PROMOTED FACULTY

Raymond and Ruth Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania

Reception

Tuesday, October 7, 2014
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Smilow Center for Translational Research
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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Promoted Faculty Reception
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Welcome Remarks
J. Larry Jameson, MD, PhD
Executive Vice President,
University of Pennsylvania for the Health System
Dean, Perelman School of Medicine

Address to Faculty
David J. Margolis, MD, PhD
Chair, Committee on Appointments and Promotions

Closing Remarks
J. Larry Jameson, MD, PhD
Benjamin S. Abella, MD, MPhil
Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine

Dr. Abella has emerged as a national leader in emergency medicine and resuscitation science. He serves as the Vice-Chair of Research for his department. His influential research focuses on sudden cardiac arrest and addresses cardiovascular physiology, critical care, public health and implementation science. He has been successful in garnering funding for his research. His publications are in leading journals, including *The Journal of the American Medical Association, Circulation and Archives of Internal Medicine*. He is an outstanding teacher and mentor of medical students, graduate students, residents and fellows. He has been active in the development of and training for the Hypothermia and Resuscitation Training Institute (HART) at Penn, a program in post-cardiac arrest care using therapeutic hypothermia and widely attended by clinicians throughout the nation.

Kelly Costello Allison, PhD
Associate Professor of Psychology in Psychiatry at the Perelman School of Medicine

Dr. Allison has achieved national prominence for her contributions to the field of eating disorders and obesity, focusing particularly on night eating syndrome and the relationship between weight and reproductive functioning. She publishes her research in leading journals in her field including *Journal of Biological Rhythms, Psychiatry Research, Obesity and the International Journal of Eating Disorders*. She is also a highly regarded clinician who was presented with the Patricia Lipschutz Distinguished Clinician Award from the Center for Weight and Eating Disorders in 2012. As Director of Education for the Center for Weight and Eating Disorders, she organizes the clinical training program for pre- and postdoctoral fellows in psychology. She co-founded and chaired the Eating and Sleep Special Interest Group for the Academy of Eating Disorders (AED). She was named a Fellow of the AED in 2011.
Maria Antoniou, MD  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine*  
Dr. Antoniou is an excellent clinician, educator and administrator. She is recognized for her expertise in sleep disorders and pulmonary disease. She has developed a highly successful clinical program in sleep medicine at Penn Medicine Radnor. She is an effective and committed educator of medical students, residents and fellows and serves as Medical Director of the Sleep Medicine Fellows' Clinic. She is a frequent lecturer throughout other divisions and departments within Penn Medicine. She is a member of the American Academy of Sleep Medicine.

David Artis, PhD  
*Professor of Microbiology*  
Dr. Artis is recognized internationally for his seminal research contributions to the field of mucosal immunology. His research has been recognized with two Penn Medicine Awards of Excellence, the Lady Barbara Colyton Prize for Autoimmune Research in 2011 and the Stanley N. Cohen Biomedical Research Award in 2012. In 2013, he received The American Association of Immunologists-BD Biosciences Investigator Award which recognizes an early-career investigator who has made outstanding contributions to the field of immunology. He is a member of the British Society for Immunology, the British Society for Parasitology, the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene and the American Association of Immunology.

Predrag Bakic, PhD  
*Research Associate Professor of Radiology*  
Dr. Bakic is known nationally and internationally as a leading medical physicist in the area of technological advancements for medical imaging, particularly in mammography and the simulation of breast phantoms. He is a grant reviewer for the NIH, the United States Army and the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation. He is an active member of a number of professional and scientific societies, including the International Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, the Society of Photographic Instrumentation Engineers International and The American Association of Physicists in Medicine. He serves as Chair of the Task Group on Preclinical Breast Phantoms for the American Association of Physicists in Medicine.

Carlo Ballatore, PhD  
*Research Associate Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine*  
Dr. Ballatore is a productive and highly collaborative researcher who has made significant contributions to research on the therapeutic potential of microtubule-stabilizing agents as possible treatments for Alzheimer’s disease and related neurodegenerative diseases. He is a critical contributor to the Center for Neurodegenerative Disease Research. His publications are in leading journals including *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry*, *The Journal of Neuroscience* and *Nature Reviews Neuroscience*. He is on the editorial board of *Dataset Papers in Biology* and he reviews grants for the French National Agency, Brain Canada and the Garfield Weston Foundation.
Aba Barden-Maja, MD  
*Professor of Clinical Medicine*

Dr. Barden-Maja has been referred to as a “doctor’s doctor,” one who is known for her excellent clinical judgment and compassionate care. She is also an innovative teacher of medical students and residents who has received the John M. Eisenberg Teaching Award in 2010 and the Penn Pearls Teaching Award in 2011. She created and participated in the development of a number of educational clinical programs such as a curriculum for the medical consult service, a collaborative program with pharmacists to improve patient treatment compliance, and a women’s health educational program for primary care residents. She is a reviewer for *Annals of Internal Medicine, Diabetes Care*, a member of the Society of General Internal Medicine and a Fellow in the American College of Physicians.

Mercedes Blackstone, MD  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics*

Dr. Blackstone is a highly accomplished clinician and educator in pediatric emergency medicine. She also excels as an administrator in the areas of patient safety and improvement of patient flow. She has been instrumental in developing and implementing clinical pathways with the anesthesia and surgical teams to improve the quality of care for patients transitioning from the emergency department to the operating room. She is a valued teacher of medical students, residents and fellows. She has been named to the CHOP Faculty Honor Roll by the pediatric residents numerous times. She co-directs the division’s monthly interdisciplinary Morbidity and Mortality Conference. She is a reviewer for *Pediatric Emergency Care* and *Pediatrics*.

Joshua I. S. Bleier, MD  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Surgery*

Dr. Bleier is an outstanding and highly productive clinician whose expertise in colon and rectal surgery is widely acknowledged. He is recognized for his skill in advanced laparoscopic surgical techniques and transanal endoscopic microsurgery. He is the lead physician in the development of the sacral nerve simulation program and in developing robotic colorectal surgery at Pennsylvania Hospital. He is a committed educator of medical students and residents. He serves on several committees for the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons and the Association for Surgical Education. He is associate editor of *Diseases of the Colon & Rectum*.

Rhonda C. Boyd, PhD  
*Associate Professor of Psychology in Psychiatry at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Boyd is a nationally prominent expert in the field of resiliency in youth and maternal depression. Her research focuses on three interrelated areas: developmental psychopathology research on children of depressed mothers, preventive intervention development and clinical trials for depressed mothers and their families, and postpartum depression in low income women. She has developed and adapted preventive interventions that have been implemented with urban, mostly African American youth and families in school, community, and primary care settings. In 2012, she was named Director of Research Training for the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Training Program at CHOP. She co-chairs the Child Depression Workgroup of the Emerging Scholars Interdisciplinary Network.
Marcia S. Brose, MD, PhD
Associate Professor of Otorhinolaryngology: Head and Neck Surgery at the Perelman School of Medicine
Dr. Brose is an internationally recognized leader in the evolving field of the treatment for advanced thyroid cancer. She investigates novel therapies and the development of other molecular markers and additional agents for advanced thyroid cancer. She is widely known for her effective leadership of the international Phase III clinical trial for radio-iodine refractory differentiated thyroid cancer that has led to a shift in the management of this disease. Her publication in the Journal of Clinical Oncology was highlighted as one of the top clinical advances in 2008 by the American Society of Clinical Oncology. She is an esteemed educator and mentor of medical students, residents and fellows. Her strengths in education extend to the national level where she serves as Chair of the Career Development Subcommittee of the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

Carrie Burns, MD
Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine
Dr. Burns is a highly respected clinician in endocrinology who is an expert in pre-gestational and gestational diabetes. She developed and directs the Diabetes in Pregnancy Program. She contributes extensively to the education of medical students, residents and fellows. In 2010, she received the Edward Rose Teaching Award “in recognition of and appreciation for outstanding teaching and mentorship of fellows” and in 2009 and 2012, she received the award for “Best Lecturer in the Endocrine Course” from the medical students. She is a member of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists, The Endocrine Society, and the American Diabetes Association.

