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Other support staff: 1 NP, 2 RNs, 1 LICSW

Program Specifics:

3 year program, 1 fellow per year

Our Mission: To provide superb training in the field of pediatric rheumatology and to graduate pediatric rheumatology clinicians capable of providing excellent patient care and conducting high quality research

Clinical Training:

- Hands-on learning with individual fellow continuity clinics throughout all 3 years of fellowship ensures longitudinal care of patients
- Combined subspecialty clinics foster collaboration in care
- Robust didactic training with weekly pediatric rheumatology educational lectures, weekly combined grand rounds with adult rheumatology – prepares fellows for boards and clinical practice
- Combined fellows curriculum for all pediatric subspecialty fellows covering education, research, ethics, and clinical practice in medicine
- Fellows encouraged to take on leadership roles in clinical practice, research endeavors, and community outreach

Research:

- Multiple opportunities to pursue clinical or basic science/translational research through our division and Feinstein Institutes for Medical Research (<https://feinstein.northwell.edu/>)
- Active participation in:
 - CARRA (Childhood Arthritis and Rheumatology Research Alliance) - international research group
 - PR-COIN (Pediatric Rheumatology Care and Outcomes Improvement Network) - international quality improvement learning health system

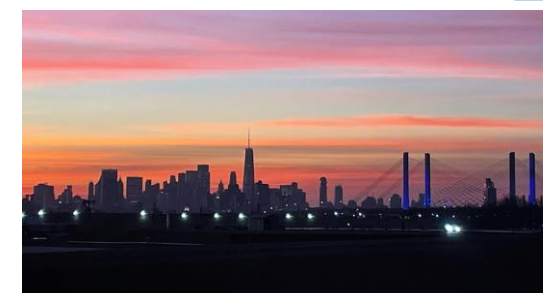
Our Center:

Our tertiary care children's hospital draws patients from the greater New York area, one of the most diverse areas in the world, allowing for broad exposure to a vast array of pediatric rheumatic diseases



Living in Long Island:

Enjoy the natural beauty of Long Island, as well as easy access to the vibrant city of New York with world-class dining and culture!



Learn more here!

<https://professionals.northwell.edu/graduate-medical-education/fellowship-pediatric-rheumatology-cohen-children-medical-center>



UCSD Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship Program

World Class Clinical Training

- Unparalleled diversity in pathophysiology
- Diverse patient population
- Only Pediatrics in large catchment area
 - Largest Children's Hospital in California
 - 5th largest Children's Hospital in the US
 - Busiest international border in the world
- Outstanding clinical teaching/mentorship
- Consult only service; +RN night triage
- Outpatient general rheum, combined rheum-renal, rheum-derm, special focus on myositis, lupus and transition of care
- Multiple electives available
- Weekly academic and case conferences
- Opportunity for MSK-US training

Live the Dream in San Diego

- Perfect weather promotes healthy outdoor activities: surf, sail, hike
- San Diego Symphony, La Jolla Music Society, Rady Shell
- Petco Park, Snapdragon Stadium

Welcome to the UCSD Peds Rheum Fellowship!

Our program offers broad exposure to both common and rare pediatric rheumatic diseases, with an emphasis on bedside and clinical teaching, career and personal development, and opportunities to pursue learning through research or other academic endeavors. Our goal is to train future leaders in the field. We provide a strong foundation in Pediatric Rheumatology as well as training for an academic career. UCSD draws physicians of diverse backgrounds from all over the country and world. We are intellectually curious, passionate, supportive, and dedicated to our goal to better understand and treat rheumatic disease and to train more pediatric rheumatologists. The fellowship program allows flexibility for tailored training experiences based on the specific interests of the fellow. Congratulations on choosing to join the Pediatric Rheumatology community! We are excited to have you here at UCSD and Rady Children's Hospital and hope you enjoy your time with us.

For more information:

Fellowship Director: Johanna Chang jchang@rchsd.org

<https://pediatrics.ucsd.edu/divisions/allergy-immunology-rheumatology/fellowship.html>

World Class Research

- UCSD Pediatrics ranks #2 in NIH funding
- Vast and varied academic opportunities
- Customized to match fellow's career path
- Numerous opportunities for fellow research
- Bi-weekly fellows conference
- Individualized tracks and mentorship:
 - Physician Scientist, Clinical Research (CREST), Clinician Educator (FACET), QI methodology
- Collaborations with local famed institutions:
 - TSRI, Salk Institute, JCVI, LJI, SBP Discovery, UCSD CTRI, UCSD/RCHSD Institutes of Genomic Medicine, > 500 Biotechnology Companies, etc.
- Opportunities for mini-MBA and MPH



<https://www.rchsd.org/programs-services/rheumatology/team/>



Medical College of Wisconsin Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship



<https://www.mcw.edu/departments/pediatrics/divisions/rheumatology/fellowship-program>

Faculty & Fellows



Program Highlights

Clinical Experience

- Fellow continuity clinic with graded autonomy
- Busy children's hospital with wide catchment area: inpatient consult opportunities
- Electives: Dermatology, Sports Medicine, Nephrology, Ophthalmology, Pain Clinic

Education

- Weekly board review and journal club
- Immunology review series
- Hands-on ultrasound training

Institution Culture

- 6 attendings with diverse academic interests
- Collaboration with other subspecialists
- Outstanding nurses & support staff

Life in Milwaukee



Children’s Hospital at Montefiore Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship Program

Our CHAM Family

Holiday and birthday celebrations



Strong emphasis on wellness



Lupus Awareness Day



Team building events



Program Highlights

The Pediatric Rheumatology fellowship at Children’s Hospital at Montefiore (CHAM) and Albert Einstein College of Medicine is a three-year program with the goal of training physicians to become academic leaders in pediatric rheumatology. We are fortunate to serve a racially and economically diverse community in the Bronx/Westchester, providing trainees with exposure to a wide range of rheumatologic diseases, varying medical complexities and an understanding of the psychosocial and economic impact on physical illness.

The Pediatric Rheumatology fellowship training program has been accredited since July 2008. Trainees have been consistently recruited from top institutions across the US, with 100% board pass rate and 100% of fellows securing their top choice in faculty placement upon graduation.

