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Department of Pathology

2020-2021 Residents

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Lara Elizabeth Berklite, MD (AP/CP)



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Medical School: University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, Cincinnati, OH (2017).

Planned Fellowship: Pediatric Pathology.

Hobbies/Interests: running, reading, writing

Recent Publication: Berklite L, Ranganathan S, John I, Picarsic J, Santoro L, Alaggio R. Fibrous histiocytoma/dermatofibroma in children: the same as adults?. Hum Pathol. 2020;99:107-115. (PMID: 32246988).

Tanner Freeman, MD PhD (AP/CP) PIRRT



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Medical/Graduate School: Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, TN (2014, 2016).

Planned Fellowship: Molecular pathology

Recent Publication: Freeman TJ, Jones TE, Scoccimarro A, Henson-Cordwell S, Wheeler SE. Clinical Laboratory Detection of a High-Level Hemoglobin Abnormality in a Patient with Suspected Recreational Drug Ingestion. J Appl Lab Med. 2020;5(2):401-405. (PMID: 32445371).

Daniel Geisler, MD (AP/CP) Chief Resident



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Medical School: University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA (2017).

Planned Fellowship: Surgical pathology, cytology.

Current Research: Placental, Pediatric Pathology.

Hobbies/Interests: Pittsburgh sports, running, concerts, local festivals with my wife.

Recent Publication: Geisler D. Educational Case: Fragile X Syndrome with Size Mosaicism. Acad Pathol. 2019;6:2374289519877550. Published 2019 Sep 29. (PMID: 31633014)

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Medical School: University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Pittsburgh, PA (2017).

Planned Fellowship: Gynecologic and Breast Pathology, Cytology

Hobbies/Interests: travel, guitar, embroidery, learning languages, dance, filmmaking, photography, baking.

Recent Publication: Jones TE, Pradhan D, Dabbs DJ, Bhargava R, Onisko A, Jones MW. Immunohistochemical Markers With Potential Diagnostic, Prognostic, and Therapeutic Significance in Uterine Carcinosarcoma: A Clinicopathologic Study of 43 Cases. *Int J Gynecol Pathol.* 2019 (PMID: 31855950).

PGY-3

Davsheen Bedi, MBBS MD (AP/CP)



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Medical/Graduate School: Grant Medical College, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India (MBBS, 2010) and Government Medical College, Amritsar, Punjab, India (MD Pathology, 2016)

Planned Fellowship: Soft tissue pathology

Hobbies/Interests: painting, listening to music

Recent Publication: Noor A, Bedi D, Yassin MH. Multiorganism HIV-associated diarrhea and telescoping bowel. *Proc (Bayl Univ Med Cent).* 2020;33(3):386-388. Published 2020 Apr 3. (PMID: 32675958)

Nathan Cook, MD (AP/CP)



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Medical School: Wayne State University School of Medicine, Detroit, MI (2018).

Planned Fellowship: GI, Informatics, MGP.

Hobbies/Interests: Baking, film, reading.

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Medical School: Rush Medical College, Chicago, IL (2018).

Planned Fellowship: Transfusion Medicine/Blood Bank

Hobbies/Interests: Sports, fostering dogs, gardening, biking, cooking.

Yujung Jung, MD (AP/CP)



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Medical School: Chung-Ang University College of Medicine, Seoul, Republic of Korea (2011).

Recent Publication: Jung YJ, Kim JY, Song DJ, Koh WJ, Huh HJ, Ki CS, Lee NY. Evaluation of three real-time PCR assays for differential identification of Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex and nontuberculous mycobacteria species in liquid culture media. *Diagn Microbiol Infect Dis.* 2016 Jun;85(2):186-91 (PMID: 27105774).

Daniel Martinez Coconubo, MD (AP/CP)



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Medical School: Universidad Militar Nueva Granada, Bogota, Colombia (2015).

Planned Fellowship: Thoracic Pathology.

Current Research: Interstitial lung disease.

Hobbies/Interests: Soccer, dancing, salsa music, reading.

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Lauren Skvarca, MD PhD (AP) PIRRT



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Medical/Graduate School: University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Pittsburgh, PA (2015, 2017).

