



## **DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE**

### **Faculty Honors and New Faculty Reception**

**Tuesday, May 20, 2014**

**West Pavilion Conference Room E**

**5:00 – 6:30 pm**

*The UAB Department of Medicine is committed to creating a dynamic culture of exceptional innovation, scholarship and collaboration.*



*You are cordially invited to the  
Department of Medicine Honors Reception  
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**Honoring**

**NEW APPOINTEES TO ENDOWED CHAIRS AND  
PROFESSORSHIPS**

**Jeffrey R. Curtis, MD**  
*William J. Koopman Endowed Professorship  
in Rheumatology and Immunology  
in the Department of Medicine*

**Robert S. Gaston, MD**  
*Robert G. Luke, MD, Endowed Chair  
in Transplant Nephrology*

**Suzanne Oparil, MD**  
*Distinguished Professor of Medicine  
in the Department of Medicine*

**Paul W. Sanders, MD**  
*Thomas E. Andreoli, MD, Endowed Chair  
in Nephrology*



**Faculty Elected To  
ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN PHYSICIANS**

**(AAP)**

**Anupam Agarwal, MD**  
Division of Nephrology



**Faculty Elected To  
SOUTHERN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL INVESTIGATION  
(SSCI)**

**Timmy Lee, MD**  
Division of Nephrology

**Martin Rodriguez, MD**  
Division of Infectious Diseases



**The MAX COOPER AWARD FOR  
RESEARCH EXCELLENCE**

**Edward W. Hook, III, MD**  
Division of Infectious Diseases

**Victor J. Thannickal, MD**  
Division of Pulmonary, Allergy and  
Critical Care Medicine



**2014 PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR  
EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING**

**Jason R. Hartig, MD**  
Division of General Internal Medicine



**THE C. GLENN COBBS, MD ♦  
EDWIN A. RUTSKY, MD  
AWARD FOR CLINICAL EXCELLENCE**

**Michael D. Barnett, MD**

**Brendan M. McGuire, MD**

**Vera A. Bittner, MD**

**Peter G. Pappas, MD**

**W. Winn Chatham, MD**

**Martin Rodriguez, MD**

**Stuart J. Cohen, MD, MD**

**Jose A. Tallaj, MD**

**James E. Johnson, MD**

**Ashita J. Tolwani, MD**

**Vineeta Kumar, MD**

**Eric L. Wallace, MD**



**THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE AWARDS  
IN RECOGNITION OF TEACHING EXCELLENCE**

**TOP TEN TEACHER AWARDS**

**Surya P. Bhatt, MD**

**Martin Rodriguez, MD**

**Todd M. Brown, MD**

**W. Steven Stigler, MD**

**Ryan R. Kraemer, MD**

**Ashita J. Tolwani, MD**

**Brendan McGuire, MD**

**Nicholas Van Wagoner, MD**

**Jason L. Morris, MD**

**Frederick H. Weber, MD**



# OUTSTANDING TEACHING DIVISIONS

**Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, & Critical Care Medicine**

**Division of Gastroenterology & Hepatology**

**Division of Infectious Diseases**



# OUTSTANDING TEACHER IN EACH DIVISION

Infectious Diseases

**John W. Baddley, MD**

Cardiovascular Disease

**Vera A. Bittner, MD**

Gastroenterology & Hepatology

**Chad Burski, MD**

Hematology & Oncology

**Mollie R. DeShazo, MD**

Preventive Medicine

**Raegan Durant, MD**

Gerontology, Geriatrics & Palliative Care

**Kellie L. Flood, MD**

Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism

**Stuart J. Frank, MD**

Clinical Immunology & Rheumatology

**Archana Jain, MD**

Pulmonary, Allergy & Critical Care Medicine

**James E. Johnson, MD**

General Internal Medicine

**Stephen W. Russell, MD**

Nephrology

**Eric L. Wallace, MD**



# UNSUNG HERO AWARD

Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism  
**Carlos Arguello, MD**

Pulmonary, Allergy & Critical Care Medicine  
**Joseph Barney, MD**

General Internal Medicine  
**Erin Contratto, MD**

Clinical Immunology & Rheumatology  
**Laura Hughes, MD**

Preventive Medicine  
**Michelle Martin, PhD**

Infectious Diseases  
**Qiana Matthews, PhD**

Gerontology, Geriatrics & Palliative Care  
**Ashley Nichols, MD**

Cardiovascular Disease  
**Gilbert Perry, MD**

Nephrology  
**Dana Rizk, MD**

Hematology & Oncology  
**Francisco Robert, MD**

Gastroenterology & Hepatology  
**Frederick Weber, MD**

Department of Medicine  
**Stuart Frank, MD**



## **OTHER OUTSTANDING TEACHING HONORS**

### **Argus Awards**

- Best Lecturer in Patient, Doctor, Society – Michael Saag, MD**
- Best Lecturer in Fundamentals 1 – Martin Young, PhD**
- Best MS1 Organ Module – Harish Doppalapudi, MD**
- Best Lecturer in the Cardiology Module – Harish Doppalapudi, MD**
- Best Lecturer in the Pulmonary Module– Kevin Leon, MD**
- Best Lecturer in the Gastrointestinal Module – Brendan McGuire, MD**
- Best Lecturer in the Renal Module – Ashita Tolwani, MD**
- Best Lecturer in the Musculoskeletal Module – Winn Chatham, MD**
- Best Lecturer in the Endocrine Module – Shawn Galin, PhD**
- Best MS2 Organ Module – Shawn Galin, PhD**
- Best MS2 Organ Module Director – Shawn Galin, PhD**
- Caduceus Club Award for Excellence in Preclinical Education –  
Kevin Leon, MD**
- Best Birmingham Campus Department – Department of Medicine**



