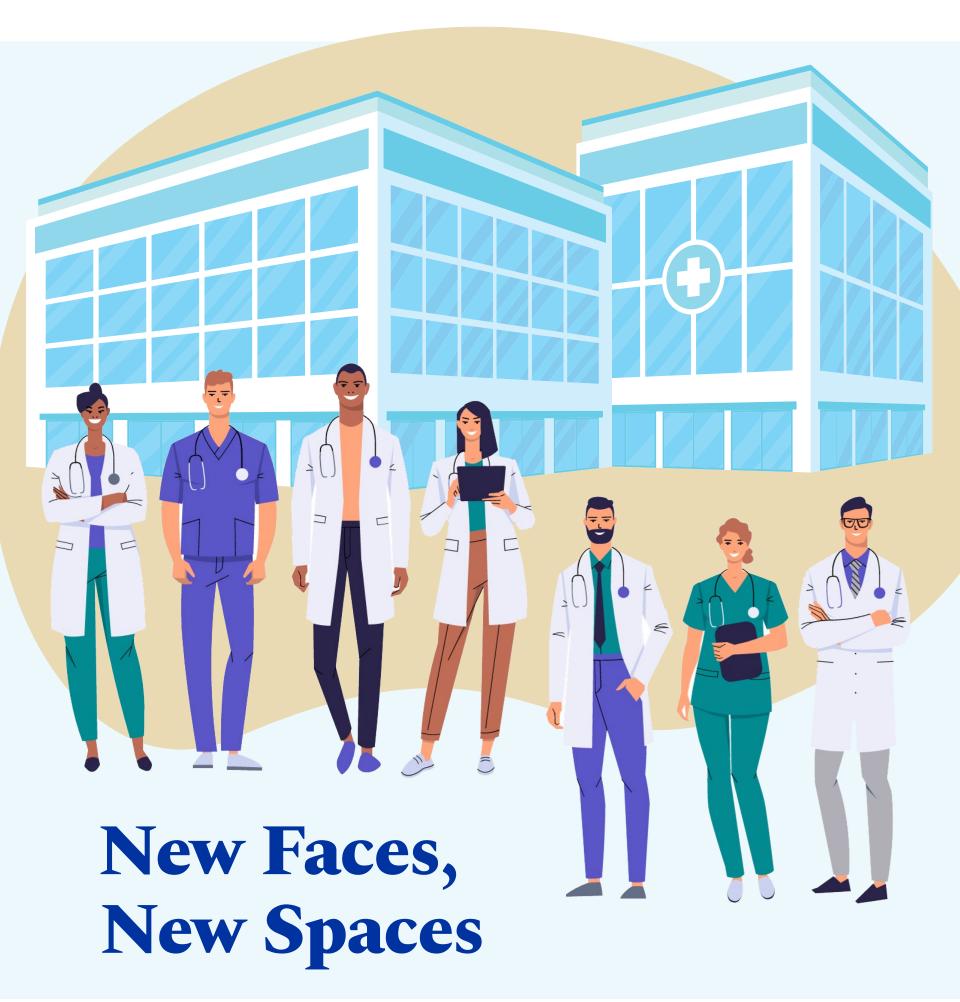


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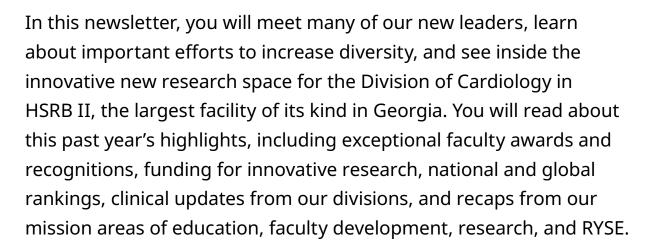


LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Dear colleagues and alumni,

As we conclude 2023 and look forward to the new year, I am excited to point to what the future holds for our department. This newsletter explores the department's new faces and new spaces and celebrates the extraordinary successes of our faculty, staff, and trainees over the last twelve months. As the department's new leaders embark on their important work, I am excited to see the fresh new ideas inspired by their broad range of expertise.

In 2023, we were able to join in person for the Kathy Griendling Awards and Honors Ceremony for the first time since 2019. What a wonderful way to celebrate the numerous accomplishments of the department, many of which are outlined here. These successes illustrate our deep commitment to our vision, mission, and values, as well as our dedication to cutting-edge research, excellent patient care, and exceptional education.

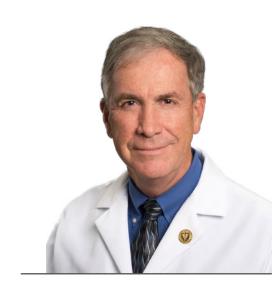


I invite you to follow along throughout the upcoming year via <u>social</u> media and <u>our website</u> to stay up-to-date on Department of Medicine news and information. Success would not be possible without your support. Thank you to our generous alumni for their continued contributions to the Department of Medicine and Emory University. I would also like to extend my gratitude to all the faculty, staff, and trainees; because of their efforts and dedication to research, patient care, and education, our department continues to excel.

It is an honor to serve as your chair, and I look forward to continuing to advance the department.

Sincerely,

David S. Stephens, MDChair, Department of Medicine



DAVID S. STEPHENS, MD





Department of Medicine Welcomes New Leaders

2023 brought several new leaders to the Department of Medicine's leadership team, both internally and from institutions nationwide. We look forward to seeing their leadership and expertise further improves the DOM's excellent research, education, and patient care.



