FACS	Cleveland Clinic Toronto	Emigrated to USA	
Kimble, Frank	MBChB (Hons) (Rhodesia) 1984	FRCS (Eng) 1988 FCS (SA) 1991 MMed 1994 FRACS 1999	Wales UKZN 1989 – 1991	FTA UKZN 1991 – 1994 PTA and P/P Durban 1995-1998 Emigrated to Australia 1998	
Kleynhans, Jan	MBChB (UP) 1975	MMed (UCT) 1985	UCT 1981 – 1985	FTA US 1986 – 1987 PTA and P/P Pietermaritzburg 1988 – 2010 P/P Somerset West 2010 –	
Kode, Gary	MBChB (UCT) 1981	FCS (SA) 1991 FRACS 2000	UCT 1987 – 1990	FTA: 1991 Pietermaritzburg PTA and P/P Durban 1992 - 1998 Emigrated to Australia 1998	
Koonin, Alfred	MBChB (UCT) 1965	FRCS (ED) 1971	UCT 1972 – 1974	Emigrated to USA 1974	
Kruger, Susan	MBChB (UFS) 1983	MMed 1997	UP 1993 – 1997	Emigrated to Namibia 1999	
Labandter, Harold	MBChB (UCT) 1964	FRCS (ED) 1971 FRCS (Eng) 1971	England USA	Emigrated to Israel	

Lamont, Alastair	MBChB (UP) 1969	FRCS (Glasg) 1976 FCS (SA) 1980	UCT 1977 – 1980	FTA and HOD: US 1981 – 1988 PTA and P/P: Cape Town 1988 – 1990 P/P: 1990- Johannesburg	Professor, US: 1984 President APRASSA 1990-1992
Laubscher, Rassie	MBChB (UP) 1975	MMed (UP) 1985	UP 1979 – 1985 (ED) Fellow, Louisville 1985 – 1986	P/P: Pretoria 1986 -	
Legge, John	MBBCh (WITS) 1970	FRCS (ED) 1975 FRCS (C)	University of Ontario 1977 – 1980 (ED)	FTA & HOD: WITS 1981-1982 Emigrated to Canada 1982	
le Grange, Ferdie	MBChB (US) 1973	FCS (SA) 1984	WITS 1981 – 1984 (ED)	P/P: Johannesburg d 2013	SA Marathon Champion
Leong, Cheryl	MBBCh (WITS) 1988	FCS (SA) 2000	WITS 1996 – 2000 (ED)	FTA: WITS 2000 – 2006 d 2006	
Losken, Wolfgang	MBChB (UCT) 1963	FCS (SA) 1969 FRCS (ED) 1969	UCT 1969 – 1971 Fellow 1972 (R Millard)	P/P and PTA: Pietermaritzburg 1973 – 1988 Emigrated to USA 1988	President Natal Inland Branch of MASA 1977 President APRASSA 1984–1986 MASA bronze medal
Luckhoff, Hilmar	MBChB (US) 1970	MMed (US) 1979	US 1975 – 1979 (ED)	P/P: Cape Town	
MacKay, Donald	BDS 1976 MBBCh (WITS) 1980	FRCS (ED) - 1986 FRCS (Glasg) - 1986 FCS(SA) 1991	WITS 1983 – 1987 Fellow, Penn State University 1988 – 1989	FTA and HOD: WITS 1990 – 1991 Emigrated to USA 1992	