Samantha F. Butts, MD, MSCE
Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Perelman School of Medicine
Dr. Butts is a nationally prominent reproductive endocrinologist and infertility specialist. Her research focuses on reproductive aging and the effect of periconceptional exposures such as obesity, environmental toxicants and micronutrients on human oocytes, fertility potential, treatment efficacy and perinatal outcomes. She is an outstanding educator and mentor of medical students, graduate students, residents and fellows. She developed a curriculum for the residents in reproductive endocrinology and infertility and directs the redesigned resident rotations. To enhance residency education in addition to providing fertility care to the underserved, she established a residents’ clinic in the Helen O. Dickens Center for Women. Dr. Butts received the Faculty Teaching Award for Excellence in Resident Education in her department and the National Faculty Award from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the Council on Resident Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology in 2011.
David J. Casarett, MD, MA
Professor of Medicine
Dr. Casarett is an influential leader in palliative care. In 2011, he was named Director of Hospice and Palliative Care for the University of Pennsylvania Health System and Chief Medical Officer at Penn Wissahickon Hospice. He focuses on evaluating and improving systems of care for patients near the end-of-life and their families and studies of hospice and hospice alternatives. He created an innovative research network designed to define an evidence-based guide to hospice care, Coalition of Hospices Organized to Investigate Comparative Effectiveness (CHOICE). He is the author of the highly acclaimed *Last Acts: Discovering Possibility and Opportunity at the End of Life* published in 2010. He has partnered with the National Hospice Foundation to create a nationwide education series to encourage health care providers and members of the general public to consider advance care planning and end-of-life decisions.

Susan E. Coffin, MD, MPH
Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine
Dr. Coffin is a prominent leader in pediatric infection prevention and control. Her research focuses on the epidemiology of health care-associated infections and vaccine-preventable diseases and has been continuously funded. She is the Hospital Epidemiologist and Medical Director of the Department of Infection Prevention and Control at CHOP. The mandatory influenza vaccine program that she implemented for health care workers at CHOP has served as a national model. In 2011, she received the Alfred Stengel Health System Champion Award, a Penn Medicine Award of Excellence. She is the inaugural associate editor of the new journal of the national society for pediatric infectious diseases, the *Journal of the Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society*. She is the primary advisor on influenza preparedness for the health departments of Philadelphia and the State of Pennsylvania.

Peter F. Cronholm, MD, MSCE
Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Community Health at the Perelman School of Medicine
Dr. Cronholm is a national expert in primary care research, particularly intimate partner violence (IPV). In 2012, he was named Co-Director of the Mixed Methods Research Lab (MMRL). The MMRL integrates qualitative and quantitative methods to provide conceptual and technical support for investigators focusing on community-based and clinical research questions. His work has contributed to the development of policies on violence and abuse for the American Academy of Family Physicians. In 2010, he received the Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award in recognition of his clinical excellence and compassionate and respectful care. He is Associate Program Director of the residency program and Director of the department’s faculty development fellowship program. He has been selected by the residents four times for the Faculty Teaching Recognition Award and for the Faculty Research Award in 2007 and 2010.
Diva D. De León-Crutchlow, MD, MSCE
Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine
Dr. De León-Crutchlow is an accomplished pediatric endocrinologist who specializes in the diagnosis and management of monogenic disorders of insulin regulation resulting in diabetes and hypoglycemia, and general endocrinologic problems. Her translational research focuses on the pathophysiology of monogenic disorders of insulin regulation resulting in hyper and hypoglycemia in children, the role of the entero-insular axis in the pathogenesis of these disorders, and the development of novel therapies for treatment. In 2012, she was named Director of The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia Congenital Hyperinsulinism Center, an internationally renowned center of excellence. She co-edited a textbook, Frontiers in Diabetes, considered to be the most comprehensive resource for treating patients with neonatal diabetes and congenital hyperinsulinism. She was elected to the Society for Pediatric Research in 2010.

Dennis J. Dlugos, MD, MSCE
Professor of Neurology at the Perelman School of Medicine
Dr. Dlugos is a distinguished academic pediatric neurologist whose research focuses on the clinical, electrophysiological and genetic determinants of treatment-response and prognosis in pediatric epilepsy. He is co-chair of the NIH Treatment of Epilepsy Benchmarks Committee and a member of the scientific review board of Citizens United for Research in Epilepsy. He is an outstanding educator and mentor. He has directed the fellowship in epilepsy/clinical neurophysiology since 1999, has served as course director for the Brain and Behavior course since 2006, and in 2010, he was named Director of the Module 2 curriculum. In 2009, he received the Dean’s Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching at an Affiliated Hospital, a Penn Medicine Award of Excellence and in 2013, he received the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching.

Anuja Dokras-Jagasia, MD, PhD
Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Perelman School of Medicine
Dr. Dokras-Jagasia has made basic science and translational research contributions to the field of reproductive endocrinology and infertility. She investigates metabolic risk and mood disorders in Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome (PCOS) and was one of the first to establish the association between PCOS and both mood and anxiety disorders. She also participates in research related to fertility treatments to optimize success rates and develop predictive factors for successful pregnancy outcomes. She has served as the post graduate course director for the PCOS course at the national meetings for the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecologists annually since 2010. She received the STAR Award from the American Society for Reproductive Medicine in 2011 and 2012 in recognition of her involvement and leadership in this society. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Androgen Excess and PCOS Society and will serve as president of the society in 2015.
Aaron J. Donoghue, MD, MSCE  
*Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Donoghue is an accomplished clinician, researcher and educator who has had an impact on the fields of pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation and simulation medicine. His research focuses on resuscitation science, particularly in the areas of cardiac arrest and airway management, pediatric emergency management simulation, and resuscitation education. In 2008, he was named Associate Director of the CHOP Center for Simulation, Technology and Innovation. He was elected to the Society for Pediatric Research in 2010. He has designed and implemented several novel educational initiatives including a monthly multidisciplinary trauma simulation, an airway management curriculum for emergency medicine faculty, and a course on facilitating simulations sessions.

Lauren B. Elman, MD  
*Associate Professor of Neurology at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Elman is a nationally prominent specialist in neuromuscular neurology, with particular expertise in the field of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), a progressive, incurable neurodegenerative disorder. She has been Associate Director of the Muscular Dystrophy Association Clinic since 2004 and Associate Director of the ALS Association Center since 2008. She studies the clinical, pathological and genetic spectrum of ALS and frontotemporal dementia, the optimization of patient care, and clinical application of novel therapeutics. She has been instrumental in establishing Penn as a primary center for ALS clinical trials through her membership in the Western ALS Study Group and the Northeast ALS Research Consortium. She is recognized for the development of a comprehensive database that merges clinical information with imaging, genetic and pathological data and serves as a foundation for clinical research and scholarship. In 2009, she received the Residents’ Award for Excellence in Teaching in the Department of Neurology.

C. Neill Epperson, MD  
*Professor of Psychiatry*

Dr. Epperson is known internationally for her clinical expertise and the breadth of her research contributions in the neuroendocrinology of mood, behavior and cognition across the female life span. She uses a variety of tools including imaging, psychophysiology and pharmacologic interventions to investigate the biological correlates of important areas for women’s health including pregnancy, postpartum depression, premenstrual dysphoric disorder, menopause and aging. She received the Martin P. Szuba Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching and Research in 2013. She serves as the Secretary/Treasurer of the North American Society for Psychosocial Obstetrics and Gynecology. She is a founding member of the International Society for Research on Premenstrual Disorders.

Douglas J. Epstein, PhD  
*Professor of Genetics*

Dr. Epstein is an internationally recognized investigator in the field of developmental genetics. He uses genetic, genomic and molecular approaches to investigate the developmental mechanisms controlled by the Sonic hedgehog (Shh) in the central nervous system. In a second line of investigation, he studies the specific contribution of Shh and Wnt signaling to cochlear and vestibular development in the inner ear. He has successfully maintained funding for his research. He recently completed a four-year term as a member of the Auditory Systems Study Section of the NIH. He has reviewed grants for the Israel Science Foundation and the Medical Research Council, UK.
M. Bradley Falk, MD  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Emergency Medicine*

Dr. Falk is an accomplished clinician and educator who provides exceptional evidence-based care in emergency medicine. He is widely known as an excellent communicator, colleague, and for delivering outstanding and compassionate care. He is an enthusiastic and effective educator of medical students, residents and fellows. He has led multiple quality and safety initiatives, including education and clinical efforts in pediatric and neonatal emergency care and resuscitation at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center.