Program Highlights:

- **Our team:** 5 board certified pediatric rheumatology faculty with expertise in JDM, SLE, Scleroderma, JIA, mental health, healthcare disparities and medical education; 4 fellows (including 1 Med/Peds position); 1 staff nurse; 1 research coordinator; administrative staff and social work support
- **Clinical:** Broad exposure to all aspects of pediatric rheumatic disease with a wide range of clinical presentations. Close interdisciplinary involvement with adult rheumatology, dermatology, nephrology, immunogenetics, pulmonary and ophthalmology. Dedicated specialized clinics in MSK Ultrasound, Lupus Nephritis, Interstitial Lung Disease.
- **Education:** Weekly didactic sessions including grand rounds, journal club and case-based modules. Dedicated specialized curriculum for immunology, research methodology, quality improvement and MSK ultrasound. Fellows research course and advanced educational opportunities for formal training in research methodology (MS, MPH).
- **Research:** Scholarly opportunities available in collaboration with other disciplines within the institution, nationally and internationally. Strong track record with external funding. Extensive involvement with research consortiums such as the Childhood Arthritis and Rheumatology Research Alliance (CARRA), IMACS and patient-focused foundations.

Geographic Area

Children’s Hospital at Montefiore



Close to Manhattan



World Famous Bronx Zoo



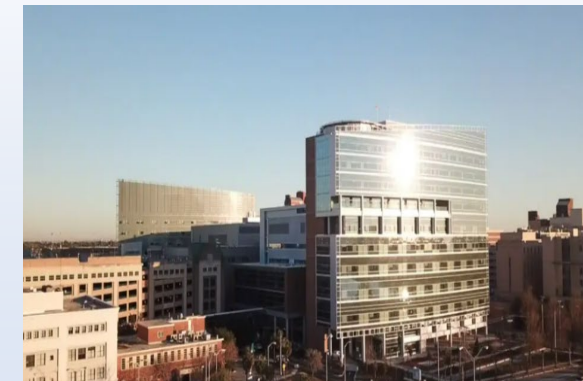
Bronx Botanical Gardens



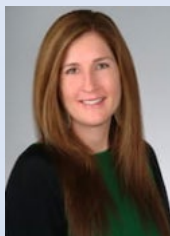
Click here to learn more: [CHAM fellowship tour](#)



Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship



Pediatric Rheumatology Faculty



Natasha Ruth
Division Chief &
Program Director
Co-Director, Program
on Physician Well-Being



Mileka Gilbert
Medical Director for Health
Engagement, Children's &
Women's ICCE
Senior Associate Dean for
Engagement, COM



Kate Silver
Director,
Transition Clinic



Emily Vara
Co-Director,
Pediatric Clerkship

Emeritus Physicians



Murray Passo
Professor Emeritus



Robert Warren
Professor Emeritus

Pediatric Rheumatology Fellows



Chelsea Reynolds
Graduating Fellow



Sonal Patel
Current Fellow



Madeleine Ward
Current Fellow

Program Highlights

- First established Pediatric Rheumatology Program in the state of South Carolina
- 1 Med/Peds or 1 categorical pediatric fellowship position per year
- Cohesive/Strong relationship with Adult Rheumatology and Adult Rheumatology Fellowship Program-nationally recognized in med/peds fellowship training
- Awarded Highly competitive T32 training grant with Adult Rheumatology
- Two Emeritus Status Physicians who attend fellow's teaching didactic sessions and provide mentorship support
- Internationally/Nationally Recognized Research Programs – Lupus and Scleroderma
- Member of Pediatric Rheumatology Care and Outcomes Improvement Network
- Actively recruiting patients into Childhood Arthritis Rheumatology Research Alliance Registry

Training Areas

Training is provided in all areas of pediatric rheumatology including but not limited to:

- Acute Rheumatic Fever
- Fibromyalgia/Amplified Pain Syndromes
- Inflammatory Syndromes including Periodic Fever Syndromes
- Joint Hypermobility
- Juvenile Dermatomyositis
- Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis
- Localized Scleroderma/Morphea
- Reactive Arthritis
- Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
- Systemic Sclerosis
- Vasculitis

MISSION: To develop physicians that are clinically competent in the diagnosis and management of children with rheumatic diseases and related conditions. Trainees will have acquired the skills and knowledge to succeed in an academic health care setting and possess habits of life-long learning to build upon their knowledge, skills and professionalism.

Our Team

- ❖ 7 faculty physicians **eager to teach**; increasing to 8 in 2027
- ❖ 5 nurses, 2 medical assistants, social worker, research coordinators
- ❖ 1 fellowship coordinator, 1 practice manager, 3 administrative assistants

Didactic Sessions

- ❖ Weekly Clinical Care Conference
- ❖ Weekly Rheumatology Grand Rounds with Emory Adult Rheum friends
- ❖ Monthly musculoskeletal radiology rounds
- ❖ Monthly journal club with pediatric nephrology friends
- ❖ Monthly board review
- ❖ Various didactics throughout the year (rheum JC, QI projects, etc)

Highlights

- ❖ Attendance at **scientific meeting** each year of fellowship
- ❖ Opportunity to learn **musculoskeletal ultrasound**
 - 2 faculty are USSONAR certified
- ❖ Emory Department of Pediatrics fellow lecture series:
 - FIRST Research Course
 - Quality Improvement Course
 - Teaching Seminars
 - Ethics Seminars
- ❖ Department sponsored educational fund
- ❖ Multiple teaching opportunities with residents and medical students
- ❖ FREE LUNCH and PARKING!!
- ❖ **Guaranteed funding for all 3 years of fellowship!**



Fellow Testimonials:

- The diversity of the Georgia population leads to a tremendous diversity in the rheumatology pathology that we see, which is critical for a great foundation of training.
- The fellowship program genuinely fosters what interests you - clinical, research, combination, etc. - which is unique as some programs gear you towards one track or the other.
- The faculty are exceptional and truly prioritize your growth as a Pediatric Rheumatologist and learning above all else.
- As a trainee at Emory/CHOA, I found the work environment to be incredibly supportive.
- Everyone is friendly and invested in helping fellows succeed in their own chosen path.
- Atlanta cuisine is AMAZING!

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Sponsoring Institution

Baylor
College of
Medicine



Visit our Website



PEDIATRIC RHEUMATOLOGY FELLOWSHIP

Training Site



Program Highlights

- Our mission is to recruit, train, and empower individuals with diverse interests and backgrounds to become leaders in pediatric rheumatology.
- National mentoring initiatives (AMIGO) and community engagement.
- Faculty and fellow leadership in AAP, ACR and CARRA.
- CARRA and PR-COIN sites.
- Involved in several drug trials.
- Advanced degree opportunities.
- Dedicated curriculum: Boot camp, Didactic Wednesdays, Board Review, MSK US curriculum, Pathology-Renal conference.
- Non-medical drivers of health engagement opportunities.
- Fellowship funding by Rheumatology Research and Arthritis Foundation.

Top Medical Center

- TCH earned U.S. News & World Report Best Children's Hospitals Honor Roll status and was ranked #1 in Texas and the Southwest.
- Located in the heart of the Texas Medical Center in Houston.
- TCH has 4 hospitals and 8 satellite clinics.
- Large pediatric rheumatology center (13 attendings, 2 advanced NPs, 8 fellows, 1 clinical care coord, 1 SW, 1 psychologist, 2 research coords, & dedicated nursing).
- The Department of Pediatrics at BCM has the largest pediatric residency program in the U.S.