Malherbe, Fana	MBChB (UCT) 1953	MD (Amsterdam) 1958	Amsterdam East Grinstead, England	PTA and HOD: US 1960 – 1981 P/P: Cape Town 1960 – 2000 d 2018	President APRASSA 1978-1980
Maxwell, Hume	MBBCh (WITS) 1958	FRCS (ED) 1966	UCT 1968 – 1971	PTA and P/P: Bloemfontein 1971 – 1974 P/P: 1974 – 2000 Johannesburg d 2000	
McCulley, Stephen	MBChB (Leicester) 1989	FCS(SA) 1999 FRCS (Plast)	UCT 1996 – 1999 (ED)	Emigrated to England	
Melmed, Eddie	MBBCh (WITS) 1958	FRCS (Eng) 1964 FRCS (Glasg) 1965	England	FTA: UCT 1968 – 1973 Emigrated to USA 1974	
Meyer, Andre	MBChB (UP) 1962	MMed (US) 1972	US 1967 – 1972 (ED)	P/P: Pretoria and PTA: Med/SMU --	
Michelow, Bryan	MBBCh (WITS) 1979	FRCS (ED) 1986 FRCS (Glasg) 1986	WITS 1986 – 1988 (ED)	Emigrated to USA 1989	
Middelhoven, Hans	MBChB (UP) 1975	MMed (US) 1985	US 1979 – 1985 (ED)	P/P: Vereeniging	
Morris, Warwick	MBChB (UCT) 1964	FRCS (ED) 1969 FC PlastSurg (SA) 2001	WITS 1970 – 1971 UCT 1971 – 1972 Fellow University of Michigan 1973 Fellow University of Louisville 1974 East Grinstead 1974	PTA: UKZN 1975 – 2020 PTA: WITS 1992 – 2007 P/P: Durban 1975 - 2019	President SASSH 1983-1985 President APRASSA 1992-1994 President of Natal Coastal branch of SAMA 1998–1999 SAMA Loyalty Award
Morrison, Gavin	MBChB (UCT) 1962	FCS(SA) 1969 FCS (SA) Plastic 1971	UCT 1968 – 1971 (ED)	P/P: Cape Town 1972 – PTA: US	President APRASSA 1998-2000
Mullan, Joan	MBChB (UP) 1970	FRCS (Glasg) 1978	WITS 1975 – 1978 (ED)	Emigrated	

Muller, Jan	MBBCh (WITS) 1953	FRCS (Glasg) 1968	England 1968 – 1970	P/P: Pretoria 1970 – 1977 d 1977	
Muir, Tobian	MBChB (UP)	MMed (UP)	UP	Emigrated to England	
Nair, Veneshree	MBChB (UKZN) 1998	FC PlastSurg (SA) 2009	UKZN 2004 – 2009	FTA: UKZN 2009 – 2014 P/P: Durban 2014 – 2019 Emigrated to Australia	
Naude, Piet	MBChB (UP) 1961	MMed (UP) 1976	UP 1970 – 1976 (ED)	P/P: Pretoria	
Netscher, David	MBBCh (WITS) 1977		University of Louisville Baylor College of Medicine 1983 – 1989	Emigrated to USA	
Nikschtat, Heinrich	MBChB (UCT) 1958	FRCS (ED) 1969	England	P/P and PTA: UFS and Bloemfontein 1975 –	
O’Hare, Terence	MBChB (UP) 1970	FRCS(ED)1977 MMed 1983 FCS(SA) 1987 FRCS (C)	UCT 1983 – 1987 (ED)	Emigrated to Canada	
Otto, Theuns	MBChB (UP) 1965	M PraxMed 1975 FCS (SA) 1988	UFS 1986 – 1988	P/P and PTA: UFS 1989 – 1993 P/P: Randburg 1993 – 1997 P/P: Empangeni 1997 –	
Owen-Smith, Bertram	MB BS (London) 1950	FRCS (Eng) 1955	East Grinstead 1954 – 1956	P/P and PTA: Salisbury, Rhodesia 1957 – 1982	Member of Parliament Rhodesia
Peart, Francis	BSc MBBCh (WITS) 1982	FCS (SA) 1991 FRCS	WITS 1988 – 1991 (ED)	Emigrated to England	

