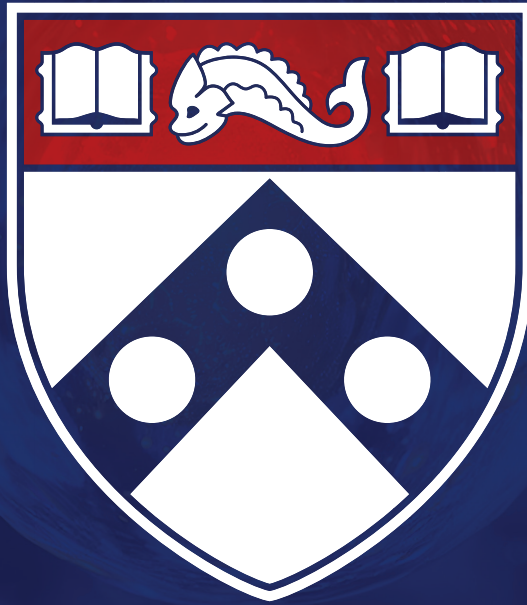


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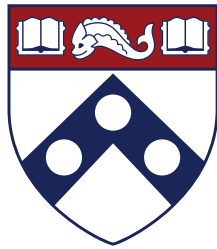
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THE MAURICE ATTIE RESIDENT TEACHING AWARDS

The Maurice F. Attie Resident Teaching Award was established in 1992 by the friends and family of Dr. Maurice Attie, Associate Professor of Medicine, as a loving memorial to the late educator, clinician, and researcher. The prize is awarded annually to one second year resident and one third year resident who the interns have found to be an outstanding teacher and caring physician and who have made their year an educational one.

THE MAURICE ATTIE JUNIOR RESIDENT TEACHING AWARD



Sara Rendell is MD, PhD a resident in the Physician-Scientist Pathway in Internal Medicine. Prior to residency, she earned her PhD in Anthropology studying relational dimensions of immigrant health and administrative legal barriers to health. She served as Education Director for the Philadelphia Human Rights Clinic. With funding from the Department of Medicine Undergraduate Medical Education Innovation Grant, she has collaborated to co-develop an interactive, video-based open source, comprehensive online antibiotic

curriculum that aims to enable learners to build expertise at their own pace, without financial burden. She loves to use teaching as an invitation to spend more time at the bedside and less time in front of computers. Her passion is promoting equity in medical education and innovations to make challenging topics accessible to adult learners. She is grateful to teach and learn in the conscientious, caring, and inspiring community that is our residency program. She will begin her fellowship training in infectious diseases this fall.

THE MAURICE ATTIE SENIOR RESIDENT TEACHING AWARD



Lara Sokoloff, MD MD is originally from Los Angeles, CA, but has been slowly migrating down the eastern seaboard for the last ten years. She completed her undergraduate education at Yale University before matriculating at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai in New York City for medical school. She then moved to Philadelphia for residency in internal medicine here at Penn. Outside of work, she enjoys trying new restaurants around Philly and

new recipes at home with her husband and can be found at any variety of work out classes around the city. Next year, she will be working as a hospitalist prior to applying into cardiology this summer.

THE MAURICE ATTIE FACULTY TEACHING AWARD

The Maurice F. Attie Faculty Teaching Award was established in 1992 by the friends and family of Dr. Maurice Attie, Associate Professor of Medicine, as a loving memorial to the late educator, clinician, and researcher. The prize is awarded annually to the faculty member in the Department of Medicine, under 45 years of age, who has demonstrated excellence in teaching, as well as compassion and understanding of the needs of housestaff and medical students.



Cameron Baston, MD, MSCE is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine in the division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine. He serves as associate program director for the Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine fellowship, Associate Faculty Director for PennHealthTech, and as POCUS director for the Philadelphia VA. A critical care physician, mechanical engineer, and medical educator, Baston spends about two-thirds of his time caring for critically ill patients, and the remainder working on education

innovation and health technology. He truly loves the opportunity to be a part of the educational journey of medical trainees. His life is made full by his inspiring partner, Dr. Kaitlan Baston, his daughters Ella and Audre, and his ridiculously fluffy dog, Nola.

THE DONNA MCCURDY FACULTY TEACHING AWARD

The Donna McCurdy Teaching Award is given by the housestaff to a member of the faculty who demonstrates outstanding devotion and skill in the teaching of physicians in training. The purpose of this award is to recognize and encourage the development of skilled clinical teachers among the faculty.



Janae Heath, MD, MSCE is an Assistant Professor of Medicine in Pulmonary and Critical Care Division. She obtained her medical degree from the Sidney Kimmel Medical College, completed residency in Internal Medicine at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, MA, and completed Pulmonary and Critical Care fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania. During fellowship training, she obtained her master's degree in clinical Epidemiology as well as completed additional medical education training through the Measey Medical Education

fellowship. She is currently an Associate Program Director for the Internal Medicine residency program, an Assistant Program Director for the Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine fellowship, and the educational director of the Pulmonary Diagnostic Service rotation. Her academic interests focus on equity in assessment in medical education, working towards novel solutions to mitigate inequities. Her favorite parts of her roles are working with and learning from our amazing residents, fellows, students, and colleagues; she is immensely honored to receive this award.

THE DONALD B. MARTIN TEACHING SERVICE AWARD

Donald B. Martin was the Director of the Internal Medicine Residency Program from 1985 until 1996. Dr. Martin passed away in 2006 and the Department of Medicine established the Donald B. Martin Teaching Service Award to honor his years of service as an exceptional leader and educator.



Peter Yen, MD is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Division of Hospital Medicine. A native of Los Angeles, he received his undergraduate and medical training at Washington University in St. Louis, and subsequently joined the hospitalist faculty at Penn in 2017. His clinical practice encompasses inpatient care at HUP and Good Shepherd Penn Partners in Rittenhouse. He has long been interested in education and is particularly passionate about assisting struggling learners, as well as mentorship. At the GME level,

he serves as co-director of the Department of Medicine clinical coaching program and is a core faculty member in the residency program. At PSOM, he is an advisory dean and directs clinical skills electives for MD/PhD students. Nationally, he is a member of the CDIM program planning committee.



Sheila M. Quinn, DO is a primary care internist at the Edward S. Cooper Internal Medicine practice at Penn. She completed residency in internal medicine-primary care at Yale and then came to Philadelphia to complete a fellowship in Adolescent and Young Adult Medicine at CHOP. She sees her own primary care patients, runs the embedded Women's Health clinic in her office and precepts internal medicine and combined-medicine-pediatric residents. She is passionate about reproductive healthcare and how this can and should

be incorporated into internal medicine training. She also enjoys the integration of creative writing into medical training and practice and is the section editor for Journal of Adolescent Health's Arts and Humanities section, *The Intersection*. She lives in West Philadelphia with her family and is tremendously honored to be the recipient of this award.

THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE FELLOW TEACHING AWARD

Fellows in the Department of Medicine occupy a key role in advancing our tripartite mission of clinical care, education and research. This award was established to recognize the significant impact that our fellows have on housestaff education. It is given to a fellow who has made outstanding contributions to the training of the medicine housestaff over the last academic year, as voted on by housestaff.



Nicholas Wilcox, MD graduated from the Roy and Diana Vagelos Life Sciences & Management Program with dual degrees in biology from Penn and economics from Wharton. He then pursued research investigating immunotherapy for leukemia, before attending the Yale School of Medicine and receiving combined MD and MHS degrees. During medical school, he received a national funded HHMI Research Fellowship, and the Miriam Kathleen Dasey Award at graduation.

He then completed residency in internal medicine at Penn and is currently in his second year of cardiology fellowship. Nick plans to pursue additional training in cardio-oncology, imaging and research, with the goal of becoming a grant-funded clinical investigator. Outside of work, he enjoys soccer, traveling and spending time with family, friends, and his partner Eva.

THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE RESIDENT MENTORING AWARD



Michael V. Genuardi, MD, MS is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Section of Heart Failure, Transplant, and Mechanical Circulatory Support at HUP and the Associate Director of the Cardiology ICU. He joined the faculty at Penn in 2019 after completing his cardiovascular diseases and Advanced Heart Failure fellowships and Clinical Epidemiology training at the University of Pittsburgh, where he was Chief Fellow. As Associate Director of the CICU, Dr. Genuardi works to

develop new approaches to ICU care, collaborative research, and house officer education in an increasingly complex patient population. His research includes multiple projects in clinical epidemiology, circadian biology in cardiovascular inpatients, cerebral blood flow and physiology in LVAD patients, and cardiogenic shock, with many projects supported by the outstanding Internal Medicine Residents at Penn. When not at work, he enjoys spending time with his wife and daughters, cooking gourmet meals, and listening to bad pop music. He is very honored and humbled to receive this award alongside so many phenomenal educators in the DOM.

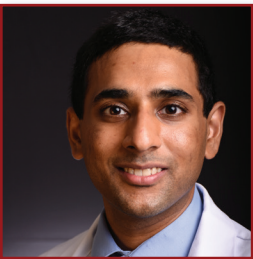


Ximena Jordan Bruno, MD was born and raised in Bolivia. Ximena graduated from The Universidad Catolica de Cordoba, Argentina and as a clinical hematologist from the Universidad de la Republica in Montevideo, Uruguay. During her training, Dr. Bruno worked in at least 3 hospitals in her native city of Santa Cruz and was the only hematologist at her Institution. She was a clinical instructor for the Catholic University and enjoyed mentoring residents during her years

in Bolivia. She was awarded with a Scholarship by the international CML foundation in MD Anderson Texas for her work in CML in Bolivia collaboration with the Max Foundation. In 2013 she moved to the United States and completed training in Internal Medicine at Danbury Hospital in Connecticut and Hematology Oncology Fellowship at the University of Vermont where she served a Chief Fellow. In July 2021, she joined the Leukemia Program in the Hematology and Oncology Division and is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine. She cares for patients with leukemia and myeloid malignancies at the Abramson Cancer Center and her research interest is in hereditary syndromes that predispose to MDS and AML for what she has created a special clinic for diagnostic, monitor and treatment and was awarded a grant from the RUNX-1 Research Foundation. One of her biggest dreams is to create a Foundation that could provide ATRA for everyone diagnosed with acute promyelocytic leukemia in Bolivia. She feels honored to collaborate with residents and help them in their journey to Hematology Oncology and is one of the reasons she loves her job because it allows her to help others achieve their maximal potential. She feels privileged to work with such dedicated and talented physicians on a regular basis.

THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE FACULTY DIVERSITY EQUITY AND INCLUSION AWARD

The Department of Medicine's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Award recognizes efforts by an individual or team to achieve diversity, equity, and inclusion in our community. This award celebrates initiatives that embrace the diversity of learners, diversify the physician workforce, create an inclusive workplace and establish equity in the care we deliver to our patients.



Yuvaram Reddy, MBBS, MPH is an Assistant Professor of Medicine and the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion for the Renal-Electrolyte & Hypertension Division. He is also a Core Investigator at the VA Center for Health Equity Research and Promotion (CHERP), the Faculty Director of the Healthcare Equity Curriculum for Undergraduate Medical Education at PSOM, and a Co-Director of the BLOOM-DEI fellowship training pathway within the Department of

Medicine (BLOOM: Building Leadership Opportunities in Medicine). His research is focused on understanding and addressing inequities in access to home dialysis for

patients with kidney failure through a combination of implementation science, health policy research, and mixed methods. His research has been funded by the NIH, AHRQ, VA, the Leonard Davis Institute, and the American Society of Nephrology. Additionally, as a medical educator with a focus on DEI, he co-directs a fellowship training pathway (BLOOM-DEI) to build a community of emerging leaders who are driven to become response health equity leaders in medicine.

Dr. Reddy received his MBBS degree from Sri Ramachandra Medical College & Research Institute and his MPH degree from the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. He completed his Internal Medicine residency at Boston Medical Center and his Nephrology fellowship at Mass General Brigham. In his spare time, he and his partner enjoy spending time with their anxious dog and their struggling plants.

THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE RESIDENT DIVERSITY EQUITY AND INCLUSION AWARD

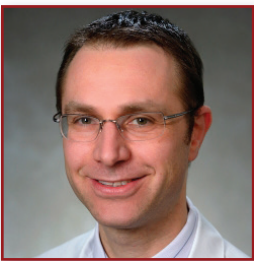


Nichole Smith, MD is a third year Internal Medicine Primary Care resident. She was born in Chicago, IL and raised mainly in Atlanta, GA where she developed a love for southern comfort food. She found her way back to the Midwest for medical school and attended The University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine where she fostered a passion for health equity work and was inspired by a diverse community of mentors and peers. At Penn, she

has been involved in bolstering resident education and experience in equity-related topics through the resident group Physicians for Advocacy and Community Engagement (PACE). She hopes to continue this work during the upcoming academic year in her role as Ambulatory Chief Resident, and beyond as a primary focus in her primary care career.

THE ANDREW I. SCHAFER LEADERSHIP IN MEDICINE AWARD

This award recognizes extraordinary leadership abilities and was established in recognition of former chair, Andrew Schafer, M.D.



David Aizenberg, MD, FACP is a Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Division of General Internal Medicine. He completed his Bachelor of Science in Biological Psychology at the University of Michigan. He then went on to receive his MD from New York University School of Medicine. After graduation, he moved to Philadelphia for his internship and residency here at Penn. After residency, he was a chief medical resident and then joined the faculty in DGIM as an attending in the Penn Internal Medicine

Associates practice. He was appointed as Assistant Director for the Internal Medicine

residency and subsequently as Associate Program Director. After four years in this role, in 2018, Dave was appointed Program Director of the Internal Medicine Residency at Hahnemann University Hospital. During the unexpected closure of Hahnemann, Dr. Aizenberg advocated on behalf of all the residents and fellows impacted by this crisis and helped them to find receiving programs. Dr. Aizenberg returned to Penn in 2020 as an associate program director and joined the GME leadership and is currently an Assistant Dean for Graduate Medical Education. He has recently served as the interim program director for the medicine residency and led the program through the 2023-2024 recruitment cycle. Dr. Aizenberg continues to be clinically active in outpatient primary care and the inpatient wards at PPMC.

THE RADHIKA SRINIVASAN AWARD FOR HUMANISM AND PROFESSIONALISM IN MEDICINE

This award was created in 2005 to recognize and honor distinguished faculty members of the Department of Medicine who are exemplars for humanism and professionalism in medicine.



Joanna Hart, MD is a pulmonary and critical care physician focused on improving the experience of serious illness. After earning her medical degree at the University of Virginia, she completed her clinical training in internal medicine, pulmonary, and critical care medicine at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. She also earned a Masters in Health Policy Research from Penn. She is core faculty of the Palliative and Advanced Illness Research Center and holds a secondary appointment in the Department of Medical Ethics and Health

Policy. Her NIH-funded research portfolio uses mixed methods to amplify the voices of patients and families affected by serious illnesses and transform health care to better meet their needs. In addition to her active research portfolio and strong commitment to mentoring, Dr. Hart has maintained a longitudinal outpatient general pulmonary clinic at the Michael J. Crescenz VA Medical Center for nearly a decade and provides critical care at Penn and the VA. She is a proud West Philadelphia community member, where she lives with her husband, Micah, and two children, Toby, and Matilda.

THE RICHARD P. SHANNON FACULTY AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP IN QUALITY AND SAFETY

The Richard P. Shannon Faculty Award in Quality and Safety is presented annually to a Department of Medicine faculty member who makes the most significant contribution to quality and safety in the Department of Medicine. The Award celebrates faculty who, through their leadership, collaboration, innovation, scientific approach, and patient-centered perspective, advance the quality, safety and value of care we deliver to our patients.



Jessie Torgersen, MD, MHS, MSCE is an Assistant Professor of Medicine in the Division of Infectious Diseases at the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine. She is a Senior Scholar in the Center for Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of Pennsylvania where her research focuses on the clinical epidemiology of chronic liver disease and HIV infection. Dr. Torgersen is an active investigator within the Penn Center for AIDS Research, the Penn Infectious Disease Therapeutics

Clinical Trials Unit, and the national Veterans Aging Cohort Study, where her recent work has focused on viral hepatitis, hepatic steatosis, and hepatocellular carcinoma in people with HIV (PWH) and people without HIV (PwoH). She is the recipient of a Career Development Award (K08) from the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, leading work applying deep learning tools for medical image analysis to define the determinants and outcomes of steatotic liver disease in PWH and PwoH. Dr. Torgersen is also a member of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases/Infectious Diseases Society of America Hepatitis C Guidance Panel and the Director of the Penn Center for Viral Hepatitis at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center where she provides care focused on acute and chronic liver diseases in PWH and PwoH.

THE RICHARD P. SHANNON FELLOW AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP IN QUALITY AND SAFETY

This annual award recognizes an Internal Medicine fellow for outstanding leadership and dedication to continuous quality improvement and patient safety efforts within their training program and department. Dr. Shannon was Chair of the Department of Medicine from 2007-2013 and was a tireless advocate for quality and safety and the involvement of residents and fellows in this mission.



Stephanie Van Decker, MD, MS is a current fellow in the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, and Critical Care. She received her medical degree from the Lewis Katz School of Medicine at Temple University Hospital and completed her medical residency at Boston Medical Center, where she was enrolled in the Quality Improvement and Patient Safety Track. During her fellowship she was an inaugural member of the Department of Medicine's "Building Leadership Opportunities in Medicine

for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (BLOOM-DEI) Longitudinal Pathway" and is completing her certificate in Healthcare Quality and Patient Safety (CHIPS). During her fellowship, she has been engaged in projects focused on transitions of care of vulnerable patients. This has included efforts to standardize ICU to floor documentation, a project aimed at

reducing disparities and creating access for underserved patients in pulmonary clinics, and flow of interhospital transfers following HUP Cedar ICU closure. She has additionally help co-found a pulmonary consultation clinic within Puentes de Salud, a free clinic for Philadelphia's undocumented Latino community. After graduation, Stephanie will stay on faculty at Penn with her practice centered out of Presbyterian Medical Center/Penn Medicine University City sites with roles in outpatient operations within the division and become involved with Quality Improvement education within the medicine residency.

THE RICHARD P. SHANNON RESIDENT AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP IN QUALITY AND SAFETY



Hector Mora, MD is a third-year Internal Medicine resident at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Hector joined the Primary Care track at Penn to further develop his skills in acute and chronic disease management and build longitudinal relationships with his patients. After being accepted to Penn Medicine's Healthcare Leadership in Quality Track in 2022, Hector explored ways on how to utilize QI techniques to improve panel management and diabetes

care at the Puentes de Salud clinic, a South Philadelphia clinic serving undocumented immigrants. Through the utilization of automation software, Hector has created the ability to perform systematic chart reviews of patients with uncontrolled diabetes and identify gaps in care. After graduation, Hector is excited to become a hospital medicine attending Assistant Professor at the Jersey Shore University Medical Center for a few years before transitioning to full time Primary Care.

CORPORAL MICHAEL J. CRESCENZ VA MEDICAL CENTER (VAMC) AWARDS

THE FRANCIS H. STERLING AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Dr. Francis Sterling served as a superb and caring clinician and teacher at the Corporal Michael J. Crescenz VA Medical Center and provided decades of dedicated service. This award recognizes a faculty member who possesses the ability to stir intellectual curiosity in students and residents, motivate residents and students to strive to acquire further knowledge, and must be dedicated to providing the highest quality of care to veteran patients.