Daniel M. Feinberg, MD  
*Professor of Clinical Neurology*

Dr. Feinberg is a nationally recognized authority in quality improvement and patient safety. He serves as Chief Medical Officer at Pennsylvania Hospital. He is also an outstanding clinical neurologist, particularly in the diagnosis and management of neuromuscular disorders. He is a highly respected teacher of medical students and residents. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Neurology and the American Association of Neuromuscular and Electrodiagnostic Medicine. He is past chair of the Patient Safety Subcommittee of the American Academy of Neurology.

John C. Feudtner, MD, PhD, MPH  
*Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Feudtner is having a major impact on pediatric palliative care and ethics. His investigations focus on improving decision making and systems of care for persons with severe complex chronic conditions, including palliative and end-of-life care. In 2011, he received the Samuel Martin Health Evaluation Services Research Award, a Penn Medicine Award of Excellence. He received the Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award from the School in 2011 and the CHOP Faculty Mentor Award in 2012. He has been elected to the CHOP Faculty Honor Roll numerous times. He co-founded and serves as a steering committee member of the North American Pediatric Palliative Care Research Network. He chairs the Education Subcommittee, Provisional Section for Pediatric Palliative and Hospice Care for the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Teresa R. Franklin, PhD  
*Research Associate Professor of Neuroscience in Psychiatry*

Dr. Franklin is an innovative investigator in the neurobiology of addiction, particularly nicotine addiction. Her independent and collaborative research uses pharmacological and behavioral probes, combined with genetics and neuroimaging, to identify predictors of relapse and recovery in addiction. Her investigations are recognized for their importance and impact on the field. She initiated and leads a writing group within the Center for the Studies of Addiction to encourage publications by new investigators. She has held organizing roles for scientific meetings of the College on Problems of Drug Dependence.
Matthew J. Gillespie, MD
*Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Gillespie is an accomplished clinician, investigator and educator who studies interventional catheterization in pediatric and congenital heart disease. His research interests complement his clinical activities and center on minimally invasive, catheter-based interventions for the treatment of structural heart defects in children and adults. In collaboration with the Gorman Cardiovascular Research Group at Penn, he developed novel methods of transcatheter placement of pulmonary and mitral valves. He excels as a teacher and mentor in the clinical, didactic and research settings. He is a member of the American College of Cardiology, the American Heart Association and the Society for Cardiac Angiography and Intervention. In 2014, he will serve as Chair of the Program on Congenital Heart Disease for the Society for Cardiac Angiography and Intervention.

Joshua I. Gold, PhD
*Professor of Neuroscience*

Dr. Gold is an influential leader in the field of decision neuroscience who is known internationally for his creative, rigorous and innovative research program on the neurobiology of decision making and learning. He uses quantitative behavioral studies, computational modeling and theory, and direct measurements of brain activity in monkeys and indirect measurements of brain activity in humans to study how perceptual and reward-based decision making are shaped by learning. He makes substantial contributions to education. He was named Chair of the Neuroscience Graduate Group in 2012 and is responsible for overseeing all aspects of the program from recruitment through graduation. He established the University of Pennsylvania Neuroscience Graduate-Led Initiatives and Activities for students to become involved in professional development and community outreach activities. He has also organized a new journal club that brings together neuroscience researchers across the Penn campus.

Struan F. A. Grant, PhD
*Associate Professor of Pediatrics*

Dr. Grant is an accomplished and productive investigator who is advancing the field of genetics of human disease. His innovative research focuses on the genetic aspects of endocrine traits related to pediatric obesity, diabetes, bone mineral density and osteoporosis. He has had a number of seminal contributions including the discovery of the polymorphic Sp1 site in the *COL1A1* gene and its association with osteoporosis and the identification of variation in the *TCF7L2* gene as a key player in conferring type 2 diabetes risk. This breakthrough study has been cited more than 1,000 times. In 2011, he received the Russell A. Hibbs Basic Science Award from the Scoliosis Research Society.

Judith B. Grinspan, PhD
*Research Professor of Neurology*

Dr. Grinspan is a highly respected investigator in developmental neurobiology and neuroscience, particularly the cellular mechanisms of oligodendrocyte biology. She is the Co-Director of the Developmental Biology Research Affinity Group at CHOP. She has served on NIH study sections and currently reviews grants and proposals for the Israel Science Foundation, the Italian Multiple Sclerosis Society, and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. She is a member of the Society for Neuroscience and the American Society for Neurochemistry and held organizing roles in workshops for the American Society of Neurochemistry in 2009 and 2011.
Tilo Grosser, MD

Research Associate Professor of Systems Pharmacology and Translational Therapeutics

Dr. Grosser is an expert in translational therapeutics and system approaches to pharmacological research whose research applies systems biology, proteomics and informatics tools to focus on the cyclooxygenase (COX) pathway and the translational therapeutics of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs). In 2012, he was named Director of Scientific Operations in the Institute for Translational Medicine and Therapeutics. He is a member of the Gulf War Illness Scientific Steering Committee for the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Steering Committee of the Personalized NSAID Therapeutics Consortium, and the Advisory Panel for the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute Metabolomics Program.

Indira Gurubhagavatula, MD, MPH

Associate Professor of Medicine at the Perelman School of Medicine

Dr. Gurubhagavatula excels as a clinician, teacher and investigator in an area that has an important impact on public policy and safety. Her research involves developing and evaluating screening methods for identifying sleep apnea in high risk populations, particularly commercial transportation. She is the Director of the Sleep Disorders Clinic at the VA Medical Center and Director of Occupational Sleep Medicine at HUP. She is a grant reviewer for the NIH and a member of an NIH special emphasis panel. In 2010, she received the Allan Ian Pack Excellence in Teaching Award. She was invited to serve as a special advisor to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration and had a major role in drafting federal safety guidelines.

John H. Holmes, PhD

Professor of Medical Informatics in Epidemiology in Biostatistics and Epidemiology at the Perelman School of Medicine

Dr. Holmes is a distinguished academic leader in biomedical informatics and epidemiology. His research centers on knowledge discovery and data mining, shared clinical decision-making and clinical research informatics. He currently serves as the Interim Director of the newly formed Penn Institute for Biomedical Informatics. Since 2011, he has been on the NIH Biomedical Computing and Health Informatics (BCHI) Study Section and was recently appointed chair. His contributions as an educator and mentor within and external to Penn are outstanding. He directs the doctoral program in epidemiology in the graduate group of epidemiology and biostatistics and under his leadership a number of new initiatives have been implemented. He has had numerous influential roles in the American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA).

David A. Horowitz, MD

Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine

Dr. Horowitz makes important contributions as a clinician and administrator. In his role as Associate Chief Medical Officer for UPHS, Dr. Horowitz provides oversight and work-plan management for physicians on Unit-Based Clinical Leadership Teams, leads multidisciplinary groups to develop consistent clinical strategies for managing patients with heart failure and acute myocardial infarction, chairs the Pharmacy Council, co-chairs the Medical-Legal Committee and provides quality oversight for CPUP ambulatory activities. He is known for providing compassionate clinical care and for contributing to the education of medical students and residents. He is a member of the editorial board of Molecular Medicine & Therapeutics.
Xianxin Hua, MD, PhD
Professor of Cancer Biology
Dr. Hua is an internationally known innovative researcher in the field of endocrine tumors who studies the biological functions of the menin tumor suppressor and its roles in cancer and diabetes. In 2011, he received the Excellence in Teaching Award from the Department of Cancer Biology, an award which is open to all University faculty and is given in recognition of outstanding achievement in teaching graduate, medical or undergraduate trainees about the biological basis and treatment of cancer. He is a member of multiple professional and scientific organizations including the American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Association for Cancer Research, the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology.

