

Pediatrician-In-Chief Report January 2021

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Faculty New Hires		
Name/Degree	Title	Section
Breuss, Martin, PhD	Assistant Professor	Genetics
McGinn, Brenna, CPNP-AC	Instructor	HemOnc
McGrath, Patrick (Sean), PhD	Instructor	Developmental Biology
Smith, Kyle, MD	Clinical Instructor	Emergency Medicine
Tenure Track Promotions		
None		
Non-Tenure Track Promotions		
None		
Secondary Appointments		
None		
Adjoint/Adjunct New		
None		
Volunteer Clinical Faculty	Action	Rank
Gill, Sunit, MD	Promotion	Associate to Professor
Kuester, Sandra, PA-C	Promotion	Associate to Professor
Moffitt, Ila Cheree, MD	New Appointment	Clinical Assistant Professor
Samour, Lilliam, PA-C	Promotion	Associate to Professor
White, Laura, DO, MAJ USAF, MC	New Appointment	Clinical Assistant Professor

PEOPLE

Paritosh Kaul, MD, FSAHM, professor of pediatrics, has been elected president-elect of the Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine (SAHM). He will serve as president-elect for one year, starting his term at the conclusion of the 2021 annual meeting in March. He will then become president of SAHM at the annual meeting in 2022. SAHM is a multidisciplinary, international organization committed to improving the physical and psychosocial health and well-being of all adolescents.

James A. Feinstein, MD MPH, was elected by peer vote to be the Chair of the Colorado Medicaid Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee.

Angela Czaja, MD, MSc, PhD, was named sub-board member for Pediatric Critical Care Medicine (PCCM) at the American Board of Pediatrics.

Jacqueline J. Glover, PhD, Professor of Pediatrics and Clinical Case Consultation Lead for the Center for Bioethics and Humanities, has been elected a [Hastings Center Fellow](#). Hastings Center Fellows are recognized for outstanding accomplishment, whose work has informed scholarship and improved public understanding of ethical issues in health, health care, life sciences research, and the environment. Jackie is one of 14 fellows recently elected to a group of more than 200.

Dr. Christine Waasdorp-Hurtado: Colorado Springs Faculty and Clinical Program Lead of the Department of Pediatrics.

Dr. Dania Brigham: Member of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases' Communications and Technology Committee starting Jan 2021 for 3 years.

Dr. Ed Dezoeten, was appointed Associate Editor (IBD), Journal of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition. January 1, 2021.

Dr. Calies Menard-Katcher: NASPGHAN representative on the Steering Committee for scientific workshop, "Gastroenterology Regulatory Endpoints and the Advancement of Therapeutics VI (GREAT VI): Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disorders." This workshop is being co-organized by the Division of Gastroenterology at the FDA and the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA), the American College of Gastroenterology (ACG), the North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition (NASPGHAN), the Consortium for Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Researchers (CEGIR), and the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology (AAAAI). The workshop will take place in July 2021 (virtually).

Kristen Boyle, PhD, was elected chair-elect for the American Society for Nutrition Maternal, Perinatal and Pediatric Nutrition Research Interest Section.

Kristen Boyle, PhD, was nominated to be a member of the Precision Prognostics for Gestational Diabetes Working Group for the ADA/EASD (American Diabetes Association/European Association for the Study of Diabetes) Precision Medicine Diabetes Initiative.

Kevin Carney, MD, is a Pediatric Emergency Medicine physician at Children's Colorado and joined the Children's Hospital Colorado medical staff upon completion of his PEM fellowship here in 2013. Before coming to Colorado, Kevin was a Resident and Chief Resident at Children's Memorial in Chicago (now Lurie Children's).

Just a year after completing his fellowship, Kevin was given the position of Director of Quality improvement within the Children's Colorado Emergency Department. In 2015, Kevin began service as the Medical Director of the Anschutz Emergency Department. In 2019, Kevin assumed Medical Directorship of Clinical Operations and Strategic Planning for all Emergency Department and Urgent Care locations at Children's Colorado.

At a hospital level, Kevin has been integral in our Patient Flow process improvement work and has served as a champion for the use of predictive analytics in forecasting patient volumes across the system. Kevin has served on a broad array of Children's Colorado system-wide committees, and during his career, has been recognized many times for his outstanding mentorship and leadership.

