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Dr. Young-Woo Kim was born in Pocheon, Gyeonggi-do, Korea and has grown up in Seoul. He graduated from Medical School of Seoul National University in 1988. He had been trained at the Department of Surgery of Seoul National University Hospital. From 1997 through 2002, he had been working for Ewha Womans University as a faculty. At that time he was so enthusiastic for laparoscopic surgery, new revolution of minimally invasive surgery. And, it changed his whole scope for surgery. After moving to National Cancer Center, Korea at Sep. 2002, he started clinical trial on laparoscopic gastrectomy. He dedicated to clinical trial and development of laparoscopic surgery thereafter. Now he is serving mainly as a Chief of Gastric Cancer Branch, Research Institute. His main research field is gastric surgical oncology encompassing clinical trials, developing surgical techniques of laparoscopic surgery, robotic surgery, and open surgery, and various translational researches over gastric cancer. He performed over 5,000 gastrectomies including over 2,000 laparoscopic and, 200 robotic gastrectomies so far. Also he is interested in telemedicine and medical engineering for device development. He published over 200 original articles and several book chapters for Laparoscopic Gastrectomy, Textbook of Oncology, Textbook of Gastric Cancer in Korea. He is always dreaming a new future and never loses hope for changing.