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1. Basic Information



- Launched in April 2016
- ISSN 2518-6973
- Indexed by Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI) since 2018 (**2022 IF: 0.5**) and Scopus (**2022 CiteScore: 1**)
- Open Access & Peer Review & Electronic Journal
- Quarterly Publication (January/April/July/October)
- A Member of the Surgery Journal Editors Group (SJEG)

Scope

- Covering research and clinical aspects in the field of laparoscopic and endoscopic surgery
- Vivid and various way of presentation of surgical techniques and research (large numbers of color illustrations, pictures, videos, etc.)

2. Message from Editors-in-Chief

On behalf of the Editorial Team, we would like to express sincere appreciation for the enthusiastic and vigorous support and contributions from all editorial board members, guest editors, authors, reviewers and readers!



Minhua Zheng, MD, PhD

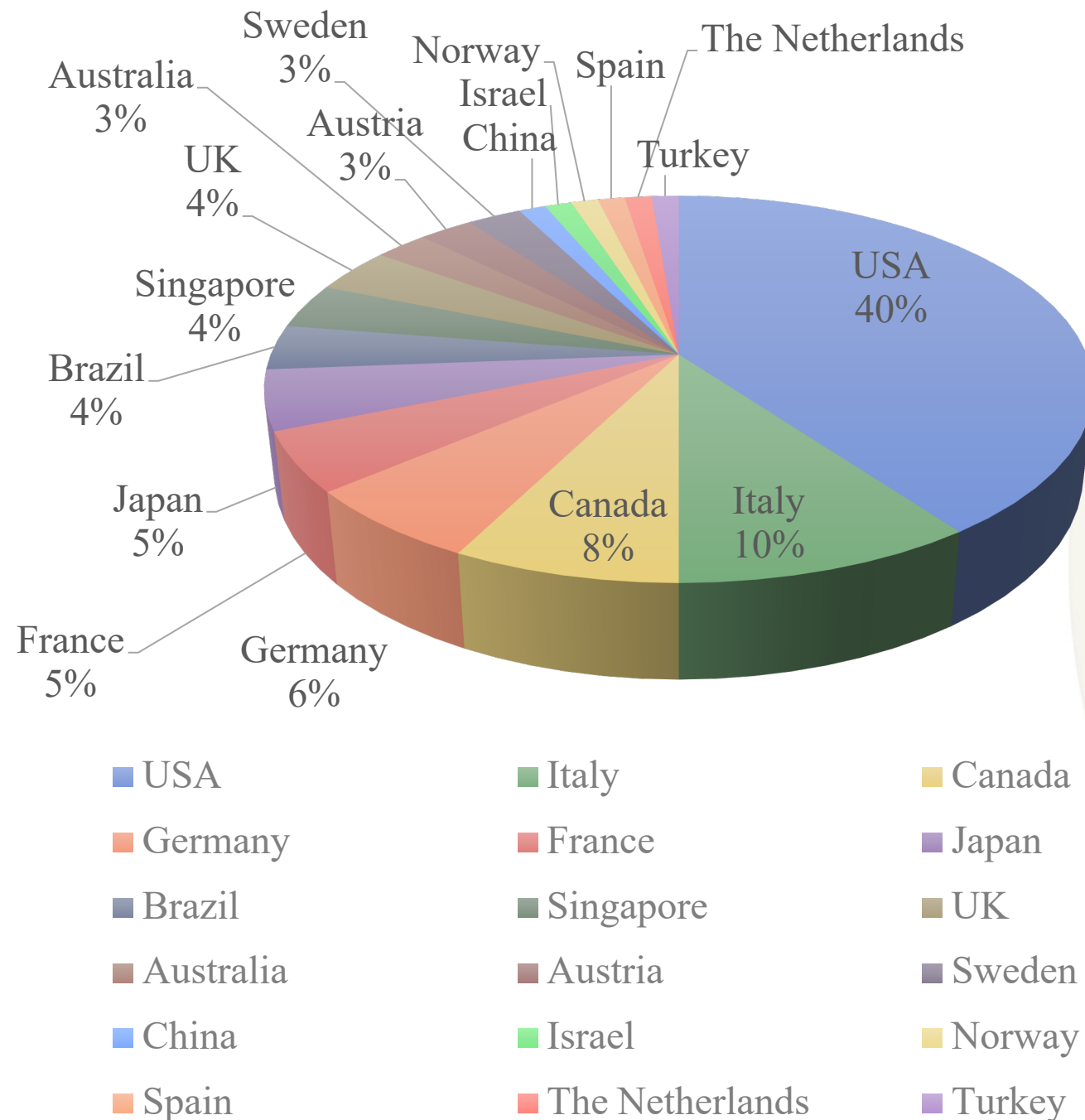
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3. Geographic Distribution of Editorial Board Members