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University of Alabama at Birmingham Heersink School of Medicine Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship

Forbes 2021: UAB named America's No. 1 Best Large Employer, No. 4 for Diversity nationally
US News & World Report 2022: Children's of Alabama, #1 in the Southeast

UAB
DEPARTMENT
OF PEDIATRICS



Children's
of Alabama®



Faculty



Faculty and Staff



Facilities

Division created: 2007

Fellowship program ACGME approved: 2009

7 pediatric rheumatologists, 5 nurse practitioners

A generous donation/endowment allows us to accept 1 fellow every 3 years, but we are flexible to add more with grant funding from the Rheumatology Research Foundation, the Arthritis Foundation, and support from relevant (Rheumatology, Immunology) campus training grants.

Reasoned and aggressive approach to therapy

2/3 years protected time: lab time, advanced degree

At graduation, our fellows are well prepared clinically and academically in all aspects of Pediatric Rheumatology.

MED-PEDS welcome, partnership with top 10 Adult Rheum Fellowship

<http://www.uab.edu/medicine/peds/rheum>



Camp MASH
One week of patient fun in Mobile, AL

Indiana University Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship



Program Highlights

- Only pediatric rheumatology program in the state of Indiana
- Design a training program that fits your career path (clinical, education, research, QI)
- Weekly Didactics
- Opportunity for Masters in [Clinical Research](#) and Clinical Pharmacology
- [Academy of Teaching Scholars](#)
- [Children's Clinical Research Center](#)
- Faculty leaders in CARRA, AAP and ACR
- Participation in PENTA, ACR, CARRA, PRSYM

- 8 pediatric rheumatologists
- 5 nurses
- 1 PT
- 4 research coordinators, and wonderful admin staff

Additional Info:



<https://medicine.iu.edu/pediatrics/specialties/rheumatology/fellowship>



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Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship

Contact [Angela Byun Robinson](#), Program Director, or [Laurie Staltari](#), Fellowship Coordinator, via these links

- **Faculty, Fellows, and Staff**

- 5 attendings
- New program – up to 3 fellows, 1 per academic year
- 1 nurse coordinator, social worker

- **Program Specifics**

- **Clinical Sites**

- Cleveland Clinic Children's main
- Family Health Centers
- Cleveland Clinic Children's Hospital for Rehabilitation

- **Academic Sites and Oversight**

- Campus with multiple professional schools and large tertiary care hospital, committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine and Department of Pediatrics
- Adult Rheumatology ranked #3 in country in US News, robust adult fellowship program
- Graduate Medical Education office
- Department of Pediatrics fellowship oversight

- **Program Structure**

- Full funding for all fellows, Workforce Expansion Grant
- 1st year primarily clinical with 1 mo research and 1 mo elective, 2nd and 3rd years primarily research with continuity clinic
- Multiple weekly academic and case conferences with adult rheumatology, peds dermatology, immunology, and radiology
- 2 faculty US SONAR certification
- Members of CARRA, PENTA, and collaboration with Sick Kids



- **Program Culture**

- Collaborative life-long learners
- Devoted to patient-centered care for rheumatological diseases
- Evidence and experience-based teaching
- Training tailored to career goals
- Clinical, educational, and bench research available

- **Hospital Culture**

- Large quaternary care referral center
- Urban, suburban, and rural Amish populations
- International referrals and 3rd opinions
- Committed to patient, faculty, staff, and trainee wellness

- **Geographic Area:**

- Cleveland – urban/suburban low cost of living
- Metroparks system
- 4 season weather
- Cavaliers, Guardians, Browns sports teams, Cleveland Orchestra and Cleveland Museum of Art are within walking distance of hospital



Stanford Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship



Faculty

- Imelda Balboni, MD, PhD
- Tzielan Lee, MD
- Joyce Hsu, MD, MS
- Rajdeep Pooni, MD, MS
- Cristina Saez, MD
- Siva Kasinathan, MD, PhD
- Rebecca Kunder, MD, PhD
- Uptej Khalsa, MD

Clinical Experience

- 1st year primarily clinical - 20 weeks of service, 2-4 clinics per week, and 4 research weeks
- 2nd & 3rd years primarily research - 8 weeks of service, 1-2 continuity clinics per week
- Opportunity for combined Med/Peds fellowship!
- Multidisciplinary clinics: Dermatology, Nephrology and Adolescent Medicine



Lucile Packard Children's hospital

Fellows
Amritha Yellamilli, MD, PhD
Arianna Peters, MD
Mekhla Varma, MD



Education

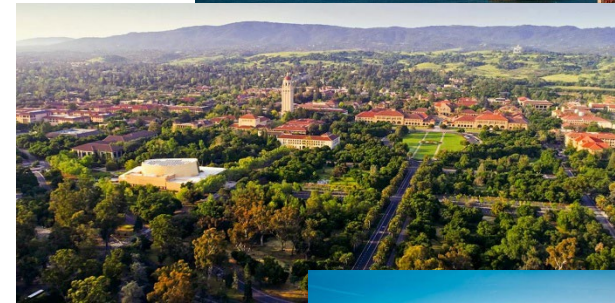
- Opportunity for Master of Science in Epidemiology & Clinical Research or Health Research Policy
- Full didactic curriculum: weekly lectures and case discussions, regular radiology review



Golden Gate Bridge

Exposure

- Large catchment area: California, Oregon & Nevada, as well as international patients
- Exposure to all major pediatric rheumatic diseases
- "Fellows college" – offers unique continuing education resources, leadership development, career planning, teaching methods, research fundamentals and quality improvement
- > 150 medical specialties



Stanford Campus



Join our team!



Research

- Opportunities in basic, translation or clinical research
- Departmental interests in: Lupus, juvenile idiopathic arthritis, chronic nonbacterial osteomyelitis, informatics, implementation science



1.5hr drive to Napa/Sonoma!

We are the pediatric teaching hospital of **Stanford University School of Medicine**, the West Coast's first medical school and one of the **top-ranked academic medical institutions** in the country

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Stanford Children's Health offers access to some of the **best minds in medicine, science and innovation.**



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ROCHESTER
MEDICAL CENTER

Golisano Children's Hospital



Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship

A low trainee to faculty ratio allows for strong faculty interaction and guidance

Individualized and Flexible Curriculum

- Three-year ACGME-accredited program.
- We emphasize professional and personal balance.
- Point of care musculoskeletal ultrasound training with leading experts
- Within the requirements of the program, we can modify fellow training to accommodate individualized needs and strengths, as well as hone learning to support a fellow's specific professional interest.

