# Basic Science Research Track Cardiovascular Diseases Fellowship Emory University School of Medicine









### **Emory Cardiovascular Fellowship**

Basic Science Research Track

2 years lab research

2+ cardiology fellowship

Clinical Research Track

2 years lab research

2+ cardiology fellowship

Clinical Fellowship

3+ cardiology fellowship





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## Leadership



W. Robert Taylor, MD PhD Division Director, Cardiology Clinician Scientist

Support and mentorship of research careers



Robbie Williams, MD
Program Director, Cardiovascular Disease Fellowship

**Clinical training** 



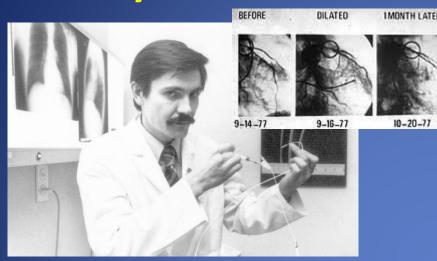


## **DIVISION OF CARDIOLOGY**





#### History of innovation and worldwide leadership

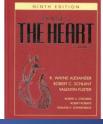


Andreas Gruentzig, MD



R. Wayne Alexander, MD, PhD





J. Willis Hurst, MD



Nanette K. Wenger, MD





### **Emory Cardiology**

- 100+ fulltime faculty members in the Division of Cardiology
- Annual Research Grants of over \$30 Million Dollars
- Research Faculty at forefront of cardiovascular investigation
  - Guideline authorship
  - AHA leadership
  - National advocacy
- Members of the Editorial Boards of:
   Circulation, Circulation Research, ATVB, Hypertension, Journal of Clinical Investigation, American Journal of Physiology, Journal of the American College of Cardiology, and The American Journal of Cardiology.





#### **Emory Cardiology Research Faculty**

#### **Basic Science**



W. Robert Taylor, MD, PhD Michael Burke, MD Michael E. Davis, PhD Kathy K. Griendling, PhD Marina Sorrentino Hernandes, PhD Kiyoko Takemiya, MD Ahsan Husain, PhD Hanjoong Jo, PhD Rebecca Levit, MD

Zhiyong Lin, PhD Nawazish Nagvi, PhD Alejandra San Martin, PhD Charlie Searles, MD Jinhu Wang, PhD Young-sup Yoon, MD, PhD Hee Cheol Cho, PhD

**Goal: Match mentor with mentee** 





## **Basic Research Faculty**

- Mike Davis, PhD Myocardial biology, reparative/regenerative medicine
- Michael Burke, MD Epigenetics and genetics of heart failure using animal models
- Kathy Griendling, PhD NADPH oxidases in vascular biology and disease
- Marina Sorrentino Hernandes, PhD Poldip2 in ischemic stroke; blood-brain barrier permeability
- Ahsan Husain, PhD Cardiac regeneration and cardiac renin-angiotensin system
- Hanjoong Jo, PhD Mechanobiology and nanomedicine
- Rebecca Levit, MD Innate inflammation in CVD; cell based strategies for ischemic reperfusion injury
- Zhiyong Lin, PhD Roles of matricellular family of proteins in aortic atherosclerosis and aneurysm
- Marina Sorrentino, PhD neuroinflammation
- Nawazish Naqvi, PhD Impact of preadolescent malnutrition on long-term cardiac function.
- Alejandra San Martin, PhD Regulation of vascular smooth muscle cytoskeleton in CVD
- Charlie Searles, MD Mechanism of endothelial gene expression; intra- and extracellular microRNAs
- Kiyoko Takemiya, MD Development of nanoprobes for imaging valve degeneration and infection
- W. Robert Taylor, MD, PhD Animal models of vascular inflammation, aneurysm
- Jinhu Wang, PhD Regenerative biology of major adult cardiac tissues
- Young-sup Yoon, MD, PhD Bone marrow derived progenitor cells for repair of heart and vessels





## **Division of Cardiology**

#### Research strengths:

- Vascular biology, sheer stress
- Endothelial and vascular smooth muscle cells
- Myocardial regenerative medicine
- Stem cell, iPS cells
- Biomedical Engineering Emory/GA Tech
- miRNA
- Clinical trials: 142 active studies with approx. 6000 participants

#### Support:

- Federal Grants and contracts
  - PPG, BRP, R01
  - CTSA
- AHA grants
- Fellowship Awards T32, F32, NIH Fellowship Supplement, AHA





## Division of Cardiology: Facilities

- Woodruff memorial research building
  - 12 PI labs
  - 1 'incubator lab' for K funded PIs
  - Imaging core 2 confocal microscopes, slide scanner
  - Rodent physiology core ventilators/surgical suite, Vivo transthoracic echo
  - Automated PCR, Western blot, fluorescent plate reader
- Health Science Research Building I
  - Emory home of the Coulter Biomedical Engineering department
  - State of the art labs, equipment facilities
- Health Science Research Building II
  - Under construction scheduled completion 2021





## Division of Cardiology: Resources

- Department of Animal Resources
- Yerkes
- Interdepartment collaborations e.g. BME
- Interdivision collaborations
- Inter-Institution collaborations
  - Ga Tech, Morehouse School of Medicine
- Partnerships
  - Grady, Ga Tech, CHoA, CDC, Rollins





