

**FIRST NAME: COPAESCU**

**LAST NAME: CATALIN ANDU**

Year of birth: 1962 NATIONALITY: Romanian

Education and professional background:

1987 - Graduated from the Faculty of General Medicine, University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Carol Davila", Bucharest

1987-1989 - Physician in Municipal Hospital Campulung-Muscel, Arges

1990-1993 - Residency in general surgery, ST John Hospital, Bucharest, Romania

Since 1993 - Specialist in General Surgery

since 1997 - Consultant in General Surgery,

Since 1995 - Romanian Accreditation for laparoscopic and thoracoscopic surgery

1996 - The French Society of Digestive Surgery Accreditation for

Laparoscopic Techniques

Since 2002 - Accredited for bariatric surgery

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Main professional responsibilities or activities:

General surgery: laparoscopic, thoracoscopic and open procedures for benign and malign pathologies - over 600 procedures per year.

The largest experience in Romania for: Bariatric surgery for the morbidly obese patients, laparoscopic treatment of Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease and Hiatal Hernia.

Large Experience in laparoscopic colorectal surgery, laparoscopic adrenalectomy, laparoscopic inguinal hernia repair, laparoscopic hysterectomy

Training of residents and doctors in laparoscopic surgery - expert since 1994 in the St. John Laparoscopic Training Center.

Published original papers: 18(on National Journals)

Chapters in Surgical Books: 7 (Author or Coauthor)

Lectures delivered in different symposia/ congresses - 159 (local or International events)

Research:

Clinical research in the field of gastro esophageal reflux disease, recto colic cancer, bariatric surgery, NOTES (9 projects)



## Active Member of Professional Societies

- Romanian Society of Surgery since 1994
- Romanian Association of Endoscopic Surgery - since 2002 (Co-Founding Member)- General Secretary since 2006
- Romanian Association of Bariatric Surgery - since 2006 (Co-Founding Member)
- The Foundation for Laparoscopic and Thoracoscopic Surgery - since 1999 - (Co-Founding Member) - Administrator since 1999
- The International Federation of Surgery for Obesity - IFSO -since 2005
- The European Association of Endoscopic Surgery - EAES - since 2000 - member in the NOTES group
- The European Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy - ESGE - since 2007
- The International Associations of Surgeons Gastroenterologists and Oncologists - IASGO - since 2000
- The European Society of Clinical Nutrition and Metabolism - ESPEN - since 2006
- The European Digestive Surgery - 1996

### Training Activities

Activities related to The Romanian Association of Endoscopic Surgery - affiliated to EAES

General Secretary - since November, 2006

Set up the Association Web site - - [www.arce.ro](http://www.arce.ro) - January, 2007: Scientific events, Articles, Video-Library with Surgical Techniques, Programs, etc.

Producing, processing and sending a monthly News letter delivered to RAE's members - containing reports or information about recent or future scientific medical events, organized in Romania and worldwide.

### Activities related to EAES

Member of the EAES Notes Group -working meetings in Barcelona, Stockholm.

GERD Clinical Research Study - member of the group headed by professor Karl Fuchs (C Copaesca, A Malinovskiy, V Grubnik, KH Fuchs). The EAES-GERD-Trial on clinical presentation of the disease and eating habits - Study extended in 3 countries (Germany, Ukraine and Romania)

Catalin Copaesca, MD June, 23rd, 2008