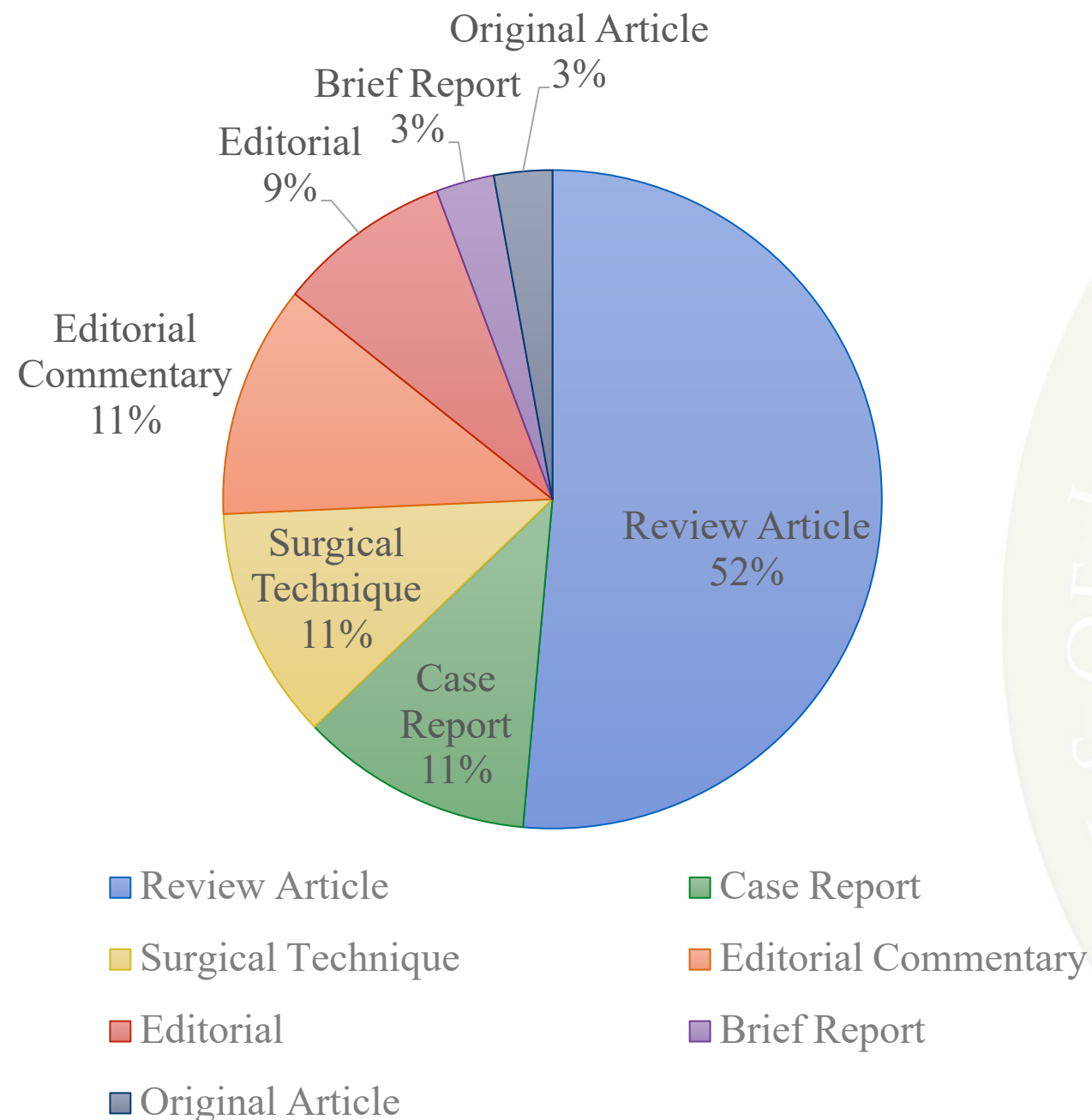


All together **80 members** from **18 countries**, with a majority from USA, Italy and Canada.

- **2** Editors-in-Chief
- **77** Editorial Board
- **1** International Advisory Board

