

# Curriculum Vitae

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Present Title: Assistant Professor

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## Graduate Education:

2006- Masters of Science in Clinical Research  
1992-1999 M.D. : Albert-Ludwigs University Freiburg/ Germany

## Postgraduate Training:

2000-2001 Intern in Internal Medicine, UT-HSC at Houston,  
Houston, TX  
2001-2003 Resident in Internal Medicine, UT-HSC at Houston,  
Houston, TX  
2003-2005 Clinical Fellow in Rheumatology, UT-HSC at Houston,  
Houston, TX

## Academic Appointment:

8/2006- Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine,  
Division of Rheumatology, UT-HSC at Houston, TX  
10/2005-7/2006 Clinical Instructor in Medicine, Department of Medicine,  
Division of Rheumatology, UT-HSC at Houston, TX  
9/2006-Present Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, Division of  
General Medicine, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center,  
Houston, TX

Hospital Appointments:

2005-	Harris County Hospital District, Houston, TX
2005-	Memorial Hermann Hospital, Houston, TX
2006-	M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX

Licensure and Certification:

2005-	Medical License, Texas Medical Board
2004-2014	Internal Medicine, American Board of Internal Medicine
2005-2015	Rheumatology, American Board of Internal Medicine

Professional Organizations:

2006-	Center for Clinical and Translational Studies at UTHSC-H
2003-	American College of Rheumatology
2003-	Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society
2000-2005	Texas Medical Association
2000-2005	Harris County Medical Society
2002-2005	American Medical Association

Honors and Awards:

1992	Student of the Year Award Aufbaugymnasium (High School) Alzey/Germany
2003	Houston Society of Internal Medicine award for the Outstanding Resident
2003	Resident of the Year award, University of Texas/Houston, Department of Internal Medicine
2003	Elected to Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, Delta Chapter
2006	American College of Rheumatology Clinical Investigator Fellowship Award

Editorial Positions:

Ad Hoc Reviewer for Journal of Rheumatology, Arthritis Care & Research, Center for Clinical & Translational Sciences, and Arthritis & Rheumatism

Service on Committees:

2001-02	UT-HSC Internal Medicine Education Committee
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2006 Judge, Poster Presentations for Associates' Day, 2006,  
Texas Academy of Internal Medicine (TAIM)  
2006- Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, Hermann Hospital

Current Teaching Responsibilities:

2005- LBJ Outpatient Rheumatology Residents' & Fellows' clinic  
2005- UTHSC-H Rheumatology Consult Service  
2006- LBJ General Medicine Inpatient Service  
2005- UTHSCH-H Internal Medicine Residents' Morning Report  
9/2005 Morbidity and Mortality Conference; Septic Arthritis  
2/2006 LBJ Medicine Noon Conference; Rheumatoid Arthritis  
3/2006 Baylor College of Medicine, 40<sup>th</sup> Comprehensive Review  
Course in Physical Medicine & rehabilitation  
4/2006 UTHSC-H 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Medical Student Rheumatology  
Practice Sessions  
8/2006 Internal Medicine Research Forum: Genetics and Genomics  
of Scleroderma  
12/06 Rheumatology Core Curriculum: Infectious Arthritis  
3/2007 UTHSC-H Family Medicine grand rounds: Gout  
4/2007 Advanced Biostatistics: Analysis of Microarray Data  
2/2008 LBJ and UTHSC-H Medicine Noon Conference: Vasculitis  
2/2008 Rheumatology Core Curriculum: Intro to Biostatistics

Current Grant Support:

7/2006-6/2008 Peripheral Blood Cell Microarrays in Systemic Sclerosis,  
P.I.: Shervin Assassi, American College of Rheumatology,  
Clinical Investigator Fellowship Award, \$170,700 over  
Two Years  
  
2006-2011 Multicenter, Randomized, Double-blind, Placebo-  
controlled Trial of Golimumab in patients with  
Ankylosing Spondylitis, P.I.: John D. Reveille, Centocor,  
Amount allocated to my Effort: \$47,950 over Five Years  
  
