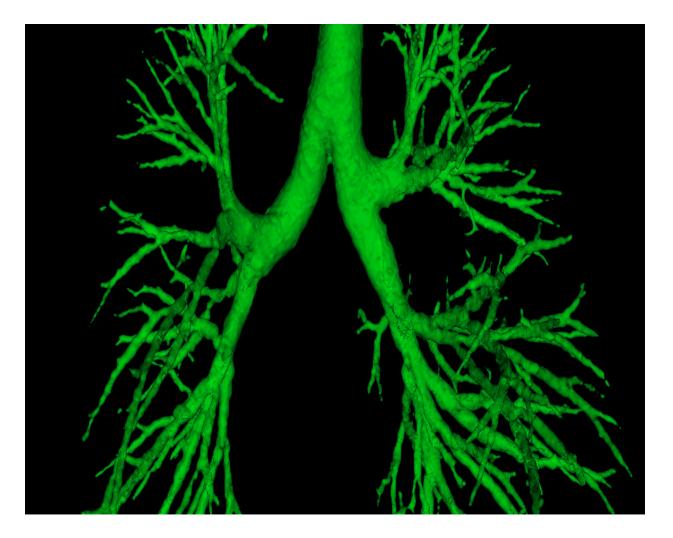


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## Ventilator Length of Stay Drops to All Time Low in June

Pulmonologist Steve Stigler, MD, and Respiratory Manager Robert Johnson, MS, report that adoption of ventilator best practices continue to improve patient outcomes across UAB Hospital.



SOM Featured Discovery: Surya Bhatt, MD, Finds New Predictor for COPD Morbidity and Mortality

Dr. Bhatt and colleagues identified airway fractal dimension as predictive for COPD in *The Journal of Clinical Investigation,* where the image shown left made the cover in September.



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- 2. Monitor Indoor Thermometers
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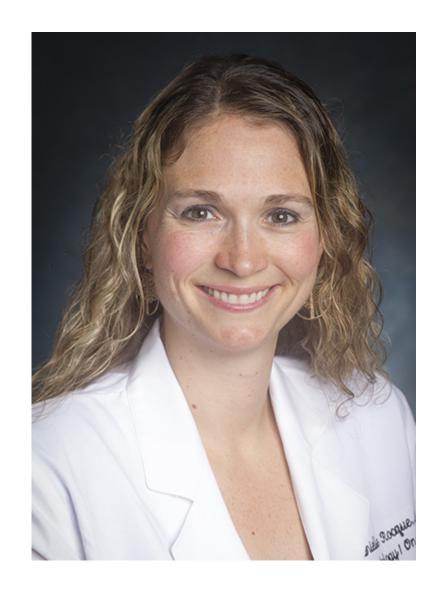
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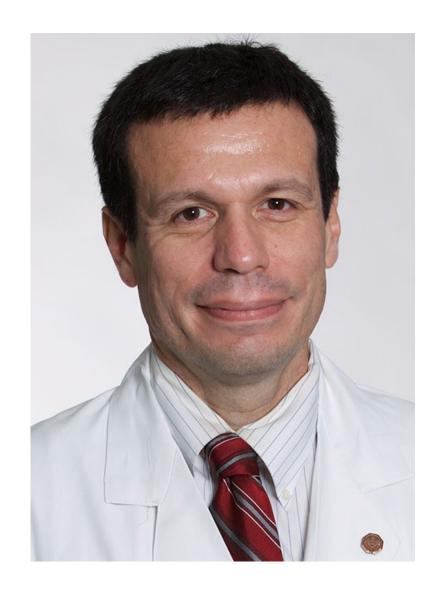
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