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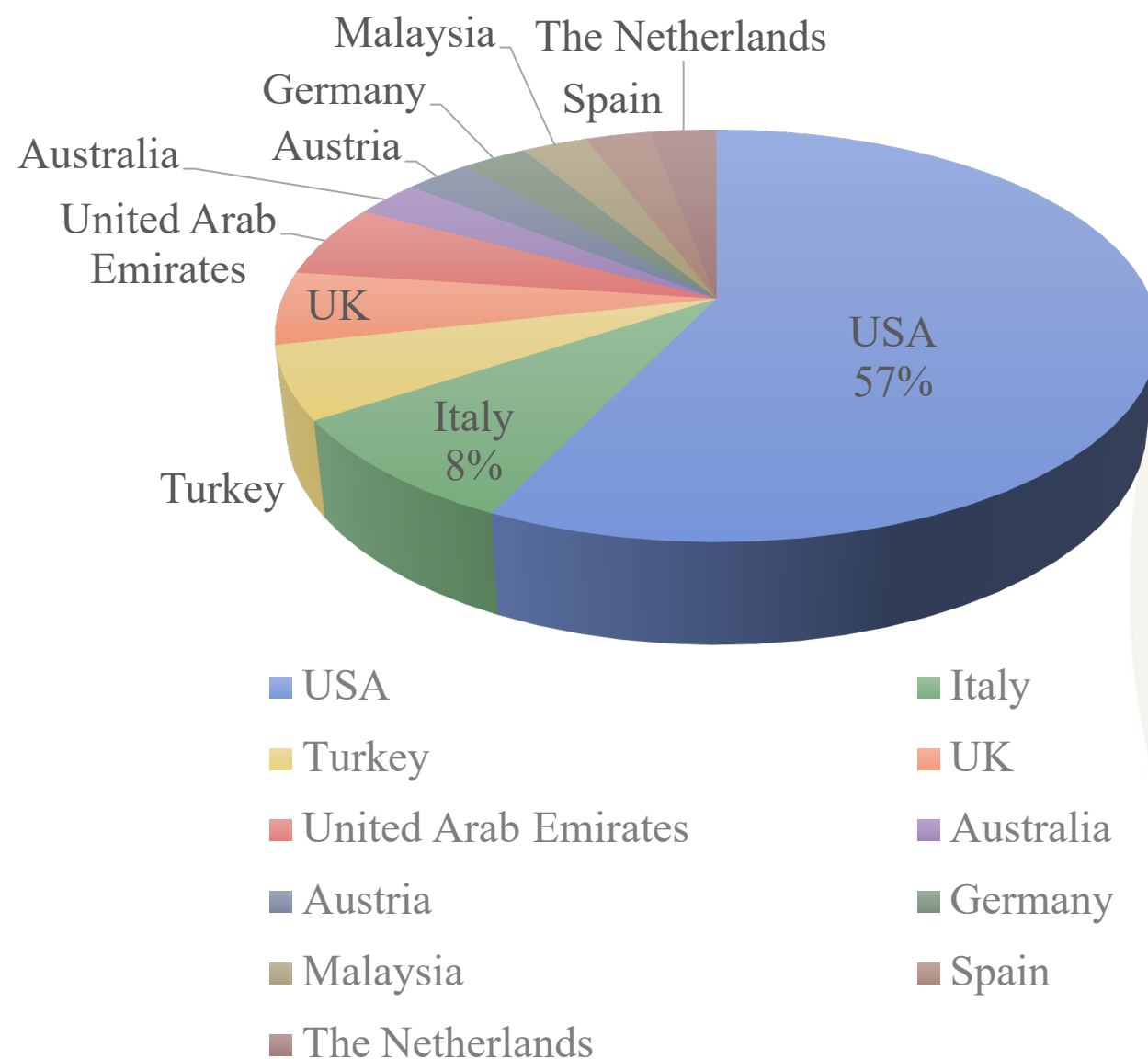
4. Diverse Types of Articles Published in 2023



In 2023, ALES published **35** articles, with 18 Review Article, 4 Case Report, 4 Surgical Technique, 4 Editorial Commentary, 3 Editorial, 1 Brief Report and 1 Original Article.

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5. International Diversity of Corresponding Authors in 2023