VIBHA N. LAMA, MD, MS

In May 2023, Vibha N. Lama, MD, MS, joined Emory School of Medicine as the Department of Medicine's Vice Chair of Research, the Augustus J. McKelvey Chair in Lung Transplantation Medicine, and the Director of a new Comprehensive Lung Disease Program within the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine. Prior to Emory, Dr. Lama served as Henry Sewall Research Professor in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, and Professor and Vice Chair of Basic and Translational Research in the Department of Internal Medicine at the University of Michigan.

As the Vice Chair of Research, Dr. Lama will be a key part of the department's research leadership team and identify strategic research priorities and projects for the department.



As the inaugural director of the newly formed Comprehensive Lung Disease Program, Dr. Lama will collaborate with Greg Martin, MD, MSc, Division

Director of Pulmonary, Allergy, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine, to lead the creation, expansion, implementation, and promotion of the chronic lung diseases and lung transplantation programs.

In her role as the Augustus J. McKelvey
Chair in Lung Transplantation Medicine, she
will work at the McKelvey Lung Transplant
Center at Emory University which offers the
only lung transplant program in Georgia.
The center specializes in the treatment of



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complex lung disorders and offers the full continuum of high-level care involved in lung transplantation.

"Dr. Lama is a renowned physician, researcher, and pulmonologist and we are thrilled to have her join the DOM leadership team," says David Stephens, MD, Chair of the Department of Medicine, Vice President for Research of Woodruff Health Sciences Center, and the Stephen W. Schwarzmann Distinguished Professor of Medicine. "She has an impressive background in clinical, translational, and innovative discovery research, and we are excited to see Dr. Lama's impact as she will play a critical role in not only forming the new Comprehensive Lung Disease Program but also expanding and enhancing the DOM Office of Research as the Vice Chair."



GREGORY S. MARTIN, MD

In March 2023, Gregory S. Martin, MD, MSc, was appointed as Division Director for the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine.

Dr. Martin is also Director of the Emory University and Georgia Institute of Technology Predictive Health Institute (PHI)

and Director of the Center for Health Discovery and Well-Being (CHDWB), a component of the Georgia Clinical and Translational Science Alliance



(Georgia CTSA), where he previously served as Director of Clinical Research Centers (GCRC) from 2015 until 2020. He is also the Co-Director of the Atlanta Center for Microsystems Engineered Point-of-Care Technologies with Dr. Wilbur Lam at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and

Dr. Oliver Brand at Georgia Tech, which has led the NIH efforts to expand national COVID-19 test availability through the Rapid Acceleration of Diagnostics (RADx) program. Dr. Martin also serves as the Director of Research for the Emory Center for Critical Care and previously chaired the Critical Care Committee at Grady Memorial Hospital.

We look forward to Dr. Martin's leadership as he helps to lead the Department of Medicine's mission to advance health through discovery, education, and care.



ANANDI N. SHETH, MD, MSC

In May 2023, Anandi N. Sheth, MD, MSc, was named the Associate Vice Chair for Faculty Development for the Department



of Medicine. In this new role, Dr. Sheth will assist the Vice Chair for Faculty Development, Sushma K. Cribbs, MD, MSc, with the promotion and

tenure process; provide oversight for the annual FEED conference and other faculty development events; provide guidance to the faculty development committee and mentoring subcommittee; and guide the overall direction of the DOM faculty development program.

Dr. Sheth is an integral part of guiding the Office of Faculty Development as it strives to inspire and assist faculty with enhancing scholarship, research, service, and teaching, to promote career satisfaction and skill development, and to create a community of engaged faculty within the department.



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KATHERINE GIELISSEN, MD, MHS-MEDED

This past September, Katherine Gielissen, MD, MHS-MedEd, joined Emory University as an Assistant Professor and faculty member for the new Med-Psych unit at Grady, which opened on October 23. She joined Emory from Yale University where she served as an Assistant Professor.

Most notably she will serve as the Program Director for a new Internal Medicine-Pediatrics (Med-Peds) training program within the Department of Medicine.

The development of this new combined specialty program at Emory, where trainees will complete an integrated internal medicine and pediatric residency, will fall under Dr. Gielissen's leadership and oversight. Once the program has been approved by ACGME, it will be the only Med-Peds program in Georgia and one of



approximately
80 Med-Peds
programs across
the country.
Trainees who
choose this track
usually go on
to specialize in
something unique
that combines

the skillsets of both pediatrics and internal medicine. Under her leadership, Dr. Gielissen plans to build a welcoming and innovative culture for this unique program. She is excited to offer students the opportunity to pursue Med-Peds training, where they can explore their careers in the rich academic setting Emory provides. Dr. Gielissen hopes to receive Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) approval so they can begin interviewing interested candidates in the next one to two years.

Congratulations to the following leaders from Emory who have stepped into new roles in the Department of Medicine.

NEAL DICKERT MD, PHD, named interim Director of the Health Services Research Center

JEANIE PARK, MD, MS, appointed as inaugural Deputy Associate Chief of Staff for Research at the Atlanta VA

KIMBERLY MANNING, MD, FACP, FAAP, named Vice Chair of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

STEPHANIE POUCH, MD, MS, FAST, named Director of Transplant Infectious Diseases

JENNIFER SPICER, MD, MPH, named an Associate Program Director for the J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency Program

colin washington, MD, MPH, named an Associate Program Director for the J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency Program



Dr. Jeff Sands to retire in January 2024

As we welcome new leaders, we naturally say goodbye to others. One such leader, retiring after his impressive 35-year career at Emory University and Emory Healthcare, is Jeff M. Sands, MD, Director of the Division of Renal Medicine, and Juha P. Kokko Professor of Medicine.