Twinkle Mehta, MD practices as an academic hospitalist at the Corporal Michael J. Crescenz Philadelphia VA Medical Center, providing direct care to hospitalized veterans and supervising medical trainees on the general medicine services. She received her medical degree from Emory University School of Medicine and completed her residency at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. She is passionate about providing residents and medical students an evidence based and veteran-centric educational experience.



Jennifer Olenik, MD practices at HUP and the Corporal Michael J. Crescenz VA Medical Center as an academic hospitalist, and at HUP as a palliative care attending physician. She also serves two roles in the medical school as Curriculum Co-Director of CARE-7, the novel four-year palliative care curriculum, and the Associate Director of the Internal Medicine Sub-Internship. Dr. Olenik earned her medical degree from the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and completed her internal medicine residency, chief residency, and palliative medicine fellowship at the University of California, San Francisco. She is honored to work with and learn from such dedicated residents and colleagues.

THE FREDERICK F. SAMAHA AWARD FOR RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP

This award recognizes excellence in scholarly pursuits by an Internal Medicine resident. It is named in memory of Frederick F. Samaha, M.D., Associate Professor of Medicine, and Chief of Cardiology at the VA from 1998 until his death in 2008.



Helen Tang, MD is a second-year categorical resident in Internal Medicine. She grew up in Seattle, WA before attending Williams College and Duke University School of Medicine. She is applying for fellowship in Gastroenterology and Hepatology, and hopes to combine her passion for research, teaching, and clinical care into a career in academic gastroenterology. Helen's research interests broadly include health outcomes in cirrhosis, risk prediction in liver transplantation, PSC-IBD overlap, and gut microbiome. She is honored to have cared for veterans at the Philadelphia VAMC, and to have had the opportunity to participate in scholarly work directly pertaining to and benefiting veterans.

CARDIOVASCULAR MEDICINE DIVISION

THE MARK E. JOSEPHSON FACULTY DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD

The Mark E. Josephson Faculty Distinguished Teaching Award recognizes a faculty member's accomplishments in teaching and mentoring of medical students, residents, and Cardiology fellows. It is meant to capture the spark, energy, enthusiasm, and wisdom that Dr. Josephson used to inspire those he taught and mentored to pursue their careers in medicine while he was here at Penn. Dr. Josephson passed away in 2017.



Dinesh Jagasia, MD, is a Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Cardiovascular Medicine Division. He obtained his MD at Seth GS Medical College, University of Bombay. He completed his residency training in Radiology at King Edward Memorial Hospital, University of Bombay. He was a research fellow in the Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy Unit at the University of Oxford, UK. He completed his residency training in Internal Medicine and cardiology

fellowship training including advanced training in cardiovascular imaging at Yale University. He joined the Penn Faculty in 2007, and currently serves as the Associate Director of the Echocardiography Laboratory and Director of the Structural Cardiac CT at the HUP. He is a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology (ACC) and serves on the Maintenance of Certification of Committee for the ACC SAP (Self-Assessment Program) for General Cardiology. Besides maintaining a busy clinical cardiology practice at Penn Medicine at Radnor, he attends on the inpatient cardiology services at HUP. He is an expert at multimodality cardiovascular imaging, particularly in cardiac CT and Echocardiography. Besides his interests in structural cardiac CT, Dr. Jagasia is recognized for his expertise in multimodality imaging of Mechanical Circulatory Support devices. He has presented and lectured at the national meetings of the American College of Cardiology and American Society of Echocardiography. Dr. Jagasia is sought after by cardiology fellows for career advice in clinical cardiology. He is the recipient of teaching awards from Penn medical students and cardiology fellows. He is passionate about teaching the next generation of medical students, residents, and post graduate trainees in cardiology.

THE MARTIN ST. JOHN SUTTON, M.D. OUTSTANDING FELLOW RESEARCH AWARD

The Martin St. John Sutton, M.D. Outstanding Fellow Research Award is given to a fellow in recognition of a substantial achievement in the field of cardiovascular research and to recognize their important contributions influencing the understanding of Cardiovascular Disease. Dr. St. John Sutton was and continues

to be an internationally acclaimed imaging researcher who has advanced our understanding of heart failure and cardiac remodeling.



Benjamin Lee, MD, PhD, is a Cardiovascular Disease fellow, currently performing research and translational science at the University of Pennsylvania. He received his MD/PhD degrees from Columbia University in biomedical engineering, prior to completing his Internal Medicine residency at the University of Pennsylvania. During his Cardiovascular Disease fellowship, he has been involved in several research projects, with interest in beating heart

tissues, using 3-dimensional systems to better understand and target mechanical dysfunction in the heart. He is a first author on several publications, where a portion of his research includes "Adult Human Cardiomyocyte Mechanics in Osteogenesis Imperfecta", and "Tissue Rings PLOD Out a Second Hit in Becker Muscular Dystrophy". During his Cardiovascular Disease fellowship, he was selected as a recipient of the highly competitive Department of Medicine Measey Physician Scientist Fellow award for one-year (in July 2023), and is currently involved in a variety of research projects focused on heart failure.

THE CARDIOVASCULAR MEDICINE FELLOW DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD

The Fellow Distinguished Teaching Award recognizes a Cardiovascular Disease Fellow for their outstanding teaching that will impact and influence the professional lives of medical students, housestaff, and Cardiology fellows. This award reflects the importance and value of dedicated teaching.



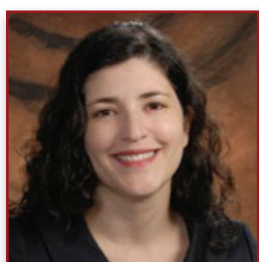
Michela Faggioni, MD, is a fourth-year fellow in the Cardiovascular Disease fellowship. She received her MD from medical school of the University of Pisa (Italy) where she also completed her clinical cardiology training before moving to the United States to pursue a research fellowship at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. Her research focused on clinical outcomes and clinical trial design in the field of interventional cardiology. Dr. Faggioni then attended the internal

medicine residency at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai where she also served as a Chief Resident, before moving to the University of Pennsylvania in 2020. In July 2022 Dr. Faggioni started her interventional training.

ENDOCRINOLOGY, DIABETES, AND METABOLISM DIVISION

THE EDWARD ROSE FACULTY TEACHING AWARD

Presented annually to a faculty member of the Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism who has demonstrated outstanding teaching and mentorship of the fellows, either in clinical practice or in research. The awardee has shown enthusiasm for and commitment to the education of the fellows, while conducting him/herself at the highest standards of performance.



Julia Kharlip, MD joined the faculty in 2009 after completing her fellowship in Endocrinology and Metabolism and a tenure on faculty at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. She is currently a Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism. In her role of the Medical Director of the Penn Pituitary Center Dr. Kharlip works to optimize perioperative care of patients undergoing pituitary surgery. Her clinical interests are in Cushing's syndrome, care of young adults with childhood cancer and neuroendocrine conditions transitioning to adult care, and endocrine complications of cancer therapies. She enjoys teaching analytical thinking and ways to navigate diagnostic uncertainties in her year-long neuroendocrine fellow's clinic. Her mentoring of endocrine fellows and other trainees centers on embracing their roles in and outside of medicine, and on preserving the joys of clinical medicine in era of EMR. This will be Dr. Kharlip's third time receiving this award.

THE ROBERT D. UTIGER FELLOW RESEARCH AWARD

Presented annually to a faculty member of the Division of Endocrinology,



Javier Ocampo Mascaro, MD is a second-year fellow in the Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism. He graduated from medical school at the Universidad Peruana de Ciencias Aplicadas (UPC) in Peru and attended internal medicine residency at the University of Miami/Jackson Health System. After finishing residency, he completed a medicine chief year at the University of Miami. Since joining Penn, he has been working under the mentorship of Dr. Mona Al Mukaddam on two clinical research projects related to the natural history

of hypophosphatasia, a rare inherited metabolic bone disease, and the frequency of atypical femoral fractures in adult hypophosphatasia patients treated with antiresorptive agents. He has also worked with Dr. Julia Kharlip in writing a book chapter for Elsevier on "Diagnosis of Cushing's Syndrome", which is currently under peer review. In February

2024, he obtained the main award for his case presentation on "Pediatric and Adolescent Cushing's Disease" at the Pituitary Society Preceptorship Course. He is also part of the Measey Medical Education Fellowship 2023-2024 cohort and has been working with Drs. Caitlin White and Rani Nandiwada on a medical education project focused on improving endocrinology and diabetes knowledge in primary care residents through periodic on-site fellow presence at the Penn Center for Primary Care. This project has been accepted for poster presentation at the Endocrine Society Meeting in June 2024.

GASTROENTEROLOGY AND HEPATOLOGY DIVISION

THE FRANK BROOKS RESEARCH AWARD BY A GI FELLOW

This award recognizes research contributions by a GI fellow.



Iboro Umana, MD, PhD is currently a third year Gastroenterology Fellow at the Hospital of University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Umana grew up in Carbondale, IL and completed his undergraduate studies at Washington University in St. Louis. He then received his MD/PhD from University of Chicago. He moved to Philadelphia and completed his Internal Medicine residency at Hospital of University of Pennsylvania. He matched into the T32 Basic Science Gastroenterology Fellowship at University of

Pennsylvania, and he currently works in Dr. Christoph Thaiss's laboratory. Dr. Umana is pursuing a physician-scientist career studying the role of enteric nervous system in encoding metabolic and physiologic stress.

THE SIDNEY COHEN TEACHING AWARD

The award is named after Dr. Sidney Cohen, who was the Chief of the Gastroenterology Division at the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine from 1973-1986. Dr. Cohen served as President of the American Gastroenterology Association (AGA), the subspecialty's highest organization.



