

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PRESENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
McGovern Medical School at UTHealth
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

WORK ADDRESS: The Department of Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery
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BIRTHDATE: 8/25/1980

CITIZENSHIP: USA

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Science (Magna Cum Laude), 2002
Department of Biological Sciences
Florida Atlantic University
Boca Raton, FL

GRADUATE EDUCATION:

Post-Baccalaureate Studies, 2004
Department of Biomedical Science
Florida Atlantic University
Boca Raton, FL

Doctor of Medicine, 2008
The University of Miami School of Medicine
The University of Miami
Coral Gables, FL

POSTGRADUATE TRAINING:

Internship:

The University of Texas – Houston
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
July 2008 – June 2009

Residency:

The University of Texas – Houston
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
July 2009 – 2013

ACADEMIC & ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS:

Associate Professor
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
McGovern Medical School at UTHealth
The University of Texas – Health Science Center Houston
July 2013 – 2019

Assistant Professor
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
McGovern Medical School at UTHealth
The University of Texas – Health Science Center Houston
July 2013 – 2019

Director of Faculty Teaching Conference – General Otolaryngology
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
McGovern Medical School at UTHealth
The University of Texas – Health Science Center Houston
September 2013 - Present

Laser Safety Officer
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
January 2014 – Present

Assistant Residency Program Director
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
McGovern Medical School at UTHealth
The University of Texas – Health Science Center Houston
July 2014 – June 2017

Director of Patient Engagement

Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
McGovern Medical School at UTHealth
The University of Texas – Health Science Center Houston
July 2014 – July 2018

Chairman, Clinical Competency Committee
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
McGovern Medical School at UTHealth
The University of Texas – Health Science Center Houston
July 2014 – May 2017

Preceptor
McGovern Medical School 2nd Year Preceptorship
UT Health Science Center, Houston, TX
September 2014 – Present

Preceptor
McGovern Medical School 1st Year Preceptorship
UT Health Science Center, Houston, TX
September 2017 - Present

ACGME Site Director – Otolaryngology
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
Department of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
The University of Texas – Health Science Center Houston
June 2015 – Present

Chief of Service
Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
McGovern Medical School at UTHealth
The University of Texas – Health Science Center Houston
June 2015 – Present

Physician Champion - Otolaryngology
NSQIP (National Surgical Quality Improvement Project)
Memorial Hermann – TMC
March 2017 – Present

Physician Leader
Care Re-Design Team
Trach/Vent Module
Memorial Herman Health System
May 2017 – present

HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS:

Attending Surgeon
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
Houston, TX
July 2013 - Present

Attending Surgeon
Memorial Hermann Hospital – TMC
Houston, TX
July 2013 - Present

LICENSURE:

United States Medical License Exam: USMLE ID: 51675205
Step 1: June 2006
Step 2: March 2008
Step 3: May 2009

Texas Medical License: P6122 Exp: 5/31/2020

ACLS Provider: # NY20770 Exp: 9/2018

CERTIFICATION:

2014 American Board of Otolaryngology, Diplomate # 22176

ACLS 2018 - 2020

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

LOCAL:

Houston Society of Otolaryngology 2013 – Present

Harris County Medical Society, Central Branch 2013 - 2017

REGIONAL:

American College of Surgeons, Southeast Chapter
Associate Fellow June 2013 – June 2015
Fellow October 2015 - Present

NATIONAL:

American Medical Association
2004 - Present

American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
2009 – Present

American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
2011 – 2016

American College of Surgeons - Fellow
October 2015 – Present

Society of University of Otolaryngologists – Member
November 2015 - Present

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Alpha Omega Alpha
2007

Resident Research Award
June 2011

HSO Manuscript Competition 3rd Place
June 2012

Resident of the Year
June 2013

Faculty Member of the Year
June 2016

Super Doctor Rising Star
Texas Monthly – July 2016

Top Doctor
Houstonia Magazine – August 2016

Dean's Teaching Excellence Award 2016 – 2017
McGovern Medical School, UTHealth

Top Doctor
Harris Health System – April 2017

Super Doctor Rising Star
Texas Monthly – July 2017

Top Doctor
Houstonia Magazine – August 2017

Physician Champion of the Quarter
March 2018
LBJ General Hospital
Harris Health

Dean's Teaching Excellence Award 2017 – 2018
McGovern Medical School, UTHealth

Super Doctor Rising Star
Texas Monthly – July 2018

Dean's Teaching Excellence Award 2018 – 2019
McGovern Medical School, UTHealth

EDITORIAL POSITION

Reviewer
JAMA – Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery
2017

COMMITTEES:

SERVICE ON MCGOVERN MEDICAL SCHOOL AT UTHealth COMMITTEES:

Residency Program Evaluation Committee
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
Voting Member – December 2014 – Present

Residency Clinical Competency Committee
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
Chairman – December 2014 – June 2017

SERVICE ON UTMSH AFFILIATED HOSPITAL COMMITTEES:

Medical Executive Committee
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital

UT- Houston
Member
June 2014 – Present

Quality Review Committee
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
UT- Houston
Member
June 2014 – 2016

Operating Room Services Committee
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
UT- Houston
Member
June 2014 – Present

Chairman: LBJ Tracheostomy Guideline
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
August 2015 to 2016

Patient Experience Committee
LBJ Outpatient Center
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
Co-Chairman – September 2015 – 2018
Chairman – May 2018- Present

Ethics Committee
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
UT – Houston
Member
January 2016 – Present

Otorhinolaryngology-Clinical Program Committee
Memorial Hermann MD-Clinical Programs' Committee
Member
July 2016 to Present

Memorial Hermann MD Tracheostomy Task Force
Chairman
July 2016 to Present

Medical Executive Committee
Ambulatory Surgery Center at LBJ Hospital
Voting Member
January 2017 to Present

Memorial Hermann Health Systems – Clinical Re-Design Project
Section – Tracheostomy/Vent
Physician Sponsor
April 2017 – Present

Memorial Hermann MD Clinical Program Committee – Otorhinolaryngology
Chairman
January 2018 – Present

Physician Peer Review Committee
Harris Health System
Voting Member
May 2018 - Present

SERVICE ON NATIONAL COMMITTEES

Diversity Committee – Society of University Otolaryngologists
Diversity Champion
November 2015 – Present

Diversity and Inclusion Committee
Member
American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery Foundation
October 1, 2017 – Present

Outcomes Research and EBM Committee
Member
American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery Foundation
October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2019

CURRENT TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES:

Resident Supervision, Otolaryngology LBJ Rotation
4 Residents
Daily Rounds, 6 months/year

Director of Faculty Teaching Conference – General Otolaryngology
Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
The University of Texas – Health Science Center Houston
10 Residents/ Quarterly Conference – 4 hours per Conference (Didactics)
September 2013 - Present

Medical School Physical Diagnosis Block
McGovern Medical School at UTHealth

Preceptor – 1st and 2nd Year Students
2 Students/ Semester
4 Meetings per semester, 6 hours per meeting
August 2014 – Present

Medical School Lecture Series
Physical Diagnosis – ENT Lecture
1 lecture yearly
November 2015, November 2016

MENTORING ACTIVITIES:

Mentor
High School Volunteer Program
Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
Houston, TX
July 2013 – 2016

CURRENT CLINICAL SERVICE RESPONSIBILITIES:

Otolaryngology Clinic
Head and Neck Center
LBJ Hospital Clinics
Houston, TX
3-4 days/Week

Oversees the operations of our clinic, evaluates patients for otolaryngology diseases, teaches residents and mid-level providers, leads tumor board, organizes surgery and clinic schedules for faculty practice

Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital
Houston, TX
3-4 days/week

Performs inpatient and outpatient surgeries. Teaches surgical procedures to trainees.

UTP-Plaza Clinic
2-3 days/month
Sees and evaluates otolaryngology patients in the clinic setting.