G. Russell Huffman, MD, MPH
Associate Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at the Perelman School of Medicine
Dr. Huffman is a nationally prominent orthopaedic surgeon who is an expert in sports surgery, particularly in the surgical and non-surgical treatment of the shoulder and elbow. He is a past recipient of the Charles S. Neer Award for Excellence in Basic Science Research from the American Society of Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons. He is a member of editorial boards of a number of journals including the International Journal of Sports Medicine, the Journal of Athletic Training and Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research. In 2013, he received the Jesse T. Nicholson Teaching Award. He has served as Director of the Shoulder and Elbow Fellowship since 2011. He was elected to the American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons Society, a society limited to those who are recognized for significant contributions to the field.

Abike T. James, MD, MPH
Associate Professor of Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology
Dr. James is an influential and accomplished obstetrician and gynecologist. She is the lead physician in the General Obstetrics and Gynecology Division and is responsible for the clinical operations. She has led a number of initiatives which focus on quality improvement and patient care, including implementing a new team model for prenatal care to continue efforts to improve patient satisfaction, efficiency and continuity of care. She has played valuable roles for the City of Philadelphia’s Department of Public Health as the Clinical Director for Women’s Health Services in the Division of Ambulatory Health Services and Obstetrical and Family Planning Consultant. She is a committed and effective educator of medical students and residents. She is a member of The Society for Academic Specialists in Obstetrics and Gynecology and a Fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.
Lisa Po-Lan Jones, MD, PhD
Associate Professor of Clinical Radiology
Dr. Jones is a highly respected radiologist in abdominal imaging who is known for her clinical judgment and commitment to patient care. Her areas of interest include imaging of the male and female pelvis, MRI in pregnancy, renal transplant ultrasound and sonography of the neck, ultrasound of first trimester complications and ultrasound guided biopsies. She received the Wallace T. Miller Teaching Award from the radiology residents in 2010. She has been active in the American Board of Radiology, serving as an oral board examiner in genitourinary radiology, a member of the reproductive/endocrinology core exam committee, and a participant in the Angoff standard setting process for the core competency exam. She is a member of the American Roentgen Ray Society, the Radiological Society of North America, the American College of Radiology and the Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound.

Tammy I. Kang, MD, MSCE
Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine
Dr. Kang is a nationally recognized leader in the emerging field of pediatric palliative medicine. She investigates end-of-life care including symptom management and parental decision making. She is the co-founder and Director of the Pediatric Advanced Care Team (PACT), one of the largest and most comprehensive pediatric palliative care programs in the country, focusing on the medical, psychosocial, social and spiritual needs of children with life-threatening illnesses and their families. PACT was honored with the Circle of Life Award from the American Hospital Association and the Sister Frances Dominica Award for Innovative Program Development from the Children’s Hospice International in 2008. Dr. Kang received the Master Clinician Award from CHOP in 2010. She has been listed on the Faculty Teaching Honor Roll at CHOP six times. She developed the hospice and palliative medicine fellowship program, one of only four accredited programs of its kind.

Rahul Kapur, MD
Associate Professor of Clinical Family Medicine and Community Health
Dr. Kapur is an outstanding family medicine physician with particular expertise in sports medicine. He is the “go-to” clinician for non-operative musculoskeletal issues. He is also a committed educator who serves as Assistant Director for the CHOP Primary Care Sports Medicine Fellowship. He has been a member of the residency curriculum committee in the department of family medicine and community health, the School musculoskeletal curriculum committee, and the graduate medical education committee. He is the Chief Medical Team Physician for the Penn athletic programs and Associate Medical Director for the Penn Relays. He is a member of the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American Board of Family Medicine, and the Fellowship Committee and Education Committee of the American Medical Society of Sports Medicine.
Jonathan P. Katz, MD  
*Associate Professor of Medicine*

Dr. Katz is an accomplished physician-scientist whose research focuses on transcriptional control of gastrointestinal proliferation, differentiation, inflammation and malignant transformation. His research has been consistently funded by the NIH. In 2011, he received the Robert Austrian Award in Bench Research in the Department of Medicine and the Young Investigator Award from the Chinese Society of Clinical Oncology. He was elected into the American Society for Clinical Investigation in 2012. In 2007, he received the Sidney Cohen Faculty Teaching Award. He is the Associate Director of the Gastroenterology Fellowship Training Program. He also directs the NIH-funded Undergraduate Student Scholars Program, an innovative program that provides research opportunities for undergraduate students.

Andrea Kelly, MD, MSCE  
*Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Kelly is a highly skilled pediatric endocrinologist with unique expertise in the metabolic and endocrine complications of cystic fibrosis. She investigates hyperinsulinism, insulin secretion defects in cystic fibrosis, vitamin D deficiency and other chronic conditions, and the links between sleep apnea and metabolic syndrome. She has been successful in securing funding for her research. She served as Director of the pediatric endocrine fellowship program from 2005 through 2009 and instituted a number of key changes in the program. She is active in the North American Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and has represented the Pediatric Endocrine Society in developing vitamin D guidelines for cystic fibrosis.

Max B. Kelz, MD, PhD  
*Associate Professor of Anesthesiology and Critical Care*

Dr. Kelz is an outstanding physician-scientist who is having a major impact on the field of anesthesiology and critical care. His novel and influential research focuses on the neurobiology of anesthetic induction and emergence. He has published scholarship in premier journals including the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Anesthesiology, The Journal of Neuroscience* and *Current Biology*. In 2010, he received the Presidential Scholar Award from the American Society of Anesthesiologists, an award that recognizes junior faculty who dedicate their formative careers to research and have made substantial contributions to the specialty. That same year, he was selected for membership in the Association of University Anesthesiologists (AUA) and in 2011, he was elected to the AUA’s Scientific Advisory Board.
Rachel Rapaport Kelz, MD, MSCE

*Associate Professor of Surgery at the Perelman School of Medicine*

In a short period of time, Dr. Kelz has emerged as a national leader in clinical outcomes research and education innovation. Her research focuses on identification of modifiable causes of variability in surgical cost and outcomes to improve surgical quality and reduce disparities. She also focuses on the development of innovative approaches to surgical education. She received the HUP Patient Advocate Award in 2008 and the Health System Health Care Hero award multiple times based on her delivery of patient centered care. She makes significant teaching contributions within Penn and nationally. She served as Director of the surgery clerkship from 2007 through 2013 and is currently Associate Program Director for the general surgery residency program, Director of the Center for Surgery and Health Economics in the department of surgery, and Director of Undergraduate Medical Education for her department. In 2011, she received the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching.

Leslie S. Kersun, MD, MSCE

*Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics*

Dr. Kersun is a highly accomplished, collaborative pediatric oncologist who is an expert in Hodgkin's lymphoma. In her role as Inpatient Medical Director for the Oncology Unit, she is responsible for overseeing the management of all aspects of patient care, including patient safety and quality assurance. She excels as an educator of medical students, residents and fellows and has been elected to the Faculty Honor Roll at CHOP numerous times. She is a reviewer for *Pediatric Blood and Cancer, Integrative Cancer Therapies, American Journal of Hematology* and *Bone Marrow Transplantation*. She is a member of the American Society of Pediatric Hematology Oncology and the Children's Oncology Group.

Peter S. Klein, MD, PhD

*Professor of Medicine*

Dr. Klein is an accomplished and influential developmental biologist. His innovative research, which has clinical and translational significance, focuses on how signaling pathways regulate multipotency and lineage commitment in the embryo and in neural and hematopoietic stem cells, particularly the Wnt pathway and the protein kinase GSK-3. He received the Julie Martin Mid-Career Award in Aging Research from the Ellison Foundation and the American Federation of Aging Research. He is an elected member of the American Society for Clinical Investigation and Association of American Physicians. He is a member of the Society for Developmental Biology, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Society for Microbiology and the American Society of Hematology.
**Gary B. Korus, MD**  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Surgery*

Dr. Korus is a highly productive, talented surgeon who has an active practice in general surgery and bariatric surgery with a focus on minimally invasive approaches. He is an enthusiastic and sought after educator of medical students and residents and serves as Site Director for the Surgery 200 clerkship. His service on a number of committees such as the Provision of Care, Treatment and Services Committee, Patient Complaint Monitoring Committee and Professionalism Committee and as a unit-based physician leader has led to important advances in ensuring that all patients at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center receive the highest quality of care. He is a member of a number of professional and scientific societies and is an examiner for the American Board of Surgery.