Frederick Nunes, MD is Clinical Professor of Medicine in the division of Gastroenterology. He graduated from the Wharton School of Business and Weill Cornell's Medical College. He completed his residency at Cornell University-The New York Hospital, gastrointestinal fellowship at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania and a postdoctoral fellowship in the Institute for Human Gene Therapy, University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Nunes joined the Penn

faculty as a transplant hepatologist. After moving to Pennsylvania Hospital Dr Nunes continued his involvement in hepatology research acting as a principal investigator in multiple clinical trials. He is consistently recognized as a Top Doc. He enjoys teaching and mentoring medical residents interested in gastroenterology. Dr Nunes enjoys assisting fellows gain proficiency in endoscopic procedures. Dr. Nunes is currently the Medical Director of Gastroenterology and Director of Endoscopy at Pennsylvania Hospital. He serves as Vice President of the Medical Board and Chair of the Clinical Effectiveness and Quality Improvement Committee for Pennsylvania Hospital.

THE CLINICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD



Michael L. Kochman, MD, AGAF, MASGE is the Wilmott Family Professor of Medicine and Professor of Medicine in Surgery in the Gastroenterology Division at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Kochman is a graduate of Northwestern University (BA, Economics, 1982) and the University of Illinois Medical School at Chicago (MD, 1986). He served his residency at the University of Illinois at

Chicago and was Chief Resident at West Side VA under Dr. Clifford Pilz from 1989-90. Subsequently Dr. Kochman completed his fellowship in Gastroenterology and Hepatology at the University of Michigan Hospitals and Clinics in Ann Arbor in 1993 under the direction of Drs. Chung Owyang and Tadataka Yamada. During that time Dr. Kochman also underwent training in interventional endoscopy and had specialized training in endoscopic ultrasound at Indiana University under the auspices of Drs. Robert Hawes and Maurits Wiersema. Subsequently he was recruited to the University of Pennsylvania by Dr. Peter Traber, where he rose through the ranks from Assistant Professor. Dr. Kochman is past Editor in Chief for Techniques and Innovation in Gastrointestinal Endoscopy. Dr. Kochman has published over 250 articles, chapters, and videos. He has edited 19 published books: among them, the Clinicians Guide to Gastrointestinal Oncology (ed Kochman), Advanced Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (eds Ginsberg, Gostout, Kochman and Norton), and Endoscopic Oncology: Gastrointestinal Endoscopy and Cancer Management (eds Faigel and Kochman). While at the University of Pennsylvania he has served in various capacities including as Vice-Chair for Clinical Services and as Development Officer for the Department of Medicine, on the School of Medicine Committee of Appointments and Promotions (COAP), the Physicians Billing Oversight Committee and numerous Departmental Review and Search Committees. Within the GI Division he has served as Fellowship Chairman and runs the regular endoscopy and advanced endoscopy training programs and directs the Wilmott Center for Endoscopic Innovation, Research, and Training. He has received several awards including the Luigi Mastroianni Clinical Innovator and Special Recognition Patient Advocacy Awards from the Health System as well as the Sid Cohen, MD (twice) and Donald Martin, MD awards for the education of fellows and residents. Dr. Kochman has served many local and national societies in a variety of positions. He was honored and inducted as a Fellow into the College of Physicians of Philadelphia. The ASGE recognized him as the 'Master Endoscopist' in 2015 and the AGA recognized him as the 'Distinguished Academic Clinician' in 2018. His current major national commitments are to the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) as Vice-Chair of the Research Foundation, Advisor to the AGA-Varia GI Opportunity Fund VC, which he conceptualized, and is currently a member of the Finance and Operations and the Investment Committees. He has also

served the AGA as a Governing Board Councilor for Innovation, on the Education Committee, the Public Affairs Committee, was Chair of the Regulatory Workgroup and was Chair of the Center for GI Technology. Dr. Kochman served as Chair of the GIE Editorial Board, treasurer of the ASGE Foundation, and was a Councilor of the ASGE Governing Board. Also, for the ASGE Dr. Kochman has served on the Post-Graduate Education Committee, the EUS SIG, the Research Committee, the Program Committees and has directed numerous post-graduate courses. He also has served on committees for the Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES) and was chair of the Natural Orifice Surgery Consortium for Assessment and Research (NOSCAR). He is a past president of the Delaware Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy and was the Program Chairman for the Pennsylvania State Gastroenterology Society. Dr. Kochman regularly speaks for various local GI societies and at SGNA meetings. He is a frequently a faculty member at national and international meetings as a lecturer, moderator and at Meet the Professor sessions on various topics including management of neoplasia, maintenance of luminal patency, EMR, EUS, and ERCP. He also serves as faculty for hands-on training courses held both nationally and internationally for EUS, ERCP, endoprosthetics, and hemostasis.

THE GI FACULTY RESEARCH AWARD

This award recognizes achievements in research by a GI faculty member.



Nicole Maloney Belle, MD, PhD is a gastroenterologist physician scientist. Her laboratory focuses on how cross talk between damaged intestinal epithelial cells, immune cells and neurons modulate host response and recovery in the setting of infection, inflammation, and cancer. She seeks to identify cellular pathways that can serve as novel therapeutic targets in inflammatory diseases of the gastrointestinal tract. Dr. Belle grew up in federation of St. Kitts-Nevis. She received her BA in

Biochemistry at New York University (NYU) supported by the Cambridge University State Scholarship of St. Kitts-Nevis, a prestigious award given to the high school student with the best "A" Level examination. She pursued MD/PhD training at Washington University in St. Louis where she developed a keen interest in host-microbe interactions and joined the laboratory of Herbert "Skip" Virgin. She went on to complete residency training in Internal Medicine at University of Pennsylvania then stayed on for additional training as a Basic Science Fellow in Gastroenterology. As a fellow, she conducted research with Dr. De'broski Herbert to better understand intestinal epithelial and immune responses to damage induced by chemical and infectious agents. She described a novel interacting partner for a member of the trefoil factor family protein and demonstrated its critical role in intestinal healing and anti-helminth immunity. She joined the Penn faculty in 2022 and remains committed to promoting scientific exploration in her trainees and is particularly proud of their diverse backgrounds and journeys.

THE RADHIKA SRINIVASAN GI FACULTY AWARD FOR PROFESSIONALISM AND HUMANISM

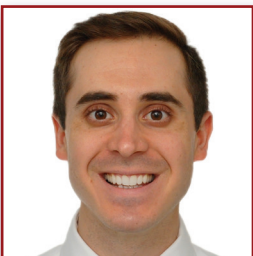
This award was created to recognize and honor a distinguished GI Division faculty member who demonstrates humanism and professionalism in the practice of Gastroenterology and Hepatology.



Neilanjan Nandi, MD, FACG, AGAF, FACP is an Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine focused on the management of complex Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD, e.g., Crohn's disease, Ulcerative Colitis) and recurrent *Clostridium difficile* infection. Dr. Nandi has a particular interest in the diagnosis and management of refractory *Clostridioides difficile* infection and the application of fecal microbiota restoration therapies in *C difficile* and IBD. Dr. Nandi has helped conduct a number of clinical trials of stool derived microbiome therapies. He has also authored numerous book chapters on the diagnosis and management of various viral, parasitic, mycobacterial and bacterial infections of the GI tract. Dr. Nandi's fervor for clinical education has been recognized with multiple teaching awards throughout his career including the 2023 Sidney Cohen Faculty Teaching Award for the Division of Gastroenterology & Hepatology. Dr. Nandi is a founding non-profit board member and Chair of the South Asian IBD Alliance (SAIA) which elevates culturally competent care in South Asian IBD. He was honored as the 2019 Physician Hero by the Philadelphia/Delaware Valley Crohn's and Colitis Foundation at their annual Take Steps for Crohn's & Colitis event and awarded the 2022 CCF's Chairman's National Citation Award. In addition, he will be recognized as the 2024 Crohn's & Colitis Foundation Gold Medallion Award. Dr. Nandi serves on the executive council of the Philadelphia Crohn's & Colitis Foundation (CCF), the medical advisory board of the United Ostomy Associates of America (UOAA), coordinates outreach on the American College of Gastroenterology Patient Care Committee.

THE EDWARD C. RAFFENSPERGER TEACHING AWARD FOR GI FELLOWS

The Edward C. Raffensperger Teaching Award for GI Fellows is given a GI fellow that excels at teaching students and residents.



Blake Niccum, MD is a third-year gastroenterology (GI) fellow at the University of Pennsylvania. He obtained a degree in General Engineering from Baylor University in Waco, TX before heading to Charlottesville, VA to earn his medical degree from the University of Virginia School of Medicine. He then completed his residency in Internal Medicine at Massachusetts

General Hospital in Boston, MA. During GI fellowship, Blake discovered a strong interest in advanced endoscopy, and worked on projects related to medical innovation, which combine his love for medicine with his passion for engineering to advance clinical care. He also served as a Chief GI Fellow and helped to lead the fellowship endoscopy curriculum. After graduating from GI fellowship in June, Blake will be moving to Denver, CO to complete a fellowship in advanced endoscopy at the University of Colorado. He has an amazingly supportive wife, Dr. Maria Niccum, who is a third-year pediatric cardiology fellow at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, and he and his wife are continually filled with joy by their one-year-old son, Bear.

GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE DIVISION

THE C. WILLIAM HANSON, II, M.D. PRIZE FOR AN OUTSTANDING PRIMARY CARE RESIDENT

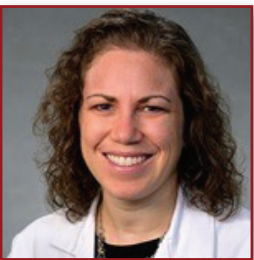
C. William Hanson II, M.D. was a general internist at this institution for many years when there were few others like him. He was an important role model for the people who established the current Division of General Internal Medicine. After his death, his son, William Hanson, III, M.D., who is a faculty member in the Department of Anesthesia, and other family members and friends, endowed a prize to be given each year to the most outstanding graduate of the Department of Medicine's Primary Care Residency Program.