### **OTHER SELECTED FACULTY ACCOLADES**

**Ali Ahmed, MD, MPH, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Graciela S. Alarcón, MD, MPH received the distinction of Dr. Honoris Causa (honorary doctoral degree) from the Universidad de Asunción in Paraguay in September, 2013**

**Graciela S. Alarcón, MD, MPH serves as Associate Editor for *Clinical Rheumatology***

**Graciela s. Alarcón, MD, MPH, named Distinguished Citizen of Amazonas (Peru, May 2013)**

**Michael Allon, MD, Gerald Beathard Award for Excellence in Interventional Nephrology**

**G. M. Ananthamariah, PhD, developed novel apolipoprotein E. mimetic peptide licensed by Lopimetix/Capstone Inc. Clinical trials utilizing this peptide will be initiated in Australia within the next few months.**



**Veena Antony, MD, American Lung Association, Plains-Gulf Region, Board of Directors**

**Veena Antony, MD, American Lung Association, Co-Chair, Regional Lung Cancer/COPD Volunteer Committee**

**Veena Antony, MD, ATS Scientific Advisory Committee**

**Veena Antony, MD, ATS Research Advocacy Committee**

**Veena Antony, MD ATS VA Research Advocacy Subcommittee**

**Veena Antony, MD, ATS Better Breathers Alliance Committee**

**Veena Antony, MD, Vice Chair, ATS Research Advocacy Committee**

**Veena Antony, MD, NIH-ZA1 DR-A (S3) 1 HIV Clinical Trial Units for NIAID Network, Chair**

**Veena Antony, MD, NIH-NHLBI R21/R33 National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Special Emphasis Panel, Reviewer**

**Veena Antony, MD, NIH-ZRG1 SBIB-P (50) Special Emphasis Panel – Limited Competition: Restoration of New Investigator Pilot Projects Adversely Affected by Hurricane Sandy (R21) Reviewer**

**Veena Antony, MD, NIH-ZRG1 AARR-K (57) Fogarty HIV Research Training Program for Low-and-Middle-Income Country Institutions Reviewer**

**Veena Antony, MD, NIH-ZRG1 AARR-H (58) Multidisciplinary Studies of HIV/Aids and Aging, Reviewer**

**Veena Antony, MD NIH-ZCA1 RPRB-C (M1) SPORE in Breast, Cervical, Lung, Mesothelioma and Ovarian Cancers, Reviewer**

**Veena Antony, MD, Invited Speaker. Best Practices in Occupational Medicine. Special Session- Popcorn Anyone? UAB School of Public Health, The Edge of Chaos, Birmingham, Alabama**

**Sejong Bae, PhD, Chair, Study Review Panel: Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science & Technology (OCAST), Health Research Competition, Instrumentation/Data Sciences/Clinical Evaluation, May, 2013**

**Sejong Bae, PhD, Organized and Chaired, Modeling Data in Health Sciences session – International congress on Modeling and Simulation, Adelaide, Australia, December, 2013**

**Sejong Bae, PhD, Conducted workshop, Biomarker Development Strategies Workshop, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual conference of the Society for Mitochondrial Research and Medicine (SMRM): Mitochondria in Health and Disease, National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), Balgalore, India, December, 2013**

**Sejong Bae, PhD, Co-Chaired a scientific session at Ordered Data Analysis Models and Health Research Methods, International Conference, March, 2014**

**F. Amos Bailey, MD, 3 years of service on the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine Board of Directors**

**F. Amos Bailey, MD, directed and edited the conversion of 9 modules of Education in Palliative and End-of-life Care for Veterans into interactive E-learning platform**

**F. Amos Bailey, MD, lead author with Stephanie Harmon, MD on new UPTODATE section on care of patient in the Last Hours and Days of Life**

**William C. Bailey, MD, American Thoracic Society Board of Trustees**

**William C. Bailey, MD, Chairman, Steering Committee American Lung Association Network of Asthma, Clinical Research Center**

**William C. Bailey, MD, Chairman, Steering Committee, NHLBI NIH Long term oxygen treatment trial**

**Gene V. Ball, MD, served as editor for the third edition of the “Oxford Textbook of Vasculitis” published by Oxford University Press, 2014**

**André Ballesteros, PhD, recipient of the 2013 Biogen Idec Foundation Young Investigator Award. Given to one recipient per year for the best research work of a young Spanish investigator in the area of immunology**

**Michael D. Barnett, MD, MS, appointed as UAB Palliative Medicine Fellowship Director**

**Michael D. Barnett, MD, MS, Clinical Skills Scholars faculty for UASOM Introduction to Clinical Medicine, 2013**

**Michael D. Barnett, MD, MS, DOM Research & Innovations in Medical Education Summit Faculty, 2013**

**Donna Bearden, MD, MPH, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Donna Bearden, MD, MPH, selected as Clinical Skills Scholars faculty for UASOM Introduction to Clinical Medicine, 2013**

**Surya Bhatt, MD, American Heart Association National Clinical Research Program Grant for project titled: Prevalence and implications of diastolic dysfunction in acute exacerbations of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)**

**Surya Bhatt, MD, Associate Editor, BMC Pulmonary Medicine**

**Surya Bhatt, MD, appointed to the Editorial Board of the Annals of the American Thoracic Society**

**Surya Bhatt, MD, “Benigno Soto Cardio-Pulmonary Imaging Research Award”**

**Vera Bittner, MD, appointed Chair of the Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease Section of the American College of Cardiology**

**Edwin Blalock, PhD, Invited to serve on study section NHLBI ZHLI CSR-A (M1) “Center for Advanced Diagnostics and Experimental Therapeutics in Lung Diseases II”**

**Uma Borate, MD, appointed as Co-Associate Director of the Hematology and Oncology Fellowship Program**

**Uma Borate, MD, appointed to the 2014 Light the Night Executive Committee for the Alabama/Gulf Coast Chapter of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society**