2007-2009 A Genomewide Association Study of Ankylosing  
Spondylitis. Defining the Spectrum of Spondyloarthritis  
(SpA) in Family Members of Patients with Ankylosing  
Spondylitis. P.I.: John D. Reveille, NIH, Amount Allocated  
to my Effort: \$48,000

B. Publications:

*Abstracts:*

1. Assassi S, Tercero G, Reveille JD, Arnett FC, Mayes MD, McNearney T, Fischbach M, Tan FK. Polymorphisms of the endothelial nitric oxide synthase and angiotensin-converting enzyme show no association with systemic sclerosis. *Arthritis Rheum* 2003, 48:S159
2. Assassi S, Arnett FC, Tan FK, Mayes MD. Multicase systemic sclerosis (SSc) families are concordant for disease type and differ from nonfamilial SSc cases. *Arthritis Rheum* 2004, 50: 4090
3. Assassi S, Gourh P, Tan FK, Targoff IN, Arnett FC. Case control studies of *PTPN22* 1858 C→T polymorphism in idiopathic inflammatory myositis patients. *Arthritis Rheum* 2005, 52: S309.
4. Gourh P, Assassi S, Watson K, Mayes MD, Tan FK, Arnett FC. Association of Functional *PTPN22* 1858 C→T Polymorphism with systemic sclerosis. *Arthritis Rheum* 2005, 52: S369.
5. Assassi S, Arnett FC, Reveille JD, Gourh P, Tan FK, Mayes M. Disease teatures, disease type, HLA types, and autoantibody profile in 17 multicase SSc families. *Arthritis Rheum* 2006, 54:S 485.
6. **Assassi S**, Mayes MD, Gourh P, Arnett FC, Reveille JD, Poage C, McNearney T, Fischbach M, Tan FK. Systemic Sclerosis and Systemic Lupus Erythematosus have Distinct Gene Expression Profiles in the Peripheral Blood Cells. *Arthritis Rheum* 2007, 56:S67.
7. Gourh P, Zhou X, **Assassi S**, Arnett F, Tan FK. Comparative Ananlysis of Dermal Fibroblast Gene Expression Profiles from Patients with Systemic Sclerosis and Hypertrophic Burn Scars. *Arthritis Rheum* 2007, 56:S66.
8. Brionez TF, **Assassi S**, Ward MM, Diekman L, Zhou X, Davis JC, Alburquerque S, Weisman MH, Reveille JD. Are There Clinical or Genetic Differences between Familial and Sporadic Ankylosing Spondylitis? *Arthritis Rheum* 2007, 56:F113.

*Refereed original articles:*

1. Haag C, El Nasser S, Assassi S, Schlickewei W, Friedel HP. Surgical treatment of dislocated supracondylar fractures in childhood. *Aktuelle Traumatologie* 1998, 28:258-263
2. Assassi S, Mayes MD, McNearney T, Fischbach M, Reveille JD, Arnett FC, Tan FK. Polymorphisms of endothelial nitric oxide synthase and angiotensin-converting enzyme in systemic sclerosis. *Am J Med* 2005, 118:907-11
3. Gourh P, Tan FK, Assassi S, McNearney TA, Fischbach M, Arnett FC, Mayes MD. Association of the *PTPN22* R620W polymorphism with topoisomerase-I and centromere autoantibody positive systemic sclerosis. *Arthritis & Rheumatism* 2006 Dec; 54:3945-53.
4. Assassi S, Arnett FC, Reveille JD, Gourh P, Mayes MD. Clinical, Immunologic, and Genetic Features of Familial Systemic Sclerosis. *Arthritis & Rheumatism* 2007 June; 56:2031-2037.

*Invited reviews:*

1. Assassi S, Mayes MD. The genetics of scleroderma: what every rheumatologist should know. *Scleroderma Care and Research*, 2004, 3-11
2. Assassi S, Tan FK. Genetics of scleroderma: update on SNP analysis and microarrays. *Current opinion rheumatology*, 2005, 761-767

*Other Professional Communications:*

1. Arnett FC, Assassi S. Hereditary and arthritis. American College of Rheumatology website, patient fact sheet, July 2006.