



The Newspaper

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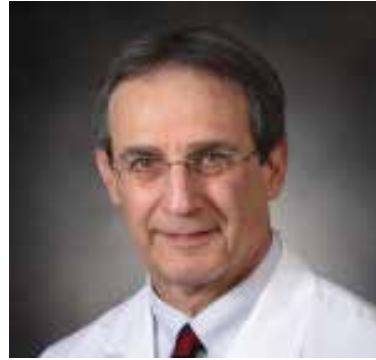
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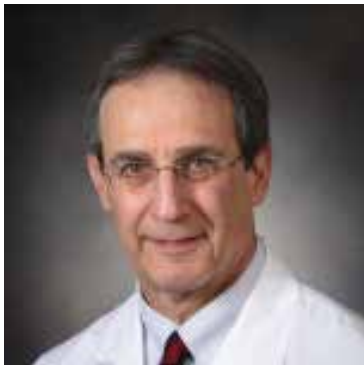
Publications



Das S, Verma N, Goldstein L, Despa F. Skin capillary amylin deposition resembles brain amylin vasculopathy in rats. *J Stroke Cerebrovasc Dis*. 2023.107300. Epub 2023 Aug.



Wang Y, Leifheit EC, Goldstein LB, Lichtman JH. Association of short-term hospital-level outcome metrics with 1-year mortality and recurrence for US Medicare beneficiaries with ischemic stroke. *PLoS One*. 2023 Aug; 18(8):e0289790.



Goldstein LB, Toth PP, Dearborn-Tomazos JL, Guigliano RP, Hirsh BJ, Pena JM, Selim MH, Woo D. Aggressive LDL-C lowering and the brain: impact on risk for dementia and hemorrhagic Stroke: A Scientific Statement from the American Heart Association. *Arteriosclerosis, thrombosis, and vascular biology*. 2023;43:e404-e442

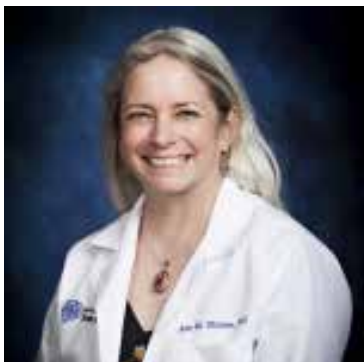
Research Grants



Tritia Yamasaki, MD, PhD, is an investigator for NIH COBRE CNS-Met Metabolomics 5 year grant, "Identifying Metabolomic Markers in Conversion to Cognitive Impairment in Parkinson's Disease."

See: NIH awards \$10.6 mil for central nervous system metabolism research center at UK. Read the story in UKNow [here](#).

Dr. Yamasaki was also awarded an ADRC, 2-year development grant, "Detection of TDP43 utilizing RT-QuIC in CSF and blood for distinguishing LATE from other tauopathies."



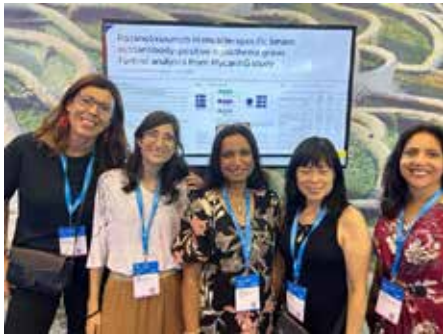
Ann Stowe, PhD, received a grant, "Biomarkers to Track Effective Interventions That Delay Dementia Onset In Participants of the Risk Reduction for Alzheimer's Disease (rrAD)."

Invited Speaker



Saurav Das, MD, was invited to give a talk at the Society of Hospital Medicine meeting. He presented, "An update in stroke for hospitalist."

Poster Presentations



Zabeen Mahuwala, MD, presented, "Rozanolixizumab in MUSK autoantibody positive myasthenia gravis: Further analysis from MycarinG study," at the European Academy of Neurology in Budapest.

Faculty Achievements

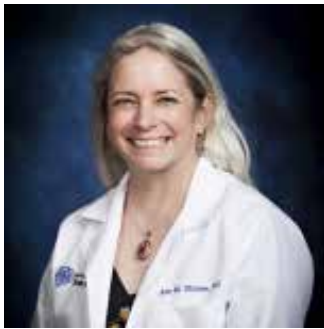


Daniel Lee, MD, & Julie Gurwell, PhD, PA-C, directed the Academic PA Neurology Residency Program. The UKPA program was recognized as a top PA program nationally.

Faculty Achievements Cont.