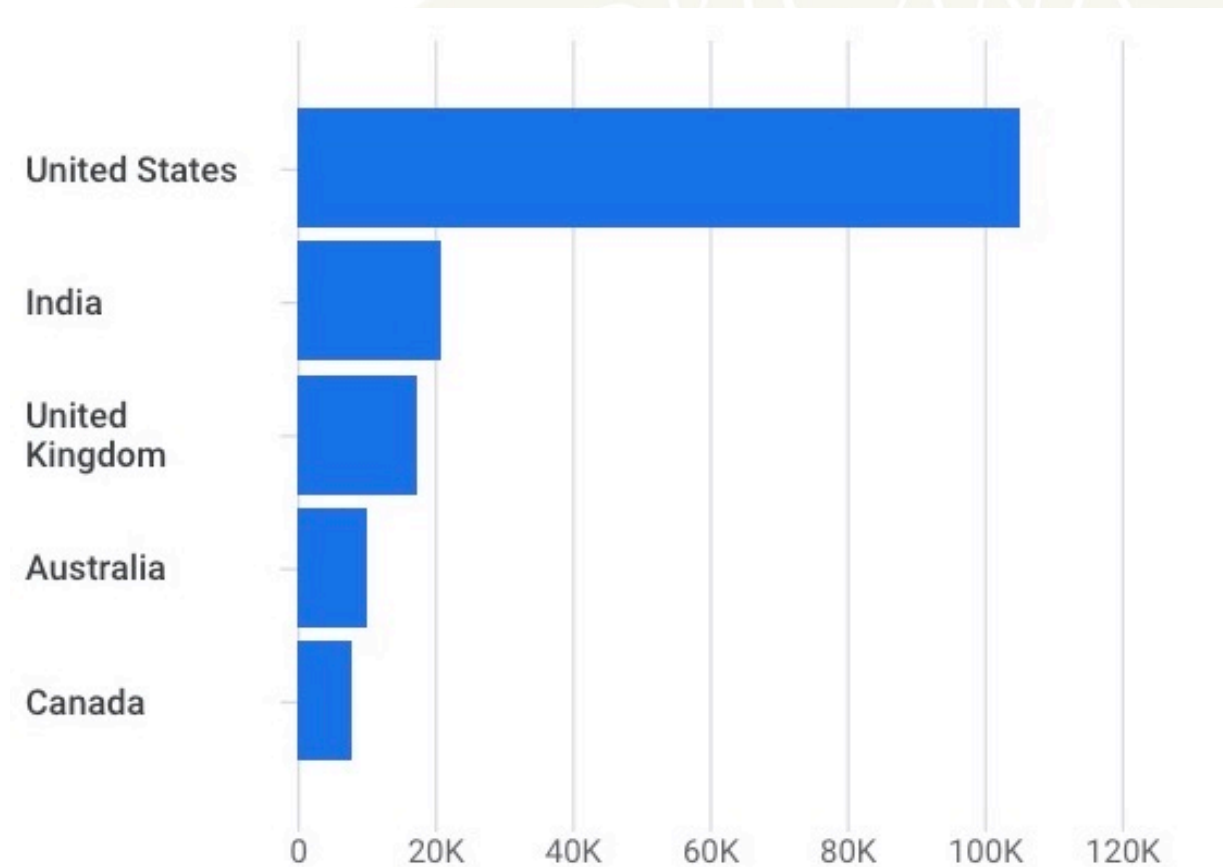


Corresponding authors of 35 articles published in 2023 came from **11 countries**, with mostly from **USA**.

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6. Website Visit in 2023

Country	Users
United States	105038
India	20928
United Kingdom	17273
Australia	10004
Canada	7900
Philippines	4449
China	3941
South Korea	2710
Pakistan	2628
Italy	2534
Note: Only list the top 10	



In 2023, all together **263,183** visitors with **450,646** pageviews. Readers were from diverse countries and regions, with majority from USA, followed by India, UK, Australia and Canada.

Note: Data collected from Google Analytics on Dec. 31, 2023.

7. Most Read Articles Published between 2022 and 2023

Issue	Title	Authors	Link
Vol 7 (July 30, 2022)	Current management of large bowel obstruction: a narrative review	Ruben Rajan, David A. Clark	https://ales.amegroups.org/article/view/8341/html
Vol 7 (April 30, 2022)	Best approaches to rectal prolapse	Charlotte M. Rajasingh, Brooke H. Gurland	https://ales.amegroups.org/article/view/8260/html
Vol 7 (July 30, 2022)	Lack of diagnostic efficacy of endoscopy for paraoesophageal hiatus hernia	Miho Mugino, Sophia C. Little, Damindra P. Weerasinghe, Gregory L. Falk, Hans Van der Wall	https://ales.amegroups.org/article/view/8477/html
Vol 7 (April 30, 2022)	Obstructed defecation syndrome	Anders Mellgren, Muhammad Huzaifa Zafar	https://ales.amegroups.org/article/view/8338/html
Vol 7 (April 30, 2022)	The role of sphincter repair for fecal incontinence	Anna R. Spivak, Tracy L. Hull	https://ales.amegroups.org/article/view/8265/html
Vol 8 (April 30, 2023)	Laparoscopic right hemicolectomy: how I do it	Muharrem Oner, Gokhan Cipe, Maher A. Abbas	https://ales.amegroups.org/article/view/9046/html
Vol 7 (April 30, 2022)	Pelvic floor anatomy	José Marcio N. Jorge, Leonardo A. Bustamante-Lopez	https://ales.amegroups.org/article/view/8337/html
Vol 7 (April 30, 2022)	New concepts in the pathophysiology of fecal incontinence	Charles H. Knowles, Phil Dinning, S. Mark Scott, Michael Swash, Stefan de Wachter	https://ales.amegroups.org/article/view/8307/html

Note: Data collected from Google Analytics on Dec. 31, 2023.

8.1 Special Column - Interviews with Outstanding Authors

Many ALES authors have made outstanding contributions to our journal. Their articles have received very well feedback in the field and stimulate a lot of discussions and new insights among the peers. Starting from 2022 with this column, we would like to highlight some of our outstanding authors who have been making immense efforts in their research fields, with a brief interview of their unique perspective and insightful view as authors.