Interdisciplinary Research Opportunities

- Fellows receive a high level of guidance from faculty in developing their clinical and research skills.
- We foster fellows' unique interests and future career goals, engaging them scholarly activities in a variety of fields as they perform clinical, bench, or translational research and/or pursue graduate education.
- Pediatrics has a well-established tradition of interdisciplinary collaboration within the Medical Center and across the University of Rochester.

URMC offers 95% tuition waiver for fellows who choose to pursue Master's Degrees

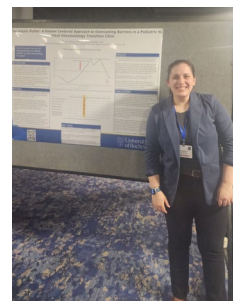
We offer a 4-year Combined Curriculum for fellows who are med-peds trained

Subspecialty and Complex Care Experiences

- Fellows obtain a vast amount of clinical experience due to the volume and diversity of patients.
- Fellows have opportunities to directly participate in a variety of subspecialty experiences, including the newborn nursery, pediatric intensive care, pediatric emergency medicine, palliative care, and child abuse.
- Fellows gain exposure to children with complex chronic conditions.

Living in Rochester

- Third largest city in New York
- Offers array of cultural and recreational activities
- Cost of living is significantly below the national average
- Close proximity to Finger Lakes region



Our Fellows Chrisana Pokorny, MD & Chloe Swanger, MD



Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship

*Train as a leader.
Care for Complex Patients.
Build Your Future.*



Leadership & Mentorship

- Individualized faculty mentorship
- Career-aligned guidance



Research & Discovery

- Active **CARRA** site
- Strong support for clinical, QI, & translational research



Patient-Centered Excellence

- High-volume, diverse clinical experience
- Training across **two unique hospitals**
- Multidisciplinary care model



Innovative Education

- Comprehensive MSK ultrasound curriculum**
- Weekly didactics & board review
- Training in research, QI, and public health



Hands-on MSK US experience in the cadaver lab



Current & Incoming Fellows

Tracey B. Wright, MD | Program Director

Simmi Morris, MD | Associate Program Director

Scan to explore the fellowship & meet our team



Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship

Kyla D. Driest, MD, MEd – Program Director
Melissa Argraves, MD, MEd – Associate Program Director
Sarah Jones, C-TAGME – Program Coordinator

Fellowship Overview

6 Rheumatology fellows (2 per year)

ACGME accredited program
EPIC electronic medical record

11 Faculty members with diverse clinical and research interests
Stacy Ardoin, MD, MS – Division Chief and IM/Peds Rheumatologist
Culture of collegiality, respect, and camaraderie
Arthrocentesis experience with and without sedation/US
MSK US training available with opportunity for certification
Multidisciplinary clinics include psychology, neuropsychology, social work, specialty pharmacy, nephrology, pulmonary, adolescent medicine, genetics, radiology, and OT/PT

Nationwide Children's Hospital

5th Largest children's hospital in America
New hospital tower opened in 2012; more expansion underway
Over 1.9 million outpatient visits per year
Over 6,000 Rheumatology outpatient visits each year
Five-time Magnet designation for nursing excellence
US News and World Report Honor Roll
Top 10 NIH pediatric research funding
Teaching facility for OSU College of Medicine
National leader in safety and quality research
Ranked as one of the best employers for company culture by Forbes
LGBTQ healthcare equality leader

Columbus

Capital of Ohio
14th Largest city in the US and growing
Over 2 million people in the metropolitan population
In the top 25 best cities for work-life balance
Cost of living is 7% below national average
Plentiful family-friendly attractions
Outdoor recreation opportunities and a robust system of metro parks
Wide variety of cultural and arts experiences
A foodie and microbrewery haven
Local sports teams include the Ohio State Buckeyes, the Blue Jackets (hockey), the Crew (soccer), and the Clippers (minor league baseball)



Clinical/Research Details

Consult-only service – average of 4-5 consults per week (see table)
1-2 continuity clinics per week – average of 4-5 patients per clinic
First year: primarily clinical with bulk of call assignments; fellow's own continuity clinic plus outpatient assignments when not on call
Senior Years: primarily research with lighter call assignments; fellow's own continuity clinic; more time for scholarly activity with option to obtain master's degree or MSK US certification

Typical Pediatric Fellow Call (Weeks)		
Year	Day	Night/Weekend
1	20	16
2	4	6
3	4	6
Total	28	28

Fellow Publication Highlights

Coss SL, Sabbagh SE, Kim H. Updates in juvenile dermatomyositis: pathogenesis and therapy. *Curr Opin Rheumatol*. 2025 Nov 1;37(6):445-456. doi: 10.1097/BOR.0000000000001112. Epub 2025 Jul 22. PMID: 40693918.

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Benefits

Relocation Stipend
Reimbursement for Pediatric Board Exam
Ohio medical license reimbursement
Reimbursement for books and equipment
Health and dental insurance
3 weeks of vacation and holidays off when not on call (fellows cover 1-2 holidays per year)
Conference attendance
Paid memberships
Scholarships available for advanced degrees
Intramural grant funding available for scholarly projects
Participation in hospital-wide fellowship core curriculum
Many opportunities for collaboration with The Ohio State University, including clinical, research, medical education and scholarship

We have fifteen graduates from our program, including two Med/Peds fellows, distributed across eight states and Saudi Arabia

UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship Program



Our Faculty

Emily von Scheven MD MAS
Mike Waterfield MD PhD
Erica Lawson MD
William Bernal MD
Geraldina Lionetti MD
Nikki Ling MD MAS
Susan Kim MD
Alice Chan MD PhD
Jessica Neely, MD
Danny Soulsby, MD
Raphael Hirsch MD



Our Fellows

Carol Tamashiro, MD
Mercy Joyce, MD
Sneha Yadlapati, MD



Our Goal

To train excellent, compassionate clinicians prepared to succeed in academic practice and advance the field of pediatric rheumatology.

Clinical Training

Large, highly diverse patient population includes all major pediatric rheumatic conditions, and the opportunity to care for patients longitudinally across fellowship. Innovative, high-quality didactics prepare fellows for board exams and clinical practice. Ultrasound training available.

Research & Quality Improvement

UCSF is a top-ranked research university with advanced training opportunities in basic, translational, clinical and outcomes research, as well as quality improvement methodology and educational scholarship.

