Welcome to Our New Fellows

**ADOLESCENT MEDICINE**
Laura Obijuru, MD, New York University School of Medicine (New York, NY)

**CARDIOLOGY**
Emily Langan, MD, University at Buffalo, State University of New York School of Medicine & Biomedical Sciences (Buffalo, NY)

**CRITICAL CARE**
Amanda Hall, MD, University of Rochester Medical Center (Rochester, NY)

**DEVELOPMENTAL – BEHAVIORAL PEDIATRICS**
Abigail Kroening, MD, University of Rochester Medical Center (Rochester, NY)
Stephanie Straka, DO, Geisinger Medical Center (Danville, PA)

**GENERAL PEDIATRICS**
Anne-Marie Conn, PhD, University of Rochester Medical Center (Rochester, NY)
Robert Nutt, MD, University of Rochester Medical Center (Rochester, NY)
Cammie Hilliard, MD, University of Rochester Medical Center (Rochester, NY)

**HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY**
Bobby Gearing, MD, Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) Children's Hospital (Charleston, SC)

**INFECTIOUS DISEASES**
Zachary Hoy, MD, Children's Hospital of Orange County (Orange, CA)
Brenda Tesini, MD, University of Rochester Medical Center (Rochester, NY)

**NEONATOLOGY**
Pratik Parikh, MBBS, Saint Peter’s University Hospital (New Brunswick, NJ)
Srujana Rallabandi, MBBS, East Carolina University/Pitt County Memorial Hospital (Greenville, NC)
Congratulations to Our Graduating Fellows

**ADOLESCENT MEDICINE**
Taylor Starr, DO, MPH, joins the faculty of the Department of Pediatrics, University of Rochester Medical Center. Dr. Starr gave several presentations within the Department of Pediatrics including presenting her research at Pediatric Grand Rounds. She also presented to the Adolescent Unit of Rochester Institute of Technology’s Physician Assistant training program. Dr. Starr published:


**CARDIOLOGY**
Amanda Hall, MD, continues her fellowship training in the Pediatric Critical Care Program at the University of Rochester Medical Center.

**GENERAL PEDIATRICS**
Kelly Brown, MD, joins the faculty of the Department of Pediatrics, University of Rochester Medical Center. Dr. Brown presented nationally at the Pediatric Academic Societies and Asian Society for Pediatric Research joint meeting, as well as the Academic Pediatric Association meetings, Regions II & III. Dr. Brown’s publications include:


**HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY**
Amy-Lee Bredlau, MD, MS, is Director of the Pediatric Brain Tumor Program at the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) Children’s Hospital in Charleston, SC. Dr. Bredlau presented at Pediatric Grand Rounds and at national conferences such as the American Society for Experimental Neurotherapeutics (ASENT) and the American Society of Pediatric Hematology Oncology (ASPHO). She completed a Master of Science degree in Clinical Investigation during her fellowship. Dr. Bredlau published:


**INFECTIOUS DISEASES**
Mundeep Kainth, DO, MPH, earned her Master of Public Health degree during her fellowship and has presented her work at the NIH – NIAID/IDSA Research Careers Meeting. Dr. Kainth is in the process of interviewing for a career in Pediatric Infectious Diseases. Dr. Kainth published:


**NEONATOLOGY**
Rebecca Barnett, DO, joins Neonatal Associates of Central New York at Crouse Hospital in Syracuse as Attending Physician and Voluntary Faculty of Pediatrics. Dr. Barnett plans on remaining actively involved in clinical research, especially neonatal outcomes and neurodevelopment. Dr. Barnett has presented her research at Pediatric Grand Rounds and nationally at the American Academy of Pediatrics, Pediatric Academic Society, and the American Society of Gene & Cell Therapy meetings.
Yesef Antongiorgi, MD, MS, enters private practice at Kidz Medical Services in Coral Gables, FL. He completed his Master of Science degree in Medical Management from the Simon School of Business and his scholarly work served as his Master's thesis. Dr. Antongiorgi presented at Townsend Teaching Day at Rochester General Hospital.

Mazen Nayrouz, MBChB, presented nationally at the American Academy of Pediatrics and at Pediatric Academic Societies meetings. He is currently pursuing a career in Neonatology.

**Achievements and Awards**

The Department of Pediatrics offers research support to our fellows through highly-competitive pathways. Fellows are nominated by Pediatric Division Chiefs for the Bradford and Clausen Awards based on the merit of their research and proposed training plan. Fellows awarded the NIH T32 Pediatric Research grant “Bench to Bedside to Curbside” and appointed as Dean's Fellows are selected by Nina Schor, MD, PhD, Chair of the Department of Pediatrics. Selection is based on research merit and design, and potential to publish.

This year’s Awardees are:

**2012-2013 Bradford Fellows**
- Prita Mohanty, MBBS (Third Year, GI/Nutrition)
- Dana Work, DO (Third Year, Nephrology)

**2012-2013 Clausen Fellows**
- Melissa Cellini, MD (Third Year, General Pediatrics)
- Kunal Gupta, MBBS (Second Year, Neonatology)

**NIH T32 Pediatric Research grant “Bench to Bedside to Curbside” Fellows**
- Vibha Sood, MBBS (Second Year, GI/Nutrition) – Project: Study of Type Three Secretion System Mediated Pathogenesis of V. Cholera; Mentor, Michelle Dziejman, PhD
- Syed Shah, MBBS (Second Year, Neonatology) – Project: Correlation of Cord Blood Regulatory T Cell Number and Function with Premature Birth and Severity of Lung Disease Prior to Discharge; Mentor, Gloria Pryhuber, MD

**Dean's Fellows**
- Manvi Bansal, MBBS (Second Year, Pulmonology) – Project: Physiologic Mechanism of Feeding Desaturations in Preterm Infants; Mentor, Clement Ren, MD
- Kunal Gupta, MBBS (Second Year, Neonatology) – Project: Cumulative Lipid Intake and Neonatal Cholestasis; Mentor, Sanjiv Amin, MBBS, MD, MS

**Congratulations to...**

Mohy Kotb, MD (Second Year, Cardiology) and his wife, Eman Aly, welcomed their son Adam on February 2nd at a healthy 8 lbs., 6 oz.

Abigail Kroening, MD (First Year, Developmental – Behavioral Pediatrics) and her husband, Daniel, welcomed their son Elijah Atkinson on May 20th. He weighed in at 8 lbs., 8 oz., and was 21¾ inches long.
Around Town

**Clothesline Festival: September 8 & 9**
The area surrounding University Avenue – “Neighborhood of the Arts” – is one of the most culture and art-rich sections of the city. Located here is the Memorial Art Gallery which hosts the annual Clothesline Arts Festival, a great place to enjoy free family art activities, and buy original artwork.

**Finger Lakes Wine Country**
Indulge in wine tours, peaceful views and unique experiences when you plan your visit to Finger Lakes Wine Country, New York, the most beautiful and affordable wine country destination in the world.

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For You and Your Family

**R.A.R.E.S**
The University of Rochester is a member of RARES (Regional Area Recreation and Employee Service Association). RARES offers you a unique way to obtain significant discounts as a benefit of your employment.

**The Children’s School at URMC**
On-site day care center open from 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM. The School provides service for UR employees only. It is accredited by NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children).

Useful Links

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- [http://www.freetime.com](http://www.freetime.com)
- [http://www.rochestercitynewspaper.com](http://www.rochestercitynewspaper.com)
- [http://www.democratandchronicle.com](http://www.democratandchronicle.com)