## **Emory Resources: Core Labs**

- Biomedical Imaging and Technology Center (BITC)
- Emory Center for Systems Imaging
- Emory Personalized Immunotherapy Center (EPIC)
- Emory Integrated Genomics Core (EIGC)
- Flow Cytometry
- Integrated Cellular Imaging
- Integrated Electron Microscopy Core
- Proteomics Core
- Rodent Behavioral Core
- Transgenic Mouse and Gene Targeting Core
- Service Centers





## **Division of Cardiology**

- Fellows Attend AHA or ACC to Present the Results of their Research
- 25 presentations at the 2017 AHA Scientific Sessions
- 15 presentations at the 2018 ACC Annual Meeting



#### Nanette Wenger to Headline ACC's Opening Showcase Session



ACC President Mary Norine Walsh, MD, FACC, will open ACC.18 at Saturday's Opening Showcase Session, where she will deliver her presidential address. Nanette Kass Wenger, MD, MACC, a pioneer in

cardiovascular medicine, will set the pace with her 2018 Simon Dack Keynote. Once a student of Dr. Dack, Wenger's address is titled "Understanding the Journey: The Past, Present and Future of CVD in Women."







## **RESEARCH TRAINING**





## Research Training: Mentorship

- Weekly mentor meetings focus on research progress
- Twice yearling associate PD meetings focus on career
- Twice a year mentorship committee
- Publication goals
- Grantsmanship
- Clinical progress





## Research Training: Seminars and Development Opportunities

- Cardiovascular Biology Seminar Series
- Divisional Lab Meeting
- Annual Emory Postdoctoral Research Symposium
- Annual Cardiology Research Symposium
- Molecular Medicine Course
- Biomedical Statistics Lecture Series
- Department of Medicine K-Club
- Atlanta Clinical and Translational Science Institute
- Office of Postdoctoral Education
  - Ethics
  - Grant writing





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#### **Hospital-Based Conferences**

Internal medicine Grand Rounds
Morbidity & Mortality
Journal Club
Cath/Nuclear Correlation
ECG & Arrhythmia
Cath/Clinical Correlation
Morbidity & Mortality
Echocardiography
Adult Congenital Heart Disease
HF/Transplantation
Clinical Cardiology
Multi-Modality Imaging





### **Annual Research Symposium**

- All Fellows and Postdocs present
- Visiting Professor and Keynote Speaker
- Awards given to best oral and poster presentations







#### Additional information about research training

- Office of Postdoctoral Education
  - https://med.emory.edu/postdoc/CurPostdoc/index.cfm
- Department of Medicine
  - http://medicine.emory.edu/about us/index.html
- Weekly DOM Newsletter
  - http://medicine.emory.edu/research/whats-up/newsletter.html
- DOM Newsletter Vitals
  - http://medicine.emory.edu/vitals/
- Division of Cardiology
  - http://medicine.emory.edu/divisions/cardiology/index.html
- Cardiology Newsletter
  - http://medicine.emory.edu/divisions/cardiology/news\_pages/current/Jul2013\_DivNews.htm
- K club Pediatrics, Medicine and ACTSI
  - http://actsi.org/areas/retcd/K-Club.html
- Atlanta Clinical and Translational Science Institute (ACTSI)
  - http://actsi.org





## **EMORY AND ATLANTA**





## **Emory University**

- Premier research
   University in the
- Largest healthcare system in Georgia
- 16<sup>th</sup> Largest endowment
- \$350 Million in federal funding
- Nation and international collaborations









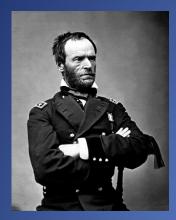








## Atlanta: founded 1837 at the terminus of Western & Atlantic railroad



Site of important Civil War Battle William Sherman, Union General 1861-1865



Founded in Atlanta Woodruff Family and Foundation 1886



Segregation, Jim Crow Laws Center of Civil Rights Movement Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 1929-1968





## Population exodus in 1960's-1980s to outer suburbs Shopping malls, commuter culture, traffic





1996 Olympics
Change in
mentality of the
city











#### **Commercial hub**

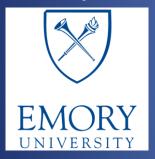






Home to 15 Fortune 500 Companies

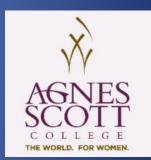
#### Major Universities











Capital of the Southeast 420,000 residents ITP 4.1 million total in metro area





#### **Atlanta Beltline**







#### **Music and Culture**





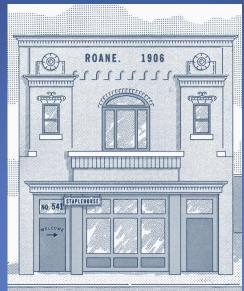






#### **Food and restaurants**









Usher, Jeff Foxworthy,
Brittney Murphy, Julia
Roberts, Tyler Perry, Ryan
Seacrest, Kenan Thompson,
Ted Turner, T.I., Whitney
Houston & Bobby Brown

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#### Interview day schedule

8-9: Introduction

9-10: Cardiovascular Biology Seminar Series

10-12: Interviews with faculty

12-1: Lunch

1-5: Interviews with faculty

6: Dinner with faculty and fellows

Late October, early November: offer letters outside the match





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**Questions?** 

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