**Uma Borate, MD, appointed as member of the Southwest Oncology Group (SWOG)**

**S. Louis Bridges, Jr, MD, PhD, named Director of the UAB Comprehensive Arthritis, Musculoskeletal, and Autoimmunity Center**

**S. Louis Bridges, Jr., MD, PhD, received an NIH program grant (P60) Multidisciplinary Clinical Research Center (MCRC) composed of an Administrative Core, a Methodology Core (David T. Redden, PhD, PI), a project entitled, “Facilitating Treat-to-Target Strategies Using Novel Health Technology with Decision Support” (Jeffrey R. Curtis, MD, MS, MPH, PI), and a project entitled, “Adaptive Immune Responses to Gut Microbiota in Juvenile & Adult Spondyloarthritis” (Charles O. Elson, MD, PI, and Matthew L. Stoll, MD, PhD, MSCS, Co-Investigator)**

**S. Louis Bridges, Jr., MD, PhD, served as the 10<sup>th</sup> Paul J. Bilka Visiting Professor in Rheumatology at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, February, 2014**

**S. Louis Bridges, Jr., MD, PhD, named Chair of the NIH Arthritis, Musculoskeletal, and Skin (AMS) Study Section**

**S. Louis Bridges, Jr., MD, PhD, named Chair of the American College of Rheumatology (ACR) Division Directors Taskforce**

**S. Louis Bridges, Jr., MD, PhD, serves on the American College of Rheumatology’s Committee on Research**

**S. Louis Bridges, Jr., MD, PhD, serves as Co-Editor for *Arthritis & Rheumatology***

**S. Louis Bridges, Jr., MD, PhD, served as editor for third edition of the “Oxford Textbook of Vasculitis” published by Oxford University Press, 2014**

**Brigitta Brott, MD, Simon Dack Award for Outstanding Scholarship, Journal of the American College of Cardiology Editorial Board**

**Cynthia J. Brown, MD, MSPH, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014.**

**Cynthia J. Brown, MD, MSPH, named interim Director for the Division of Gerontology, Geriatrics, and Palliative Care**

**Cynthia J. Brown, MD, MSPH, named Director for the Division of Gerontology, Geriatrics, and Palliative Care**

**David Calhoun, MD, American Society of Hypertension Annual Scientific Meeting in San Francisco, May 2014 “Diagnostic Approach and Treatment of Resistant Hypertension”**

**W. Winn Chatham, MD, selected as a participant in the UAB School of Medicine’s Healthcare Leadership Academy**

**W. Winn Chatham, MD, named to Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Guangjie Cheng, MD, invited presenter at the 8<sup>th</sup> International Human Peroxidase Meeting, Sydney, Australia, September, 2013.**

**Guangjie Cheng, MD, ad hoc member, NIH NIH/NHLBI U01 Special Emphasis Panel, ZHL1 CSR-S (S-1) and (S-2), “Mechanisms of HIV-Related Lung Disease”, 2013**

**J. Allen D. Cooper, Jr., MD, named to the ABIM Pulmonary Diseases Board**

**Lisa M. Curtis, PhD, 2014 UAB Graduate Dean’s Excellence in Mentorship Award**

**Lisa M. Curtis, PhD, appointed to the Women in Nephrology Council of the American Society of Nephrology**

**Jeffrey R. Curtis, MD, MS, MPH, named to Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Jeffrey R. Curtis, MD, MS, MPH, serves on the American College of Rheumatology’s Registries and Health Information Technology Committee**

**Jeffrey R. Curtis, MD, MS, MPH, serves as Associate Editor for *Arthritis & Rheumatology***

**Maria I. Danila, MD, MSc, named an Advisory Editor for *Arthritis & Rheumatology***

**Maria I. Danila, MD, MSc, named to Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Maria I. Danila, MD, MSc, selected as a participant in the UAB School of Medicine’s Healthcare Leadership Academy**

**Maria I. Danila, MD, MSc, serves on the American College of Rheumatology’s Insurance Subcommittee**

**Pran K. Datta, PhD, appointed as Vice-Chair for Basic Sciences of the Lung Cancer Working Group in the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center**

**Randall Davis, MD, appointed as a Senior Scientist in the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center**

**Randall Davis, MD, appointed as a Scientist in the UAB Comprehensive Diabetes Center**

**Randall Davis, MD, appointed as a Scientist in the UAB Diabetes Research Center**

**Randall Davis, MD, awarded an R21 from the NIH/NCI**

**Joao de Andrade, MD, Chair-elect, ACCP Interstitial and Diffuse Lung Disease Network**

**Joao de Andrade, MD, appointed to Fellowship Program Director**

**Jessy Deshane, PhD, appointed to the Editorial Board for American Journal for Respiratory Cell and Molecular Biology**

**Jessy Deshane, PhD, awarded the Parker B. Francis Fellowship in Pulmonary Medicine**

**Renee Desmond, DVM, PhD, appointed Evaluation Chair, Alabama Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition (ACCCC) 2013-2014**

**Mark Dransfield, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Mark Dransfield, MD, Super Doctors 2013**

**Mark Dransfield, MD, named as panelist, American College of Chest Physicians/Canadian Thoracic Society Acute Exacerbations of COPD Guideline Committee**

**Mark Dransfield, MD, named Section Editor for COPD-BMC Pulmonary Medicine Journal**

**Raegan Durant, MD, MPH, appointed to the Membership Committee of the American Heart Association Council on Epidemiology and Prevention**

**Gareth R. Dutton, PhD, UAB Nutrition Obesity Research Center, "Creativity is a Decision" Faculty Award Recipient, 2013**