Leadership & Mentorship

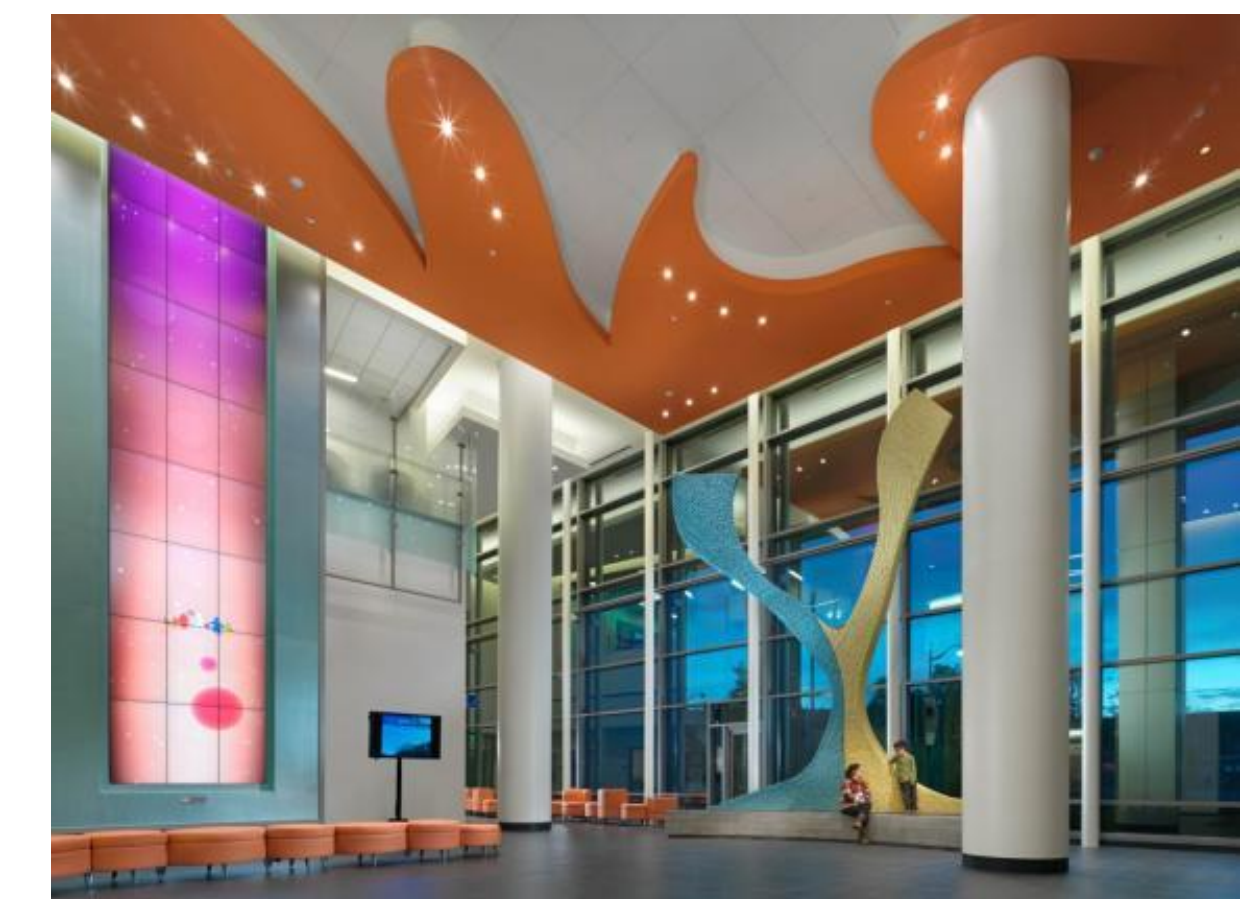
Our faculty includes leaders from across the field of pediatric rheumatology, who provide mentorship in patient care, career development, basic and clinical science, informatics, quality improvement, and medical education.

Join Us!

<https://pediatrics.ucsf.edu/rheumatology-education>

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BCH Oakland & BCH San Francisco:
Two world-class teaching hospitals focused on quaternary care and underserved populations.



Why live in San Francisco?

Amazing food
Beaches, vineyards
& mountains
Ski, surf, hike, bike!

CHLA Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship



Bugra Egeli MD
First year Fellow



Veronica Lewalski MD
Third Year Fellow



Rob Valdivinos MD



Jake Spitznagle MD



Katherine Marzan, MD
Division Chief



Michal Cidon, MD
Program Director



Iris Reyhan, MD
Associate Director



Bracha Shaham, MD
Emeritus



Diane Brown, MD PhD
Attending



Sara Haro, MD
Attending

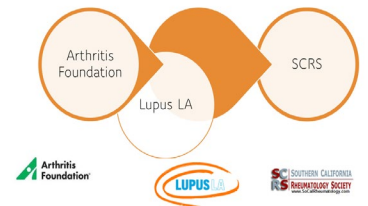
No.1 Children's Hospital in California
No. 1 in the Pacific Region
Top 10 in the nation
Strong GME commitment to DEI and Wellness
World class City with abundant diversity

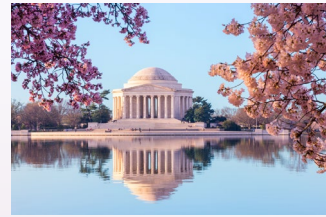
Meet our Rheumatology Team

Strengths

- Safety net hospital with a large catchment area (4000 outpatient visits)
- Primary rheumatology inpatient service (1200 pt encounters), inpatient rehab
- Large fellowship (32 accredited and 23 non-accredited) and resident network (112 from CHLA), large pool of division rotators
- Ample opportunity to collaborate, teach, and participate in research
- Division interest in interdisciplinary care with access to multidisciplinary clinics (DLD, Dermatology), Lupus, Vasculitis, JDM, CAR-T, Informatics/large database analysis, and musculoskeletal US
- Access to Saban Research Institute and USC Campus resources, CARRA registry studies
- Opportunity to work with a large inter-professional team (4 nurses, 1NP, dietician, SW, PT/OT, CHW)

Opportunity for Advocacy





FACULTY

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

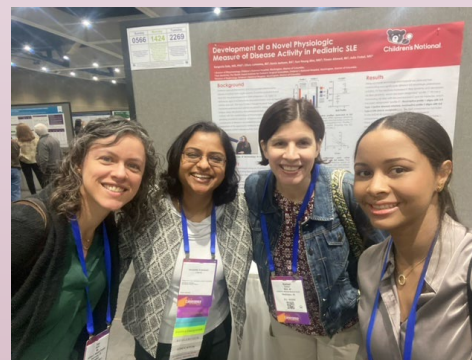
Broad clinical training offered at Children's National with multidisciplinary clinics in lupus, reproductive health, autoimmune lung disease and dermatology

Busy consult-based inpatient service

Research training opportunities at Children's National or NIH through CNH-NIAMS partnership

Collaborative environment with faculty, nursing, social work, research team

Structured didactic curriculum including board review, radiology review, case discussions



Arthritis Foundation Jingle Bell Run



Joint injection simulation

[Click here](#) to learn more about our program!

Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship Program

Iowa Health Care Stead Family Children's Hospital

Our Team



Team Gatherings



Team Building



Team Wellness and Patient Support Group



Our Team

Program Highlights

Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship at the University of Iowa is a three-year, ACGME-accredited program created to prepare fellows for successful careers in academic medicine through extraordinary clinical training, research mentorship, and a highly collaborative environment.

Exclusive Opportunity: Only one fellow accepted per year

Leading Center: Iowa's largest pediatric rheumatology hub

Comprehensive Care: Integrated multidisciplinary approach

State-of-the-Art Facilities: On-site infusion center & clinic-based ultrasound

Expert Support: Dedicated research coordinator & pharmacist on staff

Fellows participate in basic, translational, & clinical research and are part of the Childhood Arthritis & Rheumatology Research Alliance (CARRA).

Environment



Children's Hospital Entrance



Hancher Auditorium



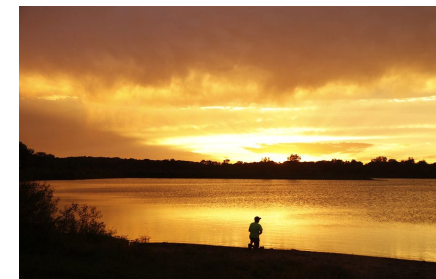
Iowa City Farmer's Market



Iowa Hawkeye Football Wave



Summer of the Arts



Terry Trueblood Recreation Area



Johns Hopkins Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship

Who we are

Program Director:

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Faculty:

Misha Balmuri MD, MHEP
Belina Yi DO
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“Charm City”

- ❖ Live and work in the beautiful city of Baltimore!
- ❖ Easy access to outdoor activities, beaches, world class restaurants and art institutions all with affordable housing!

Program Mission

We aim to educate competent, compassionate, diverse and unbiased pediatric rheumatologists.

- ❖ Succeed in independent patient care, research and education.
- ❖ Improve the lives of children with rheumatic diseases through evidence based medical care
- ❖ Advance knowledge of pediatric rheumatic disease through individual and collaborative research
- ❖ Educate others in the medical fields as well as patients and their families.

Program Highlights

- ❖ Collaborative, multidisciplinary patient care for complex patients
- ❖ Vast research opportunities
 - ❖ Faculty heavily involved with CARRA and ACR research and education
 - ❖ JH Adult Rheumatology research collaborations
- ❖ Immunology course with international leaders
- ❖ Opportunities for coursework/education at world renowned programs in public health, education, biostats and more!
- ❖ **New Program! Opportunities to innovate and personalize fellowship experience!**

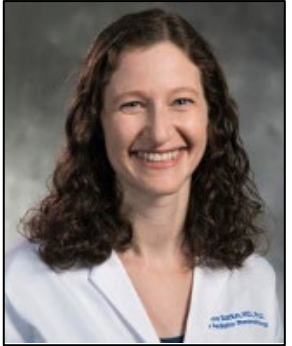


Clinical Care and Training at Johns Hopkins Children's Center

- ❖ Consult service at tertiary care referral center
- ❖ Diverse patient population
- ❖ Broad disease/pathology representation
- ❖ Dedicated weekly fellows' clinic
- ❖ Multiple clinical electives
- ❖ Opportunity to rotate at NIH and JH adult rheum disease centers



Duke Pediatric (& MedPeds) Rheumatology Fellowship

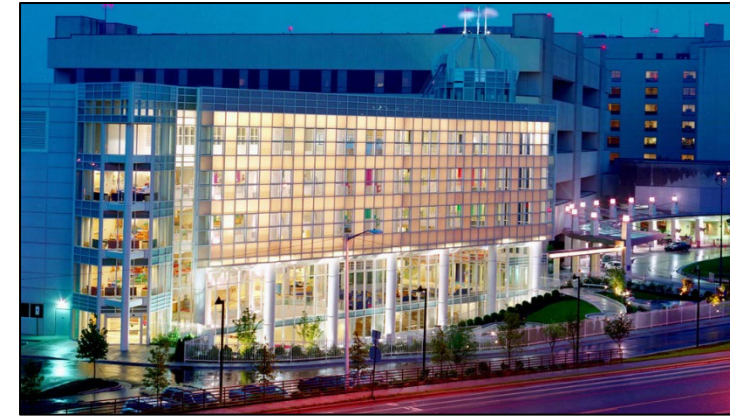


Rebecca Sadun (PD)



Mary Buckley (APD)

- **Fellow-focused curriculum**
 - Weekly didactics, grand rounds, divisional case conferences
 - Twice monthly journal clubs
 - Monthly radiology rounds
 - Masters & T32 programs + leadership programs (Advocacy, QI, MedEd)
 - Carolinas Fellows' Conference



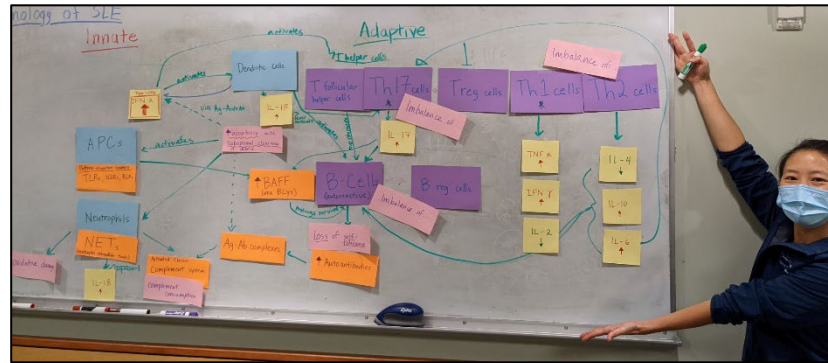
- **12 pediatric rheumatologists**

- **6 multidisciplinary clinics**

- Autoimmune brain disease
- Dermatomyositis
- Inflammatory eye disease
- Sedated injections
- Lupus nephritis
- Young adults (transition)

- **3-5 fellows**

- Combined training opportunities (e.g., MedPeds Rheum, AI/Rheum)