Column link at: <https://ales.amegroups.org/post/category/interviews-with-outstanding-authors>

Outstanding Authors (2022)

Servet Karagul, BHT Tema Clinic, Turkey

Yusuf Murat Bag, Health Science University Van Training and Research Hospital, Turkey

Akile Zengin, Malatya Training and Research Hospital, Turkey

Ruben Rajan, Royal Perth Hospital, Australia

Gian Luca Baiocchi & Ilaria Benzoni, ASST Cremona, Italy

Ludovica Baldari, Policlinico of Milan, Italy

Giovanni Battista Levi Sandri, Sant'Eugenio Hospital, Italy

Ngoc Dan Nguyen, Hanoi Medical University, Vietnam

Outstanding Authors (2023)

F. Borja de Lacy, Hospital Clinic of Barcelona, Spain

Mehmet Can Aydin, Ondokuz Mayıs University, Turkey

Aydin Aktas, Kanuni Training and Research Hospital, Turkey

Christian Beltzer, German Armed Forces Hospital of Ulm, Germany

8.2 Special Column - Reviewer of the Month (2023)

In 2023, ALES reviewers continue to make outstanding contributions to the peer review process. They demonstrated professional effort and enthusiasm in their reviews and provided comments that genuinely help the authors to enhance their work. With this column, we would like to highlight some of our outstanding reviewers, with a brief interview of their thoughts and insights as a reviewer.

Column link at: <https://ales.amegroups.org/post/view/reviewer-of-the-month-2023>

September, 2023

Maximilian Berlet, Technical University of Munich, Germany

November, 2023

Chia Yew Kong, University of Glasgow, Scotland

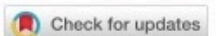
Lea Lowenfeld, New York-Presbyterian / Weill Cornell Medical Center, USA

8.3 Special Column - ALES Chinese Edition

The ALES Chinese edition is a Chinese-language column that addresses the growing need for trusted medical information in China. The initiative of the ALES Chinese edition aims to raise awareness of medical advances among clinicians through translated content, enhancing the links between Chinese scientists and the international medical community. It delivers the quality clinical and scientific content to the Chinese medical and clinical research community.

Column link at: <https://ales.amegroups.com/post/category/ales-chinese-edition>

Review Article



综述：内镜黏膜下层剥离术（ESD）和内镜下黏膜切除术（EMR）

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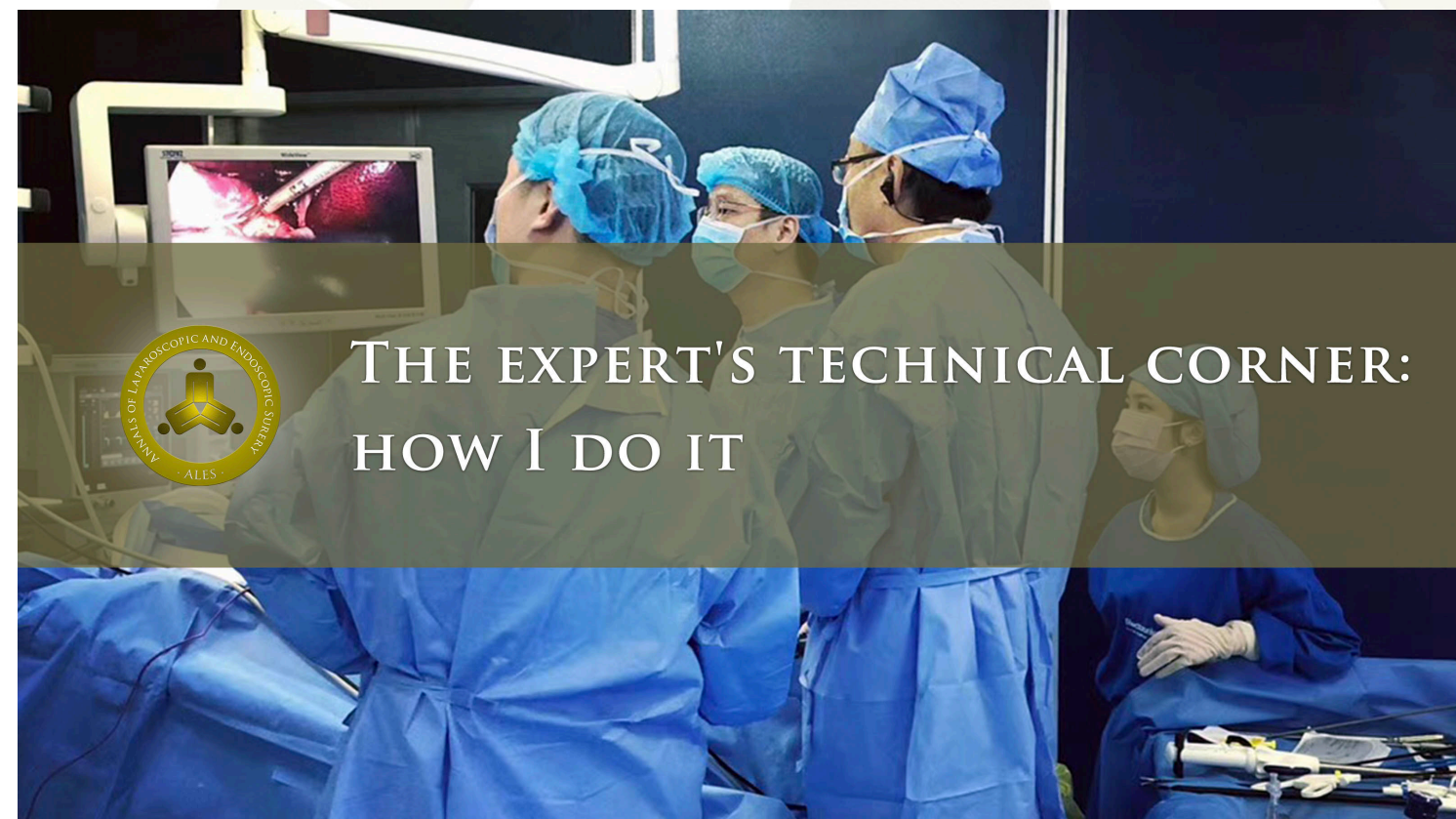
摘要：胃肠道内镜切除术改变了多种癌前病变的疾病管理方式。最近，胃肠道内镜切除术适应证已经扩大至一些早期癌症。内镜切除术包含黏膜下注射及黏膜下层剥离两步，通常分为内镜下黏膜切除术（endoscopic mucosal resection, EMR）和内镜黏膜下层剥离术（endoscopic submucosal dissection, ESD）。EMR属于息肉切除术的自然延伸，通过黏膜下注射，切除病变后平整的创面。ESD技术难度较高，内镜钻探至黏膜下层后能够对早期恶性肿瘤实施治愈性整体切除。本综述将对现有胃肠道病理学证据、合理的术前评估、术前准备及术中操作技术等进行全面阐述。