Penn, Jack	MBBCh (WITS) 1931	FRCS (ED) 1935 PhD (Hon) U. of Tel Aviv	England 1940	Commanding Officer, Brenthurst Military Hospital for Plastic Surgery 1941 - 1945 P/P: Johannesburg 1946 - 1977 Consultant, SA Medical Corps 1946 - 1975 Professor WITS Dental Faculty 1944 - 1950	MBE. Southern Cross medal President APRASSA 1956-1957 1966-1969 Member IPRS Executive Committee 1967-1975 MASA Silver medal
Penn, John	MBBCh (WITS) 1965	FRCS (ED) 1971	University of Pittsburgh 1972 - 1974	P/P: Johannesburg Emigrated USA	
Petersen, Norman	MBChB	FRCS (Eng)	England 1940	Springfield Military Hospital, Durban 1941 - 1945 P/P and PTA: UCT 1945 - 1961 d 1971	
Pottie, Rodger	MBChB (UP) 1974	MMed (US) 1986	US 1981 - 1986 (ED)	P/P: Pretoria	
Prinsloo, Danie	MBChB (UP) 1987	MMed 1995 FC PlastSurg (SA) 1995	UP 1989 - 1995	FTA: UP 1996 - 1997 Emigrated to England 1998	
Psaras, George	MD (Freiburg) 1986	FCS (SA) 1998	WITS 1993 - 1998	FTA and acting HOD: WITS 1998 - 2002. HOD and Adjunct Professor 2002 -2008 Emigrated to Cyprus 2008	
Quarmby, Craig	MBChB (Hons) (UCT) 1992	FCS (SA) 2000	UCT 1997 - 2000 (ED)	Emigrated to Australia 2001	
Read, John	MBBCh (WITS) 1961	MRCOG 1968 FRCS (ED) 1975	UKZN 1973 - 1978	P/P and PTA: Vaal Triangle 1978 - 2006	
Ritchie, Brian	MBBCh (WITS) 1971	FRCS (ED) 1976	WITS 1976 - 1979	P/P and PTA: East London 1979 -	

Ritz, Morris	MBBCh (WITS) 1982	FCS (SA) 1990	WITS 1988 – 1991	P/P and PTA Johannesburg 1992 – 1995 Emigrated to Australia 1996	
Robertson, Joan	MBBCh (WITS) 1966	FRCS (ED) 1972	WITS 1972 – 1974	P/P: Johannesburg	
Rousseau, Theo	MBChB (UP) 1969	FCS (SA) 1979	UCT 1976 – 1980	P/P: Cape Town	
Roos, Hennie	MBChB (US) 1980	FCS (SA) 1989	US 1986 – 1989 (ED) Fellow (Marchac, Paris) 1990	P/P: 1991 - Johannesburg Suspended by HPCSA	
Sacks, Lisa	BSc MBBCh (WITS) 1986	FCS(SA) 1994 MMed 1997 FRCS	WITS 1991 – 1994 (ED)	Emigrated to England 1996	
Schermer Voest, Miklos	Arts Examen Netherlands 1974	FCS(SA) 1982	WITS 1979 – 1982	P/P: 1982–1985 Johannesburg Returned to Netherlands 1986	
Scholtz, Koos	BSc (Hons) MBChB (UP) 1972	MMed (UFS) 1980	UFS 1975 – 1980	FTA HOD and Professor Medunsa 1981 – 2005. Emigrated to UAE 2005	
Seery, Gerard	MBChB (Ireland) 1960	FRCS (Glasg) 1971	UKZN 1969 – 1972	Emigrated to USA 1972	
Shaer, Winston	MBChB (UCT) 1969	FRCS (ED) 1979	US 1976 – 1979 (ED)	Emigrated to England	
Smith, Wayne	MBChB (UP) 1985	MMed FCS(SA) 1994	Medunsa 1989 – 1994 Canniesburn 1994 – 1995 Fellow (I. Jackson) 1996 - 1997	FTA: UKZN 1995 – 1996 FTA: Professor /HOD UFS 1997 – 1998 Emigrated to UAE	