As ACMO, Kevin will partner with nursing leadership to further our quality and safety mission and ensure patients have a great experience when they are in our inpatient environment. Working with our OneCall and Patient Flow teams, Kevin will focus on ensuring that our patient movement across the system gets the correct patient to the right place at the right time. Kevin distinguished himself from a group of outstanding candidates for the ACMO position.

INVITED SPEAKERS

Dr. Jaime Belkind-Gerson, was an invited speaker at The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Invited research seminar, Division of Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. The title of his presentation was "*Enteric Neurogenesis*".

Dr. Jaime Belkind-Gerson. Invited Speaker, "*Manejo de la constipacion cronica en el niño*" (*Management of chronic constipation in Children*). 2do. Congreso Internacional y 37 Curso de Actualización en Pediatría. División de Pediatría del Hospital General de Occidente, Secretaria de Salud del Gobierno del Estado de Jalisco, México.

Dr. Michael Narkewicz, was an invited speaker at the LEAD European Webinar. The title of his presentation was, "*CF-Related Liver Disease: An Evolving Landscape*". January 22, 2021.

Dr. Cara Mack, was an invited speaker at the Second Annual Pediatric Liver Disease and Transplantation Symposium, Advance Management of Biliary Atresia Webinar, Columbia University Irving Medical Center. The title of her presentation was, "*Innate Immune Activation in the Pathogenesis of Biliary Atresia*". January 26, 2021.

Dr. Glenn Furuta, gave a talk at the Colorado Allergy and Asthma Society. The title of his presentation was, "*Natural History of Eosinophilic Esophagitis and Fibrostenosis*". Virtual Webinar, January 12, 2021.

Dr. Ed Dezoeten:

1. Invited speaker: Fourth Annual Crohn's and Colitis Congress
"*Very Early Onset IBD: You've Sent the Panel-Now What?*" January 24, 2021
2. Invited panelist: Fourth Annual Crohn's and Colitis Congress
"*Differences and Challenges in Imaging for the VEO-IBD or Very Young IBD Patient*".
January 23, 2021
3. Invited panelist: Fourth Annual Crohn's and Colitis Congress
"*Medical and Surgical Management of Pediatric Crohn's Patient with an Asymptomatic Stricture*". January 23, 2021

Kristen Boyle, PhD, has been invited to give the William Hansel Visiting Scientist Seminar this fall for the Pennington Biomedical Research Center at Louisiana State University.

Ki-Suk Kim, PhD, has been invited to give a short talk at the Keystone conference "*Obesity: From Cell to Patient*," a joint meeting with "*Diabetes: Many Faces of the Disease*", which will be held virtually February 1-3, 2021.

Kelly Knupp, MD, presented virtually at the Columbia Epilepsy Research seminar. The title of her presentation was "*Dravet Syndrome in 2021*". January 15, 2021.

Sean O'Leary, MD, MPH, gave a presentation at the University of North Carolina Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds on January 6. Title of his talk was "*Update on SARS-CoV-2 Vaccines*."

AWARDS

Jessica Cataldi, MD, MSCS, received the American Academy of Pediatrics Special Achievement Award: "For her steadfast leadership and unwavering courage during Colorado's 2019 immunization effort at the State Capitol."

Sam Dominguez, MD, received the Colorado Hospital Association (CHA) Superhero award under the trait of "Great Sense of Responsibility." Dr. Dominguez has dedicated his career to studying coronaviruses and quickly became a local expert in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. He knew that diagnostic testing would be critical to fighting the pandemic, swiftly leading a team to set up rapid, in-house testing at Children's Hospital Colorado, making us the first hospital in the state to bring an assay online. Dr. Dominguez also understood the importance of community response, so he expanded efforts to support area hospitals and providers in need of testing.

He and his team are no strangers to working long hours during the pandemic – participating in virtual townhalls and evening forums with providers in the region – in addition to meeting with and educating members of the media to ensure COVID-19 coverage is accurate. This has been a priority for Dr. Dominguez as he strives to provide the public with factual and easy-to-understand information in order for the community to take the correct precautions.

Dr. Dominguez and the team have worked tirelessly to amend policies and procedures almost daily as new information about COVID-19 comes in. And while it's easy to feel overwhelmed and overburdened by the work, Dr. Dominguez believes it's the sense of friendship the team has developed that keeps them focused on achieving their collective goals.