Menaka Dhingra, MD grew up in New Jersey. She received her BA from Columbia University in 2014 and her medical degree from Cooper Medical School of Rowan University in 2021. She is a third-year resident in the Primary Care Track and will be joining as faculty at the Penn Center for Primary Care in September.

THE JOHN M. EISENBERG TEACHING AWARD

Dr. John Eisenberg was the Chief of the Division of General Internal Medicine at Penn from 1978 to 1992. He created the award upon his departure at Penn. After leaving Penn, he served in many important and impactful roles, such as the Chairman of the Department of Medicine and Physician-in-Chief at Georgetown University, a founding commissioner of the Congressional Physician Payment Review Commission, and the Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research. Dr. Eisenberg passed away in 2002.



Lauren Mechanic, MD is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Division of General Internal Medicine. She graduated from Jefferson Medical College and completed her internal medicine residency training here at Penn. She was a chief resident at Lankenau Medical Center at Main Line Health from 2017-2018. She returned to Penn in 2018 to join the amazing team at Penn Internal Medicine University City, which also happened to be her clinic site as a trainee.

She continues to provide care at PIMUC as well as attend on the inpatient teaching service at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center. She is the site director for the family medicine clerkship, the education lead at PIMUC, and a core faculty member of the Internal Medicine Residency Program. She is honored to work with and learn from so many amazing learners and colleagues.

Lauren received this award for being an exemplar of excellence in clinical education, collaborating with learners to demonstrate the breadth of Internal Medicine – in her own Primary Care clinic, Orthopedics Preop clinic, MOUD clinic, ambulatory report, and the inpatient service at Penn Presbyterian.

THE DIVISION OF GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE EXCELLENCE IN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND MENTORSHIP

This award is given to a DGIM faculty member who demonstrates a consistent track record of supporting career development for faculty in GIM through: excellence in mentorship of trainees and junior faculty members and/or innovations in professional development programs. Professional development innovations may be at the Division, Department, or School of Medicine level. Mentorship may be focused on clinical, education, and/or research career development in DGIM in the ambulatory and/or hospital settings.



Marc Shalaby, MD, FACP received this award for his work in recruitment of residents to primary care and further development of young faculty at the Wood Clinic at Pennsylvania Hospital. Marc attended college and medical school at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and completed his internal medicine residency training in 2001 at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Shalaby then took a faculty position at the Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) in Allentown,

Pennsylvania. He spent a total of 11 years at LVHN including his final 6 years as the program director of the internal medicine residency. Dr. Shalaby returned to the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania in 2012 to serve as the residency program director of the Internal Medicine-Primary Care Program, a position he held until November 2021 when he transitioned to become the Chair of the Department of Medicine at Pennsylvania Hospital. He is a Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Perelman School of Medicine and a practicing general internist who does both inpatient medicine and primary care. Dr. Shalaby is a nationally recognized pioneer in internal medicine residency redesign having developed the nation's first X+Y scheduling model for internal medicine residency training and then later for pediatrics. In addition to publishing widely in this area, Dr. Shalaby has served as an independent consultant to dozens of departments of medicine throughout the US with a focus on residency and departmental redesign.

THE DIVISION OF GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE EXCELLENCE AN INNOVATION IN CLINICAL PRACTICE AWARD

This award is given to the DGIM faculty who has demonstrated excellence in innovation in clinical practice. The award recognizes work that advances

the practice of GIM in either the ambulatory or hospital setting through innovative practice and demonstrates a positive impact on patient experience, quality and value of care, medical education processes and outcomes, work environment or improved health in patients, providers, or the community. The award focuses on innovations developed and implemented within the previous 3 years.

Corinne Rhodes and **Marguerite Balasta** received this award for development of a multimodal population health-based approach to diabetes care. This program has led to sustained improvement in diabetic control across all clinical sites by incorporating numerous innovations including text-based outreach, an embedded diabetologist, and point-of-care A1C testing.



Corinne Rhodes, MD, MPH is a primary care physician who practices at Edward S. Cooper Practice, in a combined resident-faculty model. As Associate Medical Director of Quality for Penn Medicine Primary Care she leads the centralized population health team in collaboration with Stephanie Subbio (Director of Quality), with a focus to develop, deploy, and sustain preventive screenings and chronic disease management with particular interest in narrowing existing disparities of care. Dr. Rhodes runs

several disease teams for Penn and works collaboratively with teams throughout Penn Medicine including Care Management, The Center for Innovation and Transformation, Population Health Lab, and Center for Evidence Based Medicine to achieve improved quality health for our patients and improved value based performance for our system.



Marguerite Balasta, MD is an associate Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine and a primary care physician at the University of Pennsylvania. She joined faculty in 2015 after completing internal medicine and chief residency at Yale University. She is the Associate Director of Population Health for the Division of General Internal Medicine where she combines clinical expertise with health system operations, research, and evidence-based practice. She has implemented innovations that expand the reach of

preventive and chronic disease management in primary care. Her leadership in particular to care for patients with diabetes has led to multi- and cross-disciplinary collaboration, and development of new outreach strategies. Currently, she is the medical director for a centralized, text-based program that remotely engages patients to manage blood pressure and cholesterol. Dr. Balasta values living, working with, and caring for people in the Philadelphia community.

HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY DIVISION

THE JANE ALAVI AWARD FOR CLINICAL EXCELLENCE

This award is presented to a 1st year fellow who exemplifies clinical excellence. This fellow is recognized by faculty as demonstrating clinical excellence, and serves as a model for future clinical fellows. The award is named for Dr. Jane Alavi, a long-standing faculty member and Associate Professor Emerita, whose broad, clinical expertise and masterful clinical care were appreciated by patients, trainees, and colleagues alike.



Neel R. Nabar, MD, PhD is a first-year fellow in the Division of Hematology and Oncology. Originally from Rochester, New York, he received his B.S. in Biology and Chemistry from the University of South Florida. He earned his MD from Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University and his PhD via the National Institutes of Health-Karolinska Institute Graduate Partnership Program. During his PhD, he worked in the B-cell Molecular Immunology Section (Dr. John Kehrl) of the Laboratory of Immunoregulation (Dr. Anthony Fauci) at the

National Institutes of Health characterizing novel inflammatory pathways and their role in infection and malignancy. He completed Internal Medicine residency as a member of the Physician Scientist Pathway at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, and ultimately joined the Division of Hematology and Oncology for fellowship training. He will be working with Dr. Saar Gill to develop novel therapeutic strategies for hematological malignancies by using genetically engineered hematopoietic stem cells for bone marrow transplantation. He is grateful for the excellent clinical mentors who have taught him throughout his training at Penn.

THE DUPONT GUERRY AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING MENTORSHIP

This award seeks to honor a faculty member who has demonstrated passion, dedication, and skill in mentoring fellows or junior faculty. The award is named for Dr. DuPont Guerry, Professor of Medicine Emeritus, who was the Hematology/ Oncology Fellowship Program Director from 1997 – 2007. He provided outstanding, cutting-edge and compassionate care to his patients, and was a paragon of clinical excellence. Most importantly, however, DuPont provided the guidance, sage career advice, vital connections, and behind-the-scenes advocacy so essential to the success of his trainees.



Martin Carroll, MD, is Associate Professor of Medicine at Penn's Abramson Cancer Center, co-Director of the Abramson Cancer Center's Hematologic Malignancies Translational Center of Excellence, and Medical Director of the Stem Cell and Xenograft Core at the Perelman School of Medicine. Dr. Carroll received his medical degree from Dartmouth Medical College and completed an internship and residency in Internal Medicine at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York City.

In addition, he did clinical training in Hematology and Oncology at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston and performed research fellowships in the laboratories of Dr. Alan D'Andrea and Dr. Gary Gilliland, both of Harvard Medical School.

THE JOHN GLICK PRIZE FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

This award is presented to a faculty member who is universally recognized as an outstanding and impassioned educator in clinical Hematology/Oncology. Dr. Glick is the Madlyn & Leonard Abramson Professor of Clinical Oncology and has epitomized dedication and love of teaching for the many years he has been at Penn. He has taught many of our faculty and led by example: not only is he known for his encyclopedic knowledge of our field, but he also is a tireless and zealous advocate for patients and trainees.



Adam Waxman, MD is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Division of Hematology and Oncology at the Perelman School of Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Waxman's areas of clinical expertise include the diagnosis and management of amyloidosis, multiple myeloma, and other paraprotein mediated disorders. His research interests are in clinical trials to advance the treatment of amyloidosis. He is an active clinician in the Penn Bone Marrow and Stem Cell Transplant

Program, Penn Amyloidosis Program, and the Penn Multiple Myeloma Program. He also enjoys teaching residents and fellows both on the inpatient liquid oncology service and in the clinic.

HOSPITAL MEDICINE DIVISION

DIVISION OF HOSPITAL MEDICINE EXCELLENCE IN CLINICAL CARE AWARD

This award is given to the hospitalist faculty member who demonstrates excellence in clinical care in the hospital setting. The award celebrates an individual who consistently provides patient and family centered care as demonstrated through their strong communication skills, work within a multidisciplinary team, focus on seamless transitions of care, attention to high value care, and going above and beyond for patients.