Sharoon Qaiser, MD, has succeeded Dr. Kim Jones as the Child Neurology Program Director. He had previously been the program's co-director. Anna Thamann, MD, has become the Child Neurology Associate Program Director. Congratulations and thank you to Dr. Jones for her many years of service as the Child Neurology Program Director.



Ann Stowe, PhD, & Jordan Harp, PhD, received the College of Medicine Wethington Research Awards.



Dong (Dan) Han, PsyD, and Siddharth Kapoor, MBBS, were recognized for their work with the International Society of Neurogastroenterology, and have been appointed as Faculty Fellows of the new University of Kentucky's Jim B. Beam Institute.



Jagannadha Avasarala, MD, PhD, is a Fellow, American Academy of Neurology.



Sheliza Ali, PhD, was accepted into the leadership ambassador development (LEAD) program of the National Academy of Neuropsychology (NAN), a professional advancement curriculum for professional members of NAN. Congratulations!

Faculty Achievements Cont.

Academy of Medical Education Excellence in Medical Education Award



Vishakhadatta Mathur Kumaraswamy, MD received the award in the area of **Teaching**.



Sally Mathias, MD received the award in the area of **Leadership**.

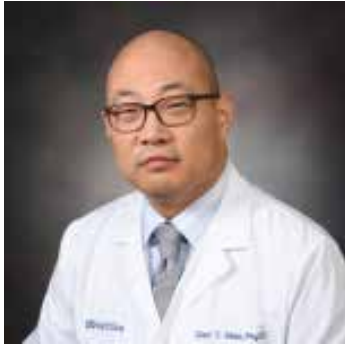


Padmaja Sudhakar, MD received award in the area of **Leadership**.



Kara Swafford, MD received the award in the area of **Teaching**.

Faculty Achievements Cont.



Dong (Dan) Y. Han, PsyD, applied neurogastronomy research findings on malodor antagonist modeling with Dr. Tim McClintock of UK Physiology, and jointly received “Patent Pending” status for this work.

Departmental Trainee of the Month - August



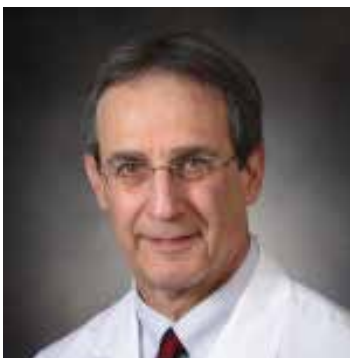
Andrew Welleford, MD, PhD, PGY 3

Medical Knowledge: Dr. Welleford was excellent on his VA rotation. He did a great job with patient management and is working well above his level in terms of interpretation of imaging and also complex management skills. Exceptional work by Dr. Welleford. His history and exam are very detailed. Presentations are very easy to follow and logic driven. He shows 200% presence in clinic and shows a lot of enthusiasm to see patients and learn. Passion was very obvious to see. Dr. Welleford was one of the most exceptional residents I have encountered. As knowledgeable as an attending. He took time to teach about a number of topics.

Leadership: Respectful, kind, open communicator, hard-working, great leader.

Teamwork: Dr. Welleford was a team player and subbed out one of his days to cover the VA to help out a junior resident and help provide continuity of care for a complex patient. Excellent job and keep up the good work!

Seen and Heard



Larry B. Goldstein, MD, chaired the writing committee for the new AHA scientific statement on intensive LDL-C lowering. [Click here](#) to read the story in UKKnow. Full citation is under publications.

Philanthropy

Robert J. Baumann, MD Resident Endowment Fund

The endowment was established in honor of Dr. Baumann's skills as a clinician and educator. It provides much needed funding for resident learning opportunities and research-related needs that are not otherwise supported.



Education is one of the core missions of our department - we are always looking for ways to improve the curriculum and educational opportunities we provide. Our goal is to continue to attract the highest caliber trainees to our programs, provide comprehensive neurological education, and increase the number of neurologists available in the commonwealth capable of providing cutting edge patient care and who are dedicated to life-long learning. In 2015, the Robert J. Baumann, MD Fund for Neurology Residents was established to help us support our goals for the neurology resident program. Dr. Baumann has been a familiar face among neurology residents at the University of

Kentucky for four decades. Dr. Baumann truly embodies the teaching mission of our department. His devotion to the field of medicine and training the next generation of providers is truly second to none.

In keeping with Dr. Baumann's passion for providing a strong medical education, the endowment will bolster the continued expansion of the Residency Program and ensure that our trainees have a well-rounded experience, positioning us to be among the best,



and most sought out programs in the United States. Please consider contributing to the continued growth of our program and making an impact on future neurology residents by making a gift to the Robert J. Baumann MD Fund for Neurology Residents. All donations will be acknowledged and are tax deductible.