Dr. Sands has been an invaluable contributor to the Emory community, serving as a highly respected investigator, clinician, educator, and leader. Dr. Sands is a graduate of Harvard College and Boston University School of Medicine and joined the Emory faculty as an assistant professor in 1989. He accepted the Kokko Professorship and Division Director position at Emory in 2002. He then served as Associate Dean for Clinical and Translational Research from 2006 to 2010 and Executive Vice Chair of Medicine from 2009 to 2015.

From 2001 to 2007, Dr. Sands served as editor-in-chief of the American Journal of Physiology — Renal Physiology, and in 2018, he was elected president of the American Physiological Society (APS). He was awarded the Doctor Medicinae Honoris Causa (dr.med.h.c.) from Aarhus University in Denmark in 2018. In 2022, in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the science of nephrology, Dr. Sands was awarded the prestigious Homer W. Smith Award from the American Society of Nephrology, which recognizes one of the major intellectual forces in renal physiology.

Dr. Sands' research focuses on the molecular physiology of urea transporters, aquaporins, and the urine concentrating mechanism and the translation of these basic research findings into novel therapies for nephrogenic diabetes insipidus. His research identified novel signaling pathways to



increase urine concentration in the absence of vasopressin. This led to the formation of NephroDI Therapeutics, which is developing a small molecule therapy for congenital nephrogenic diabetes insipidus and where Dr. Sands will serve as Chief Medical Officer after retiring from Emory.

Congratulations to Dr. Sands on his upcoming retirement after more than three decades at Emory and his many invaluable contributions to the practice of renal medicine.

On January 2, 2024, after Dr. Sands' retirement, Janice Lea, MD, MSc, will serve as the interim Division Director for Renal Medicine, and Jeanie Park, MD, MS, will serve as the interim Associate Division Director. The search for Dr. Sands' permanent replacement will begin soon. More details will be provided as they become available.





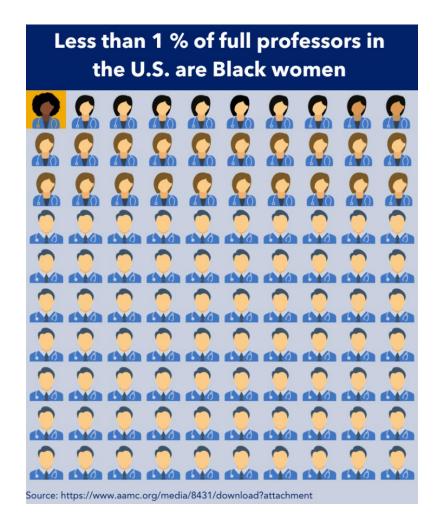
DOM Black Women Full Professors from left to right: Modele Ogunniyi, MD, MPH, Jada Bussey-Jones, MD, Kimberly Manning, MD, FACP, FAAP, Jennifer Christie, MD*, Stacy Higgins, MD, Janice Lea, MD, MSc, FASN, and Ugochi Ohuabunwa, MD.

Emory's Department of Medicine gets intentional about increasing the number of Black Female Professors

Over the last ten years, Emory University has become more focused on creating an inclusive and diverse atmosphere for our students, faculty, and staff members. The Department of Medicine, the largest department within Emory University, has taken this work to heart with a goal of not only intentionally recruiting more diverse faculty members and trainees but by also eliminating barriers and offering more opportunities for promotion to faculty who have been historically underrepresented in medicine to become full professors.

Click here to learn more about how the RYSE/DEI Council's work, in partnership with DOM Faculty Development, has helped the number of Black female full professors double since 2019. Now the number of DOM's full professors identifying as Black women is higher than the national average that hovers around only 1%.

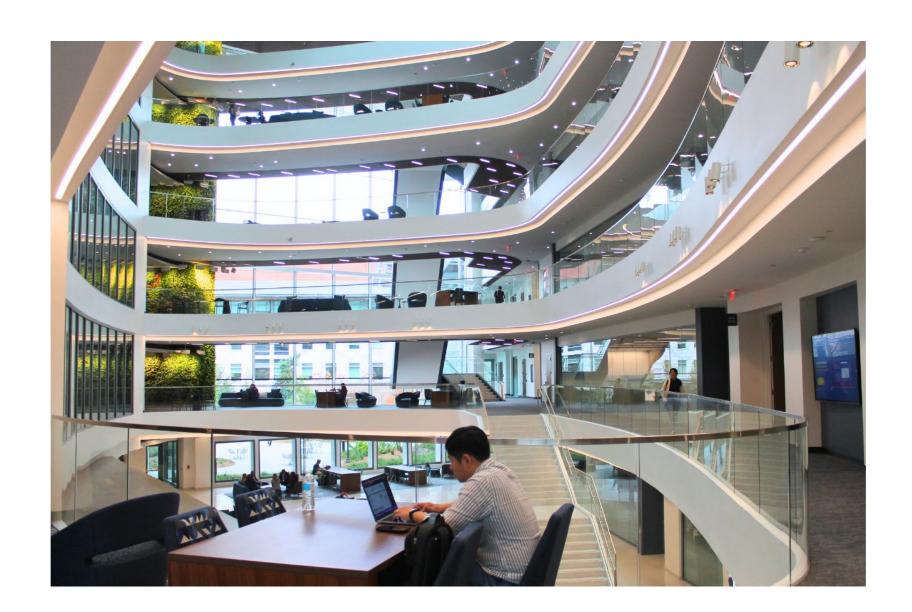
To read the full article, click here.



