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WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Fellowship Training Program





Current Institution: Children's Hospital at Montefiore, NY

Dr. Leannie Ostrodka graduated from fellowship at Montefiore in 2017. She has been in the laboratory of Kira Gritsman since fellowship and is currently faculty at the Children's Hospital at Montefiore. She is on the leukemia team and her translational research focuses on abnormal signaling of hematopoietic stem cell and the subsequent development of leukemia.



Current Institution: OU Medical Center The Children's Hospital, OK

Dr. Arpan Sinha completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2017. During fellowship she worked in the laboratory of Dr. Theresa Bowman and was a St. Baldrick Fellow investigating myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS) in a zebrafish model. After fellowship Dr. Sinha was recruited to be a faculty member at the University of Oklahoma Health and Science Center. There she is continuing to do her work on MDS and also is the Director of the Pediatric Sickle Cell Program.



Current Institution: University of Minnesota, MN

Dr. Adam Sterman graduated from fellowship at Montefiore in 2016. He subsequently trained at Memorial Sloan Kettering in Palliative Care. He was recruited to the University of Minnesota where he is a physician in the Department of Pain Medicine, Palliative Care and Integrative Medicine.



Current Institution: Texas Children's Hospital, TX

Dr. Veronika Polishchuk completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2016 after working in the laboratory of Dr. Amit Verma. She subsequently did additional training in blood and marrow cell transplantation at Duke. She is currently on the faculty as an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics-Hem-Onc Cell & Gene Baylor College of Medicine.



Current Institution: University of Louisville, KY

Dr. Esther Knapp completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2015. After fellowship she did an additional year of training at St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. She was recruited by the University of Louisville, and is affiliated with the Institute for Bioethics, Health Policy and Law. Dr. Knapps' research focuses on the ethical issues in pediatric precision oncology and pediatric stem cell transplantation.



Current Institution: Children's Hospital at Montefiore, NY

Dr. Kerry Morrone completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2015. During fellowship she studied thrombocytopenia in myleodysplastic syndrome with Amit Verma. After fellowship she became faculty at the Children's Hospital at Montefiore. She is the Director of the Pediatric Sickle Cell Program and the Director of the Pediatric Hematology Oncology Fellowship program.



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Dr. Lisa Figueiredo completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2014. During fellowship she worked in the laboratory of Dr. Ulrich Steidl studying the anti-cancer effect of a novel, thrombopoietin agonist. Dr. Figueiredo is currently an assistant professor in the division of pediatric hematology/oncology at the Children's Hospital at Montefiore where she is a member of the leukemia/lymphoma service; site PI for Children's Oncology Group and leads the vascular anomalies program.



Current Institution: Albany Medical Center, NY

Dr. Lauren Weintraub completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2014. During fellowship she worked in the laboratory of Dr. Mark Mehler studying the link between neuro-degenerative disease and CNS tumors. In addition, Dr. Weintraub developed a communication skills course focused on the delivery of bad news for pediatric hematology/ oncology fellows. After fellowship Dr. Weintraub was recruited to be a faculty member at Albany Medical Center where her clinical focus is on the management of children and adolescents with CNS tumors.

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Current Institution: MD Anderson Houston, TX

Dr. Michael Roth completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2012. During his fellowship he studied the mechanism through which a novel thrombopoietin agonist inhibits leukemia cell growth. In 2013 Dr. Roth was awarded the Paul Calabresi K12 Career Development Award. He is currently an Associate Professor in the Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at MD Anderson and is the Director of the Childhood Cancer Survivorship Program. He is also the Co- Director of the AYA program.



Current Institution: Cohen Children's Medical Center, NY

Dr. Rachel Kessel completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2013. During fellowship she worked in the laboratory of Dr. Amit Verma studying the role of alterations in ribosomal proteins in patients with myelodysplastic syndrome and congenital anemias. After fellowship Dr. Kessel was recruited to be a faculty member at Cohen Children's Medical Center in New York. She leads the vascular anomalies program and is a member of their leukemia team.



Current Institution: Advocate Children's Hospital, IL

Dr. Caroline Hu completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2011. She worked in the laboratory of Dr. Amit Verma and immediately following fellowship, Dr. Hu was awarded a St. Baldrick's translational research grant and a Hyundai Hope on Wheels Grant to study the role of epigenetics in the pathogenesis of sarcomas. She is currently faculty at Advocate Children's Hospital in Chicago.



Current Institution: Westchester Medical Center, NY

Dr. Jeremy Rosenblum completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2012. During his fellowship he studied the role of epigenetic modifications in predicting prognosis in patients with sarcomas under the mentorship of Dr. John Greally and Dr. Richard Gorlick. In 2012 Dr. Rosenblum was awarded the Paul Calabresi K12 Career Development Award. He is currently an assistant professor in the Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital.



Current Institution: MD Anderson Houston, TX

Dr. Kris Mahadeo completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2010. He spent an additional year training in blood and marrow transplantation at Duke University Medical Center. Dr. Mahadeo is currently the Section Chief and Medical Director of Pediatric Stem Cell Transplantation and Cellular Therapy at MD Anderson Children's Cancer Center.



Current Institution: Texas Children's Hospital, TX

Dr. Priti Tewari completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2009. She spent additional year training in blood and marrow transplantation at Duke University Medical Center. She has been faculty at Duke, MD Anderson, and currently at Texas Children's Hospital as an Assistant Professor in the Cell and Gene Therapy Program.

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Current Institution: Phoenix Children's Hospital, AZ

Dr. Pooja Hingorani completed fellowship training at Montefiore in 2008. She was recruited by Phoenix Children's Hospital where she remains on faculty. Dr. Hingorani's research interests focus on early phase clinical trials in patients with sarcomas.