**Constantinos Koumenis, PhD**  
*Professor of Radiation Oncology*

Dr. Koumenis is a preeminent investigator in radiation oncology who is recognized internationally for his basic and translational research in the field of radiobiology. He investigates the role of the tumor microenvironment on tumor aggression and resistance to therapy with emphasis on the unfolded protein response and the development of radiation response modifiers. He has served as co-leader of the radiobiology and imaging program at the Abramson Cancer Center since 2009 and in 2012, he was named Vice-Chair and Research Division Director in his department. He is co-principal investigator of a five year training grant from the NIH, “Summer Undergraduate Program to Educate Radiation Scientists,” designed to attract talented undergraduate women and minority students into research careers in the disciplines of radiation biology, radiation physics and cancer imaging.

**Jeffrey A. Kramer, MD**  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Emergency Medicine*

Dr. Kramer has distinguished himself as an expert clinician in emergency medicine who is a leader in the use of emergency diagnostic ultrasound studies. He developed and implemented a training and quality-monitoring program in the use of emergency bedside ultrasonography and has also assumed a leadership role in the evaluation of cutting-edge ultrasound techniques. He is an active and highly regarded teacher of medical students, residents and nursing staff. He is acknowledged for his commitment to community service and provides volunteer medical care and education nationally and internationally. He is a member of the American Academy of Emergency Medicine.

**Jill E. Langer, MD**  
*Professor of Radiology at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Langer is acknowledged widely for her expertise in the field of ultrasonography. She co-directs the Thyroid Nodule Clinic at HUP, a multidisciplinary clinic that provides expert sonographic assessment and fine needle aspiration of thyroid nodules and lymph nodes in patients with thyroid cancer. She also provides obstetrical sonography interpretation for the Center for Fetal Diagnosis and Treatment at CHOP. She is a fellow of the American Institute of Ultrasound Medicine, the Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound, and the Society of Uroradiology. In 2011, she received the Wallace T. Miller Teaching Award for Teaching Excellence in her department. She is co-chair and an education advisor for the Subcommittee on Teaching Evaluation for the Perelman School of Medicine Committee on Appointments and Promotions.
Gillian Ladd Lautenbach, MD
*Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics*

Dr. Lautenbach is an excellent clinician, teacher and administrator. She is lead physician for the Penn Internal Medicine Associates practice and is acknowledged for her contributions to improving the outpatient experience and enhancing quality and safety. She is an active and dedicated educator of residents and medical students. She is a member of the Educational Operations Committee and contributes to programmatic changes to ensure exceptional experiences for the residents. She developed and implemented a remediation program for residents who may not meet all standards for success in outpatient medicine. Based on her accomplishments and commitment to clinical excellence, she was invited to co-chair the Service Excellence Team for the CPUP Clinical Operations Committee.

Anita C. Lee, MD
*Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine*

Dr. Lee is an accomplished clinician and educator who provides compassionate and comprehensive care in internal medicine. She is an innovative and dedicated teacher of medical students and residents. She is the course director of Introduction to Clinical Medicine and was instrumental in updating the entire curriculum. Her outstanding teaching contributions have been recognized with the John Eisenberg Teaching Award in 2011 and the Pre-Clinical Teaching Award in 2012. She is a member of the Society of General Internal Medicine and served on the National Board of Medical Examiners for three years as a member of the Test Material Development Committee for Introduction to Clinical Diagnosis.

David I. Lee, MD
*Associate Professor of Urology in Surgery at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Lee is a distinguished and highly productive urological surgeon who specializes in robotic surgery. He investigates advances in techniques for robotics and evaluation of the outcomes of robotic surgical procedures, particularly for prostate cancer. He directs the robotic urologic surgery fellowship and serves as Associate Residency Program Director. He has had a significant role in the American Urological Association leading robotic surgery and simulation education. He is a member of a number of professional and scientific societies including the Society of Robotic Surgery, the Society of Urologic Oncology, and the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

Bruce L. Levine, PhD
*Barbara and Edward Netter Professor in Cancer Gene Therapy*

Dr. Levine is recognized nationally and internationally for his significant contributions to immunotherapy and cellular therapy and for establishing and directing the Clinical Cell and Vaccine Production Facility (CVPF), the model facility for cellular therapy. Under his leadership, the CVPF currently provides manufacturing and regulatory support for over 20 clinical trials in cancers and HIV and infrastructure support overseeing the development and validation of standard operating procedures and biologic master files. He has developed and supported a number of first-in-human trials, including the first application of lentiviral vector-modified cells to treat HIV and malignancy and the first application of zinc finger nucleases to modify target cells. Most recently, he has been one of the leaders in groundbreaking studies of chimeric antigen receptor T cell immunotherapy. He is participating in the development of a novel training program in clinical cell engineering.
Lin Z. Li, PhD  
*Research Associate Professor of Radiology*

Dr. Li is making important contributions in cancer research imaging. He uses magnetic resonance imaging and optical imaging for identifying new cancer biomarkers, assessing cancer metabolism and predicting tumor progression and metastatic potential. His publications are in leading journals including *Clinical Cancer Research, Academic Radiology* and *Cancer Biology and Therapy*. He is an editorial board member of the *Journal of Innovative Optical Health Sciences*. He is a grant reviewer for Cancer Research UK. He is President-Elect of the International Society of Oxygen Transport to Tissue.

David Lin, MD  
*Associate Professor of Medicine at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Lin makes significant contributions as a clinician, educator and investigator. He is an accomplished, highly productive cardiac electrophysiologist who is an expert in the radiofrequency ablation procedures for atrial and ventricular arrhythmias. His independent and collaborative research focuses on the application of new ablation therapies for cardiac arrhythmias. He developed a technique to modify sinus node function in patients with inappropriate sinus tachycardia and dysautonomia. He is a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology and the Heart Rhythm Society, a member of the Council on Clinical Cardiology for the American Heart Association and a Board Examination Question Relevance Reviewer for the American Board of Internal Medicine.

Kristen W. Lynch, PhD  
*Professor of Biochemistry and Biophysics*

Dr. Lynch is an outstanding investigator who is advancing the field of mRNA biochemistry. Her research involves the biochemical mechanisms and regulatory networks that control alternative splicing in response to antigen challenge of the human immune system. She has been instrumental in developing forums such as the RNP Group that brings together researchers interested in RNAs and their attendant proteins across the Perelman School of Medicine, the University and other schools in the Philadelphia area, and the Friday Research Discussion series that provides an ongoing opportunity for students to present their work. She is a member of the Biochemical Society, the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and was recently elected to the Board of the RNA Society.

Lynne G. Maxwell, MD  
*Professor of Anesthesiology and Critical Care at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Maxwell is a nationally prominent pediatric anesthesiologist who is known for her expertise in neonatal anesthesia, difficult airway management, neonatal, infant and pediatric pain management, obstetric anesthesia and anesthesia for fetal interventions during pregnancy. She has served as associate division chief of general anesthesiology at CHOP since 2008. She is leading the development of a pediatric pain education module focused on sickle cell disease sponsored by the National Institutes of Health Pain Consortium. She has held leadership roles in the Society of Pediatric Anesthesia and was elected to membership in the Association of University Anesthesiologists in 2012.
Kevin E. C. Meyers, MBBCh

Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine

Dr. Meyers is a nationally renowned pediatric nephrologist who investigates pediatric renal transplantation, glomerular disorders and hypertension, including cardiovascular outcome after transplantation. His expertise in end-stage renal care, particularly dialysis and transplantation, has enabled the program at CHOP to become one of the largest programs in the United States. He co-founded the Hypertension and Vascular Evaluation (HAVE) Program, one of the first integrated hypertension programs for children in the country. He has served as Director of the fellowship program since 2004. He received the Dean's Teaching Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching in 2008 and the Jean A. Cortner Divisional Teaching Award in 2009.