Deneen Marie Spatz, MD is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Division of Hospital Medicine. She completed her undergraduate education at Villanova University, medical school at Temple University School of Medicine, and her internal medicine residency at the Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. She then pursued a four-year Cardiac MRI post-doctorate fellowship at Duke University Medical Center where she participated in direct patient care, scanning and interpretation of images, and

research. Despite her amazing experiences, there was a void, and she realized she needed to return to her roots and became a Hospitalist, joining Penn in 2014. She feels very fortunate to still be able to treat so many cardiac conditions especially heart failure as a generalist and is working on advancing hospitalist heart failure management here at Penn. Dr. Spatz is committed to providing outstanding clinical care to each and every one of her patients. She takes the time to listen to her patients and their families usually taking a seat on her neon green portable stool. She is not afraid to fiercely advocate for her patients in her quest to do what is right for progression of their diagnosis and care. Her out of hospital interests includes spending time with her family, being a rollercoaster enthusiast, a runner, and an adventurer in the National Park System.

DIVISION OF HOSPITAL MEDICINE EXCELLENCE IN QUALITY AND CLINICAL INNOVATION AWARD

This award is given to the hospitalist faculty member who has demonstrated excellence by making significant contributions to improve the quality of care for hospitalized patients through clinical innovation. This includes improvements in patient safety, patient experience of care, evidence-based practice, healthcare equity, and the efficiency of hospital operations. The award celebrates faculty who are thoughtful, collaborative, innovative, and scientific in their approach to healthcare delivery system improvement.



Sara Van Calcar, MD is an Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine within the Division of Hospital Medicine (DHM). She is the Associate Section Chief at HUP for DHM, Medical Director for the Solid Oncology APP service, and co-leader of the HUP Inpatient Pain Committee. Since joining Penn as faculty in 2012, she has participated in numerous quality improvement efforts focusing on hospital operations and palliative care. Highlights include development of the Medicine Triage Admitting Doctor role, addition of attending-

led multidisciplinary rounds to improve discharge predication and identify barriers, and facilitation of Serious Illness Care Program training for all hospitalist groups across the Penn Hospital Medicine Alliance. She co-led her group's COVID staffing response and is overseeing the transition of the Solid Oncology House Staff service to an Advanced Practice Provider service in accordance with the IM residency strategic plan. Dr. Van Calcar earned her medical degree from Washington University in St. Louis (2009) and completed both her residency in Internal Medicine (2012) and mid-career fellowship in Hospice and Palliative Medicine (2021) at the University of Pennsylvania.

DIVISION OF HOSPITAL MEDICINE EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD

This award is given to the hospitalist faculty member who demonstrates excellence in education through their outstanding contributions in classroom teaching, clinical teaching, and/or educational innovations. This annual award recognizes faculty who continuously advance and advocate for the education of residents, students, advanced practice providers, faculty, or several of these groups.

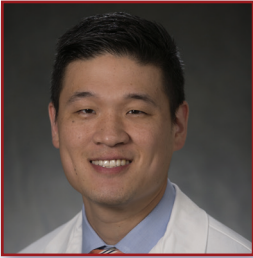


Katie Oakden, MD is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Division of Hospital Medicine. She is originally from California but completed medical school at The University of Queensland-Ochsner Clinical School which consisted of traveling to Australia for her pre-clerkship years and completing her clerkship time in New Orleans. She decided to stay in the wonderful city of New Orleans for her internal medicine residency at LSU. She then stayed at LSU as a chief resident before seeking out a new city to explore

which brought her to Penn in 2022. She has a strong interest in medical education and has enjoyed the multiple opportunities with the school of medicine including the Doctoring and ICM courses. She is currently working on a new education series for the hospital medicine APPs at Penn Presbyterian.

DIVISION OF HOSPITAL MEDICINE EXCELLENCE IN MENTORSHIP AWARD

This award recognizes a hospitalist faculty member who has demonstrated outstanding dedication and skill in the guidance and support of trainees or faculty or both to help them achieve their professional and personal goals.



James D. Park, MD, MPH, MSHP is an Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Division of Hospital Medicine. He completed his undergraduate degree at Penn, then completed a combined MD and MPH degree program at UMDNJ – Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and the School of Public Health. He completed his internal medicine residency at the University of Michigan before returning to Penn in 2009 as a research fellow. In the Division of Hospital Medicine, Dr. Park is the Director of Faculty Development and oversees the division's programs to support junior hospitalist faculty, including a multi-year faculty development program to help launch their academic careers. Dr. Park is also the Director of the Penn Hospitalist Subspecialty Scholars Program and mentors recently graduated residents to enhance their candidacy for fellowship while working as hospitalists. Through his efforts in these two important roles, Dr. Park has had an impact on nearly every new faculty member joining the division.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES DIVISION

THE OUTSTANDING INFECTIOUS DISEASES CLINICAL FELLOW AWARD

This award, voted by the faculty, recognizes the most outstanding ID fellow pursuing an academic clinical career.



Alyssa Ammazalorso, MD is a second-year infectious diseases fellow from Long Island, New York. She attended Fordham University for college where she graduated as valedictorian. She then went to medical school at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the Bronx. Following medical school, she completed her residency in internal medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and participated in the Medical Education Leadership Track. She remained at the University of Pennsylvania for infectious diseases fellowship

in the transplant infectious diseases track. In August 2024 she will join the Division of Infectious Diseases as an Assistant Professor at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.

THE ROBERT AUSTRIAN OUTSTANDING INFECTIOUS DISEASES RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP AWARD

This award, voted by the faculty, recognizes the most outstanding ID fellow pursuing a career as an independent investigator.



Alyssa Mezochow, MD attended Grinnell College and then obtained a master's degree in infectious disease control at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. She attended medical school at Drexel University College of Medicine and completed internal medicine residency at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, where she is a third-year infectious diseases postdoctoral fellow. She is currently completing the Master of Science in Clinical Epidemiology (MSCE) degree program where her research

focuses on infections in organ transplant recipients, with a particular emphasis on infections related to invasive medical devices.

THE STEPHEN J. GLUCKMAN INFECTIOUS DISEASES FACULTY TEACHING AWARD

This award, voted on by the ID fellows, recognizes the ID faculty member who most exemplifies commitment to, and excellence in, teaching.



Sara Clemens, MD is an Assistant Professor in the Division of Infectious Disease. She received her MD at Brown University and completed residency and fellowship in Internal Medicine and Infectious Disease at the University of Pennsylvania. Her clinical interests are HIV treatment and prevention, travel medicine, tropical infectious diseases, and global health. Within the ID division, she is the Director for Travel Medicine and also serves as Clinical Director for Infectious Disease at Covenant House Health, a Federally Qualified Health Center in north Philadelphia.



Ingi Lee, MD, MSCE is an Associate Professor in the Division of Infectious Diseases (ID). She received her undergraduate and medical degrees at Yale University, and completed her Internal Medicine residency, ID fellowship, and MSCE at the University of Pennsylvania. She joined as faculty in 2008 where her areas of focus included Transplant ID and work on the CDC Norovirus and PHS Organ Transplant guidelines through the Center for Evidence-based Practice.

She then worked at Merck as the Clinical Lead of the Herpes Zoster vaccine program before returning in 2018 as an Assistant Director of the Transplant ID program.

Her work includes clinical care of transplant candidates/recipients, clinical trials, teaching where she is also the faculty mentor for the ID M&M conferences, and leading initiatives such as standardization of pretransplant ID screening across Penn Transplant Institute and the Transplant Vaccine Clinic Pilot program.

THE HARVEY M. FRIEDMAN INFECTIOUS DISEASES FACULTY MENTORING AWARD

This award, named after Dr. Harvey Friedman, former Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases from 1990-2012, recognizes dedication and excellence in mentoring of Infectious Diseases trainees.



Rahul Kohli, MD, PhD obtained his MD and PhD from Harvard, where he completed his PhD studies in Biochemistry with Dr. Christopher T. Walsh. He carried out his clinical infectious diseases training at Johns

Hopkins University where he also completed post-doctoral studies under Dr. James Stivers. Dr. Kohli joined the faculty at Penn in 2010 in a role bridging the Department of Medicine and the Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics. The chief objective of his research group has been to probe DNA modifying enzymes and using approaches rooted in enzymology and chemical biology. The lab is now also harnessing an improved mechanistic understanding of DNA modifying enzymes to engineer powerful biotechnological tools to target and control evolution or to characterize and edit the genome. Dr. Kohli's work has been recognized through support from the Burroughs Wellcome Fund, Doris Duke Foundation, Rita Allen Foundation and an NIH Director's New Innovator Award, among others. He has been elected to the American Society for Clinical Investigators, was the 2020 recipient of the American Chemical Society Pfizer Award in Enzyme Chemistry, and the 2023 recipient of the American Federation for Medical Research Outstanding Investigator Award. Dr. Kohli is dedicated to teaching and mentoring at Penn. He initiated the mentoring committee process within the Division of Infectious Diseases, and also serves as an Associate Director for the MD/PhD program and Co-Director of the Penn Scholars in Molecular Medicine Program.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES JUNIOR FACULTY OUTSTANDING INVESTIGATOR AWARD

This award recognizes the Infectious Diseases Division faculty member who best exemplifies excellence and achievement in an investigative career. This award is limited to those faculty at the level of Assistant Professor.



Jessie Torgersen, MD, MHS, MSCE is an Assistant Professor of Medicine in the Division of Infectious Diseases at the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine. She is a Senior Scholar in the Center for Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of Pennsylvania where her research focuses on the clinical epidemiology of chronic liver disease and HIV infection. Dr. Torgersen is an active investigator within the Penn Center for AIDS Research, the Penn Infectious Disease Therapeutics Clinical Trials Unit, and the national Veterans Aging Cohort

Study, where her recent work has focused on viral hepatitis, hepatic steatosis, and hepatocellular carcinoma in people with HIV (PWH) and people without HIV (PwoH). She is the recipient of a Career Development Award (K08) from the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, leading work applying deep learning tools for medical image analysis to define the determinants and outcomes of steatotic liver disease in PWH and PwoH. Dr. Torgersen is also a member of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases/Infectious Diseases Society

of America Hepatitis C Guidance Panel and the Director of the Penn Center for Viral Hepatitis at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center where she provides care focused on acute and chronic liver diseases in PWH and PWoH.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES JUNIOR FACULTY OUTSTANDING CLINICIAN AWARD

This award recognizes the Infectious Diseases Division faculty member who best demonstrates commitment and excellence in clinical care.