**Andrew Duxbury, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Barri J. Fessler, MD, MSPH, named to Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Barri J. Fessler, MD, MSPH, named the inaugural Dunn Scleroderma Scholar**

**Barri J. Fessler, MD, MSPH, served as editor for third edition of the "Oxford Textbook of Vasculitis" published by Oxford University Press, 2014**

**Andres Forero-Torres, MD, selected as a panel member for R03 Omnibus Peer Review for the National Cancer Institute**

**Andres Forero-Torres, MD, selected as a panel member for R21 Omnibus Peer Review for the National Cancer Institute**

**Kellie Flood, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Mona N. Fouad, MD, MPH, appointed Senior Associate Dean for Diversity and Inclusion, UAB School of Medicine, April 2014**

**Mona N. Fouad, MD, MPH, MOMENTUM Women's Leadership Award, Woman of Impact Award, February 2014**

**Stuart Frank, MD, Department of Medicine Supplement Award**

**Angelo Gaffo, MD, named to the Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Angelo Gaffo, MD, serves on the American College of Rheumatology's Diversity Subcommittee**

**Kelly Godby, MD, appointed as Co-Associate Director of the Hematology and Oncology Fellowship Program**

**Kelly Godby, MD, appointed to serve on the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Multiple Myeloma Panel**

**Patricia Goode, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Marianthe Grammas, MD, accepted into the Society of General Internal Medicine's (SGIM) TEACH certificate program for the 2014-2015 year**

**Fadi Hage, MD, 2013 American College of Cardiology Alabama Chapter Volunteer Award**

**Fadi Hage, MD, appointed Associate Editor for *Journal of Nuclear Cardiology***

**Fadi Hage, MD, appointed to the Editorial Board for *Echocardiography***

**Fadi Hage, MD, inducted as Fellow of the American Society of Hypertension**

**Fadi Hage, MD, American Society of Hypertension Young Investigator Travel Award**

**Fadi Hage, MD, Chairman for the American College of Cardiology Alabama Chapter Annual Scientific Meeting and the Winter Professional Practice Improvement Conference**

**Anne Halli-Tierney, MD, selected as Clinical Skills Scholars Faculty for UASOM Introduction to Clinical Medicine, 2013**

**Caroline Harada, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Caroline Harada, MD, selected as Associate Director for the Clinical Skills Scholars for UASOM Introduction to Clinical Medicine, 2013**

**Susan Harding Hawkins, MD, Chairman, Sleep Medicine Self-Assessment Product Committee, American Board of Internal Medicine**

**Susan Harding Hawkins, MD, Regent-at-Large, American College of Chest Physicians**

**Susan Harding Hawkins, MD, appointed to the Professional Standards Committee, American College of Chest Physicians**

**Susan Harding Hawkins, MD, appointed to the Scoring Manual Committee, American Academy of Sleep Medicine**

**Susan Harding Hawkins, MD, Associate Editor, Journal of Clinical Sleep Medicine**

**Susan Harding Hawkins, MD, Section Editor, Sleep Medicine Pearls, CHEST**

**Claire Hays, MD, selected as Clinical Skills Scholars Faculty for UASOM Introduction to Clinical Medicine, 2013**

**Heather Herrington, MD, selected to attend Harvard Macy Institute Course “Leading Innovations in Health Care & Education”**

**Heather Herrington, MD, selected to attend Harvard Macy Institute Course “A Systems Approach to Assessment in Health Professions Education”**

**Heather Herrington, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Laura B. Hughes, MD, MSPH, named to the Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Racquel Innis-Shelton, MD, appointed Multiple Myeloma Multidisciplinary Clinic Project Leader for the UAB Bone Marrow and Cell Therapy Program in the UAB Division of Hematology and Oncology**

**Ami Iskandrian, MD, elected as the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Nuclear Cardiology, January 2014**

**Ami Iskandrian, MD, The Simon Dack Award for Outstanding Scholarship in support of the JACC Journals, March 2014, ACC Annual Meeting, Washington, DC**

**Ami Iskandrian, MD, Chair, Research Committee of the American Society of Nuclear Cardiology**

**Ami Iskandrian, MD, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition text book, Nuclear Cardiac Imaging: Principles and Applications, Oxford University Press**

**Ami Iskandrian, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Ami Iskandrian, MD, Best Doctors in Birmingham 2013-2014**

**Ami Iskandrian, MD, Editorial Boards of the JACC, JACC Imaging, AJC, JNM and several online publications**

**Ami Iskandrian, MD, The 2013 H Cecil Coghlan Teaching Award**

**James E. Johnson, MD, appointed Vice-Chair for Quality and Patient Safety for DOM**

**Stefan Kertesz, MD, Elected Vice President, Board of Directors of the Albert Schweitzer Fellowship 2013**

**Stefan Kertesz, MD, Best Abstract (Program/Curriculum) Annual Conference, Association for Medical Education and Research on Substance Abuse, November 2013**

**Stefan Kertesz, MD, Honored for 10 years of continuous board service on OneRoof Birmingham, September, 2013**

**Laurel Kilpatrick, MD, Second year as a Hartford Center of Excellence Scholar**

**Laurel Kilpatrick, MD, accepted to attend the Harvard Macy Institute Program Health Educators**

**Laurel Kilpatrick, MD, Item writer for the AAHPM Hospice Medical Director Certification PREP**

**Laurel Kilpatrick, MD, selected as Clinical Skills Scholars faculty for UASOM Introduction to Clinical Medicine, 2013**

**Jeonga Kim, PhD, Selected "Top Reviewer" by the American Diabetes Association for 2013**

**Robert P. Kimberly, MD, named to Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**William J. Koopman, MD, named member of the American College of Rheumatology (ACR) Division Directors Taskforce**