关键词：内镜黏膜下层剥离术（ESD）；内镜下黏膜切除术（EMR）

8.4 Special Column - The Expert's Technical Corner: How I Do It

“The Expert's Technical Corner: How I Do It” publishes narrated videos provided by renowned expert surgeons on procedures, broken down to the essential steps. One of the future goals is to set up a multimedia manual for operative procedures.

Column link at: <https://ales.amegroups.com/post/category/The-expert%26%2339%3Bs-technical-corner%3A-how-i-do-it>



8.5.1 Special Column - Special Series Published in 2023

Topic: Minimally Invasive Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery



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8.5.2 Special Column - Special Series Published in 2023

Topic: Minimally Invasive Colorectal Surgery



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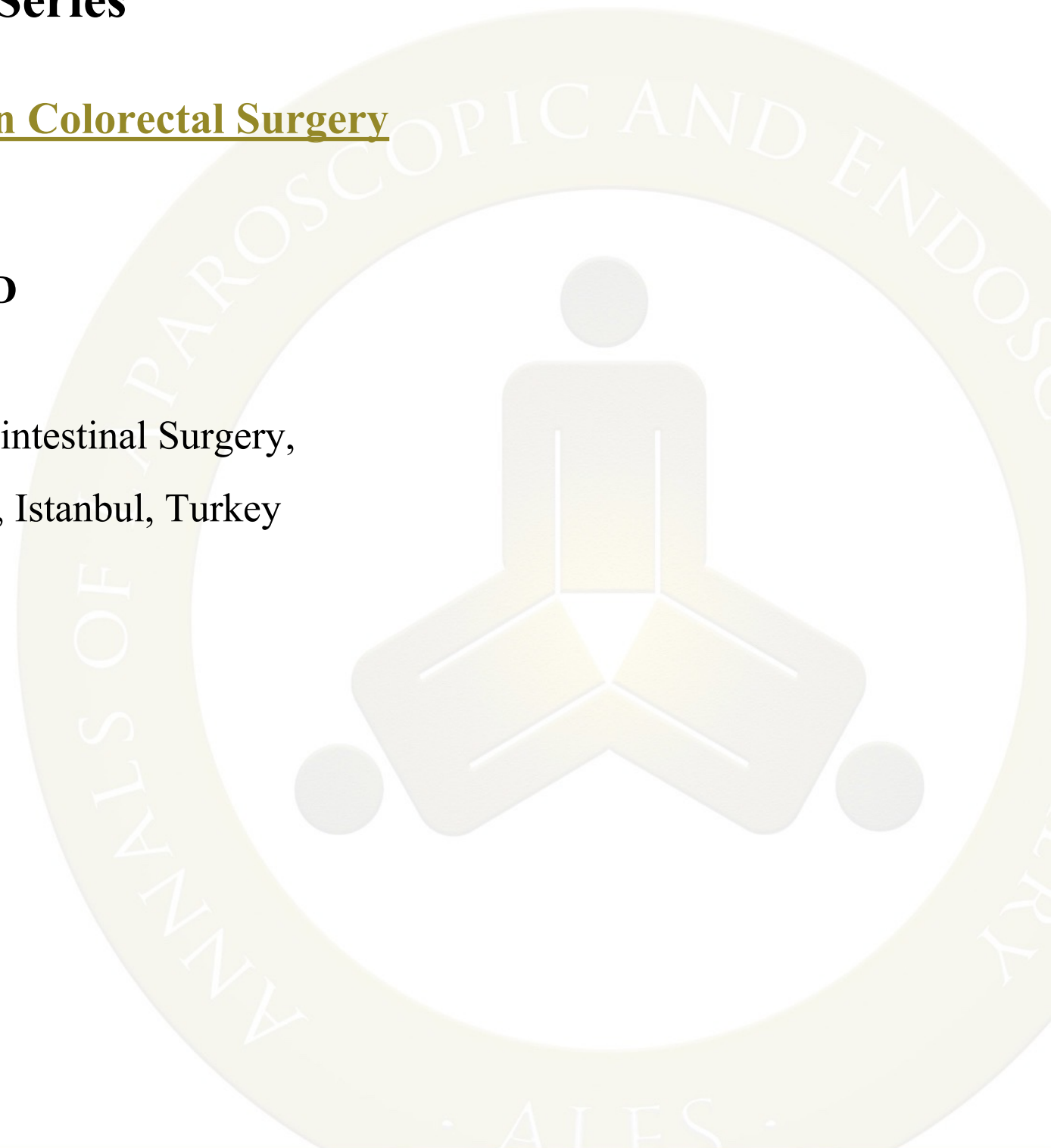
8.6.1 Special Column - Ongoing Special Series

