

**UAB** THE UNIVERSITY OF  
ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM.

# Faculty, fellow and staff Meeting

October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023

# Agenda

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1. Development Office updates
2. Announcements and Good News
3. Clinical Faculty meeting



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PHYSIOLOGY & MEDICINE

## CRPM alumni named organizers for the 19<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Endothelin in 2025



Joshua Speed  
Univ Mississippi  
Med Center



Malgorzata Kasztan  
UAB Dept Pediatrics



Justin van Beusecum  
Medical Univ South  
Carolina



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# CRPM celebrates 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary

## February 29, 2024



### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



**Fredrick Luft MD**

Professor Emeritus

Max Delbrück Center

Experimental & Clinical Research Center

Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin

**Patricia Molina, MD, PhD**

Richard Ashman, PhD Professor and

Chair Dept Physiology

Director Alcohol and Drug Abuse Center

of Excellence

LSU Medical Center



# New Promotion and Tenure Notices



**Christian Faul, PhD**  
**Promotion to Professor (tenured)**



**Clare Lyas, MD**  
**Promotion to Associate Professor**



**Shikha Mehta, MD**  
**Promotion to Professor (tenured)**

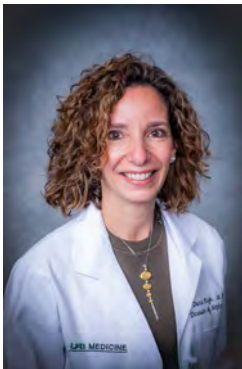
# Congratulations on new endowments



**Timmy Lee, MD**  
4<sup>th</sup> holder of the Hilda B. Anderson Endowed Chair in Nephrology



**Javier Neyra, MD**  
2nd holder of the David G. Warnock, MD Endowed Professorship



**Dana V. Rizk, MD**  
1st holder of the Anupam Agarwal, MD Endowed Professorship

# Congratulations Dr. Tolwani



**Selected as one of the Top Ten Teachers in the Department of Medicine for AY2022**

**Selected to receive the DOM's Glenn Cobbs/ Ed Rutsky Award for Clinical Excellence for AY2022**

**EntrepreHER Award from the Harbert Institute for Innovation and Entrepreneurship**

# Congratulations on Patient Experience Leaders

- Alian Al-Balas
- Michael Allon
- Emmy Bell
- Lisa Farris
- Gaurav Jain
- Eric Judd
- Clare Lys
- Dana Rizk
- Paul Sanders
- Winn Seay
- Dawn Swann
- Ashita Tolwani
- Eric Wallace

The providers being recognized scored an average of **95% or higher** in care satisfaction based on patient feedback from Medallia, which ranks them as one of the top UAB Medicine providers for the following metrics:

- Listened carefully
- Demonstrated care and concern
- Provided clear explanations
- Included patient in healthcare decisions
- Overall Care Rating, 010



# Transplant nephrology: scholastic contributions

Song Ong, MD

Shikha Mehta, MD

### Kidney Transplant Clinicians' Perceptions of Palliative Care for Patients

**Setting & Participants**

**Mixed methods study**

**Online survey:**  
N = 149 transplant clinicians in 80 US institutions

- 83 nephrologists
- 31 nurses
- 15 advanced practice providers
- 10 surgeons
- 6 social workers
- 4 others


**Semi-structured interviews:**  
N = 19 clinicians

>90% expressed concern that transplant patients and caregivers would feel scared or anxious if offered palliative care

factors related to patients' cultural backgrounds and identities, such as language differences

**CONCLUSION:** Multiple barriers related to patients, clinicians, health systems, and health policies may pose challenges to the delivery of palliative care for patients with failing kidney transplants.

Naoka Murakami, Amanda J. Reich, Katherine He, et al  
@AJKDonline | DOI: 10.1053/j.ajkd.2023.07.013



The subject of the email is excellent, but the real reason I am sending it is because Dr. Mehta is incredible. I am sharing the below string because she is worthy of recognition. **This is a true leader who fosters inclusion, positivity and collaboration** .

Thank you, Dr. Mehta!



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Maria M. Crespo<sup>1</sup> | Manpreet Samra<sup>2</sup> | Angelina Korsun<sup>3</sup> | Laura Butler<sup>4</sup> | Hannah Byford<sup>5</sup> | Andrea Tietjen<sup>6</sup> | Laura Stillion<sup>7</sup> | Linda Ohler<sup>8</sup> | Shikha Mehta<sup>9</sup>

# Congratulations Dr. Rajasekaran!



Selected to receive one of the Department of Medicine's **Unsung Hero Awards** for AY 2022!

Award recognizes extraordinary service that may fly under the radar but is critical to our mission excellence and major milestones

# Congratulations to Taylor and Fabian Berru!



# Reminders

- APS Summit abstract deadline on Nov. 3.
- Deep South KUH Prime U2C/TL1 application deadlines for predoctoral and postdoctoral fellows—Nov. 1/Dec. 1.
- CCTS predoctoral and postdoctoral fellowship deadlines as well as CCTS K award deadline—Dec 1
- Andreoli Lecture—December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Division holiday party—December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (5-8 pm)