**Vineeta Kumar, MD, appointed Co-Chair to American Society of Transplantation, Education Committee**

**Vineeta Kumar, MD, Birmingham B-Metro Super Doctors List**

**Vineeta Kumar, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Elizabeth Kvale, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Lawrence S. Lamb, Jr, PhD, appointed to the Clinical Trials and Regulatory Affairs Committee for the American Society of Gene and Cell Therapy**

**John Lazenby, MD, appointed to ACCP Quality Improvement Committee**

**Timmy Lee, MD, Program Committee, National Kidney Foundation Spring Clinical Meetings**

**Massoud Leesar, MD, Rahman S, Leesar T, Cilingiroglu M, Effat M, Arif I, Helmy T, Leesar MA. Impact of kissing balloon inflation on the main vessel stent volume, area, and symmetry after side-branch dilation in patients with coronary bifurcation lesions: a serial volumetric intravascular ultrasound study. JACC Cardiovasc Interv 2013 Sep; 6(9):923-931.**

**Massoud Leesar, MD, Kolli KK, Helmy TA, Peelukhana SV, Arif I, Leesar MA, Back LH, Banerjee RK, Effat MA. Functional diagnosis of coronary stenosis using pressure drop coefficient: A pilot study in humans. Catheter Cardiovasc Interv 2013 Jun 19 doi (Ahead of Print) 10.1002/ccd.25085.**

**Massoud Leesar, MD, Peelukhana SV, Kolli KK, Leesar MA, Effat MA, Helmy TA, Arif I, Schneeberger EW, Succop P, Banerjee RK. Effect of myocardial contractility on hemodynamic end points under concomitant microvascular disease in a porcine model. Heart Vessels. 2013 Apr 30 (Epub ahead of print) PubMed PMID:23624760**

**Massoud Leesar, MD, Leesar MA. Drug eluting stents for ostial coronary stenosis: Perspectives on the horizon. Catheter Cardiovasc Inter. 2013 Nov 1;82(5):735-736 doi:10.1002/ccd.25192. PubMed PMID:24167048**

**Massoud Leesar, MD, Hakeem A, Marmagkiolis K, Hacıoglu Y, Uretsky BF, Gundogdu B, Leesar M, Bailey SR, Cilingiroglu M. Safety and efficacy of device closure for patient foramen ovale for secondary prevention of neurological events: Comprehensive systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials. Cardiovasc Revasc Med 2013 Sep 27. doi:pil:S1553-8389(13)00128-0**

**Massoud Leesar, MD, Kapoor N Siddiqui, T MD, Raza S MD, Yalamanchilli V, MD, Leesar M. Prophylactic High-Dose Intra-graft Adenosine Infusion prior to Degenerated Saphenous Vein Grafts Intervention on Coronary Flow Reserve, TIMI Frame Count, TIMI Myocardial Perfusion Grade, and No-Reflow Phenomenon. Catheter Cardiovasc Interv. 2013 Oct 15. Doi:10.1002/ccd.25248**

**Massoud Leesar, MD, Left Ventricular torsional hysteresis: A global parameter for diastolic function. The overall goal of the project is to assess the correlations between left ventricular filling pressures measured by Millard catheter in the cath lab with cardiac MRI. Sponsor: NHLBI, Role: Co-Investigator**

**Massoud Leesar, MD, Intravascular Ultrasound Volumetric Analysis of Coronary Bifurcation Lesions: Changes in the Area and Volume of the Main Vessel Stent Following Side-Branch and Final Kissing Balloon Inflation. Sponsor: Boston Scientific Role: PI**



**Massoud Leesar, MD, Assessment of epicardial coronary artery stenosis and microvascular dysfunction using the pressure-drop coefficient (CDPe; trans-stenotic pressure drop divided by the dynamic pressure in the distal vessel)  
Sponsor: VA MERIT Grant, Role: Co-PI**

**Yufeng Li, PhD, Outstanding Abstract Award, invited speaker 3<sup>rd</sup> Munich Biomarker conference. “ROC Analysis Can Improve the Correlation between Histological Grade and Oncotype-Dx Recurrence Risk in Breast Cancer.”  
Munich, Germany, November, 2013**

**Yufeng Li, PhD, Chair, Biostatistics and Bioinformatics in Cancer Research, 6<sup>th</sup> Annual World Cancer Congress, Xi’an, China, 2013**

**Yufeng Li, PhD, Scientific Advisory Board Member, 6<sup>th</sup> Annual World Cancer Congress, Xi’an, China, 2013**

**Steve Lloyd, MD, PhD, High-fat, low-carbohydrate diet alters myocardial oxidative stress and impairs recovery of cardiac function following ischemia and reperfusion in obese rats. Jian Liu , Steven G. Lloyd ; Nutrition Research 2013;33: 311-321. DOI information: 10.1016/j.nutres.2013.02.005**

**Julie Locher, PhD, MSPH, awarded Fellow status by the Gerontological Society of America**

**Renzo Loyaga, MD Peripartum Cardiomyopathy has been accepted for publication in Circulation Heart Failure**

**Alayne Markland, DO, MSc, appointed Chief of Geriatrics in the Birmingham VA Medical Center, October 2013**

**Alayne Markland, DO, MSc, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Michelle Martin, PhD, invited Lead Editor for Nursing Research and Practice, a Special Issue proposal “Multimorbidity across the Adult Lifespan”, 2014**

**Jessica Merlin, MD, MBA, Research Supplemental Award for 2<sup>nd</sup> highest score on Research Metrics Survey in the UAB Department of Medicine**

**Jessica Merlin, MD, MBA, selected as mentor to a rising chief in Boston University’s Chief Resident Immersion Training Program in substance use disorders**