Topic: Natural Orifice Specimen Extraction in Colorectal Surgery



Cuneyt Kayaalp, MD

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8.6.2 Special Column - Ongoing Special Series

Topic: A U. S. Perspective on Endoscopic Resection of Neoplastic Lesions of the Gastrointestinal Tract



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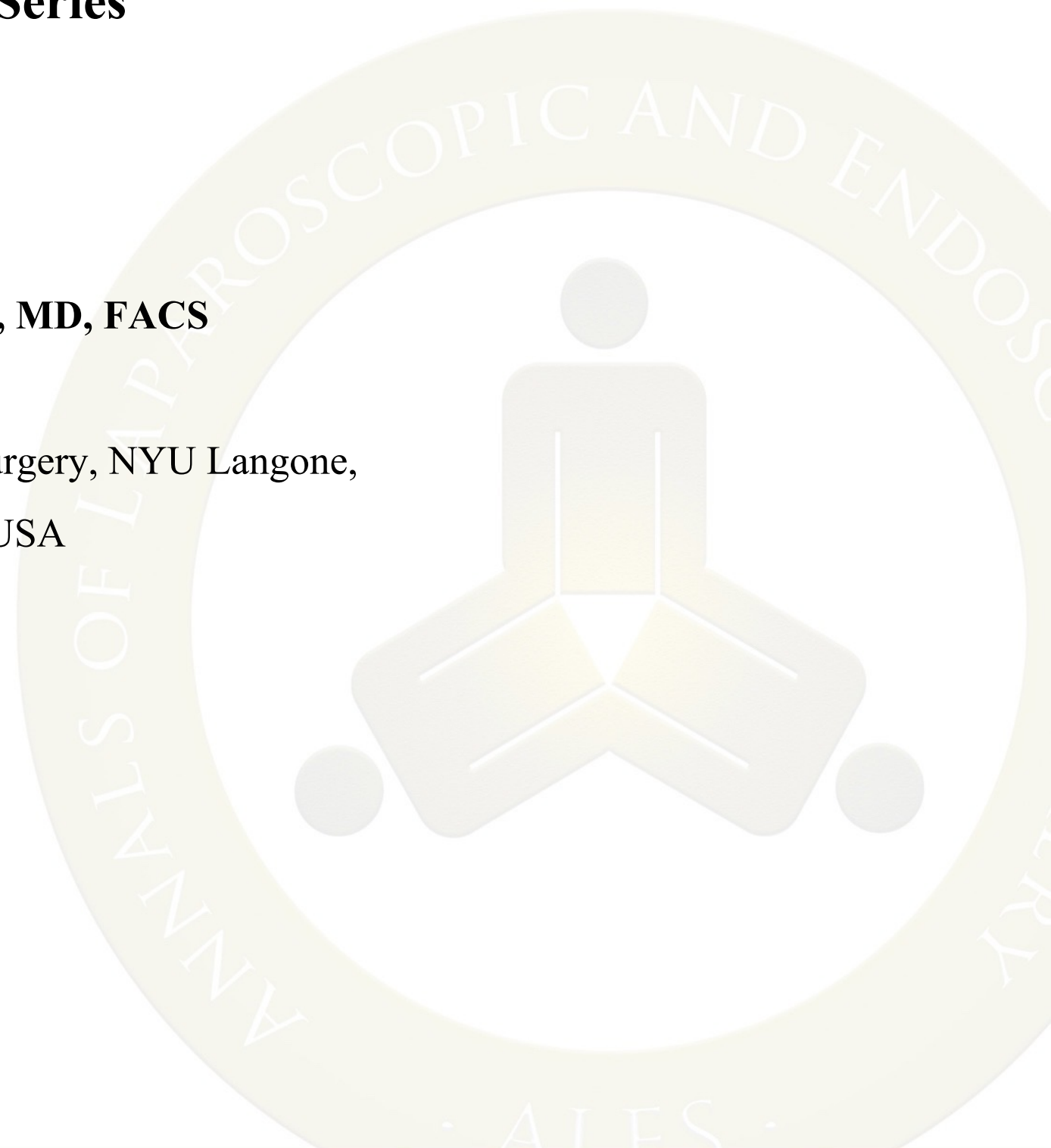
8.6.3 Special Column - Ongoing Special Series