Memorial Hermann Hospital – TMC
Houston, TX
2-3 days/month

Performs inpatient and outpatient surgeries. Teaches surgical procedures to trainees.

PUBLICATIONS:

A. Refereed Original Articles in Journals:

1. Lipan MJ, **Alava I**, Abi-Hachem R, Vernon S, Van De Water TR, Angeli SI. Middle Ear Packing: Comparison of Materials in an Animal Model of Mucosal Trauma. *Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery* 2011; 144: 763 – 769.
2. **Alava I**, Isaacs SJ, Luong AU, Citardi MJ, Fakhri S. Mometasone furoate gel: A novel in-office treatment of recalcitrant post-operative chronic rhinosinusitis. *Journal of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery*. 2012. 41: 183 – 188.
3. Weinstock YE, **Alava I**, Dierks EJ. Pitfalls in Determining Head and Neck Surgical Margins. *Oral and Maxillofacial Clinics of North America*. 2014. 26: 151 – 162
4. Hashemi N, Billah S, Conderman CP, **Alava I**, Supsupin EP Jr, Chevez-Barrios P, Adesina OO. Nothing to Spit At. *J. Neuroophthalmol*. 2017. April 11.
5. Melville JC, Menegotto KD, Woernley TC, Maida BD, **Alava I**. Unusual Case of a Massive Macroglossia Secondary to Myxedema: A Case Report and Literature Review. *J Oral Maxillofac Surg*. 2017 Jun 30
6. Vandelaar LJ, **Alava I**. Cervical and Craniofacial Necrotizing Fasciitis. *Operative Techniques in Otolaryngology*. 2017 Aug 23. Epub
7. Johnson J, Jiang ZY, Martinez D, Smith D, Curtis E, Robinson D, **Alava I**. Expedient Emergency Room Referral Pathway Improves Patient Access to Otolaryngology Care. *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology*. 2017 Nov. 30.
8. Cai Z, Thomas T, **Alava I**, Aakash N, Saluja K, Zhu H. Fetal Type Rhabdomyoma of Soft Palate in Adult Patient: Report of one case and review of the Literature. *Head and Neck Pathology*. 2018 May 14.
9. Wood CB, Bigcas JL, **Alava I**, Bischoff L, Langerman A, Kim Y. Papillary-type Carcinoma of the Thyroglossal Duct Cyst: The Case for Conservative Management. *Ann Otol Rhinol Laryngol*. 2018 Oct.

B. PRESENTATIONS:

Local:

1. **Alava I.** Barotrauma of the Middle and Inner Ear. Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery. The University of Texas – Houston. September 2009.
2. **Alava I.** Congenital Midline Nasal Masses. Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery. The University of Texas – Houston. May 2010.
3. **Alava I.** Malignancies of the Paranasal Sinuses. Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery. The University of Texas – Houston. December 2010.
4. **Alava I.** Pediatric Head and Neck Malignancies. Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery. The University of Texas – Houston. December 2012
5. **Alava I.** Facial Trauma Conference: Case Presentations. Scalp Reconstruction/ Facial Reanimation. Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery. The University of Texas – Houston. September 2012.
6. **Alava I.** Strut plate versus Champy plate for isolated mandibular angle fractures. Invited Speaker. Synthes Advanced Maxillofacial Trauma Symposium. November 2012.
7. **Alava I.** There is a hole in the neck: A review of tracheostomy and laryngectomy. Educational Conference. LBJ – General Hospital. March 2013
8. **Alava I.** The Hot Airway. Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care, Department of Internal Medicine. Grand Rounds Series. The University of Texas – Houston. 3/28/14
9. **Alava I.** The PCMH Head & Neck Project. Frontiers Symposium. Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery. June 2014.
10. **Alava I.** Zygomaticomaxillary Complex Fractures. DePuy-Synthes Trauma Symposium. Memorial Hermann Hospital TMC. September 2015.
11. **Alava I.** Tracheostomy Care Guideline. Faculty Quality Competition. LBJ Hospital. October 2015.
12. **Alava I.** Head and Neck Exam. Physical Diagnosis Medical School Lecture. University of Texas-Medical School at Houston. Houston, TX. November 2015.

