

MEDICAL BOARD STAFF REPORT

DATE REPORT ISSUED: January 5, 2016
ATTENTION: Members, Medical Board of California
SUBJECT: Special Faculty Permit Review Committee
Recommendations
STAFF CONTACT: Curtis J. Worden, Chief of Licensing

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Fabrizio Luca, M.D., FASCRS

Approve the Special Faculty Permit Review Committee (SFPRC) recommendation for a Special Faculty Permit (SFP) appointment for Fabrizio Luca, M.D., FASCRS pursuant to California Business and Professions Code (BPC) section 2168.1(a)(1)(B).

Tarik Fathy Massoud, M.D., Ph.D.

Approve the SFPRC recommendation to waive the requirement in BPC section 2158.1(a)(5) that prohibits an SFP appointment if the applicant in a Section 2113 appointment for a period of two or more years. If the waiver is approved, approve the SFPRC recommendation for an SFP appointment for Tarik Fathy Massoud, M.D., Ph.D., pursuant to BPC section 2168.1(a)(1)(B).

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS:

The Medical Board of California (Board) is authorized to issue a SFP to a person who is academically eminent and meets all of the other requirements pursuant to BPC section 2168.1.

An individual who holds a valid SFP is authorized to practice medicine only within the medical school itself and any affiliated institutions in which the SFP holder is providing instruction as part of the medical school's educational program, and for which the medical school has assumed direct responsibility.

The SFPRC is comprised of two Board Members, one who is a physician and one who is a public member, and one representative from each of the medical schools in California. The SFPRC reviews and makes recommendations to the Board regarding the applicants applying pursuant to BPC section 2168.1.

At the SFPRC's December 3, 2015 meeting, the SFPRC reviewed the qualifications of two applicants: one applicant from Loma Linda University School of Medicine (LLSM) and one applicant from Stanford University School of Medicine (SUSM). The SFPRC was also requested to review and recommend approval of SUSM's request for waiver of BPC Section 2168.1(a)(5).

Fabrizio Luca, M.D., FASCRS - LLSM:

Daniel Giang, M.D., Professor and Chair of Neurology, Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education, LLSM, and Carlos Gaberoglio, M.D., F.A.C.S, Professor and Chair, Department of Surgery, LLSM, presented LLSM's request for Fabrizio Luca, M.D., FASCRS to receive an SFP and provided the SFPRC with Dr. Luca's qualifications. Dr. Luca's area of expertise is surgery, specifically in the area of robotic rectal cancer surgery.

Dr. Luca has held the following positions: Director, Multidisciplinary Surgical Techniques, Division of Gastrointestinal Surgery at European Institute of Oncology, Milan, Italy; Director of Integrated Abdominal Surgery, Division of Abdomino-Pelvi Surgery at European Institute of Oncology, Milan, Italy; Director, Abdomino-Pelvic Surgery, School of Robotic Surgery, European Institute of Oncology, Milan, Italy; and Senior Deputy Director, Abdomino-Pelvic Surgery, European Institute of Oncology, Milan, Italy. Dr. Luca has a long and distinguished career in gastrointestinal and abdomino-pelvic surgery at the European Institute of Oncology. Dr. Luca has trained over 50 surgeons in robotic surgical resection of rectal cancer and he has published extensively in the field of surgery for rectal cancer and authored several seminal papers in this field. Dr. Luca has lead and participated in several committees in America and Europe in colorectal surgery, and is the Principal Investigator on the Robotic vs Laparoscopic Resection of Rectal cancer. Dr. Luca has performed more than 300 robotic surgical procedures. Dr. Luca developed an original technique for the fully robotic treatment of colorectal malignancies, published in 2009 in Annals of Surgical Oncology.

Dr. Luca will hold a full-time faculty appointment as a Professor of Surgery at LLSM if approved for a SFP appointment by the Board. Dr. Luca will provide instruction as part of LLSM's education program, which involves seeing patients along with fulfilling his clinical teaching responsibilities ranging from lectures/teaching sessions in addition to clinical research. Dr. Luca possesses the unique combination of necessary skills for colorectal surgery. LLSM has a great need for Dr. Luca's expertise in the fight against colorectal cancer.

Dr. Luca's application is complete except for the copy of the U.S. social security card, copy of the visa, clear fingerprint responses from Department of Justice (DOJ) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and the final fee for the permit which will be required prior to issuing the SFP if the Board adopts the Committee's recommendation for approval.

Medical Education:

Medical School:

University of Milan Faculty of Medicine and Surgery Graduated October 24, 1990	Italy	1983-1990
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Postgraduate Training:

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| ➤ University of Milan
First Aid and Emergency Surgery | Italy | 1990-1995 |
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- Oncology and Surgery
Paolo Baffi (fellowship)

Italy/Ireland 1995-1996

Tarik Fathy Massoud, M.D., Ph.D. – SUSM:

Lloyd B. Minor, M.D., The Carl and Elizabeth Naumann, Dean of SUSM, requested the Division of Licensing (Board) to grant a waiver for Dr. Massoud pursuant to BPC section 2168.1(a)(5), which prohibits the granting of a SFP to a physician who has held a position under BPC section 2113 for a period of two years or more preceding the date of the application, unless the Board waives this requirement.

The Board approved a BPC section 2113 Faculty Registration for Dr. Massoud on November 13, 2013, at SUSM, which is valid until November 13, 2016. SUSM may request the Board to renew the BPC section 2113 Faculty Registration for an additional year if SUSM and Dr. Massoud submit a license plan. The Board may renew the BPC section 2113 Faculty Registration for one additional year if needed to complete the licensing plan.

Note: Dr. Massoud may not hold a BPC section 2113 Faculty Registration for more than five years.

Laurence Katznelson, M.D., Professor of Neurosurgery and Medicine, Associate Dean of Graduate Medical Education, SUSM, presented SUSM's request for Tarik Fathy Massoud, M.D. to receive an SFP and provided the SFPRC with Dr. Massoud's qualifications. Dr. Massoud's area of expertise is in neuroradiology and molecular imaging.

The Board granted the University of California at Los Angeles, School of Medicine (UCLA), a BPC section 2111 appointment for Dr. Massoud in July 1992, until it was cancelled in July 1997.

Note: BPC section 2111 appointments could be held for a maximum of five years during the timeframe that Dr. Massoud held a BPC section 2111 appointment.

Dr. Massoud previously held several positions at UCLA in the Department of Interventional Neuroradiology, Department of Radiological Sciences: Fellow, 1992; Visiting Assistant Professor of Radiology 1993-1994; and Assistant Professor of Radiology, 1994-1997. Dr. Massoud continued his research at UCLA as an Associate Professor of Radiology from 1997-1999. Dr. Massoud recently held the position of Academic Neuroradiologist at the University of Cambridge, 2000-2013. Dr. Massoud has been published in top ranking scientific journals, and has won seven awards for his presentations on his innovative research at international scientific conferences from the American Society of Neuroradiology. He is the co-author of several books and book chapters and has been a peer reviewer for international medical journals. Dr. Massoud is considered by his peers to be a highly accomplished clinician based on his knowledge in medicine, radiology and neuroradiology.

Dr. Massoud is currently in a BPC section 2113 Faculty Appointment at SUSM.

