

Editorial

# One of the Highest World Privileges\*

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*"Success is the result of perfection, hard work, learning from failure, loyalty and persistence"*

—Colin Powell,  
American statesman,  
four-star general in U.S. Army



**FIGURE 1.** Cropped screenshot from a facebook page [UF Health Jacksonville](https://www.facebook.com/UFHealthJax/). Professor Rui P. Fernandes addresses new fellows during the induction ceremony in Edinburgh, Scotland [2].

**R**oyal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (RCSEd) is one of the oldest surgical corporations (professional organization) in the world and traces its origins to 1505 [1]. The ad hominem fellow distinction is the most prestigious designation a surgeon can receive from the college. Of the more than 10,000 U.S. surgeons in his specialty, Rui P. Fernandes, MD, DMD, is just the third to be inducted as one (Fig 1) [2].

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Consulting Editor of the highly prestigious *Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinics of North America*. Textbooks: *Local & Regional Flaps in Head & Neck Reconstruction: A Practical Approach* (Fernandes) – published in 2014; *Oral, Head & Neck Oncology & Reconstructive Surgery* (Bell, Fernandes, Andersen) – published in 2017. Co-author in the cutting-edge articles: *Outcomes of total or near-total lip reconstruction with microvascular tissue transfer*; *Margin analysis: sarcoma of the head and neck*; *The cervicofacial flap in cheek reconstruction: a guide for flap design*; *Alternative approach in mandibular reconstruction for benign disease* [3-6]. The list goes on. He don't stop to relax. He continue to do that again, and again, and again... To move a surgery forward.

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