Soldin, Mark	MBChB (UCT) 1987	FCS(SA)1998	UCT 1995 – 1998 (ED)	Emigrated to United Kingdom	
Solomons, Donald	MBBCh (WITS) 1952	FRCS (ED) - 1957 FRCS (Eng) - 1960	UCT 1963 – 1965	P/P and PTA: Port Elizabeth 1966 – 2014 d 2020	
Song, Colin	MBBCh (WITS) 1980	FRCS (ED) 1988	WITS 1987 – 1989	FTA WITS 1989 – 1997 HOD WITS 1991 – 1997 Emigrated to Singapore 1997	
Stronkhorst, Hans	MBChB (UP) 1960	FCS (SA) 1970	WITS 1969 – 1971 (ED)	P/P: Johannesburg, then Nelspruit	
Strover, Roger	MBChB (UCT) 1959	FRCS (Eng) 1966 FRCS (ED) 1966	UCT 1967 – 1969 (ED)	P/P: Salisbury 1970 – 1975 FTA and HOD: UCT 1975 – 1980 P/P: Cape Town 1980 – 1994	
Taams, Karl	Arts Examen Netherlands 1988	MMed 1994 FCS(SA) 1994	WITS 1991 – 1994 (ED)	Returned to Holland 1995	
Tassan, Ian	MBChB (UCT) 1978	FCS(SA) 1988 FRACS	UCT 1985 – 1988 (ED)	P/P: Port Elizabeth, then Pietermaritzburg Emigrated to Australia 2000	
Trengrove-Jones, Guy	MBChB (UCT) 1971	FRCS (ED) 1977	UCT 1977 – 1981 (ED) Fellow, University of Louisville 1981 – 1982	Emigrated to USA	
Van der Merwe, Andre	MBChB (UP) 1962	MMed (US) 1972	US 1968 – 1972 (ED)	P/P Pretoria and PTA Med/SMU from 1973	
Van Deventer, Peet	BSc 1963 MBChB (US) 1967	BSc Hons - 1971 MMed Sc - 1974 MMed 1978	US 1974 - 1978	FTA: US 1978 -1979 PTA: US 1980 – 2018 P/P: Belville, Hermanus 1980-	

Van Wingerden, Jan	MChB (UP) 1978	MMed cum laude 1988 FCS(SA) 1989 PhD (Amsterdam) 2015 FACS 2015	UP 1984 – 1989 (ED)	P/P and PTA: Pretoria 1990 – 2003 Emigrated to Netherlands 2004	President SASSH 2001-2003
Van Zyl, Kobus	MChB (UP) 1976	MMed 1984	UFS 1980 – 1984 (ED)	FTA: UFS 1984 – 1987 PTA and P/P UFS 1987 – 1996 HOD UFS 1990 – 1996 d 1996	
Venter, Tertius	MChB (UP) 1979	FCS(SA) 1989 MMed 1993	UCT 1984 – 1989 (ED)	P/P: East London 1990 – 2010 2010 joined Mercy Ship	
Visse, Jan	MChB (US) 1969	MMed (US) 1977	US 1972 – 1977	P/P: Johannesburg Emigrated UAE	
Walker, Dennis	MBCh (WITS) 1945	Dip Surg - 1953 FRFPS (Glas) – 1948 FRCS (ED) - 1955	WITS 1952 – 1954	FTA: WITS 1954 – 1981 HOD: WITS 1967 – 1981 d 2004	Associate Professors hip WITS 1968 President APRASSA 1974-1976
Wall, Steven	MBCh (WITS) 1984	FCS(SA) 1992 FRCS (Eng) FRCPC	WITS 1989 – 1992 (ED)	FTA: WITS 1993 – 1994 Emigrated to England 1995	
Walton, Russell	MBCh (WITS) 1969	FRCS (ED) – 1976 MMed (UCT) – 1979 FCS(SA) 1980	WITS 1976 – 1977 Bristol 1977 – 1978 UCT 1979-80	P/P: 1980 – Johannesburg PTA: WITS 1980 - 1993	
White, Bruce	MChB (UP) 1971	FRCS(ED) 1976	WITS 1975 – 1978 (ED)	P/P: 1979 – Johannesburg	
Widgerow, Alan	MBCh (WITS) 1980	FCS(SA) 1989 MMed 1991 FACS 1998	WITS 1986 – 1989	FTA: WITS 1989 – 1990 P/P and PTA: WITS 1990-2009 Emigrated to USA 2009	Associate Professors hip WITS 1999 President APRASSA 1996-1998

Youngleson, John	MBChB (UCT) 1949	FRCS (ED) - 1961 FRCS (Eng) - 1961	Odstock, England and WITS – 1961 to 1965	P/P and PTA: UKZN and Durban 1965 – 2003 d 2003	President SASSH 1975–1977
Zeeman, Bennie	MBChB (US) 1967	MMed (US) 1982	US 1978 – 1982 Fellow (O’Brien, Melbourne)	FTA: US 1982 – 1990 FTA and HOD: 1990 – 2005	President SASSH 1991-1992

Section 9: Honorary Members

At the inaugural meeting of the Association in 1956 it was proposed that the most distinguished English and American Plastic Surgeons be invited to become Honorary Members.