Jeffrey I. Mondschein, MD

Associate Professor of Clinical Radiology

Dr. Mondschein is a nationally recognized interventional radiologist with special expertise in interventional oncology procedures, interventions for the treatment of portal hypertension, vascular embolization, complex inferior vena cava filter retrieval, as well as enteral access and biliary procedures including cholangioscopic interventions. He is a founding member of the multidisciplinary Liver Tumor Clinic at HUP, a multidisciplinary and multimodality approach for the treatment of liver tumors. He has served as the Director of resident education for interventional radiology since 2002. He participates extensively in continuing medical education and radiology board preparation reviews. He is a member of the Education Committee of the Society of Interventional Radiology and in 2011, he was inducted as a Fellow in recognition of educational excellence in interventional radiology and service to the Society.

Wynne E. Morrison, MD, MBE

Associate Professor of Anesthesiology and Critical Care at the Perelman School of Medicine

Dr. Morrison has made significant contributions to pediatric critical care medicine and pediatric palliative care in the areas of ethics, end-of-life care, patient-family physician communication, and family-centered care. She received the Department of Anesthesia and Critical Care Teaching Award for the Critical Care Division in 2008 and was elected to the Faculty Honor Roll from 2009 through 2011. She co-founded and leads the Kenneth B. Schwartz Center Rounds, a monthly multidisciplinary education program dedicated to the ethical and caring support of children, families and providers in the hospital setting. Her contributions to the Society of Critical Care Medicine have been recognized with several Presidential Citations and the Grenvik Family Award for Ethics, a highly prestigious award. She serves as Vice-Chair of the American College of Critical Medicine Ethics Committee and in 2015, she will chair the committee.
Zissimos Mourelatos, MD
*Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine*
Dr. Mourelatos is an internationally prominent academic neuropathologist whose research contributions are at the forefront of RNA processing and its role in neurodegeneration. In 2012, he was elected to membership in the American Association of University Pathologists (The Pluto Society). He is a reviewer for *Science, Nature, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* and *The Journal of Clinical Investigation*. He is a permanent member of the MGB Study Section of the NIH and an ad hoc member of numerous additional NIH study sections. He directs the neuropathology fellowship program. He is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Association of Neuropathologists.

Jason G. Newman, MD
*Associate Professor of Otorhinolaryngology: Head and Neck Surgery at the Perelman School of Medicine*
Dr. Newman is a gifted head and neck oncologic and reconstructive surgeon, with particular expertise in skull base surgery. His research involves the management of skull base tumors, including the role of robotic and advanced endoscopic surgery. In 2010, he was named Director of Head and Neck Cancer Surgery at Pennsylania Hospital. He co-directs the Head and Neck Skull Base Fellowship. In 2010, he received the Joseph P. Atkins Resident Teaching Award. He is a member of the CME Compliance and Measurement Committee of the American Head and Neck Society and served as President from 2011 through 2013 of the Pennsylvania Academy of Otolaryngology.

Jeanmarie Perrone, MD
*Professor of Emergency Medicine at the Perelman School of Medicine*
Dr. Perrone is a national leader in emergency medicine and medical toxicology who investigates prescription opioid abuse and monitoring as well as prevention techniques that support safe prescribing. In 2012, she was selected by the American College of Medical Toxicology to collaborate with the National Association of Medical Examiners and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the development of the Collaborative Guidelines in Determining Deaths from Opiate and Opioid Poisoning. She participates in the Toxicology Interest Section: Developing a Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Multi-State Working Group of Emergency Physicians of the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine.

Robert J. Pignolo, MD, PhD
*Associate Professor of Medicine at the Perelman School of Medicine*
Dr. Pignolo excels as a clinician, investigator and educator. His areas of research in the field of bone biology and aging involve mechanisms that explain age-related effects on the skeleton such as telomere maintenance and the bone microenvironment that influences senescent mesenchymal stem cells. He has been highly successful in garnering support for his research. In 2004, he was named Director of the Ralston-Penn Clinic for Osteoporosis and Related Bone Disorders. He has served as Associate Director of the Structure–Function Biomechanical Core in the Penn Center for Musculoskeletal Disorders since 2009, and in 2011, he was named the Director of the Histology Core. In 2012, he received the Early Career Excellence in Teaching Award from the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research.
Daniel A. Pryma, MD  
*Associate Professor of Radiology at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Pryma has emerged as a leader in nuclear medicine and molecular imaging. His body of work includes investigations in molecular imaging, radionuclide therapy, and cancer imaging clinical trials. He was Program Director of the Nuclear Medicine Residency and Fellowship from 2010 through 2012. He is actively engaged in education at the national level, serving as a member of the Education Task Force of the Center for Molecular Imaging Innovation and Translation for the Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging (SNM). He chairs the Nuclear Medicine Subcommittee of the Reporting Committee for the Radiological Society of North America and is Vice-President Elect of the Nuclear Medicine Oncology Council of SNM. He was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Board of Nuclear Medicine.

Sally Pullman-Mooar, MD  
*Professor of Clinical Medicine*

Dr. Pullman-Mooar is an outstanding clinician, teacher and administrator who is known as a skilled diagnostician and provider of compassionate patient-centered care in rheumatology. Under her leadership, the clinical volume and quality of the rheumatology services at the Philadelphia Veterans Affairs Medical Center (PVAMC) have increased. She was responsible for a major clinical and educational innovation, the introduction of musculoskeletal ultrasound to the clinical practice of rheumatology at Penn and the VA. In 2012, she received the Division of Rheumatology Outstanding Teacher Award. As the Chief of the Rheumatology Section and Interim Associate Chief of Staff for Medicine for the PVAMC, she has led improvements in infrastructure and care and assisted in the redesign of the medical teaching service. She serves on the Internal Medicine Scientific Program Committee and Curriculum Committee for the American College of Physicians.

Muredach P. Reilly, MBBCh, MSCE  
*Professor of Medicine*

Dr. Reilly is an outstanding physician-scientist who is advancing the field of cardiovascular disease and genetics. His clinical and translational research is on the molecular and genomic basis of the metabolic syndrome and atherosclerosis. He is a member of the American Society for Clinical Investigation and the Royal College of Physicians in Ireland. In 2013, he received the William Osler Patient Oriented Research Award, a Penn Medicine Award of Excellence. He is a standing member of the NIH Atherosclerosis and Inflammation of the Cardiovascular System Study Section and a member of an American Heart Association study section. He was appointed as the Associate Director of the cardiovascular fellowship training program in 2013. At a national level, he is the co-founder and coordinator of the American Heart Association Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology Council Mentoring Program.
Iris M. Reyes, MD
Professor of Clinical Emergency Medicine

Dr. Reyes makes extraordinary contributions to Penn Medicine. In addition to being an excellent clinician who provides culturally sensitive care in the emergency room, she has served as an Advisory Dean in the Office of Student Affairs for the School since 2004. She has received numerous teaching awards including the Penn Medicine Minority Hall of Fame Award in 2012, the Penn Pearls Award in 2013, and the Visionary Educator Award of the Academy for Diversity and Inclusion in Emergency Medicine from the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine in 2013. She was inducted into the Hall of Heroes at the Annual Medical Education Conference of the Student National Medical Association in 2013 and the Gold Humanism Honor Society in 2014. She is the founder of the Alliance of Minority Physicians, a community of underrepresented physicians throughout UPHS and CHOP focusing on recruitment, retention and promotion of trainees and junior faculty. She is a member of the Undergraduate Education Committee and the Diversity Committee of the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine and a member of the Advisory Committee of the National Hispanic Medical Association. She served as Chair of the Medical Faculty Senate Steering Committee in 2013-14.

