Announcements?

Jennifer Fischahs
**RETIREMENT**

**Liz Hague** retires on January 4th after serving **30.5** years at the University of Arizona.

She will return to Medical Imaging on January 5th to work in the administrative offices on a part-time basis.

Congratulations, Liz!

Elizabeth Hague is pictured above and to the right as Dr. Geoffrey Rubin, Department Chair, acknowledges her contributions.

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WELCOME

We are pleased announce that **Michele Dalmendray**, has joined the administrative staff, effective January 10th.

As *Senior Program Coordinator*, she will work primarily within the Residency program.

Please join us in welcoming Michele to the department.
RESEARCH GIFT AWARDED

Dr. and Mrs. Harry Barrett recently gave the Department of Medical Imaging a generous donation to support research and development. This donation will allow Luca Caucci, PhD, long-time protégé and mentee of Dr. Barrett, to investigate the concept of physiological random processes as they relate to disease progression.

Thank you, Dr. & Mrs. Barrett!
WELCOME POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH ASSISTANTS

Zhiyang Fu, PhD, recently joined Medical Imaging. He will participate in research for the Biomedical Imaging Innovation/Clinical Translation – Next-gen CT (BIG-CT) research laboratory directed by Dr. Andrew Karellas and Dr. Srinivasan Vedantham.

Chet Preston, PhD, joins Medical Imaging and will work in the Experimental Ultrasound & Neural Imaging Laboratory, directed by Dr. Russell Witte.
FAREWELL

Dr. June Zhu left Medical Imaging on January 3rd to begin a new position.

Dr. Elena Violari recently left Medical Imaging to explore other opportunities.

We are grateful for Dr. Zhu’s contributions to the Nuclear Medicine Division and for Dr. Violari’s contributions to the Interventional Radiology Division.

We wish them all the best and continued success.

Hongyun June Zhu, MD  
Elena Violari, MD
UARIZONA SERVICE AWARDS

10 YEARS

Hina Arif, MD
Luca Caucci, PhD
Charles Hennemeyer, MD
Mark Shearer, MBA
Mimi Villafañe, BS

15 YEARS

Tammie Anderson

35 YEARS

Maria Telles, PhD
CLINICAL RESEARCH FUNDING AWARDED

Congratulations to Dr. Wendy McCurdy, Interim Chief of the Musculoskeletal Imaging Division, for receiving a $9,660 award from the UArizona Office for Research, Innovation and Impact.

Her proposal, “Effect of rotator cuff repair on Goutallier Score and cross-sectional area of the rotator cuff musculature post-operatively over a one-year period,” is funded as part of the 2021 Core Facilities Pilot Program.
CONGRATULATIONS

Luca Caucci, PhD, has been appointed as Medical Imaging’s *Image Review Officer*

In this role, Dr. Caucci, will oversee the important process ensuring that all clinical images are free of identifying health information before being utilized for educational purposes (e.g., such as presentations for trainees, and/or scientific meetings, journal article publications, etc.)
CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Charles Perkins, who was mentored by Dr. Russell Witte for successfully defending his Master’s Thesis in Biomedical Engineering, "Multichannel Transcranial Acoustoelectric Brain Imaging in a Human Head Model"

Charles is now employed at Synaptic Medical in San Diego, CA
CONGRATULATIONS

2nd-Year Resident, Jason Lee, has been selected to participate in the AUR Radiology Resident Academic Leadership Development (ARRALD) Program to be held during the annual meeting in 2022.
Manoj Saranathan, PhD, is co-organizer and keynote speaker at the Thalamic Nuclear Imaging, Segmentation and Applications E-symposium being held January 19-21
Philip Kuo, MD, PhD, has been selected for the American College of Radiology Committee on

Appropriateness Criteria for Staging and Follow-up of Primary Brain Tumors

Congratulations, Dr. Kuo!
Figure 2. Statistical associations with work environmental factors and each burnout measure. Arrows indicate either an increase (↑) or a decrease (↓). [© EJR 2022]
PUBLICATIONS

- Practical Application of DaTQUANT with Optimal Threshold for Diagnostic Accuracy of Dopamine Transporter SPECT | *Tomography*

- Cleaning the brain through turbulent glymphatic flow: The washing machine hypothesis | *Lymphology*

Fig 1. Model of glymphatic flow following the most direct route through brain parenchyma [© Lymphology 2022]
GRAND ROUNDS

January 5th
Prostate Cancer Imaging – The Next Generation

January 19th
New Frontiers in Radiology Education: How the Current State Will Drive Future Innovations

Bital Savir-Baruch, MD

Janet R. Reid, MD, FRCPC, MSEd
UPCOMING GRAND ROUNDS

Feb 16  
- Erika Rubesova, MD  
  Stanford Hospitals and Clinics  
  Lucile Packard Children’s Hospital  
- Title TBA

Mar 02  
- Sam Rogers, MD, Assistant Professor with Residents Daniel Destiche, MD, Aubrey Frazzitta, MD and Mark Greenhill, DO  
  University of Arizona  
- Mayhem in the Brain Stem
Welcome to Medical Imaging
I am excited to join the team as Program Coordinator, Senior in the Diagnostic Radiology Residency Program

We are so lucky to have you! Tell us about your prior experience at UArizona
I am very familiar with U of A having previously worked in the College of Public Health and for the College of Medicine as a Sr. Program Coordinator of the Internal Medicine Residency program. Prior to that, I worked in Medical Imaging before leaving in 2015 for a different opportunity. I am very happy to be back!

How long have you been in Tucson?
I have been in Tucson for over 25 years. I am originally from Arkansas.

What will a typical day in your position look like?
My focus is the Residents. Everything from conferences, calendars, accreditation, compliance, testing, documentation, interviews, graduation...GME provides for a cyclical calendar that is predictable, yet always made different with the onboarding of new residents every year.

What is the most common question you anticipate from Residents?
Most residents are not from Tucson, so I will answer a lot of ‘where to go for what,’ etc. I enjoy helping get people acclimated and am happy to provide answers and suggestions that will be useful.

When you are not working, you are...
I enjoy spending time with my husband, children, and dog. My faith is very important to me, as well.

Tell us something about you we might not know
I love camping. My husband and I have a roof-top tent and we enjoy escapes to places like Mount Graham, Pine Top and Mt. Lemmon.
R & R

TAKING THE LEAD PODCAST

January 2022

Geoffrey Rubin, MD, MBA, FACR
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Episode 41
Alexander M. Norbash, MD, MS, FACP
Leading with Adventure
WELLNESS

YOGA FRIDAYS ARE A HIT
HOLIDAY GATHERINGS

The Breast Imaging Division Holiday Party and Secret Santa Gift Exchange
Interventional Radiology Holiday Gathering

Playground Bar & Grill
Our very own –
Interventional Radiology Band
CLINICAL FACULTY APPRECIATION EVENT
Jan 21st
Tower 1

Dr. Morello is doing GREAT
This 1st-annual event was a success! Thank you, Faculty, for all you do to inspire us!
THANK YOU, SCOTT!

Scott Finkelmeyer, our associate and good friend of many years, recently stopped by to wish us a Happy New Year before returning to his home-base in Scottsdale, AZ.

Scott, we wish you all the best in your future adventures!