**Brendan McGuire, MD, Department of Medicine Supplement Award**

**Shin Mineishi, MD, appointed as ad hoc reviewer for the Clinical Drug Investigation Journal**

**Klaus Monkemuller, MD, Co-Editor, Endoscopy**

**Klaus Monkemuller, MD, Chairman, Quality of Endoscopy for Small Bowel Diseases and IBD (European Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy)**

**Klaus Monkemuller, MD, Member SCENIC Guideline Committee (International Guidelines on the use of Endoscopy in IBD)**

**Sarah L. Morgan, MD, named to Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Sarah L. Morgan, MD, elected as Chair of the Education Council for the International Society of Clinical Densitometry**

**Michal Mrug, MD, Detraz Scholar in Polycystic Kidney Disease**

**Michael Mugavero, MD, Scientific Co-Chair for HIV Adherence Conference, 2014**

**Michael Mugavero, MD, Member, Editorial Advisory Board of *Open Forum Infectious Diseases* (OFID), 2014**

**Lisle M. Nabell, MD, appointed to the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Board of Directors**

**Navin Nanda, MD, “Father of Echocardiography” by the Russian Society of Cardiology and the Section of Echocardiography, May 2013**

**Navin Nanda, MD, appointed by American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (AAPI).The committee will launch Heart Disease education networks**

**Navin Nanda, MD, Comprehensive Textbook of Echocardiography**

**Navin Nanda, MD, Honored as “Father of Echocardiography” by the Russian Society of Cardiology (March 2013, Moscow, Russia), Taiwan Society of Echocardiography (April 2013, Taipei, Taiwan), Indian College of Cardiology (September 2013, Thiruvanthapuram, India) and Care Institute Medical Society of Research and Education (CIMS) (January 2014, Ahmedabad, India) received CIMS Lifetime Achievement Award**

**Navin Nanda, MD, Honored as the “World Icon in Echocardiography and Cardiology” by the World Congress of Clinical, Preventive Cardiology and Imaging (September 2013, Mysore, India)**

**Navin Nanda, MD, Honored with “Jewel of Punjab and Lifetime Achievement Awards” by the Association of Physicians of India. (February 2014 Ludhiana, India)**

**Navin Nanda, MD, Non-invasive Cardiac Laboratory at SND Medical Foundation and Hospital, Rupnagar, India named as “Navin Nanda Non-invasive Heart Station” for “dedication towards furthering research of highest international standards in the field of echocardiography” April 2013**

**Navin Nanda, MD, Special award from the Lt. Governor of Delhi at the Revolutionary Cardiac Therapies Conference for “your contribution, support and guidance to set new benchmarks over the last 25 years”, Fortis Escorts Heart Institute, February, 2014, New Delhi, India**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, Co-Chair, Eighth Joint National Committee (JNC8) Evidence Based Guideline for the Management of High Blood Pressure in adults: Report from the Panel Members appointed to the Eighth Joint National Committee (James PA, et al JAMA 2014)**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, recent publications of major importance on current and emerging approaches to the diagnosis, treatment, management, and prevention of conditions associated with hypertension**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, Foundation, May 2013**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, Elected Honorary Member, Association of University Cardiologists (AUC), by the Council of the Association of University Cardiologists, May 2013**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, American Society of Hypertension (ASH) Harriet Dustan Award, presented by the ASH Scientific Awards Committee & ASH Board of Directors, May 2014**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, Distinguished Faculty Lecturer, Tulane Health Sciences Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH), April 2014**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, NHLBI, Loan Repayment Program Special Emphasis Panel member/Reviewer 2013-2014**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences External Expert Reviewer, 2013**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, NIH Population Sciences and Epidemiology (PSE) IRG Special Emphasis Panel Member, 2014**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, NIH/NHLBI Initiative, Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel Member, 2013-2014**

**Suzanne Oparil, MD, Annual Russell Lectureship 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Alabama Chapter of the American College of Cardiology, Co-Sponsored by the American College of Cardiology Foundation, June 2013**

**Fernando Ovalle, MD, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Living and Giving Honoree**

**Salpy Pamboukian, MD, First recipient of Bourge-Kirklin Endowed Scholar in Mechanical Circulatory Support**

**Rita Paschal, MD, appointed as reviewer for The Journal of the American Medical Association**

**Rita Paschal, MD, appointed as reviewer for The Journal of Hematology and Transfusion**

**Maria Pisu, PhD, Invited Lead Editor for Nursing Research and Practice, a Special Issue proposal "Multimorbidity across the Adult Lifespan", 2014**

**David Pollock, MD, President Elect, American Physiological Society**

**David Pollock, MD, Editor in Chief, Comprehensive Physiology**

**David Pollock, MD, American Heart Association Council for High Blood Pressure Research Louis K. Dahl Award**

**David Pollock, MD, Chair, FASEB Conference on Renal Hemodynamics**

**Sumanth Prabhu, MD, Castle Connolly Top Doctor, Cardiovascular Disease**

**Sumanth Prabhu, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Sumanth Prabhu, MD, Review Editor, *Frontiers in Striated Muscle Physiology***

**Sumanth Prabhu, MD, Consulting Editor, *Circulation Research***

**Sumanth Prabhu, MD, Invited Seminar – Inflammation and Heart Failure, 2013 American Heart Association Scientific Sessions**

**Chander Raman, PhD, selected as Chair of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Fellowship Committee Study Section for the next 3 years**

**Chander Raman, PhD, named member of the Cellular and Molecular Immunology B Study Section, NIH Center for Scientific Review, July 2013-June 2017**