*Dr. Christie recently transitioned to the leadership role as Division Director, Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Medicine, University of Colorado.

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Cardiology moves into Georgia's largest Health Sciences Research Building

In March of 2023, the new Health Sciences Research Building II, the largest facility of its kind in Georgia, was officially opened with the aim of further propelling Emory's medical research through the cutting-edge space that encourages collaboration among researchers working to solve the most complex human health problems.

The eight-story, 350,000-square-foot building will house more than 1,000 researchers, including 130 principal investigators, from across a variety of specialties, including the Division of Cardiology. The move to this new building not only means that the Cardiology team will be in a beautiful new space but, more importantly, they will now be in closer proximity to each other and the colleagues they regularly collaborate with.

W. Robert Taylor, MD, PhD, Executive Vice Chair of the Department of Medicine and the Director of the Division of Cardiology, explains that "accidental collisions are



One of the many wet labs in HSRB II designed in an open format to promote researchers to work together more closely, share ideas, and foster scientific exchange.

the best part of science, allowing people to interact in close proximity promotes collaboration and the sharing of knowledge. Our division colleagues, which were previously spread across two buildings and four floors, are on one floor in the beautiful new space built specifically to foster collaboration and innovation among researchers." To read more about this new space, view the full article here.



Department of Medicine Faculty Recognitions

2023 was an extraordinary year for Department of Medicine faculty members. Many were recognized on a local, national, and global level for their innovative work and contributions in the field of medicine.



▲ IGHO OFTOKUN, MD, MSC, ELECTED TO THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF MEDICINE

Dr. Ofotokun was elected among 100 members who received one of the highest honors in the fields of health and medicine for demonstrating outstanding professional achievement and commitment to service

SHUB AGRAWAL, MD, selected as a 2023–2024 bedside fellow for the Society of Bedside Medicine and awarded a "Building Trust through Diversity, Health Care Equity, Inclusion and Diagnostic Excellence in Internal Medicine Training" grant

ALEXIS BENDER, PHD, and team selected by Mather Institute as a Silver Award recipient of the 2023 Innovative Research on Aging Awards for a study on the impact of resident deaths on assisted-living care staff

JADA BUSSEY-JONES, MD, elected President of the Society of General Internal Medicine

JASON COBB, MD, honored with the Distinguished Leader Award as a part of the American Society of Nephrology's Lifetime and Midcareer 2023 Awards

CARLOS DEL RÍO, MD, honored by U.S. Senator Jon Ossoff for outstanding service to Georgia

GEORGIA CTSA receives Golden Helix Award from the Center for Global Health Innovation

TRACEY HENRY, MD, MPH, MS, awarded the Association of Chiefs in General Internal Medicine Leadership Award by the Society of General Internal Medicine

DAN HUNT, MD, MHM, honored with an Exclusive Master in Hospital Medicine Designation by the Society of Hospital Medicine Honors





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TED JOHNSON, MD, MPH, received the 2023 Larry Zaroff Man of Good Conscience Award by the American Medical Women's Association

JONATHAN KIM, MD, MSC, FACC, began a three-year term as chairperson for the American Council of Cardiology's sports and exercise cardiology council in April 2023



NOBLE MALEQUE, MD, FHM, FACP, received the Faith T. Fitzgerald Award for Outstanding Educator of Residents and Fellows from the American College of Physicians (ACP)

JEANIE PARK, MD, MS, honored with the Linda F. Hayward Achievement Award from the Neural Control & Autonomic Regulation (NCAR) Section of the American Physiological Society (APS)

MODELE OGUNNIYI, MD, MPH, elected to serve on the Board of Directors by the Association of Black Cardiologists (ABC) for the 2023– 2025 term **MOLLY PERKINS, PHD**, honored with the Gordon Streib Distinguished Academic Gerontologist Award

NADINE ROUPHAEL, MD, MS, named Infectious Diseases Investigator of the Year by the Infectious Diseases Clinical Research Consortium



American Neurogastroenterology and Motility Society's Inaugural Lifetime Achievement Awardee

QURATULAIN SYED, MD, selected as a 2023–2024 Health and Aging Policy Fellow

SARA TURBOW, MD, MPH, selected as the 2023 recipient of the APTR Early Career Award by the Association for Prevention Teaching and Research

SUSAN WALL, MD, received the 2023 Robert W. Berliner Award for Excellence in Renal Physiology Award from the American Physiological Society and the 2023 American Heart Association on Council on the Kidney in Cardiovascular Disease (KCVD) Distinguished Achievement Award

LAILA WOC-COLBURN, MD, named 2022–2023 Hispanic in Infectious Disease
Honoree by the Infectious Diseases Clinical
Research Consortium



Expertscape globally ranks Emory's DOM specialties

Expertscape identifies super-specialized medical expertise among millions of physicians worldwide and rates the expertise of medical centers in 21 medical and surgical specialties and then averages those results to give an "all-around" ranking of expertise. Only those institutions rated as expert in all 21 specialties are named as all-around expert medical centers. Of the thousands of hospitals in the United States, just 29 meet this standard, including Emory University, which ranks #15 in the United States. Within Emory, we are proud to announce that the following DOM specialties were represented in these rankings.