Karin V. Rhodes, MD, MS
Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine

Dr. Rhodes is a national leader in academic emergency medicine whose innovative health services research focuses on important issues in emergency care including intimate partner violence, access to primary, specialty and behavioral health care, and measuring and identifying system issues related to quality emergency care. She developed Promote Health, a publicly available health risk appraisal that has been adapted for use in health care and criminal justice settings to identify patients with psychosocial and behavioral risks and provide them with appropriate mental health and social resources. Her article in The New England Journal of Medicine entitled “Access to Specialty Care for Children with Public Versus Private Insurance” was selected by Academy Health as one of the five notable articles of 2012. That same year, she was awarded the Academy for Women in Academic Emergency Medicine Research Award. She received the American Public Health Association’s Student Assembly Public Health Mentoring Award in 2011.

David Rubin, MD, MSCE
Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine

Dr. Rubin is a prominent clinician, educator and investigator who is having an impact on child welfare and health policy in the United States. His innovative community-partnered research focuses on the effects of home visitation to prevent child abuse and neglect, the outcomes of children in foster care including the use of psychotropic medications by these children, and hospitalizations of abused children. He has served as Associate Director of the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program since 2008. He is a member of a number of professional and scientific societies including the Helfer Society for Child Maltreatment, the Society for Pediatric Research, and the American Pediatrics Association.
Prithvi S. Sankar, MD  
*Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology*

Dr. Sankar is a clinical expert in the field of ophthalmology, particularly as a glaucoma specialist. He has served as the Director of Medical Education for the department since 2003. He has received the American Academy of Ophthalmology’s Achievement Award, resident teaching awards, a Dean’s Award for Excellence in Teaching in Clinical Teaching at an Affiliated Hospital, and two Penn Pearls Awards. He has been invited to conduct several courses for the American Academy of Ophthalmology and serves on their Compass Committee which prepares ophthalmologists for recertification exams. He also serves on the Multimedia Committee and Fellowship Compliance Committee for the American Glaucoma Society and the MedEd Consortium and Fellowship Compliance Committee for the Association of University Professors in Ophthalmology. He works with medical students through Sight Savers to conduct vision and glaucoma screenings for medically underserved individuals at community events.

Courtney A. Schreiber, MD, MPH  
*Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Schreiber is an accomplished and prominent clinician, investigator and educator. She is known nationally for her expertise and innovations in the fields of family planning, contraception, and HIV prevention. She founded and directs the acclaimed Penn Family Planning and Pregnancy Loss Center and has led a multidisciplinary effort to establish management of miscarriages in the emergency department. She received the Emily Hartshorne Award for her contributions to the field of family health in 2011 and the Women’s Way Unsung Heroine Award in 2010. She established and directs the highly regarded fellowship in family planning. In 2011, she received the Penn Pearls Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Sabah-E-Noor Servaes, MD  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Radiology*

Dr. Servaes excels as a pediatric radiologist, teacher and administrator. She is recognized nationally for her expertise in radiation reduction techniques. She is Section Director of Body Computed Tomography (CT) and is known for efficient oversight of the division, development of new CT protocols, and implementation of new CT technology. As Director of the residency program at CHOP and pediatric residency fellowship program, she has a key role in defining the educational agenda and organizing the training programs for the department. She has developed new lecturing tools and innovative teaching methods to prepare residents for the American Board of Radiology Core examinations.

Deborah A. Sesok-Pizzini, MD, MBA  
*Professor of Clinical Pathology and Laboratory Medicine*

Dr. Sesok-Pizzini is a distinguished leader in transfusion medicine practice, education and patient safety. She is the Patient Safety Officer for the department of pathology and laboratory medicine at CHOP. She has served as Medical Director of the Blood Bank and Transfusion Medicine at CHOP since 2004 and in 2013, she was appointed Chief of the Division of Transfusion Medicine at CHOP. She developed a laboratory management- and patient safety-focused curriculum for the pathology residency training program and a blood bank rotation for fellows in pediatric anesthesia. She is an active member of the AABB Advancing Transfusion and Cellular Therapies Worldwide, the College of American Pathologists, and the American Red Cross.
Carrie A. Sims, MD, MS  
*Associate Professor of Surgery at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Sims excels as an academic trauma surgeon. Her research focuses on hemorrhagic shock, novel resuscitative strategies, traumatic brain injury, and the endocrinology of trauma and critical illness. She was named Research Director of the Division of Traumatology in Surgical Critical Care and Emergency Surgery in 2011. She is recognized as an outstanding clinician and, in her role as the unit-based clinical leader for Dulles 6 in HUP, she has implemented a number of patient care initiatives. She is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a member of a number of other professional and scientific societies including the Society of Critical Care Medicine, the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma and the Association for Academic Surgery.

Sara A. Slattery, MD  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine*

Dr. Slattery is an accomplished clinician and educator who provides exceptional primary care. She focuses on maintaining wellness in patients and managing chronic diseases and is a strong advocate for health care for the underserved. She has collaborated on the development of a physician-led nutrition and exercise program for obese and diabetic patients and created a health manual for the education of these patients. She serves as Chair for the Medicare Wellness Committee charged with creating a Health Assessment Form to be implemented across Penn primary care practices ensuring standardization of wellness visits. She is a dedicated and highly effective teacher, mentor and role model for medical students and residents. She is a member of the American College of Physicians/American Society of Internal Medicine and is certified as a personal trainer.

Ben Z. Stanger, MD, PhD  
*Associate Professor of Medicine*

Dr. Stanger is a world leader in the field of gastrointestinal development and malignancies. His cutting-edge investigations bridge the fields of cancer biology, developmental biology and regenerative medicine to advance the understanding of how stem cells and progenitor cells in the vertebrate liver and pancreas behave during development, organ regeneration, and carcinogenesis. In 2011, he was elected to the American Society of Clinical Investigation. In 2013, he received the Michael S. Brown New Investigator Research Award, a Penn Medicine Award of Excellence, and the Excellence in Faculty Research Award within the division of gastroenterology. He is a member of professional and scientific societies including the American Gastroenterological Association, the American Association for Cancer Research, the American Association for the Study of Liver Disease and the Society for Developmental Biology.

S. William Stavropoulos, MD  
*Professor of Radiology at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Stavropoulos is a nationally prominent interventional radiologist whose clinical research involves aortic stent graft endoleaks, inferior vena caval filters and the use of alternative contrast agents for patients with acute renal failure or contrast allergy. In 2012, he was named Vice-Chair for Clinical Operations in his department. He has been Program Director for the interventional radiology fellowship since 2010. He has delivered several plenary lectures and has served as a faculty member for workshops at the Society of Interventional Radiology annual scientific meetings. He is a member of the Professional Education Committee of the Society of Interventional Radiology and the American Roentgen Ray Society.
Paul J. Tapino, MD  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology*

Dr. Tapino is a comprehensive ophthalmologist who is known for his clinical acumen and empathic care. He makes key contributions as an educator of medical students and residents and has demonstrated excellence in teaching and innovative curriculum development. He instituted a faculty/resident mentoring program, developed a surgical elective abroad for the residents, and had a critical role in obtaining a state-of-the-art surgical simulator for the Veterans Affairs Medical Center. He has served as the Residency Program Director since 2010. In 2012, he received the Jeffrey W. Berger Golden Apple Teaching Award. He is a member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the Association of University Professors of Ophthalmology.

Jesse A. Taylor, MD  
*Associate Professor of Surgery at the Perelman School of Medicine*

Dr. Taylor is a highly accomplished plastic surgeon who is recognized for his expertise in pediatric plastic surgery and craniofacial surgery. His research focuses on bone and periosteal tissue engineering, complex pediatric airway management, and minimally invasive craniofacial procedures. In 2010, he received the American Association of Plastic Surgeons Academic Scholar Award, a highly competitive award that recognizes a surgeon’s potential to work as an independent investigator. He is an outstanding educator and mentor of medical students, residents and fellows. He is Program Director of the Craniofacial Fellowship and, under his leadership, the program received certification by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education.

Julia C. Tchou, MD, PhD  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Surgery*

Dr. Tchou is an accomplished breast surgeon whose superb clinical judgment and broad surgical and medical oncologic knowledge are widely acknowledged. She is an integral member of the multidisciplinary team of the Rena Rowan Breast Center. She is an active and highly regarded educator of medical students, residents and fellows. She is course director of the breast surgery elective and co-director of the breast surgery fellowship. She is a member of the Society of Surgical Oncology and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. She is a member of the Program Committee of the Association of Academic Surgery and a member of a number of other professional and scientific societies. She is the editor of *Advances in Breast Cancer Research*.

