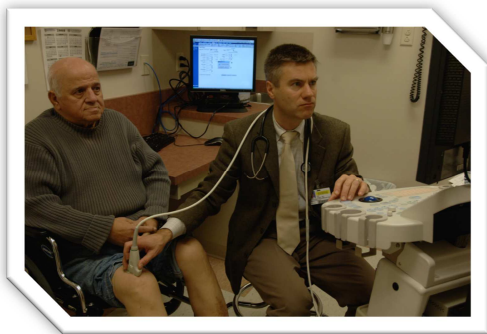




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Education at URMC – Program Features



Program: Allergy, Immunology and Rheumatology

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Current Faculty Members: 26

Fellowships offered: Allergy and Immunology, Rheumatology, and a combined fellowship in Allergy, Immunology and Rheumatology

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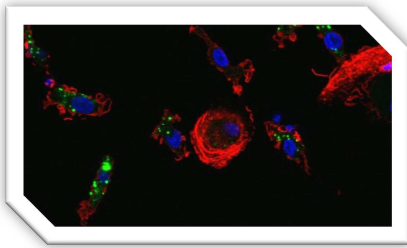
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About the Program

The Allergy, Immunology & Rheumatology Division offers excellent two year fellowship training in both Allergy/Immunology and in Rheumatology. A combined three year program leading to certification in both subspecialties can be arranged on an individualized basis. In addition to outstanding clinical training, the fellowship programs offer excellent opportunities for extended research training with leading scientists in clinical trials, outcome studies, translational research and bench research in multiple areas including: autoimmunity, germinal center biology, developmental immunology, vaccine biology, HIV infection and aging.

Facilities

Allergy/Immunology clinics are held at the Mary Parkes Asthma Center. Skin testing, injection treatment for allergic diseases, rhinoscopy, challenge tests and pulmonary function tests are all available.



Rheumatology clinics are held in a dedicated office in the same building. Several specialty clinics exist including those for early arthritis, lupus, psoriatic arthritis and Sjogren's syndrome. Musculoskeletal ultrasound and DEXA are an integral part of the clinical experience. The office also houses an infusion center. Inpatients are seen at Strong Memorial Hospital and Highland Hospital. Fellows also have access to the expertise of faculty in other departments through rotations in orthopedics, physical medicine and rehabilitation and sports medicine.

Research

The Division is very active in basic and clinical research. All fellows complete a research project under the guidance of a faculty mentor and prepare either a manuscript for publication or an abstract for presentation at a national meeting.

What makes us Unique?

There are two main aspects which make us unique. First we are one of only a few divisions in the country which combine Allergy and Immunology with Rheumatology. This opens up unique educational opportunities for fellows one of which is a combined fellowship. Second, each fellow is unique and so is each fellowship here. All fellows must complete the basic fellowship requirements outlined by the American Board of Allergy and/or American Board of Internal Medicine which are outlined in our Curriculum, but after that you could say the sky is the limit. The clinical and research opportunities in the medical center are enormous and much collaboration exists between the division and other divisions and departments.