- **Unified Medical Center**

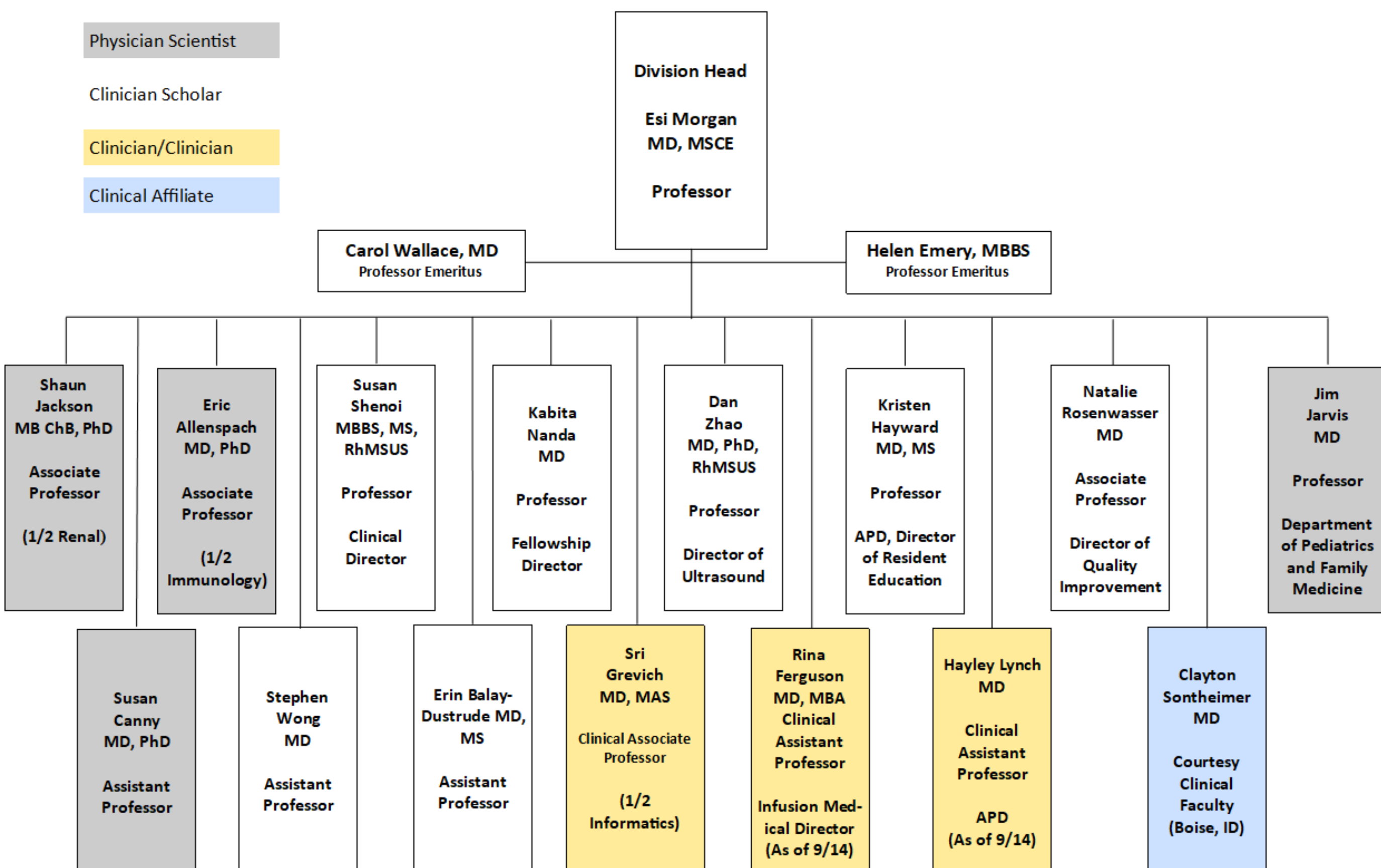
- New pediatric inpatient facility
- Comprehensive outpt complex
- Competitive salary and benefits
- Beautiful campus and gardens
- Easy access to beach/mountains



University of Washington / Seattle Children's Hospital Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship Program



Pediatric Rheumatology Faculty
 July 2026



Program Highlights:

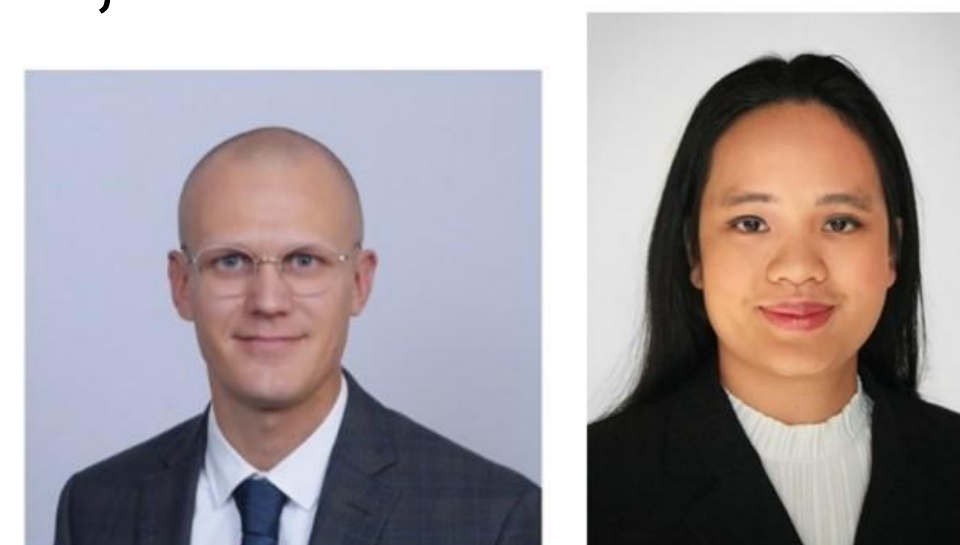
- Long-standing fellowship program since 1972
- Center of Excellence for JDM and CRMO
- Large catchment area – WWAMI region (WA, WY, AK, MT, ID)
- Unique opportunities to triage with local care providers
- Very diverse patient population
- Protected time for weekly didactics, with additional time for 1st year
- Ability to learn musculoskeletal ultrasound
 - 8 USSONAR - certified faculty
 - 5 Ultrasound machines, upgraded 2026
 - Ultrasound Club for didactics and practice

Program Specifics:

- 3 year program
 - 1st year dedicated to clinical education
 - 2nd and 3rd year protected for research
- 6 ACGME fellowship spots
- Recruiting for 1-2 fellows to start July 2027

Our Current Fellows:

- Natasha Moussouras, MD, PhD
- Nick Hasle, MD, PhD
- Hayley Lynch, MD
- Emily Schildt, MD
- Rina Ferguson, MD, MBA
- Karl Nevala, DO
- Irene Chern, MD



What Our Program Offers:

- Clinical experience** - Superb clinical education with graduated responsibility
- Teaching** - Opportunities to enhance teachings skills from bedside teaching to large group didactics
- Academics** – Mentoring in research with opportunities to publish
- Coursework** - University of Washington, School of Public Health (Biostatistics, Epidemiology, Health Services)

Our faculty are leaders in pediatric rheumatology
 Great collaboration among staff (MDs, RNs, MAs, etc.)
 We support your educational goals
 Seattle is a wonderful location and hospital!