Sigrid C. Veasey, MD  
*Professor of Medicine*

Dr. Veasey is an international leader in the field of neuronal injury in sleep apnea who investigates the mechanisms underlying neuronal injury in obstructive sleep apnea and mechanisms of metabolic injury to wake-active neurons. She received the prestigious Elliot D. Weitzman Innovative Sleep Research Award from the Sleep Research Society in 2012. She recently received the Samuel T. Kuna Excellence in Research Mentoring Award within the division of sleep medicine. She is a member of the Research Committee of the Sleep Research Society, the Respiratory Neurobiology and Sleep Planning Committee of the American Thoracic Society, the Part I Committee of the American Board of Sleep Medicine, and the Society for Neuroscience.
Frederick B. Vivino, MD, MS  
*Professor of Clinical Medicine*

Dr. Vivino is a nationally recognized rheumatologist. He created the Penn Sjögren’s Syndrome Center, one of the nation’s largest centers that provides expert multidisciplinary care to patients who suffer from this serious complex autoimmune disease. He is the Chief of Rheumatology at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center. He has frequently been invited to present “Meet the Professor” sessions at the annual scientific meeting of the American College of Rheumatology, the premier international rheumatology meeting. He has been involved in defining the American College of Rheumatology’s classification criteria for Sjögren’s syndrome. He has had leadership roles in the Sjögren’s Syndrome Foundation.

Robert H. Vonderheide, MD, DPhil  
*Hannah Wise Professor in Cancer Research*

Dr. Vonderheide is a distinguished and influential leader in cancer immunology and immunotherapy who uses basic research and clinical investigation to advance the understanding of tumor immunology and to develop novel immunotherapies for cancer. He has an impressive history of grant support. He is a standing member of the NIH Cancer Immunopathology and Immunotherapy Study Section. He excels as an educator and mentor in the classroom, laboratory and clinical settings. He is a highly sought after speaker at major national and international meetings. He is an active member of the American Association of Cancer Research and currently serves as chair of the Immunology Working Group.

Kelly C. Wade, MD, PhD, MSCE  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics*

Dr. Wade is a distinguished neonatologist who is an expert in pharmacologic interventions in neonates. She is the neonatology leader for quality and safety and physician lead for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and the NICHQ Best Fed Beginnings Team at Pennsylvania Hospital. She is an active and committed educator of medical students, residents and fellows. Her teaching complements her clinical activities and focuses on the care of healthy to critically-ill newborns and infants, neonatal pharmacotherapy and effective communication with parents in the delivery room, newborn nursery and neonatal/infant intensive care unit. She has lectured at the American Academy of Pediatrics neonatal board preparation course.

Eliot M. Wallack, MD  
*Associate Professor of Clinical Neurology*

Dr. Wallack is an accomplished and highly respected neurologist who is known for responsive service, excellent care and a high level of patient satisfaction. He provides general neurology care to outpatients and inpatient consultative services at Penn Medicine Rittenhouse. He is also an enthusiastic and highly effective educator of medical students and residents. He is an active member of the American Academy of Neurology.
Li-San Wang, PhD

*Associate Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine*

Dr. Wang is an accomplished independent and collaborative researcher who is making critical contributions to the development of bioinformatics methods and their applications to human disease, a strategic priority for the Perelman School of Medicine. He uses bioinformatics, genomics and genetics approaches to focus on Alzheimer’s disease and other neurodegenerative disorders. He is associate editor of the *Journal of Alzheimer’s Disease* and a member of the editorial board of *International Journal of Data Mining and Bioinformatics*. He is a member of several professional and scientific societies including the Association for Computing Machinery, American Society for Human Genetics, Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE), the Society for Neuroscience and the International Society for Computational Biology.

Jayne R. Wilkinson, MD

*Associate Professor of Clinical Neurology*

Dr. Wilkinson excels as a clinician, educator and administrator. As Associate Clinical Director of the Parkinson's Disease Research, Education and Clinical Center (PADRECC) at the Veteran's Affairs Medical Center, she oversees the day-to-day clinical operations of a multidisciplinary clinical team caring for veterans. She has been instrumental in developing innovative programs to improve clinical care including tools to improve medication compliance and instruction, electronic patient educational materials, an inter-facility consult program, and a clinical telehealth program. She founded and chairs the National Clinical Care Committee, composed of the Associate Clinical Directors and nursing leaders of six PADRECCs focused on standardizing and improving care across the PADRECC national network. She is a dedicated educator who serves as the PADRECC Fellowship Program Director. She is a member of the Movement Disorders Society, the American Academy of Neurology, and the Parkinson's Study Group.

David A. Wolk, MD

*Associate Professor of Neurology*

Dr. Wolk is a nationally recognized academic neurologist in the field of neurology, particularly cognitive neurology. His innovative research uses event-related potentials, structural and functional magnetic resonance imaging and novel psychometric testing to study memory measures and other markers that allow for early detection of Alzheimer’s disease and the cognitive changes associated with aging. In 2011, he received the prestigious Norman Geschwind Prize in Behavioral Neurology from the American Academy of Neurology. In 2012, he was elected to the Memory Disorders Research Society. He has reviewed grants for the Alzheimer’s Association International Grant Research Program.
John H. Woo, MD  
Associate Professor of Radiology at the Perelman School of Medicine

Dr. Woo is advancing the field of brain imaging technologies in such areas as advanced magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) techniques, including perfusion MRI, MR Spectroscopy, and diffusion tensor imaging, with a particular emphasis in the imaging of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). He was integral to the development of a multidisciplinary group bridging imaging technology and clinical neurology to focus on MRI characterization of ALS. In 2010, he was named Director of Neuro-CT at HUP. He is an excellent educator and mentor of medical students, undergraduate and graduate students, residents and fellows. He is a member of the International Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine and the American Society of Neuroradiology.

Craig S. Wynne, MD  
Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine

Dr. Wynne is a prominent primary care clinician who is considered the “go-to person” for advice on the most complicated patients. In 2013, he received the Sylvan Eisman Outstanding Primary Care Physician Award, a Penn Medicine Award of Excellence. In his role as the lead physician in the Edward S. Cooper Practice at 3701 Market Street, he introduced practice innovations such as improving the quality and safety of narcotic prescribing through the use of protocols, controlled medication agreements, urine drug testing and health records standard of care, developing multidisciplinary care teams for high risk patient management, improving access to the practices, and enhancing the triage of patient care issues. He has also been the lead for the electronic health record governance committee for general internal medicine. He is an outstanding educator of medical students and residents and is recognized for demonstrating humanism and professionalism.

Jianxin You, PhD  
Associate Professor of Microbiology

Dr. You is an innovative and accomplished investigator who is making important contributions that are advancing the field of viral oncogenesis. She focuses on human papillomavirus (HPV), the primary risk factor for cervical, anogenital and oropharyngeal cancers, and on Merkel Cell polyomavirus (MCV), the cause of a rare, highly aggressive form of skin cancer. Her research on the biological function of Brd4, an important host target for HPV and MCV, is considered particularly important. She is an organizer of the 7th International Conference on HPV, Polyomavirus and UV in Skin Cancer in April 2014 and the 29th International Papillomavirus Conference and Clinical and Public Health Workshops in August 2014.

Joseph J. Zorc, MD, MSCE  
Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine

Dr. Zorc is an expert in the emergency care of children with acute respiratory illnesses, particularly asthma and bronchiolitis. His research focuses on the management of pediatric respiratory illnesses in the emergency department and has led to guidelines that have standardized care. His leadership in working with clinical information systems has been instrumental in promoting research, quality, clinical care and the integration of the electronic medical record into practice to aid in the care of children, both nationally and throughout CHOP. He is a member of the Society for Academic Medicine and the Society for Pediatric Research. He participated as a debater for the prestigious Academic Pediatric Association annual meeting debate in May 2013.
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