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Richard D. Schulick, MD, MBA, is the Aragón/Gonzalez-Gústí Professor and Chair of the Department of Surgery and is a Professor of Immunology and Microbiology at the University of Colorado, School of Medicine. He also serves as the Director of the University of Colorado Cancer Center. Dr. Schulick came from the Johns Hopkins Medical Institution in May of 2012 where he was Chief of the Surgical Oncology Division.

As the son of a U.S. diplomat, he grew up around Washington, DC, in Burma, Thailand, and India. He received his undergraduate degree in chemical engineering in 1985, medical school degree in 1989, and master's in business administration in 2010, all from Johns Hopkins University, where he also completed a residency in general surgery in 1996. He completed fellowships in clinical pharmacology and immunology at the National Institutes of Health both in 1993, advanced gastrointestinal surgery at Johns Hopkins in 1997, and surgical oncology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in 1999.

Dr. Schulick is a recognized leader in the fields of pancreatic, hepatic, and biliary surgery, as well as other areas in cancer surgery. He has been an invited speaker at conferences around the world. His scientific interests are in the area of tumor immunology. He has held numerous grants from the National Institutes of Health to study vaccine therapy of cancer and has obtained funding from both corporate and government agencies, including K23 and R01 funding for various cancer research studies. He is currently the principal investigator for the University of Colorado P30 Cancer Center Grant. He has pioneered the use of genetically engineered bacteria as well as genetic modifications of cancer cells to treat human cancer. He has also received recognition as a highly effective educator.

Dr. Schulick has served on the editorial boards of multiple journals in the field of surgery. He has authored or co-authored more than 370 peer reviewed scientific papers, invited manuscripts, and book chapters. Dr. Schulick is also a member of various organizations including the American Surgical Association, Society of Clinical Surgery, American College of Surgeons, Society of Surgical Oncology, Americas Hepato-pancreato-biliary Association, Western Surgical Association, Southern Surgical Association, and James IV Association of Surgeons. He serves as President of the Halsted Society for 2022-2023.