This award is limited to those faculty at the level of Assistant Professor.



Jillian T. Baron, MD, MPH is an Assistant Professor of Medicine at the Perelman School of Medicine in the Infectious Diseases Division of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Baron obtained a Medical Degree from Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and a Master's in Public Health from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health with a focus on Epidemiology and Biostatistics. She completed residency training in Internal Medicine at Johns Hopkins Hospital and a fellowship in Infectious Diseases at

the University of Pennsylvania. She is the medical director for the Penn Presbyterian Infectious Clinic and cares for patients with a focus on HIV and general infectious diseases. She provides adult care for HIV infected caregivers of pediatric patients in conjunction with the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Special Immunology Clinic. She additionally supports the clinic Ryan White funded programs that provide care for patients with HIV and works on many of the clinic Ending the HIV Epidemic initiatives, including HIV testing in the emergency room, linkage to care, and helped start the HIV non-occupational Post-Exposure Prophylaxis Center of Excellence.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES CITIZENSHIP AWARD

This award recognizes the Infectious Diseases Division member who has demonstrated remarkable contributions to the broader Penn community (division, department, school, university) or the Philadelphia community at large. Awardees may be faculty, trainees or staff.



Edward (Ted) Kreider, MD, PhD is an Infectious Diseases Fellow conducting post-doctoral research in Dr. Drew Weissman's laboratory. He received his MD and PhD in 2018 from the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania as a member of the Medical Scientists Training Program. He completed his thesis work in the laboratory of Dr. Beatrice Hahn studying novel pathways of HIV immune evasion from host B and T cell responses during

natural infection and in response to antibody immunotherapy. After completing his medical training in 2018, he matched into the Penn Internal Medicine residency as a member of the Physician Scientist Pathway (PSP) and ultimately fast-tracked into the Penn Infectious Diseases Fellowship. As a post-doctoral fellow in Dr. Weissman's laboratory, Ted has been applying mRNA-LNP platform to design new HIV vaccines and cure interventions. Outside of lab, Ted established and co-directs the Summer Program in Infectious Diseases Research (SPIDR) and the Center for AIDS Research (CFAR) Scholars program, which offer 8-week mentored research experiences to undergraduate and medical students.



Anne Norris, MD is an Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. Her area of concentration is ambulatory Infectious Diseases where she maintains a robust HIV practice and is a regional expert in tick borne diseases. She has served as the Medical Director of Penn Community ID Practice, Penn Home Infusion/Penn Care at Home. Currently she is the Medical Director of the Outpatient Parenteral Antimicrobial Therapy (OPAT)

Program at PPMC. She chaired the IDSA 2019 OPAT Guideline. She is an Epic physician builder and co-chairs the current Epic ID Steering Board. She has served as the ambulatory preceptor for over 20 Infectious Diseases fellows since 1999 and won the Infectious Diseases Division Faculty Teaching award in 2021.

PALLIATIVE CARE DIVISION

PENN MEDICINE PALLIATIVE CARE OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

This award was created to recognize and honor a palliative care faculty member who has provided outstanding service to the health system to improve the care of patients with serious illnesses.



Kathryn (Kate) McGrath, MD is a Hospice and Palliative Medicine physician who graduated from Jefferson Medical College followed by Family Medicine residency, and Geriatric Medicine fellowship at same institution. While working as a primary care physician and directing a communication skills curriculum, she recognized her passions aligned best with a career in palliative care. She joined Penn as a Hospice and Palliative Medicine fellow and joined as faculty. Her primary site of practice is the Palliative and Supportive

Oncology Clinic; in addition, she is a member of the HUP Inpatient Palliative Care team. Outside of clinical work, she serves as the Director of Ambulatory Education for the HPM fellowship program and oversees the palliative care curriculum for the Heme/Onc fellowship program. Dr. McGrath is being recognized for her dedication to delivering high quality patient care in both outpatient and inpatient settings. She has an incredible ability to provide compassionate care for her patients and their families.

PULMONARY, ALLERGY, AND CRITICAL CARE DIVISION

THE BURTON ZWEIMAN TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP AWARD

This award recognizes outstanding contributions to teaching at all levels by members of the faculty of the Allergy & Immunology Section.



Pavle S. Milutinovic, MD, PhD joined the Section of Allergy and Immunology at the University of Pennsylvania as an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine in 2022. He completed his medical and graduate training at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, followed by Medicine-Pediatrics residency at Duke, and Allergy-Immunology fellowship at National Institutes of Health/ NIAID. He sees patients at Penn and CHOP. He has a special

interest in primary immunodeficiency and immune dysregulation, as well as delayed-type drug hypersensitivity. He enjoys teaching and mentoring fellows, residents, and medical students.

THE ROBERT L. MAYOCK-ALFRED P. FISHMAN TEACHING AWARD

This award recognizes outstanding contributions to teaching, at all levels, by members of the faculty in the Pulmonary, Allergy and Critical Care Medicine Division.



Janae Heath, MD, MSCE is an Assistant Professor of Medicine in Pulmonary and Critical Care Division. She obtained her medical degree from the Sidney Kimmel Medical College, completed residency in Internal Medicine at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, MA, and completed Pulmonary and Critical Care fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania. During fellowship training, she obtained her Master's Degree in Clinical Epidemiology as well as completed additional medical education training through the Measey Medical Education

fellowship. She is currently an Associate Program Director for the Internal Medicine residency program, an Assistant Program Director for the Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine fellowship, and the educational director of the Pulmonary Diagnostic Service rotation. She loves working with fellows, residents, and students, and is immensely honored to receive this award.

THE JOHN HANSEN-FLASCHEN MENTORING AWARD

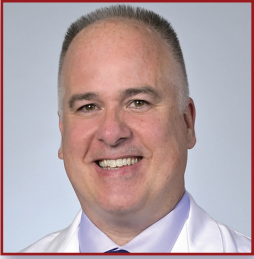
This award recognizes a faculty member who has fostered the research or professional development of medical students, graduate medical trainees, and/ or faculty members at Penn by providing inspiring and effective counsel and opportunities for achievement over a sustained period of time.



Michael G. S. Shashaty, MD, MSCE is an Associate Professor of Medicine in the Pulmonary, Allergy, and Critical Care Division and has been at Penn since starting residency here in 2003. He splits his professional time between critical care clinical service, administrative leadership in clinical emergencies, and investigation of the clinical and molecular epidemiology of acute organ dysfunction in critical illness and lung transplant populations. Mentoring is his all-time

favorite professional endeavor, and he has had the good fortune to work with many talented and motivated undergraduates, medical students, residents, fellows, and junior faculty, all of whom share an unusual tolerance for lengthy academic conversations. Dr. Shashaty is indebted to his wonderful family and an all-star cast of mentorship role models.

THE PULMONARY AND CRITICAL CARE CLINICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD



Michael W. Sims, MD, MSCE during fellowship training, completed a Masters Degree in Clinical Epidemiology at the University of Pennsylvania, studying the functional consequences of secondary pulmonary hypertension in patients with severe COPD. After completing his fellowship training, he went on to be the principal investigator of a K23 award from the NIH/NHLBI investigating surfactant protein D as a modulator of lung inflammation and COPD pathogenesis. In addition, he has been actively involved

in multiple clinical and translational studies of biomarkers and novel therapies for COPD as well as bronchoscopic treatments for severe emphysema. In 2013, Dr. Sims redirected his career to focus on the clinical care of advanced COPD, and now serves as the Clinical Director of the Penn COPD Program.

THE PULMONARY AND CRITICAL CARE CLINICAL EDUCATOR AWARD



Maryl Kreider, MD, MSCE is a Professor of Clinical Medicine and the Vice Chief of Education and Faculty Development in the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, and Critical Care.

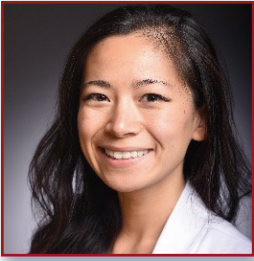
She received her medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine in 1997. She subsequently completed internal medicine residency and pulmonary/critical care medicine (PCCM) fellowship at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, as well as a Masters in Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the Perelman School of

Medicine. She has been a leader in PCCM medical education since joining Penn's faculty, serving as Associate Fellowship Program Director from 2006-2013, Fellowship Program Director since 2014, and Vice-Chief of Education and Faculty Development starting in 2015. She is passionate about continuous curricular improvement and innovation in graduate medical education and has worked to expand and diversify training pathways for PCCM fellowship trainees during her tenure. She has also served as president of the Association of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine Program Directors, where she led national curricular and policy initiatives. Clinically, Dr. Kreider is the Director of the Interstitial Lung Disease Program at the Harron Lung Center, where she leads patient care, educational, and research initiatives. Her practice focuses on care of patients with diffuse parenchymal lung diseases, including pulmonary fibrosis, sarcoidosis, and lymphangioliomyomatosis (LAM).

RENAL ELECTROLYTE AND HYPERTENSION DIVISION

THE J. RUSSELL ELKINTON TEACHING AWARD

This award recognizes the faculty member who excels in teaching and positively influences the lives and careers of students.



