

WELCOME!

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FROM THE CHAIRMEN

We want to take this time to welcome all the new residents and fellows to the BCM / UT Alliance.

We have 11 residents and 4 fellows joining us this year. We will do everything we can to make your training experience a productive one.

Please feel free to call on us or your program directors, Drs. Francisco or Harrell or your fellowship mentor if you need assistance.

Welcome aboard!



Martin Grabois, MD
Professor and Chair
Baylor College of Medicine



William H. Donovan, MD
Professor and Chair
University of Texas Medical
School at Houston

A Special Welcome! from the Alliance Residency Program Directors:

- **Gerard Francisco, MD**, Vice-Chair and Alliance Program Director
- **John Harrell, MD**, Assistant Professor and Associate Alliance Director

We are glad that you're here.



LUCKY US!

It is said that when a ladybug lands on your hand it brings good fortune; the number of spots representing the number of upcoming lucky months you will have. For years, farmers have seen these colorful, little beetles as good luck in preserving their harvests from crop and flower feeders. Much like the farmers knew they had struck luck in the ladybug, we know you're in the right "spot" with us!

Thanks for landing in the Alliance.

D'ANDREA ANDERS, MD

Dr. D'Andrea Michelle Anders comes to us after completing a preliminary year in Internal Medicine at the University of Texas Medical Branch. She is a native Houstonian and attended the University of Texas Medical Branch-Galveston for medical school. She is the youngest of two children and is single. Outside

of her medical pursuits, D'Andrea enjoys working out, attending sporting events, spending quality time with family and friends, and mentoring youth in her church and community.



SREE BATTU, MD

Dr. Sree Battu was born in New Orleans, Louisiana and was raised near Houston, Texas. She graduated from Northwestern University with a B.A. in Religion and then completed medical school at St. George's University School of Medicine. She recently completed her Transitional Intern Year at Henry Ford

Hospital in Detroit, Michigan. Outside of her medical interests, she enjoys traveling and spending time with her friends and family.



RON BEN-MEIR, DO

Dr. Ron S. Ben-Meir comes to us after completing his transitional year at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. He was born in Perth Amboy NJ, was raised in Manhattan, NY and Arlington, TX. He graduated from Touro University College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Ben-Meir is the younger of two children, married to his wife Jodi

and they have a 3 year old Schnoodle named Teddy. Outside of his medical pursuits, Dr. Ben-Meir likes to spend time watching movies and traveling. He keeps physically fit by lifting weights and cycling around Central Park every week. He also played football in college and is a big Dallas Cowboys fan.



AMELIA EASTMAN, DO



Dr. Amelia Eastman has

completed her transitional internship in Downey, California. She is a Western University of Health Sciences Alumna, and an osteopathic physician. She was born in Santa Barbara, and is a fifth generation Californian. She enjoys painting, theater, and traveling with her husband, Brian Pickett. Also, she loves

to walk dogs, if you have a spare one!

MICHAEL GREEN, DO



Dr. Michael Green was born in Los Angeles, CA. He completed medical school at Des Moines University—Osteopathic Medical Center in IA. His hobbies and interests include volleyball, ultimate Frisbee, camping, backpacking, movies, music, cooking, reading and traveling.

RICHARD HUANG, MD



Richard Huang, the youngest of three children, was born and raised in

McLean, Virginia, a suburb of Washington, D.C. He did his undergraduate work at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina and attended medical school at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine in Chicago, Illinois. He then went on to complete his internal medicine internship year at Advocate Christ Medical Center in

Oak Lawn, Illinois. Outside of medicine, he enjoys running (completing the 2006 Chicago Marathon), skating (inline and ice), volunteer tutoring, and traveling. He also has interests in photography and architecture. He is excited about beginning his residency at the Alliance as well as exploring Houston.

DAVID MAJORS, MD

Dr. David Majors travels to Texas from Ohio where he completed his internship in Internal Medicine- Preliminary Year Program at Akron General Medical Center in Akron, Ohio. He completed his medical school education at The University of Toledo College of Medicine in Toledo, Ohio. He originally is from Walnut, California and completed his undergraduate studies with a Double Science Major in Biology / Microbiology at California State Polytechnic University at Pomona

located in Pomona, California. He was born in Hollywood, CA and was raised in the Los Angeles and San Diego areas before heading to Ohio and onto Texas. Dr. Majors is single and one of five children in his family, as well as the only one in his immediate or extended family to enter the medical field. Dr. Majors enjoys outdoor activities, sports, music, orchestra, movies, cooking, and staying in shape. He has coached youth and high school baseball for multiple years prior to

entering medical school and looks forward to taking part in youth community sports programs while in Houston.



KYLE MORGAN, MD

Dr. Kyle Morgan comes to us after completing his transitional year at Bay Area in Corpus Christi, Texas. He was born in Greenwood, MS. He graduated from Kansas City University and Biosciences in Missouri. Dr. Morgan is married to Anabeth and has 2 dogs, Drake and Chipper. Outside

of his medical pursuits, Dr. Morgan likes to spend time golfing, waterskiing, hunting and fishing, weightlifting and dog training.



SEEMA RASHEED, MD

Dr. Seema Rasheed finished her medical school at St. George's School of Medicine and did most of her clinical training in Brooklyn, NY. She then completed a transitional year at GRMERC in Grand Rapids, Michigan. She is from Longview, Texas, and is happy to return to Texas to

finish the rest of her training. Outside of medicine, her interests include spending time with her family, traveling, and reading.