Topic: Latest MIS Approaches and Data



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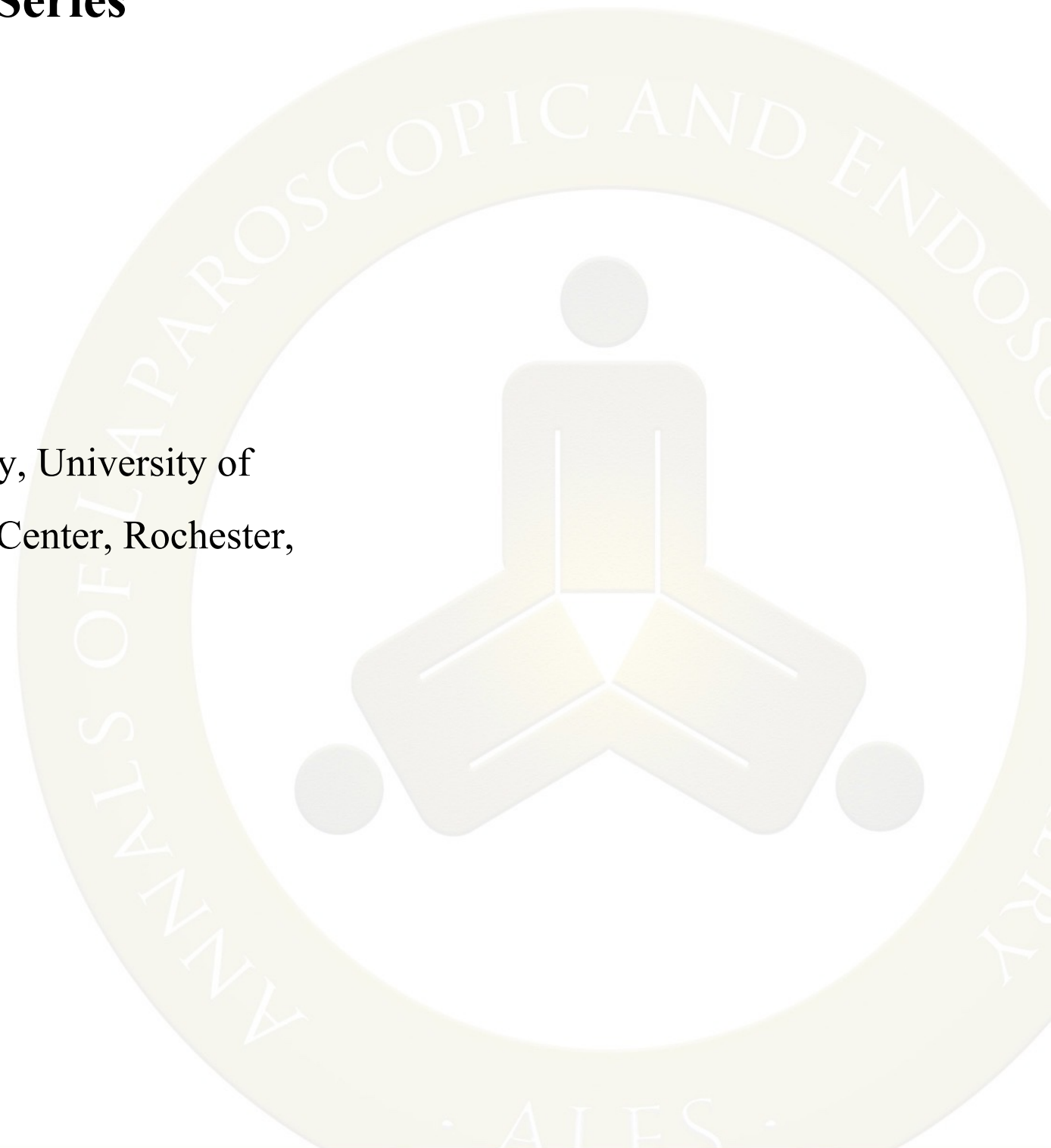
8.6.4 Special Column - Ongoing Special Series

Topic: Laparoscopic Urology



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9. AME Publishing Company

Our Publisher—

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 - **20** indexed by PubMed
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 - **80+** Medical Books in English
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