Christina Hao Wang Brotman, MD, MSCE received her MD from the University of Washington and completed her Internal Medicine residency at University of California, San Francisco. She joined the faculty in July 2022 after completing her clinical Nephrology fellowship at Penn in 2017, where she served as Chief Nephrology Fellow. Dr. Brotman pursued research training at Penn that included a Masters of Science in Clinical Epidemiology program. Dr. Brotman's research

focuses on understanding the pathophysiology of acute kidney injury, and her application of innovative technology to improve dialysis delivery. Outside of her sophisticated research program, Penn has been enriched by Dr. Brotman's devotion and enthusiasm for teaching. Awarded by Penn Renal fellows, this award is a well-deserved testament to Dr. Brotman's commitment to providing an outstanding experience for all learners.

THE RENAL DIVISION OUTSTANDING FELLOW AWARD

This award is presented to the Nephrology fellow who exemplifies the outstanding clinician educator, providing compassionate patient care, and demonstrating a commitment to teaching medical students and residents.

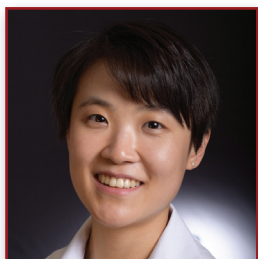


Clara Fischman, MD is a first-year Nephrology fellow who received her medical degree from the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai and Internal Medicine residency at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. During her first year of fellowship, she has been consistently recognized as a scholar with the essential elements of professionalism in clinical care, research, and service to the medical community of Penn. She has served as a model for not only trainees but also our faculty in her pursuit of knowledge for the betterment of

patient care. This year, she has presented her research on pulse pressure and renal and cardiovascular outcomes as an oral abstract at the American Heart Association National Conference. Dr. Fischman is a talented scientist, a strong team leader, and a thoughtful member of the division. She is deeply invested in developing her clinical research career and will continue her studies as a nephrology research fellow at the University of Pennsylvania Masters program in Clinical Epidemiology.

THE SIDNEY KOBRIN AWARD FOR HUMANISM IN NEPHROLOGY

This award recognizes a nephrology trainee who best exhibits the principles of humanism that were embodied by Dr. Sidney Kobrin: integrity, compassion, empathy, altruism, and respect for the individual.

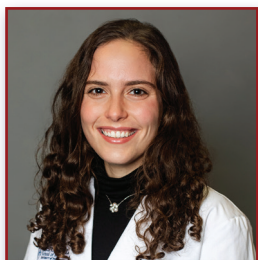


Tammy Yu, MD is an exemplar humanist who provides integrity, compassion, empathy, altruism, and respect for all individuals. Dr. Yu is a first-year Nephrology fellow who received her medical degree from The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University, and she completed her Internal Medicine residency also at Brown University. She has been recognized by her peers and by the faculty as an individual who "goes the extra mile" for patients and their caregivers. She handles stressful clinical situations

with grace and patience, ensuring that a level of respect between the physician and patient is always maintained. Her empathy and respect for her colleagues is also evident, and this has promoted an inclusive and welcoming environment for the nephrology fellowship trainees. She is the recipient of this award by democratic vote among both fellows and faculty within the Nephrology division, which is a true testament to her humanism.

RHEUMATOLOGY DIVISION

THE PENN RHEUMATOLOGY OUTSTANDING MEDICAL STUDENT AWARD



Lindsay Kumble is a third-year medical student at the Perelman School of Medicine. She plans on pursuing residency training in Internal Medicine following graduation. Her interests include rheumatology and palliative medicine. She is immensely grateful for the opportunity to work with Dr. Jonathan Miner, whose lab affords her the ability to uncover the limitless potential of rheumatology while forming deep, meaningful connections with patients and their families. She aspires to become a thoughtful,

encouraging, and supportive mentor to future medical students as Dr. Miner has been for her.

THE RHEUMATOLOGY OUTSTANDING FELLOW AWARD

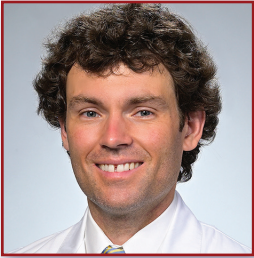
This award recognizes an outstanding Rheumatology fellow pursuing an academic clinical career.



Thomas Riley, MD is a second-year rheumatology fellow. He grew up in central Pennsylvania and attended the Pennsylvania State University Schreyer Honors College and graduated with a BS in Bioengineering with Honors. He completed his medical school training at the Perelman School of Medicine. He trained in internal medicine at the Hospital University of Pennsylvania, where subsequently served as chief medical resident. He is a proud husband and father of two boys. He is grateful for the opportunity to have trained in the Division of Rheumatology with an incredible array of clinical experts, professional mentors, inspiring patients, and brilliant co-fellows and for everything they have taught him during his fellowship. He is enrolled in the Master of Science in Clinical Epidemiology program, with an interest in understanding how genetic determinants impact disease severity and treatments responses in systemic autoimmune disease, and will remain at Penn next year as a post-doctoral research fellow.

THE RHEUMATOLOGY OUTSTANDING TEACHING AWARD

This award is to recognize excellence in teaching Rheumatology fellows.



Ian Cooley, MD, MS is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Division of Rheumatology. He earned a master's degree in immunology from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte before attending medical school at Virginia Tech Carillon. He then completed an internal medicine residency at the University of North Carolina, and rheumatology fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital. Dr. Cooley joined the faculty at Penn and the Michael J. Crescenz Philadelphia VA

in 2022 where his clinical interests include musculoskeletal ultrasound, inflammatory arthritis and IgG4-related disease. He is fortunate to be able to work with the outstanding rheumatology fellows on a weekly basis in their continuity clinics at the VA. forms of arthritis, particularly rheumatoid arthritis and osteoarthritis. Specifically, he aims to conduct observational and interventional studies with a focus on skeletal muscle health, obesity, bone, and joint health, cardiovascular disease, and other long-term outcomes in patients with common forms of arthritis.

THE H. RALPH SCHUMACHER, JR., M.D. RESIDENT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RHEUMATOLOGY

The H. Ralph Schumacher, Jr., M.D. Resident Award for Excellence in Rheumatology is given to a resident who, in the judgment of the faculty, has conducted high quality research in Rheumatology. This award honors Professor Schumacher, who spent his entire academic career at Penn, is an internationally recognized leading researcher in the field of Rheumatology, and who had a lifetime commitment to resident education.



Igor Dombrovsky, MD is a second-year resident in Internal Medicine at Pennsylvania Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania Health System. Born in Ukraine, he grew up in Newton, MA, and graduated from Boston University with a double major in French and Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. He received an MA in Comparative Literature at the University of Pennsylvania and his MD at the Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine at Quinnipiac University. Igor developed his passion for rheumatology through clinical rotations at the Hospital of the University

of Pennsylvania and at Pennsylvania Hospital and has presented interesting rheumatological cases, such as IgA vasculitis and necrotizing myopathy, at national conferences. He is working with Dr. Riley, Dr. Baker and Dr. George on a project to characterize Janus kinase (JAK) inhibitor access for patients at Penn Rheumatology with a focus on understanding disparities in delays in dispensation. He is also working on a review focusing on wellness topics in psoriasis and rheumatic diseases with Dr. Ogdie-Beatty. Igor is dedicated to patient care, enjoys teaching, and plans to apply to rheumatology fellowship, envisioning a future career in clinical and academic rheumatology.

SLEEP MEDICINE DIVISION

THE ALLAN IAN PACK EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARD

This award is to recognize excellence in teaching Sleep Medicine fellows.



Samuel T. Kuna, MD is Chief of the Sleep Medicine Section at the Corporal Michael J. Crescenz VAMC and emeritus Professor of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. From 1999–2023, he was a member of the Sleep Medicine Division in the Department Medicine. His primary clinical interest is developing innovative telemedicine pathways to deliver specialty sleep services to veterans living in remote areas.

THE SAMUEL T. KUNA RESEARCH MENTORSHIP AWARD

The award recognizes excellence in research mentorship of postdoctoral fellows and junior faculty.



Amy M. Sawyer, PhD, RN is an Associate Professor of Sleep & Health Behavior at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing. She is also a Clinician Scientist & Educator, at the Corporal Michael J. Crescenz VA Medical Center. Dr. Sawyer's research focuses on sleep disordered breathing and adherence to treatment. Dr. Sawyer's program of research has contributed to describing typologies of treatment adherers and non-adherers, understanding intervention targets for improving adherence and a

translational instrument to identify risk of treatment non-adherence at the outset of positive airway pressure (PAP) therapy. Dr. Sawyer is a behavioral clinical trialist and has led trials evaluating strategies to improve PAP treatment adherence, including mindfulness-based stress reduction for claustrophobia with non-invasive ventilation and self-management support to build treatment self-efficacy through multi-component interventions for adults with obstructive sleep apnea and treated with PAP. Her work also addresses treatment outcome disparities in obstructive sleep apnea for underserved and historically minoritized adult populations. Dr. Sawyer is faculty affiliated with Penn Medicine's Center for Sleep & Circadian Neurobiology serving as a postdoctoral fellowship mentor. Dr. Sawyer also mentors PhD trainees developing dissertation research in the area of sleep and sleep disorders. Dr. Sawyer is the Director of DNP Program at the School of Nursing. Her teaching at the School of Nursing focuses on methods for conducting practice improvement initiatives, implementation and stakeholder engagement methods, and data analytics. As Clinician Scientist & Educator at Corporal Michael J. Crescenz Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Dr. Sawyer led the Nursing Evidence Based Practice (EBP) Program for 5 years and now serves as a consultant and mentor for EBP at CMCVAMC. The integration of EBP as an everyday practice model ensures Veteran-centered care is of best quality and provided by engaged expert VA nurses. Whether nursing practice is in acute care, long-term care or the community, it is imperative to critically examine and innovate practice to advance the healthcare of Veterans in the largest U.S. Learning Healthcare System committed to Veterans health, independence and quality of life.

