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Dr. Michael Kavic is Professor Emeritus of Surgery at Northeast Ohio Medical University in Rootstown, Ohio and the Editor-In-Chief of JSLS. A graduate of Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee, Dr. Kavic completed a surgical residency at St. Elizabeth Hospital and Medical Center in Youngstown, Ohio. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Surgery, a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and is certified by the American Board of Laser Surgery. Dr. Kavic is a founding member of the Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons (SLS) and of the American Hernia Society. He is also a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honors Medical Society, Association of Academic Surgeons, American Society of Abdominal Surgeons, the Society of American Gastrointestinal Surgeons (SAGES), The Central Surgical Association, and the European Endoscopic Association of Surgeons. In addition, Dr. Kavic has been inducted as an Honorary Fellow of Le College International des Chirurgiens (The International College of Surgeons).

Dr. Kavic is Editor-in-Chief of *JSLS*, the peer-review journal of the Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons, which is indexed and abstracted in Index Medicus and MEDLINE and is included in the MEDLARS system. He authored the textbook, "*Laparoscopic Hernia Repair*" and is the senior editor of "*Prevention and Management of Laparoendoscopic Complications.*" He has written and published numerous book chapters, journal articles, and editorials.

Dr. Kavic has lectured nationally and internationally on laparoscopic surgery. He was the 1997 President of SLS and the 2005 President of the American Hernia Society. Dr. Kavic was the recipient of the 2005 SLS Excel Award. More recently, SLS honored Dr. Kavic by naming the SLS Best Resident Paper Award the "*Michael S. Kavic Best Resident Paper.*"