The following accepted the invitation: Harold Gillies, Archibald McIndoe, Pomfret Kilner and Rainsford Mowlem, from England, and James Barret Brown, Sterling Bunnell, Jerome Webster and Robert Ivy, all from the USA.

Sterling Bunnell died shortly thereafter and Herb Conway was invited to take his place.

Brad Cannon and Sal Castanares, both Americans, made private visits to South Africa in the late sixties, and both accepted invitations to become Honorary members.

With the introduction from 1971 of regular Annual General Meetings and Congresses, it became a tradition for the invited guest speakers for the congresses to be offered Honorary Membership of the Association.

Thus between 1971 and 2019, the following accepted the Association’s presentation of Honorary Membership:

S Ahmad (UK)
A Aiche (USA)
A Aly (UAE)
H Anderl (Austria)
R Barnett (Australia)
J Baudet (France)
B Bauer (USA)
H Becker (USA)
D Birdsell (Canada)
P Blondeel (Belgium)
R Broadbent (USA)
J Carraway (USA)
R Chase (USA)
Y-R Chen (Taiwan)
M Cohen (USA)
P Cordeiro (USA)

C Del Pina Roxo (Brazil)
JM Del Yerro (Spain)
H Delmar (France)
R Dingham (USA)
R Ellenbogen (USA)
G Evans (USA)
M Ferguson (UK)
A Feller (USA)
F Firmin (France)
D Fisher (USA)
D Furnas (USA)
A Gheita (Egypt)
R Goldwyn (USA)
M Gonzalez Ulloa (Mexico)
A Grobbelaar (UK)
W Gubisch (Germany)
B Guyuron (USA)
M Hamdi (Belgium)
D Hammond (USA)
U Hinderer (Spain)
H Holmstrom (Sweden)
C Horton (USA)
I Jackson (USA)
A Jacono (USA)
T Jae Kim (Korea)
J Janis (USA)
B Jones (UK)
G Jones (USA)
V Kantoes (Greece)
M le Jour (Belgium)
S Levin (USA)
J Losee (USA)
W Losken (USA)
D MacKay (USA)
P Maitz (Sydney)
E Manders (USA)
D Marchac (France)
J Marcus (USA)
J Masia (Spain)
G Matton (Belgium)
P Maxwell (USA)
J May (USA)
D McGrouther (UK)
F Menick (USA)
C Menideta (USA)
W Morrison (Australia)

W Muhlbauer (Germany)
I Munro (USA)
J Mustarde (UK)
F Nahai (USA)
M Nava (Italy)
M Ninkovic (Germany)
S Noordhoff (Taiwan)
N Olivari (Germany)
F Ortiz-Monasterio (Mexico)
C Perlyn (USA)
R Pigott (UK)
M Poole (UK)
I Pitanguy (Brazil)
J Pribaz (USA)
A Roberts (UK)
D Robinson (USA)
D Ross (Australia)
K Salyer (USA)
J Serletti (USA)
M Sforza (UK)
S Shah-Desai (UK)
W Shaw (USA)
G Sibbald (Canada)
M Siemionow (USA)
B Sommerlad (UK)
D Soutar (Glasgow)
S Spear (USA)
P Sullivan (USA)
P Sykes (UK)
A Swift (Canada)
GI Taylor (Australia)
R Wixtrom (USA)
C Vander Kolk (USA)
J vd Meulen (Netherlands)
S Wall (USA)
FC Wei (Taiwan)
M Yaremchuk (USA)
I Younis (UK)
B Zide (USA)
R Zuker (Canada)