Planned Fellowship: Breast, Gynecologic, and Perinatal Pathology.

Current Research: Preeclampsia, decidual vasculopathy, digital pathology.

Hobbies/Interests: Exploring PA parks, spending time with family.

Recent Publication: Clymer D, Kostadinov S, Catov J, Skvarca L, et al. Decidual Vasculopathy Identification in Whole Slide Images Using Multiresolution Hierarchical Convolutional Neural Networks. Am J Pathol. 2020. (PMID: 32679230).

Pooja Srivastava, MD (AP/CP) Chief Resident



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Medical School: Moti Lal Nehru Medical College, Allahabad, India (2010).

Planned Fellowship: Dermatopathology.

Hobbies/Interests: Painting, traveling.

Megan Zilla, MD PhD (AP/CP) Chief Resident



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Medical/Graduate School: University of Chicago, Chicago, IL (2015, 2018).

Planned Fellowship: Bone and soft tissue

Hobbies/Interests: Family time, hiking, camping.

Recent Publication: Liszewski Zilla M, Lunderberg JM, Schneewind O, Missiakas D. Bacillus anthracis lcp Genes Support Vegetative Growth, Envelope Assembly, and Spore Formation. J Bacteriol. 2015 Dec;197(23):3731-41 (PMID: 26391207).

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Medical/Graduate School: King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (2014).
Planned Fellowship: Hematopathology.

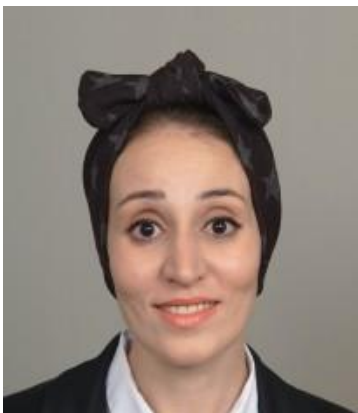
Vandana Baloda, MBBS MD (AP/CP)



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Medical/Graduate School: PGIMER, Chandigarh, India (MBBS); Kasturba Medical College (MD), Manipal, Karnataka, India (MD) (2007, 2019).
Planned Fellowship: GI Pathology, Hematopathology.
Current Research: Colon carcinoma, gall bladder cancer, molecular biology.
Hobbies/Interests: Traveling, swimming.
Recent Publication: Das P, Gahlot GP, Singh A, Baloda V, Rawat R, Verma AK, Khanna G, Roy M, George A, Singh A, Nalwa A, Ramteke P, Yadav R, Ahuja V, Sreenivas V, Gupta SD, Makharia GK. Quantitative histology-based classification system for assessment of the intestinal mucosal histological changes in patients with celiac disease. Intest Res. 2019 Jul;17(3):387-397 (PMID: 30996219).

Shaymaa Hegazy, MBB Ch, MSc (AP/CP)



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Medical/Graduate School: Faculty of Medicine, Menoufia University, Menoufia, Egypt (2010).
Planned Fellowship: Dermatopathology.
Hobbies/Interests: Drawing and painting
Recent Publication: Samaka RM, Abd El-Wahed MM, Al Sharaky DR, Shehata MA, Hegazy SE, Aleskandarany MA. Overexpression of Carbonic Anhydrase IX is a Dismal Prognostic Marker in Breast Carcinoma in Egyptian Patients. Appl Immunohistochem Mol Morphol. 2016 Jul;24(6):405-13. (PMID: 26574633).

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Medical/Graduate School: B.P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences, Dharan, Nepal (2008, 2013).

Hobbies/Interests: Astronomy, world history, soccer.

Recent Publication: Kafle SU, Kattel G, Nembang T, Karki S. Blood Component Separation Service: A New Experience in an Institution. JNMA J Nepal Med Assoc. 2018 Mar-Apr;56(210):602-606 (PMID: 30376005).

Jeffrey Kleinberger, MD PhD (AP/CP)



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Medical/Graduate School: University of Maryland School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD (2017, 2019).

Planned Fellowship: Molecular Genetic Pathology.