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA PEDIATRIC RHEUMATOLOGY



Precision Medicine. Collaborative Care. Lasting Impact.

At the University of Minnesota, we develop skilled, compassionate rheumatologists who are leaders in clinical care, research, education, and advocacy for our patients and their families.



CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

- Broad exposure across inpatient and outpatient rheumatology care
- High-volume training at M Health Fairview Masonic Children's Hospital
- Longitudinal continuity clinic with diverse patient populations
- Multidisciplinary care with progressive clinical autonomy



RESEARCH & ACADEMIC GROWTH

- 24 months of protected, research time, primarily during Year 2 & 3
- Participation in CARRA, PRCSG, and industry-sponsored trials (including CAR-T)
- Dedicated mentorship across clinical, translational, and basic science research
- Robust curriculum: grand rounds, weekly talks, and structured didactics



FELLOWSHIP EXPERIENCE

- 12 months of immersive clinical training + longitudinal continuity clinic
- Strong faculty support across research, QI, and medical education
- Opportunities for teaching, scholarship, and academic development
- Collaborative, mission-driven training environment

LEARN MORE ABOUT US!



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Our Current Fellows

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Full-Spectrum Clinical Exposure



Structured Didactics & Conferences



Active Clinical Trials Program



National Network Engagement



Protected Research Time



Integrated Academic Experience



Department of Pediatrics
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

University of Colorado Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship



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Our Team

- 11 physicians, 3 nurse practitioners
- 5 fellows
- 6 nurses, 1 medical assistant, clinical pharmacist, pharmacy tech, social worker, family navigator, research coordinators



Program Culture

- Collaborative & fun life-long learners
- Devoted to patient-centered care
- Fellows function as primary providers, allowing for graduated responsibility and longitudinal relationships
- Evidence & experience-based teaching
- Culture of feedback
- Focus on wellness
- Training tailored to fellow career goals



Program Structure

- 1st year clinical focus with 4 weeks research
- 2nd & 3rd year research focus with continuity clinics
- Multiple weekly academic & case conferences



Clinical Opportunities

- Broad clinical experience due to the volume and diversity of patients
- Ultrasound training for all fellows
- Multidisciplinary clinics: Rheum/Renal, Chronic Nonbacterial Osteomyelitis, Interstitial Lung Disease, Neuroimmunology, Uveitis

Research

- Opportunities in basic, translational, outcomes, quality improvement, medical education and clinical research

Our City

300 Days of Sunshine

Denver is known for its beautiful weather, sweeping views, excellent city life, and an array of outdoor activities courtesy of our proximity to the magnificent Rocky Mountains

Our Hospital

Ranked No. 11

Children's Hospital Colorado consistently ranks in the top 20 on the US News Best Children's Hospitals Honor Roll and as the #1 Children's Hospital in Colorado and the Rocky Mountain region

Our Department

Only Rheumatologists for kids in a five-state region

Our multidisciplinary clinic staffs one of the few clinics in the country dedicated to children with autoimmune conditions affecting the kidneys, such as lupus and vasculitis.

Geographic Area

- Denver & Aurora: restaurants, shows, nightlife, sports teams, new housing
- Colorado: hiking, biking, rafting, camping, skiing, nature, MOUNTAINS!



AT THE FOREFRONT OF **KIDS** MEDICINE[®]

UChicago Medicine

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We are a small but mighty program where the fellow is the cherry on top of our awesome rheumatology sundae



In addition to providing state of the art rheumatology care to a diverse population, we have incredible opportunities for educational efforts amongst other fellows, residents, and medical students locally and across Chicagoland in addition to many research opportunities!

COME JOIN US IN CHICAGO!

What makes us unique:

- Multi-disciplinary Pediatric Lupus clinic
- Multi-disciplinary Chronic pain clinic
- Large population of diverse diagnoses and pathology
- World class research institution
- Medped trained faculty
- Ultrasound opportunities
- Expanding faculty with unique research interests
- Fellow education top priority
- Amazing team of physicians, NP, nurses, dedicated pharmacist and dedicated social worker!



Melissa Teshar, MD
Pediatric Rheumatology



Linda Wagner-Weiner, MD, MS
Pediatric Rheumatology



Cuoghi Edens, MD
Pediatric Rheumatology

Jaqueline Fabricus, MD joining Fall 2026

Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship at Hackensack University Medical Center

Who we are:

- Eight (8) board-certified/eligible pediatric rheumatology attending physicians. We are the **largest division in the tri-state area**, serving patients in this region and beyond.
- Vibrant center for education & academic research, including basic and translational science experiences via the [Hackensack Center for Discovery and Innovation](#)
- Mission: Create **competent, confident, and empathetic academic pediatric rheumatologists** who will better the lives of children with rheumatic disease through clinical practice, research, and teaching. Graduates of this program will possess the tools to succeed as lifelong learners who apply the determinants of health to care for patients.

Fellowship Program Link: [Webpage](#)

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Extensive opportunities for...

- Skill development as an educator at Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine & pediatrics residency program
- Participation in investigator-initiated and industry-sponsored research projects (clinical, translational, basic, educational)
- Community involvement through our local Arthritis Foundation & Lupus Foundation of America
- Individualized training in MSK ultrasound

Faculty expertise in...

- Systemic lupus erythematosus
- Scleroderma
- Autoinflammatory disease
- Spondyloarthritis & IBD-related arthritis
- And much more!

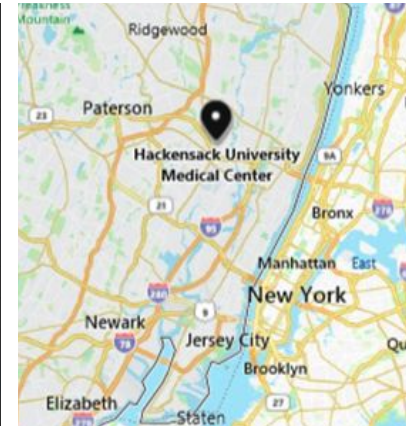
Faculty leadership past and present at...

- Childhood Arthritis and Rheumatology Research Alliance (CARRA)
- American College of Rheumatology (ACR)
- Pediatric Rheumatology Care & Outcomes Improvement Network (PR-COIN)



Location Highlights:

- 12 miles NW of midtown Manhattan (30-minute drive from Times Square)
- Transportation hub (NJ Transit trains and buses, Amtrak, and Newark Airport)
- Population of Hackensack: 46,630
 - 43% foreign-born
 - 55% language other than English spoken at home
 - 31% White, 19% Black, 14% Asian, 37% Hispanic or Latino



Hackensack Meridian
Children's Health at
Joseph M. Sanzari Children's Hospital