Donations can be made by contacting our Director of Philanthropy, Lisa Deaton Greer. (859-323-5374 or lisa.greer@uky.edu) or by clicking here <https://neurology.med.uky.edu/neurology-alumni>.

Wellness and Support Resources



[Click here](#) to find more helpful information on our Department of Neurology website.

UK Wellness Resources

Academic Resources offer a wide variety of online and in-person tips, tools, and suggestions.

Workplace Safety

UK HealthCare is committed to safety and well-being of patients, visitors, and staff in our enterprise. We take all forms of aggression, violence, and threats seriously. Sometimes frontline staff don't report these incidents, because they feel disruptive behavior is "part of the job". There is uncertainty about how and where to report.

Childcare

Several childcare facilities are located on or adjacent to the UK campus. Please note that some of these programs have a 9-10 month waiting list, so if you are interested, please talk to the directors as early as possible.

Financial Health

You and your family have access to the financial experts for guidance on financial questions, big or small.

Diversity and Inclusion

As healthcare providers, we have an obligation to do no harm. But our obligations go further to prevent harm from befalling others because of our inaction or silence.

Spiritual

Various resources are available for spiritual support through the GME program.

Abuse Response and Reporting

For procedures to report abuse, and for details of patient rights, click the title.

The Vicarious Trauma Toolkit

The Vicarious Trauma Toolkit (VTT) was developed on the premise that exposure to the traumatic experiences of other people—known as vicarious trauma—is an inevitable occupational challenge for the fields of victim services, emergency medical services, fire services, law enforcement, and other allied professionals. However, organizations can mitigate the potentially negative effects of trauma exposure by becoming vicarious trauma-informed.

Well-Being

The University of Kentucky GME Wellness Training Committee is devoted to helping GME learners achieve their highest potential through the integration of the physical, social, emotional, environmental and economic aspects of wellness.

Physician Support Line

This is a peer-to-peer support line for physicians by physicians that is available to US based DO / MD / International equivalents at the attending, fellow, resident, intern, medical student, or research level. Any discussions are confidential and protected.

Lexington Medical Society Physician Wellness Program

Services include individual counseling, couples/family sessions, and sessions with spouse/partners alone. These confidential and free counseling services are available to anyone.

UK Work-Life Counseling

Free and confidential counseling for life stress, work performance, substance abuse concerns, and mental health.

UK REFER Program

A Family Center Counseling service provided as a benefit to UK employees that focuses on personal, couple, and/or family concerns.

Emergent Psychiatry Services

UK Department of Psychiatry Outpatient Clinic
Access to confidential consultation is available through the UK Outpatient Clinic during business hours, five days per week. Call 859-323-6021 and follow the prompts for the Outpatient Clinic.

The Ridge Behavioral System

Access to confidential consultation regarding the need for emergency psychiatric services is available to 24 hours per day, seven days a week. The house staff officer is to call 859-268-0400 and ask for the Assessment Office and identify oneself as a UK resident/fellow needing immediate evaluation.

Events

Child Neurology Welcome Party



Faculty Promotions and Tenure Reception



Save the Dates



2023
NEUROSCIENCE RPA
CLINICAL-TRANSLATIONAL
RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

Healthy Kentucky Research Building

November 2, 2023 3:00pm - 6:00pm
Neuroscience Data Blitz and Networking/Social Hour
(advanced registration required - limited to graduate students & above)


November 3, 2023 9:00am - 5:00pm

Full Day Program feat. keynote speaker, Dr. Edward Kasarskis

Abstract Submission open until:


September 22, 2023 11:59pm


[Registration and Abstract Submission](#)



THIRTEENTH ANNUAL
Markesbery
Symposium
on Aging and Dementia

SCIENTIFIC SESSION, November 17, 2023 11:00am-4:30pm

 Sanders-Brown
Center on Aging



Lee T. Todd, Jr. Building
789 S. Limestone
Lexington, KY 40530

Rachel Ward-Mitchell, RN, BSN, would like to invite you to the virtual epilepsy support group meeting every other week via Zoom. This meeting will replace the in-person monthly meeting for now. If you would like to join the meetings please contact Rachel at 859.218.5053 or through Central Kentucky Epilepsy Network <https://www.facebook.com/CentralKentuckyEpilepsySupportNetwork>.

Please submit contributions for the September
Newspaper to Lee Anne Rudd, (lee.rudd@uky.edu).