13. **Alava I.** LBJ Tracheostomy Clinical Practice Guideline. LBJ Medical Executive Committee Meeting. June 2016
14. **Alava I.** Patient Satisfaction in the Head and Neck Patient. ORL-Frontiers. Cooley Center. June 2016.

NATIONAL:

1. **Alava I,** Isaacs SJ, Luong AU, Citardi MJ, Fakhri S. Mometasone furoate gel: A novel in-office treatment of recalcitrant post-operative chronic rhinosinusitis. COSM, ARS Section April 2009. **(Oral)**
2. **Alava I,** Pleitz J, Samathanan C, Patel CB, Kridel RW, Ho T. Irradiated costal cartilage homograft versus costal cartilage autograft in the rabbit model. AAFPRS Annual fall meeting. San Francisco, CA 2011. **(Oral)**
3. E Supsupin, **I Alava,** D Freet, E Bonfante, S Garza, Y Weinstock. Reconstructive Flap 101: Basic Principles, Imaging, and Beyond. ASNR 53rd Annual Meeting & The Foundation of the ASNR Symposium 2015, Chicago, IL. 2015 **(Poster)**
4. E Supsupin, **I Alava,** S Billah, E Bonfante, Y Weinstock, S Mukhi. Aggressive Sinonasal Malignancies (ASNM): Pathologic Basis of Imaging Findings & Treatment Implications. ASNR 53rd Annual Meeting & The Foundation of the ASNR Symposium 2015, Chicago, IL. 2015 **(Poster)**
5. Supsupin, E., Choi, J., Bingham B., Hochauser, L., **Alava, I.** Atypical Skull Base Osteomyelitis (ASBO). 116th Annual ARRS Meeting. Los Angeles Convention Center, Los Angeles, CA. April 2016 **(Poster)**
6. **Alava I.** A Journey through the Health Care Quality Movement. 2nd Biannual UT Texas Hill Country Otolaryngology Symposium. April 2016. **(Oral)**
7. Ferrell JK, Yang B, Ramaswamy US, Alexander RE, **Alava I.** Novel Use of Laparoscopic Bipolar Vessel Sealing System In Endoscopic Laryngeal Surgery. COSM. Chicago. May 2016.
8. Yang B., Caceres K., **Alava I.,** Case Report: Novel Surgical Approach to Synovial Sarcoma of the Hypopharynx. COSM. Chicago. May 2016. **(Poster)**
9. **Alava, I.** Patient Satisfaction in the Head and Neck Patient. ORL-Frontiers 2016. Lost Pines, Hill Country, TX.**(Oral)**

10. Virani F., Dennis S, Johnson J., Bigcas JL., **Alava I.**, Synthetic Marijuana Use Causing Cannabinoid Hyperemesis Syndrome and Boerhaave Syndrome: A Case Report. SENTAC Dec. 2016. **(Poster)**
11. Johnson J, **Alava I.** Expeditious Emergency Room Referral Pathway Improves Patient Access to Otolaryngology Care. COSM April 2017 **(Oral)**
12. Low G, **Alava, I.** Time From Diagnosis to Treatment in Head and Neck Cancer Patients at a Public Safety-Net Hospital. AAO-HNS September 2017. Chicago, IL **(Oral)**
13. **Alava I.** Process Improvement for the Otolaryngologist-Head and Neck Surgeon. ORL-Frontiers 2018. Lost Pines, Hill Country, TX. **(Oral)**
14. **Alava I.** Health care Quality Improvement. National Medical Association. Annual Meeting. Orlando. August 2018

INTERNATIONAL:

1. **Alava, I.** Surgeon's Approach to Mental Illness – Fiji National University Mental Health Conference – October 2014