Stomach | Intestine
**SPECIAL FIELDS**
Gastrointestinal oncology in minimally-invasive and conventional technique, colorectal surgery including chronic-inflammatory intestinal diseases (M. Crohn, colitis ulcerosa), oesophagus and stomach, hepatobiliary surgery, endocrine surgery (especially minimally-invasive surgery techniques in the area of thyroid gland, parathyroid glands and adrenal glands as well as neuroendocrine pancreas tumors), proctology.

**EXPERT PROFILE**
Prof. Dr. med. Ayman Agha is the Head of the Department for Surgery Bogenhausen Hospital since March 2014. His medical focus lies in oncological surgery of the abdominal area. Prof. Agha is a nationally and internationally renowned surgeon, especially for the treatment of malignant colon diseases (rectum and colorectal cancer) and in the area of chronic-inflammatory intestinal diseases (M. Crohn, colitis ulcerosa). Prof. Agha is one of a group of 20 renowned experts worldwide working to establish guidelines for minimally-invasive surgery techniques for colorectal cancer. Another focus lies on modern surgical procedures of cancer of the oesophagus, the stomach, the liver and the thyroid gland. Here the department offers highly professional interdisciplinary cooperation with the departments for gastroenterological oncology, radiotherapy and diagnostic and interventional radiology including all options of imaging combined in our Bogenhausen Hospital.

The hospital also offers all state-of-the-art treatments for endocrine diseases, especially minimally-invasive techniques (thyroid gland, parathyroid glands, adrenal glands and pancreas).

Many years of experience with minimally invasive surgery techniques warrant that the patients receive the most modern and gentle treatment, ensuring speedy recovery and, most important, best tumor-specific results with regard to survival and relapse rates.

Minimally invasive surgery is not the technique of choice at all cost: Our specialists strive to define the best interventional method of treatment for the patient: either “the small cut” or “the safe access”.

A specialized team with vast experience in the area of thorax surgery has its focus on surgical intervention for malignant diseases of the lung, in specific cases by means of minimally invasive technique.

The large number of cases and proven expertise in the field of surgery in Bogenhausen Hospital provides the best possible conditions for specific treatment by a team of competent specialized physicians, available as contact for patients and practicing doctors.
SPECIAL FIELDS
Oncological surgery of the gastrointestinal tract with the focus on colon-rectum-surgery as well as liver-, bile duct- and pancreas surgery, oesophagus- and stomach surgery, endocrine surgery, hernia surgery, minimally invasive surgery, interdisciplinary therapy of chronic inflammatory diseases of the intestinal tract, surgery of complex anal fistulae, incontinence therapy.

EXPERT PROFILE
The Department for General- and Visceral Surgery, Endocrine Surgery and Coloproctology in our Neuperlach Hospital is headed by two leading physicians in a team, this is almost unique in Germany.

The department treats more than 3,300 in-patients per year. Prof. Dr. med. Natascha C. Nüssler is specialized in the surgery of liver, bile ducts and pancreas. Dr. med. Ruppert is specialized in coloproctology. This dual leadership in Neuperlach Hospital stands for particularly high competence in the respective areas and therefore could serve as a good example for leading positions in our other locations.

General- and visceral surgery is responsible for surgical intervention of the upper intestinal tract, consisting of oesophagus, stomach and duodenum, small intestine, bile ducts, liver and pancreas. There is special experience in the treatment of benign and malignant diseases of the liver, the bile ducts and the pancreas. The department is unique in Bavaria as Certified Competence Centre for the surgical treatment of pancreas- and liver diseases. Another field is the correction of inguinal- and abdominal wall hernias.

Coloproctology covers the surgical treatment of all benign and malignant diseases of the colon, rectum and anus. A special focus is the treatment of rectum cancer. With 150 patients who have undergone surgery of rectum cancer in Neuperlach Hospital, the department is one of the leading institutions in this field in Germany. The department also has extensive expertise in the surgical treatment of chronic inflammatory diseases of the intestines, e.g. colitis ulcerosa and Crohn’s Disease as well as anal fistulae and faecal incontinence. The spectrum of surgery covers all open procedures and
also minimally invasive techniques, the so-called keyhole surgery.

For the successful treatment of patients with diseases of the digestive system, close cooperation of various medical specialization is absolutely mandatory. Therefore we formed an abdominal centre in Harlaching Hospital in 2002, where the Department for General- and Visceral Surgery and Coloproctology, the Department for Gastroenterology and Hepatology and the Department for Haematology and Oncology work together in close cooperation. The high level of competence resulting from this close cooperation has led to repeated certification as the largest Intestinal Cancer Centre in the German Cancer Society.

Joint interdisciplinary specialized consultation, x-ray consultation and a weekly tumor conference allow individualized diagnostics and therapy options. Patients with complex diseases of the digestive system are treated in a joint gastroenterological-visceral surgery unit. For patients requiring intensive monitoring, some directly after surgery, we maintain an Intermediate-Care-Ward with a specially trained team of physicians and nursing personnel.
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SPECIAL FIELDS
Certified Centre for Intestinal Diseases and Centre for Pancreatic Cancer, diagnostic and interventional therapeutic endoscopy, capsule enteroscopy, double balloon endoscopy, radio frequency ablation, contrast agent and endosonography, functional diagnostics (pH-metry, manometry, impedance measurement), day-clinic, competence centres for dysphagia and functional disorders of the pelvic floor, spyglass-cholangioscopy, photodynamic therapy.

EXPERT PROFILE
Prof. Dr. med. Wolfgang Schepp is the Head of the Department for Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Gastroenterological Oncology in our Bogenhausen Hospital since 1997. His main focus is the endoscopy and endosonography of the digestive organs, especially endoscopic-interventional endotherapy of early carcinomas of the oesophagus, stomach, colon and rectum, and diseases of bile duct and pancreas duct. Another specialty is the medication treatment of malignant tumors of the digestive organs. Chemotherapy can be combined with radiotherapy, radio logical intervention (radio frequency ablation, chemo- or particle embolization, selective internal radiation) or with procedures performed by the department for visceral surgery.

The selection of the most effective therapy for the individual patient is determined in an interdisciplinary tumor board. Prof. Dr. med. Schepp is head of the certified Centre for Intestinal Cancer of the German Cancer Society in Bogenhausen Hospital including pancreas carcinoma. All chemotherapies are also offered as out-patient treatment in the Interdisciplinary Oncological Day-Clinic.

Other specialties of the Gastroenterology Department in Bogenhausen Hospital are the diagnostic and therapy of chronic-inflammatory intestinal diseases, e.g. Morbus Crohn, colitis ulcerosa as well as chronic liver diseases such as cirrhosis, virus hepatitis and functional diagnostics. The department is one of the very few in Germany who offer manometry and impedance measurement of the small intestine.

The interdisciplinary patient care together with the Department for General-, Visceral- and Thorax Surgery, Head of Department Prof. Dr. Agha, is performed on two joint wards together with the Department for Visceral Surgery in the Abdominal Centre Bogenhausen Hospital.