It's hard to believe CHCO team members and providers have been working in this new normal for nearly a year. The pandemic has brought with it fear and anxiety — Dr. Dominguez acknowledges that he feels these emotions, too, and worries about the safety of his own family.

However, when it comes to modeling the CHA superhero trait of "Great Sense of Responsibility," it's clear that "his courage, love, self-sacrifice and commitment to the sick and vulnerable have been stronger and more visible than his fears," says Children's Colorado Chief Operating Officer, David Biggerstaff. "And because of that commitment, those of us at Children's Hospital Colorado and everyone throughout our community, our state and the seven-state region we serve has been better off. I can't think of a better individual to personify the CHA's Superhero award."

NEW GRANTS

				Award	Award	Start	End
Section	PI	Project Title	Sponsor	Number	Amount	Date	Date
Cardiology	Garcia, Anastacia	Peripheral Mononuclear Cells as Biomarkers for Myocardial Metabolic Function in Single Ventricle Congenital Heart Disease Patients	Additional Ventures	AWD-211234	660,000	01/15/2021	01/15/2024
Cardiology	Gist, Katja	Statistician Agreement	Society of Critical Care Medicine	2021-224-022	5,000	01/14/2021	01/15/2021
Cardiology	Nakano, Stephanie	Immunophenotyping in Pediatric Patients with Single Ventricle Congenital Heart Disease: Connecting Inflammatory and Immune Dysregulation with Outcomes	Additional Ventures	AWD-211236	660,000	01/15/2021	01/15/2024
Emergency	Haasz, Maya	Safety Education in the Emergency Department (SEED): A pilot study	Emergency Medicine Foundation	AWD-203168	75,000	01/01/2021	12/31/2021
Endocrinology	Kelsey, Megan	Mindfulness-Based Intervention for Depression and Insulin Resistance in Adolescents	Colorado State University/NIH	G-45171-03	120,587	09/15/2020	08/31/2021
Gastro	Belkind-Gerson, Jaime	Schwann Cell-Derived Postnatal Enteric Neurogenesis	North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition	AWD-211098	50,000	12/15/2020	12/14/2021
Gastro	Mehta, Pooja	Effect of treatment adherence on outcomes in eosinophilic esophagitis (CEGIR)	Consortium of Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disease Researchers	AWD-211817	25,000	09/01/2020	08/31/2021
GEN&METABOLISM	Duis, Jessica	A Prospective Natural History Study of Angelman Syndrome for Therapeutic Development"	Children's Hospital Boston/FDA	AWD-211272	15,000	09/15/2020	08/31/2021
GEN&METABOLISM	Thomas, Janet	THI Associate Director Subaward Agreement	Texas Health Institute/HRSA	H46MC24095	62,170	06/01/2020	05/31/2021
Hematology	Hayashi, Masanori	Investigation of liquid biopsy studies of relapsed/refractory Ewing sarcoma in a multi-center clinical trial	1 Million for Anna Foundation	SARCO37	72,819	12/15/2020	12/14/2023
Hematology	Manco-Johnson, Marilyn	Physical Therapy Educational Videos	Center for Inherited Blood Disorders	CIBDIX2020-HAF-UCD-01	1,000	09/01/2020	08/31/2021
Hematology	Moyer, Genevieve	von Willebrand Factor in Pregnancy (VIP) Study	Bloodworks Northwest	884-COLORADO-2019	18,531	12/04/2020	12/03/2021

Hematology	Mulcahy Levy, Jean	Acquired resistant to RAF/MEK inhibitors in BRAF mutant brain tumors.	Johns Hopkins University/Curing Kids Cancer	2004550095	97,500	01/01/2020	12/31/2020
Kempe	Gomez, Evelin	COACT 3.0	Colorado Department of Human Services	21IHJA164652	496,554	08/31/2020	08/30/2021
Neurology	Wilkening, Greta	Evaluating the Utility and Acceptability of the NIH Toolbox in Urea Cycle Disorder Consortium	Children's Research Institute, Washington DC/NIH	30006058	22,465	08/19/2020	07/31/2021
PULM&SLEEPMED	White, Carl	New Developments in Chemical Countermeasures: CounterACT 2018	National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences/NIH/DHHS	3 U54 ES027698-02S1	182,367	01/21/2021	08/31/2021