HUAIYU TAN, MD

Dr. Huaiyu Tan comes to us after finishing an Internal Medicine



Preliminary year at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston. He was born in Brunei, but grew up in New Orleans, LA. He graduated from Texas A&M University with a Degree in Biomedical Engineering. Prior to residency he completed the MD/PhD program at UTMB - Galveston. He has one younger sister, who recently finished an accounting degree. He is married to Cherie

Tan, who is a registered nurse. Huaiyu is also a competitive powerlifter, who has won the title of USA Powerlifting Texas State Champion multiple times and has placed 5th at the USA Powerlifting Open Men's National Championships in 2006. He also was on the game show, the Weakest Link, in 2001.

SHABREZ TARIQ, MD

Dr. Shabrez Tariq was born and raised in Kanpur, India. After graduating from JN Medical College, Aligarh he also did his post graduation in General Surgery. Dr. Shabrez Tariq reports that he is the middle of three children, got married in February 07 and expecting a baby

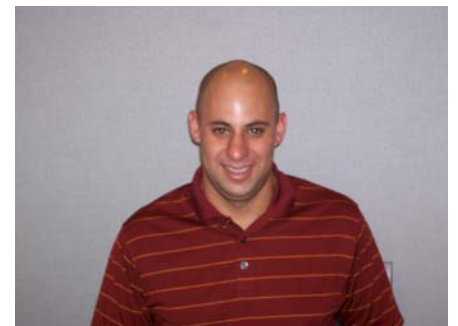
soon. He joined us after doing preliminary year in General Surgery at Union Memorial Hospital, Baltimore. Outside of his medical pursuits, Dr. Shabrez likes to spend time in cooking, and watching cricket matches.



JOSE URQUIDEZ, MD

Dr. Jose Urquidez is coming from Medical College of Wisconsin, but hails from the great state of Texas. After completing his PM&R residency he will become our latest and greatest Brain Injury fellow at BCM. He has a beautiful wife and two vivacious kids. He is a sports fanatic who loves to golf and run marathons. He is

extremely pleasant and good looking. He is excited to leave the frozen tundra and be back in Texas. He is always willing to lend a helping hand for good food in return.



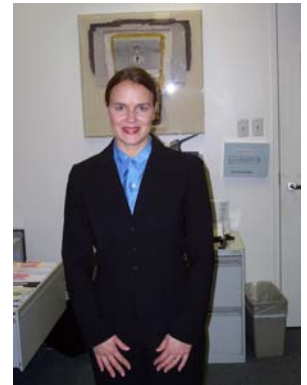
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LISA WENZEL, MD

Dr. Lisa Wenzel is a familiar face around the Baylor College of Medicine/The University of Texas Medical School at Houston PM&R Alliance. She just graduated from our Psychiatry residency program. Dr. Wenzel grew up in Maryland and moved to North Carolina to attend college at UNC.

She subsequently went to medical school at Wake Forest, and completed her intern year in Baltimore. She has been part of our Alliance family for the last 3 years. Dr. Wenzel is married to Jackson Hamilton (a radiology resident), and has 3 children - the furry variety (2 cats and a dog). In her spare time, she

enjoys athletics, jewelry making, beer and wine tasting,



Spinal Cord Injury Fellows Spinal Cord Injury Fellows

JEFFREY BERLINER, DO

Dr. Jeffrey Berliner completed his internship at Good Samaritan Hospital in West Islip, NY and PM&R residency at Rusk Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine in New York, NY. After completion of the fellowship, Dr. Berliner hopes to contribute to the field of spinal cord injury by working at an academic institution and

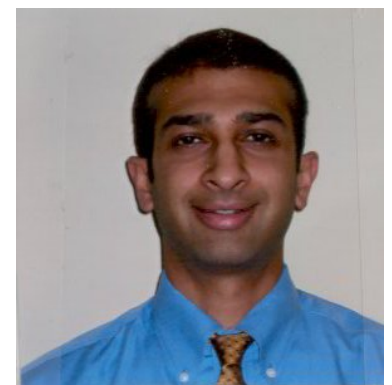
volunteering abroad.

SUHAS BADARINATH, MD

Suhas Badarinath completed his residency in PM&R at Sinai Hospital/ University of Maryland in Baltimore, MD. He was born in Princeton, NJ and was raised in central New Jersey. He attended college at Rutgers University and medical school at Medical College of Virginia. He has

one older brother and is married to Shweta. Outside of his medical pursuits, Suhas likes to run, hike, and listen to music.

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Make it a great day!

The Baylor College of Medicine / University of Texas-Houston Medical School Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Alliance is a unique and successful arrangement between the PM&R departments of two medical schools. Since 1996 there has been a sharing of resources in education and research. The PM&R residents from both schools are ranked the same on the match, receive the same clinical training and lectures with the Alliance faculty and an Alliance certificate upon completion of residency requirements. The training for both programs is exactly the same. We have one educational program, one didactic schedule, one rotation, one vacation and one call schedule for the entire BCM/UTHMS PM&R Alliance Residency Program.

PM&R ALLIANCE EDUCATION OFFICE

The mission of the PM&R Alliance Education Office is to *make a difference* by:

- Providing exemplary service to our customers
- Providing continuous improvement of the services we offer
- Operating in harmony with the Alliance

The Office of Education for the PM&R Alliance assists with coordinating the residency educational program. In addition the Education Office coordinates the Fellowship programs, Medical Student Education activities, and Continuing Medical Education activities.



training experiences here within the Alliance!

Please feel free to contact our office for assistance or for information about any of these programs.

We welcome the new resident and fellow class and wish them all the best in their

We're here to help, feel free to contact us for assistance or with questions.

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