**Nicole Redmond, MD, PhD, MPH, appointed Chair, Grants and Policies Committee, Jefferson County Board of Health, 2014**

**Nicole Redmond, MD, PhD, MPH, appointed Secretary of the Jefferson County Board of Health, 2013**

**Nicole Redmond, MD, PhD, MPH, appointed Co-Advisor, American Physician Scientists Association, UAB Chapter, 2013**

**Richard J. Reynolds, PhD, serves as Associate Editor for *Arthritis & Rheumatology***

**Robert R. Rich, MD, editor, *Clinical Immunology: Principles and Practice*. 4<sup>th</sup> Edition.**

**Martin Rodriguez, MD, Best Doctors in America, 2013**

**Martin Rodriguez, MD, Travel grant recipient ID Week 2013, San Francisco**

**Martin Rodriguez, MD, Coinvestigator, HSF Educational Grant 2013. Kaizen-ME: A novel gamification infused educational platform for millennial learners, PI: James Willig, MD.**

**Angela Rothrock, PhD, elected Secretary for the National Association for Geriatric Education**

**Angela Rothrock, PhD, elected Secretary for the National Association of Geriatric Medicine Centers, November 2013**

**Steven M. Rowe, MD, appointed to the Editorial Board of *The American Journal of Physiology*, Lung Cellular and Molecular Physiology**

**Steven M. Rowe, MD, Dean's Award for Excellence in Mentorship**

**Steven M. Rowe, MD, Faculty of 1000 Prime (Pulmonary; Pharmacology)**

**Steven M. Rowe, MD, Ad hoc member for NIH/FDA Special Emphasis Panel (ZRG1 BDCN-A;P50)**

**Steven M. Rowe, MD, Ad hoc member for NIH Study Section (ZRG1 CVRS-G (04) M Respiratory Diseases)**

**Steven M. Rowe, MD, Ad hoc member for NIH Study Section (ZRG1 CVRS-M 11 SBIR Review Panel)**

**Steven M. Rowe, MD, Southern Society for Clinical Investigation Official Journal – American Journal of the Medical Sciences Elected Faculty with the Pulmonary Division**

**Stephen Russell, MD, Best Doctors list in Birmingham Business Journal 2013**

**Stephen Russell, MD, DOM 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Education Summit Faculty**

**Stephen Russell, MD, published first of three novels, “Blood Money”**

**Alyman Saad, MD, appointed to the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Myeloid Growth Factors panel**

**Kenneth G. Saag, MD, MSc, named recipient of the 2013 Rheumatology Research Foundation Excellence in Investigative Mentoring Award, honoring one active ACR or ARHP member for their contributions to the Rheumatology profession through outstanding and ongoing mentoring.**

**Kenneth G. Saag, MD, MSc, named to Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Kenneth G. Saag, MD, MSc, received an NIH program grant (P60) Multidisciplinary Clinical Research Center (MCRC) composed of an Administrative Core, a Methodology Core (David T. Redden, PhD, PI), a project entitled, “Facilitating Treat-to-Target Strategies Using Novel Health Technology with Decision Support” (Jeffrey R. Curtis, MD, MS, MPH, PI), and a project entitled, “Adaptive Immune Responses to Gut Microbiota in Juvenile & Adult Spondyloarthritis” (Charles O. Elson, MD, PI, and Matthew L. Stoll, MD, PhD, MSCS, Co-Investigator)**

**Michael Saag, MD, Castle Connolly 2014 National Physician of the Year Award for Clinical Excellence, New York, NY (March, 2014)**

**Michael Saag, MD, Collat Jewish Family Services Hands Up Together 2014 Honoree, Birmingham, AL (May, 2014)**

**Monika M. Safford, MD, National Diabetes Education Program Medication Adherence Task Force, appointed member, 2014**

**Monika M. Safford, MD, Alere Research to Practice Award, Society of Behavioral Medicine, 2014**

**Monika M. Safford, MD, invited member, National Peer Support Collaborative Learning Network, Washington, DC, November, 2013**

**Monika M. Safford, MD, invited member, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Innovations Symposium, New York, NY, October, 2013, Creativity is a Decision Award from the UAB Nutrition and Obesity Research Center, 2013: “Sound bites for healthy living”**

**Monika M. Safford, MD, Charles C. Shepard Science Award nomination, 2013: “Association between an intensive lifestyle intervention and remission of type 2 diabetes. *JAMA* 2012 Dec 19;308 (23):2489-2496” Award given to most impactful paper of the year by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention public health officer, 2013**

**Carolina Salvador, MD, nominated to the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Cancer-Related Fatigue Panel**

**Carolina Salvador, MD, recipient of the Rebecca Wood Service Award for the New Light Breast Cancer Support Group**

**Donna Salzman, MD, appointed as inspector for the Foundation for the Accreditation of Cellular Therapy**

**Harry W. Schroeder, Jr, MD, PhD, serves as Editor-in-Chief for the *American Journal of Clinical and Experimental Immunology***

**Harry W. Schroeder, Jr, MD, PhD, named the inaugural John Irby Research Scholar**

**Harry W. Schroeder, Jr, MD, PhD, named to Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Terry Shaneyfelt, MD, MPH-member of Performance Measurement Committee, National ACP**

**Terry Shaneyfelt, MD, MPH, accepted Associate Editor of BMJ EBM**

**Terry Shaneyfelt, MD, MPH, accepted National Comprehensive Cancer Network Prostate Cancer Early Detection Panel**

**Ashwani Kumar Singal, MD, 2014 Angus Cooper Award**

**Ashwani Kumar Singal, MD, Executive member for 2014 AASLD Public and Clinical Policy Committee, represented AASLD for federal visit to the NIH July 2013**

**Ashwani Kumar Singal, MD, invited Guest Faculty to the Gastroenterology 2013 Conference in Chicago**

**Ashwani Kumar Singal, MD, invited Guest Faculty “Alcohol Mini Symposium”, Kansas University**

**Ashwani Kumar Singal, MD, Chair, Parallel session at AASLD 2013 Annual Conference**

**Ashwani Kumar Singal, MD, invited Guest Faculty, VIII International ALPD-C Symposium in Delhi, India**

**Ashwani Kumar Singal, MD, *Liver Transplantation in the Management of Porphyria*, Hepatology 2014 (in press)**

**Ashwani Kumar Singal, MD, selected American College of Gastroenterology Scholar and awarded the Faculty Development Award**