Cardiology: #14

Endocrinology: #19

Gastroenterology: #26

Geriatrics: #20

Infectious Diseases: #4

Nephrology: #24

Pulmonology: #21

Rheumatology: #34

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THE DIVISION OF CARDIOLOGY has seen

significant growth in their faculty and programs over the past year. At Emory St. Joseph's Hospital, the successful cardiology program continues to grow, as a new office and clinic space opened at that location earlier this year. At Emory University Hospital, the research groups moved into the innovative new Health Sciences Research Building II (HSRB II) and to support the growing heart and vascular service line, new cath labs, EP labs, and cardiovascular ORs will open in the new tower later this year. Their subspecialty groups have experienced great success with the rapid growth of the complex coronary intervention program under the leadership of Dr. Bill Nicholson. The structural heart team continues with innovative procedures in a variety of arenas, including developing a novel percutaneous procedure for the treatment of hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy in addition to passing the landmark of completing their 5,000th TAVR last summer.



THE DIVISION OF DIGESTIVE DISEASES

received recognition as the National Pancreas Foundation (NPF) Center for Excellence. NPF Centers of Excellence are premier healthcare facilities that focus on the multidisciplinary treatment of pancreas disease, treating the "whole patient" with a focus on the best possible outcomes and improved quality of life. There is continued expansion of the practice at Emory Decatur Hospital with the hiring of an advanced endoscopist.



THE DIVISION OF ENDOCRINOLOGY,
METABOLISM & LIPIDS saw major growth of
the diabetic limb salvage program at Grady
Memorial Hospital. The multidisciplinary
team of endocrinologists, podiatrists,
infectious disease specialists, vascular
surgeons, and hospital medicine specialists
have developed novel pathways of both



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surgical and nonsurgical care for patients. In addition, the program has collaborated with colleagues at Georgia Tech in the area of artificial intelligence to improve patient access to needed diabetic foot care.

Medical Care of Older Adults, held in July, and the 13th Annual Bettye Rose Connell Memorial Lecture, held in April.



THE DIVISION OF GENERAL INTERNAL

MEDICINE's Paul W. Seavey Comprehensive Internal Medicine Clinic, originally launched in 2013, was given a substantial gift by the O. Wayne Rollins Foundation. This gift funds 14 more Rollins Distinguished Clinicians and extends the Seavey Clinic model to Emory University Hospital Midtown and 1525 Clifton Road, collectively forming the Emory Academic Internal Medicine Center. The initiative aims to attract and retain top talent in internal medicine while preserving the clinic's dedication to providing high-quality patient care and medical education.



THE DIVISION OF GERIATRICS AND

GERONTOLOGY has plans to build a new space at Executive Park to expand their clinical research footprint. Under the leadership of Dr. Hyung Seok (Daniel) Oh, AG Rhodes at Wesley Woods has been named the top nursing home in the state of Georgia, according to America's Best Nursing Homes 2024. These rankings are based on performance data, peer recommendations, management of the COVID-19 situation, resident satisfaction, and accreditations from the Joint Commission and Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities. Other division highlights include the 6th Annual Southeast Review and Update on



THE DIVISION OF HOSPITAL MEDICINE

continues to see an increase in clinical demand in Atlanta and across the region. To address this demand, the division has grown to over 250 physicians and close to 60 advanced practice providers across 10 hospital campuses. Inpatient encounters totaled over 400,000 last fiscal year across all campuses. With the permanent closure of Atlanta Medical Center (AMC) in November 2022, the hospitalist team rose to the occasion to take on a high number of patients once served at AMC. The Emory University Hospital Midtown Hospital team absorbed most of that impact and has responded heroically to care for these additional patients. Overall, Hospital Medicine encounter volumes have increased by over 92% since 2015. The Recruitment, Onboarding, and Retention team in the division has done incredible work to streamline the recruitment process to facilitate such rapid growth. Additionally, the division held successful events supporting scholarship, with over 20 research projects highlighted at their annual Division of Hospital Medicine Research Day and over 55 posters presented at their division's annual Clinical Vignette Competition.



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THE DIVISION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

opened a second direct care Transplant Infectious Diseases service at Emory University Hospital in 2023 in response to increasing inpatient volumes that reached 425 encounters per month. The Transplant Infectious Diseases section care providers include 12 faculty and one APP, and they anticipate future expansion of their clinical and research faculty in response to the growth of Emory's solid organ transplant, left ventricular assist device, hematologic malignancy, and hematologic cell transplant programs. In addition to providing high quality patient care, the Transplant Infectious Diseases section is actively engaged in clinical research related to bacterial, fungal, and viral infections in solid organ transplant recipients, HIV+ to HIV+ solid organ transplantation, donor-derived infections, sepsis in immunocompromised patients, and development of novel approaches to transplant infectious diseases medical education.

created a nationally recognized center in bronchiectasis led by Dr. Colin Swenson that cares for patients throughout the region and country with complex respiratory diseases such as nontuberculous mycobacteria infections (NTM) that require specific expertise and team-based care.



THE DIVISION OF RENAL MEDICINE continues to expand. In January 2023, they earned the designation as a Polycystic Kidney Disease Center of Excellence under the leadership of Dr. Fred Rahbari. They are expanding their clinical team and welcomed Dr. Marc Saad who is a trained interventional nephrologist. Drs. Janice Lea and Fred Rahbari were named in the top 10% of providers for Emory Healthcare. The division is also excited that several of their faculty members received awards. Emory's School of Medicine awarded Dr. Jeff Sands with the Innovation for Impact Award and Dr. Janice Lea with the Distinguished Service Award.