Hobbies/Interests: Exercise/weightlifting, sports, programming, spending time with family.

Recent Publication: Kleinberger JW, Copeland KC, Gandica RG, Haymond MW, Levitsky LL, Linder B, Shuldiner AR, Tollefsen S, White NH, Pollin TI. Monogenic diabetes in overweight and obese youth diagnosed with type 2 diabetes: the TODAY clinical trial. Genet Med. 2018 Jun;20(6):583-590 (PMID: 29758564).

Dimitrios Korentzelos, MD (AP/CP) PIRRT



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Medical/Graduate School: University of Patras, School of Medicine, Patras, Greece (2013).

Planned Fellowship: Genitourinary Pathology.

Current Research: Prostate cancer.

Hobbies/Interests: Tennis, Cinema, Literature

Recent Publication: Liu B, Li L, Yang G, Geng C, Luo Y, Wu W, Manyam G C, Korentzelos D, et al. PARP Inhibition Suppresses GR-MYC-N-CDK5-RB1-E2F1 Signaling and Neuroendocrine Differentiation in Castration-Resistant Prostate Cancer. Clin Cancer Res. 2019;25(22):6839-6851. (PMID: 31439587).

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Medical School: St. George's University, Grenada, West Indies (2019).

Hobbies/Interests: Puzzles, martial arts, soccer.

Aofei Li, MD

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Medical School: Tsinghua University School of Medicine, Beijing, China (2018).

Planned Fellowship: Dermatopathology

Hobbies/Interests: Tennis, Photography, Latte art

Recent Publication: Morrow MK, Li A, Perez-Atayde AR, Vargas SO.

Congenital Epidermoid Cyst of the Liver: A Rare Entity Characterized by Antenatal Onset, Slow Postnatal Growth, and Consistent Histologic and Immunohistologic Features. *Pediatr Dev Pathol.* 2020;23(3):181-188.

(PMID: 31510861).

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Medical/Graduate School: B.J. Medical College, Pune, India (MBBS); PGIMER, Chandigarh, India (MD) (2012, 2018).

Planned Fellowship: Gynecologic Pathology, Hematopathology, Molecular Pathology

Hobbies/Interests: Origami, Vocal music, Reading

Recent Publication: Dwivedi P, Kumar RR, Dhooria A, Adarsh M B, Malhotra S, et al. Corticosteroid-associated lupus pancreatitis: a case series and systematic review of the literature. *Lupus.* 2019;28(6):731-739. (PMID: 31023131)

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Robert Bubar, MD

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Medical School: University of South Florida, Tampa, FL (2020).

Hobbies/Interests: Craft breweries, gardening, aquariums

Katherine Killian, DO

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Medical School: DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine, Harrogate, TN (2020)

Hobbies/Interests: Gardening, cats, video games, table-top role playing .

Azfar Neyaz, MBBS MD

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Medical School: Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College, AMU, Aligarh India (MBBS, 2013). Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow, India (MD Pathology, 2016).

Hobbies/Interests: Traveling, music, running.

Recent publication: Neyaz A, Tabb ES, Shih A, et al. Pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma: tumour regression grading following neoadjuvant FOLFIRINOX and radiation. *Histopathology*. 2020;77(1):35-45. (PMID: 32031712)

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Medical School: St George's University School of Medicine, Grenada (2020)

Planned Fellowship: Forensic pathology

Hobbies/Interests: Liverpool FC, Rugby, Photojournalism, Food Travels, Cooking

Recent publication: Patel S, Asarian A, Xiao P. Clear cell papillary renal cell carcinoma: a case report and literature review. J Surg Case Rep. 2019;2019(6):rjz177. Published 2019 Jun 18. (PMID: 31249659)

Pranav Pramod Patwardhan, MBBS MD

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Medical School: Grant Government Medical College, Mumbai, India (MBBS), Seth G S Medical College, Mumbai, India (MD Pathology, 2015)

Hobbies/Interests: Professional Indian classical musician

Gabe Sexton, MD

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Medical School: University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD (2020)

Hobbies/Interests: Climbing, hiking, photography