**Jasvinder Singh, MD, MPH, named to Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Jasvinder Singh, MD, MPH, Director of the Kirklin Gout Clinic**

**Jasvinder Singh, MD, MPH, Director of the Cochrane Musculoskeletal Group Satellite Center at UAB, with a focus on Network Meta-analyses, 2013**

**Jasvinder Singh, MD, MPH, Chair of the American College of Rheumatology (ACR) Fellow Selection Committee for Outcome Measures in Rheumatology (OMERACT)-12 Meeting, May 2014, Budapest, Hungary**

**Jasvinder Singh, MD, MPH, member of the American College of Rheumatology Annual Meeting Planning Committee (AMPC) and Chair of the Meet the Professor, Workshop and Study Group Subcommittee**

**Jasvinder Singh, MD, MPH, member of the ACR Guidelines Subcommittee**

**Jasvinder Singh, MD, MPH, co-chaired the ACR Annual Meeting Epidemiology and Health Services Research Abstract selection committee**

**Jasvinder Singh, MD, MPH, Section Editor of Clinical Rheumatology and Osteoporosis section of the journal, Biomedical Central (BMC) Musculoskeletal Disorders; Associate Editor for the Biomechanics and Orthopedics section of the journal, BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders**

**Erin Snyder, MD, Dom 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Education Summit Faculty**

**Erin Snyder, MD, named Assistant Program Director, Ambulatory Care; Director TKC IM4 Clinic**

**Erin Snyder, MD, UASOM RIME Award**

**Erin Snyder, MD, SSGIM President-Elect 2013-2014**

**Erin Snyder, MD, Robert A. Kreisberg Award Recipient**

**Eric Sorscher, MD, appointed as symposium chair for the North American Cystic Fibrosis conference in Salt Lake City, Utah in October, 2013**

**David M. Spalding, MD, named to Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Chad Steele, PhD, appointed to the Lung Basic Science 2 Review Committee, American Heart Association**

**Chad Steele, PhD, Stage 1 Reviewer, NIAID Centers of Excellence in Translational Research (CETR) U19**

**Chad Steele, PhD, reappointed to the Editorial Board of *Infection and Immunity***

**Chad Steele, PhD, elected Vice Chair (2016) and Chair (2018) of the Gordon Research Conference “Biology of Acute Respiratory Infection”**

**Steve Stigler, MD, The Jack Durand Fulmer Award for Excellence in Teaching**

**Theresa V. Strong, PhD, nominated as Admissions Committee Chair for the Cancer Biology Theme for the UAB Graduate Biomedical Sciences Program**

**Alex Szalai, PhD, appointed Director of the Musculoskeletal & Skin Module for Second Year Medical Students**

**Alex Szalai, PhD, appointed to the Editorial Board of *American Journal of Physiology – Regulatory, Integrative and Comparative Physiology***

**Alex Szalai, PhD, appointed an Advisory Board Member for *OA Rheumatology***

**Alex Szalai, PhD, named Guest Editor: *Mediators of Inflammation* for a Special Issue on C-Reactive Protein in arteriosclerosis**

**Alex Szalai, PhD, presented lecture entitled, “C-Reactive Protein, smoke and fire in autoimmune disease” at the Health Sciences Center Arthritis Centre, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, June 2013**

**José A. Tallaj, MD, first recipient of the Bourge-McGiffin Endowed Scholar in Heart Transplantation**

**Ben Taylor, MD, MPH, SSGIM Best Research Abstract Award 2013-2014**

**Victor J. Thannickal, MD, Member, VA Pulmonary Medicine Study Section**

**Victor J. Thannickal, MD, Editorial Board, Journal of Clinical Investigation**

**Victor J. Thannickal, MD, Editorial Board, American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine**

**Victor J. Thannickal, MD, Member, NIH/NHLBI Respiratory Integrative Biology and Translational Research Study Section**

**Ashita J. Tolwani, MD, National Academy of Inventors Award**

**Ashita J. Tolwani, MD, Best Doctors in America 2013-2014**

**Martin Trojanowski, MD, named a UAB School of Medicine Clinical Skills Scholar to mentor medical students on the intangibles of being a physician**

**Rodney Tucker, MD, MMM, elected to American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine Board of Directors**

**Rodney Tucker, MD, MMM, Best Doctors in America 2013/2014**

**Brooks Vaughan, MD, Department of Medicine Supplement Award**

**Frederick Weber, MD, Department of Medicine Supplement Award**

**Mel Wilcox, MD, Department of Medicine Supplement Award**

**Keith Wille, MD, Chair, Lung Review Board, United Network for Organ Sharing Member, Transplant Network Steering Committee, American College of Chest Physicians**

**Keith Wille, MD, Member of the Thoracic Committee, United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS)**

**Keith Wille, MD, Member of the ACCP Transplant Network 2012-2016**

**Lisa Willett, MD, Best Doctors list in Birmingham Business Journal, 2013**

**Lisa Willett, MD, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Education Summit Faculty**

**Winter L. Williams, MD, named Director VA CMR Quality and Safety – BVAMC**

**Zhi-Xiang Xu, MD, PhD, appointed as reviewer for the following journals: Autophagy, Oncotarget, Mediators of Inflammation, Journal of Endourology, Gynecologic Oncology, The Journal of the American Medical Association, and Cellular & Molecular Biology Letters**

**Lufang Zhou, PhD, Effects of Regional Mitochondrial Depolarization Electrical Propagation: Implications for Arrhythmogenesis**