THE DIVISION OF PULMONARY, ALLERGY, CRITICAL CARE, AND SLEEP MEDICINE has

established two innovative new programs within the pulmonary specialty faculty. This year, they created a new regional multidisciplinary program led by Dr. Micah Fisher to care for patients with chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH) that includes cardiology, thoracic surgery, and radiology, and has already completed nearly 50 potentially life-saving interventions and surgeries. Emory is one of only a few medical centers in the U.S. that provides a CTEPH service. They also



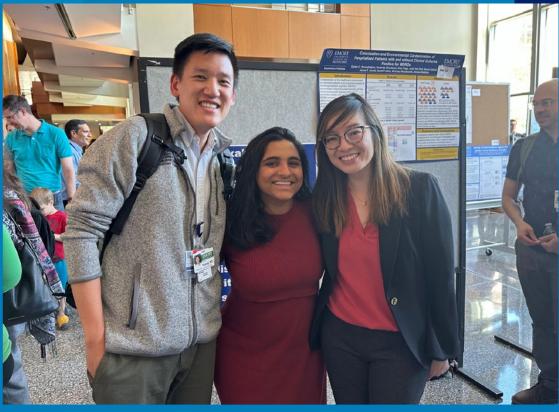
THE DIVISION OF RHEUMATOLOGY has

expanded their presence at Emory Decatur Hospital and Emory Midtown Hospital over the last year with two new faculty members, Dr. Yoon Qiu and Dr. Forrest Powers. Their growing specialty clinics for vasculitis, scleroderma, lupus, myositis, IgG-4 related diseases, immunotherapy-induced arthritis, and sarcoidosis, across campuses, are allowing them to provide specialty care to a growing population of patients. They also plan to develop new specialized clinics in Sjogren's syndrome and rheumatoid arthritis over the next year.



A LOOK BACK AT 2023









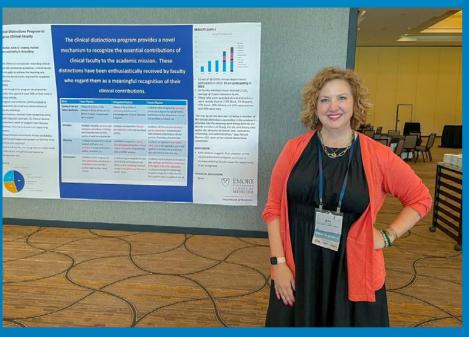






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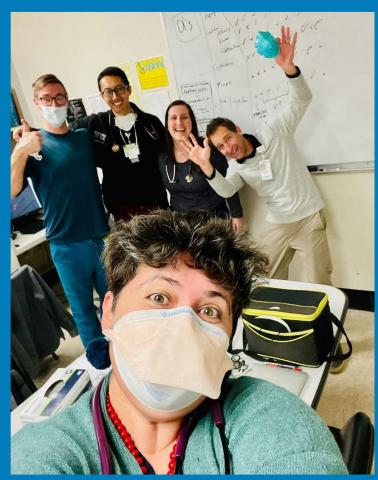








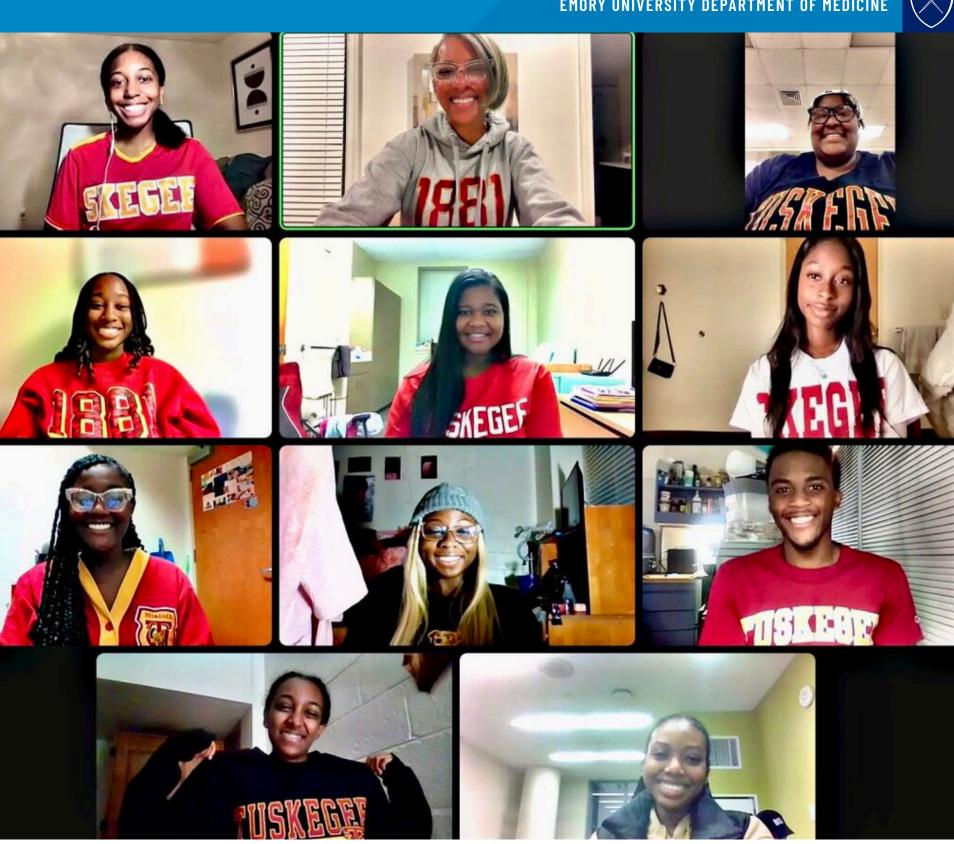












Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Department of Medicine

The Department of Medicine is dedicated to being a destination and model for inclusive care, training, development, and celebration of a diverse patient population and workforce. In the past year, the Department of Medicine's RYSE Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Council spearheaded the following activities:

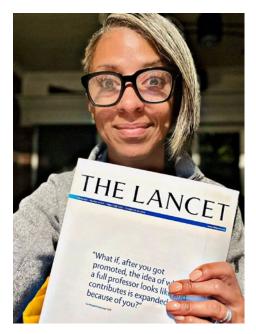
The Department of Medicine began its inaugural RYSE 2 Medicine initiative, a mentoring program for undergraduate students who are aspiring physicians. This program, led by Dr. Kimberly Manning, MD, FACP, FAAP, is held in collaboration with Tuskegee University, a historically black university in Tuskegee, Alabama.

RYSE executed the fourth successful annual RYSE Virtual Visiting Clerkship, an annual initiative for fourth-year URiM medical students who plan to pursue an internal medicine (IM) residency (or an IM specialty). This virtual clerkship focuses on professional development, residency preparation, and and a chance to meet the faculty, trainees, and staff, as well as an opportunity to preview the participating training sites within the J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency program.

This year marks the fourth annual RYSE Fellowship Applicant Experience (#RYSEFAX23), a special meet and greet that offers fellowship applicants a unique glimpse of Emory's culture, allowing them to speak with current fellows and faculty and hear about the ongoing commitment to diversity in Emory's Department of Medicine.



Award. This award was established by the School of Medicine Recognitions Committee on behalf of the Dean to recognize faculty who have made significant achievements in ensuring that the climate of the school is characterized by inclusivity and organizational equity through leveraging the varied attributes of diversity in our community.



Dr. Manning was recently published in The Lancet. In the piece, she discusses the impact of diversity in senior ranks and leadership, as well as redefining what a professor looks like.

On October 1, 2023, Dr. Manning was named the new Vice Chair of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Dr. Manning, who until now has served as the inaugural Associate Vice Chair of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, has taken over for Jada Bussey-Jones, MD, who served as the inaugural Vice Chair.

Represent, (You), Support, and Elevate

Our commitment to diversity includes:

- Being proactive and intentional
- Encouraging continual learning by creating courageous and psychologically-safe spaces
- Sharing the commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion across all divisions
- Imbedding diversity, equity, and inclusion into every departmental function



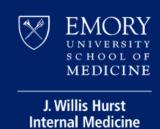
To learn more about DEI in the department, <u>visit our website</u>.



OFFICE OF EDUCATION



2023 Residency Match Day by the Numbers



Residency Program **Department of Medicine**

The Department of Medicine is thrilled to introduce its 2023-2024 J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency Program class of interns.

Candidates begin their residencies this July

26 Female **30** Male



CATEGORICAL TRACK

3,758 applications

IM/PSYCHIATRY TRACK 202 applications

PRIMARY CARE TRACK 510 applications

RESEARCH TRACK 368 applications



THE 2023 INCOMING RESIDENTS ARE:

- from groups traditionally underrepresented in medicine
- 3 members of AOA
 - members of the Gold Humanism Honor Society
 - hold advanced degrees (PhD, MS, MPH, MSc, MBA, MEd)

OUR INTERNS REPRESENT:

- medical schools from across the country
 - candidates from Emory University School of Medicine



INTERNS BY MEDICAL SCHOOL REGION:

- **36** Southern **8** Northeastern 10 Central
- 2 International **21** states across the US

We were thrilled to welcome the incoming 2023–2024 J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency program interns to our program this past summer. This rising class of 57 candidates began their residencies in July 2023.

Match Day is the culmination of our annual recruitment season and celebrates a defining moment in these young physicians' careers. This year, we received more than 4,700 applications for 468 interview spots to recruit a class of highly talented trainees.

MATCH DAY 2023

Fellowship Match

Please join us in congratulating our residents, chief residents, former graduates, and our divisions on another successful fellowship match! The success of our trainees is a direct reflection of our faculty's dedication to mentoring, teaching and supporting our residents in their scholarly endeavors. Thank you for helping our residents achieve their career goals!

Our Internal Medicine residents successfully matched:



CARDIOLOGY 13 candidates



MEDICINE

1 candidate



DIGESTIVE DISEASES
4 candidates



GERIATRICS1 candidate



HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY5 candidates



HOSPICE/
PALLIATIVE
CARE
1 candidate



DISEASES

6 candidates



1 candidate



PULMONARY/
CRITICAL CARE

2 candidates



RHEUMATOLOGY

1 candidate

In addition, our DOM fellowship programs successfully matched:



CARDIOLOGY (including advanced

programs)

13 trainees



CRITICAL CARE
MEDICINE
1 trainee



DIGESTIVE DISEASES

6 trainees



ENDOCRINOLOGY

3 trainees



GERIATRICS

1 trainee



HOSPICE/
PALLIATIVE CARE

5 trainees



INFECTIOUS DISEASES

5 trainees



NEPHROLOGY

6 trainees





RHEUMATOLOGY

3 trainees



4 trainees



OFFICE OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT



2023 Department of Medicine Kathy Griendling Honors and Awards Celebration

Each year, during the Department of Medicine Kathy Griendling Honors and Awards Celebration, DOM faculty and staff are recognized for their outstanding contributions. In addition, faculty receive special recognition for their senior promotions or clinical distinctions.

This year, the celebration was held on Wednesday, September 13, in person for the first time since 2019 and it was especially meaningful to celebrate, mix, and mingle with these honorees. Thank you to the over 100 faculty and staff members who joined in person and the crowd of over 50 virtual attendees who cheered them on over Zoom. Congratulations to all the faculty award nominees, staff award nominees, senior promotions, and clinical distinctions honorees. Click here to read the full list of honorees and recipients.







OFFICE OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

Faculty Education, Enrichment, and Development (FEED) Conference



On March 24, 2023, the 14th annual Faculty Education, Enrichment, and Development (FEED) Conference was presented by the Office of Faculty Development within the Department of Medicine and the Department of Pediatrics. This successful and well-attended conference focused on the topic of medical innovation. As one of the signature events offered by the Office of Faculty Development, this conference aims to provide career advancement support and learning opportunities for clinician educators, clinical researchers, and basic scientists. Thank you to the over 60 attendees who participated this year.

New Faculty Development Council

Under the leadership of Sushma Cribbs, MD, the new Faculty Development Council was established with members from nearly all divisions, including division directors, and held their first meeting in September. The council's multifaceted charges this year are to 1) increase faculty and staff engagement and retention through career development, mentoring, coaching, and recognition and 2) increase connectivity among faculty and staff by promoting a diverse and inclusive community, such as through improved communications. In addition to the Faculty Development Council,



the Mentoring Committee also held its first meeting in September. This committee is charged with developing programming that offers mentoring opportunities to all faculty in the department. This includes strengthening peer mentoring groups, as well as coordinating and communicating mentoring efforts and best practices across the department.



OFFICE OF RESEARCH

Research, Funding, and Publications

The Department of Medicine received

\$198.5 M

in research awards for FY23 1,281

unique publications

435

contributing faculty

380

active clinical trials

8,304

enrollees

In FY23, Department of Medicine faculty had

13

active NIH K (01,12,23) awards

41

active R01s (35 Principal Investigators)



Ease of Research Initiative

Clearing the path for higher impact research

Under the new leadership of Vibha Lama, MD, the Office of Research has launched an initiative to identify and reduce the barriers investigators experience while conducting research. To begin these efforts, DOM research faculty were invited to provide their vital and valuable feedback via the Ease of Research survey, allowing the research team

the ability to engage key stakeholders by collecting examples of micro hurdles they have experienced across the research enterprise. During this initiative, the DOM's Office of Research will share the progress and plans to address any identified thematic areas where improvements are needed to facilitate research efforts across the department.



Vibha N. Lama, MD, MS

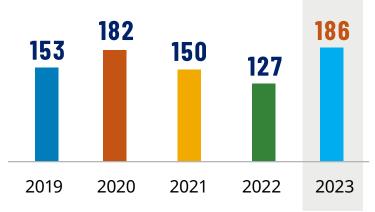


OFFICE OF RESEARCH

2023 DOM Research Day

The 16th Annual DOM Research Day, held in person, not only celebrated another year of research efforts across the department but also saw a record number of submitted abstracts (186) for poster and oral presentations.

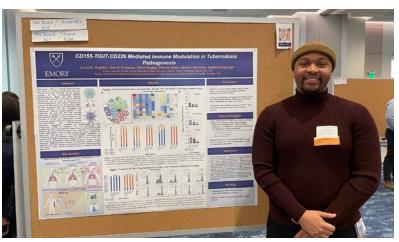




This year, attendees heard the keynote address from Emory's new Executive Vice President for Health Affairs, Ravi I. Thadhani, MD, MPH, entitled, "Bench, Bedside and Luck: Our journey to change the course of preeclampsia." Click here to read the full event recap and see the list of award winners.

Dr. Thadhani pictured right with the Chair of the Department of Medicine David Stephens, MD, Vice Chair of Research Vibha N. Lama, MD, MS, and Research Day co-chair Alexis Bender, PhD.







Pictured left are the winners for the best poster presentations of Basic Science Research, Subhashis Pal, and Clinical/Translational Research, Patrick McLinden.



12 ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Cardiology
Digestive Diseases
Endocrinology, Metabolism,
and Lipids (2)
General Internal Medicine (2)
Geriatrics and Gerontology
Hospital Medicine
Infectious Diseases
Pulmonary, Allergy, Critical
Care, and Sleep Medicine
Renal Medicine
Rheumatology

4 INVITED FEATURED RESEARCH TALKS

General Internal Medicine
Infectious Diseases
Pulmonary, Allergy, Critical
Care, and Sleep Medicine
Cardiology (Lifetime
Achievement in Research)
New Vice Chair introduction

155 POSTERS

Cardiology (36)
Digestive Diseases (7)
Endocrinology, Metabolism, and
Lipids (9)
General Internal Medicine (22)
Geriatrics and Gerontology (14)
Hospital Medicine (10)
Infectious Diseases (27)
Pulmonary, Allergy, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine (15)
Renal Medicine (7)
Rheumatology (6)

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