The academic year 2018-2019 has been an exciting one for the Section of Nephrology. Our world-class faculty have made outstanding contributions in research and scholarship, education, and clinical care. They have participated in numerous national and international activities and organizations. And our faculty has grown and now includes 34 full-time and part-time faculty.

This report lists some of the more tangible products delivered and awards and recognitions received during the 12-month period ending in June 2019. In addition, we have continued to provide top-quality specialized kidney health care to our patients at our clinical sites within the Texas Medical Center and beyond. Our faculty group practice continues to excel in patient satisfaction and productivity.

Please enjoy and thank you for your interest.

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HIGHLIGHTS

• Several book chapters (Navaneethan, Adrogue, Mitch, Eknoyan)
• More than 10 grant-funded research programs, including 6 R01 grants (Cheng, Mitch, Navaneethan, Winkelmayer, Zhang)
• 19 awards
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- Carl P. Walther, M.D.
- Jingyin Yan, M.D.
- Liping Zhang, M.D.

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- Vijay K. Koka, M.D.
- Sreedhar Mandayam, M.D.
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- Aashish Pandya, M.D.
- Sarah A. Shearer, M.D.
- Wadi Suki, M.D.
- Ketherin Timmins-Vollmers, M.D.
- Edward Weinman, M.D.
- June Yao, M.D.

Publications

Books and Book Chapters
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RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Cheng, Jizhong, M.D.
- Chronic Kidney Disease Adversely Influences Vascular Functions; NIH/NIDDK (R01)

Erickson, Kevin, M.D.
- The Effect of Provider Market Competition on Patient Health Outcomes in Dialysis; NIDDK
- Dialysis Facility Closures and Their Effect on Cost, Health Outcomes, and Access to Care; American Society of Nephrology Foundation for Kidney Research
- Nephrology Care and Employment after Starting Dialysis; National Kidney Foundation

Hu, Zhaoyong, M.D.
- Protein Energy Wasting in Chronic Kidney Disease

Klotman, Paul, M.D.
- Long-Term Consequences of HIV in the Kidney; NIH/NIDDK

Mitch, William, M.D.
- Protein Metabolism in Experimental Uremia; NIH (R01)
- Mechanisms Underlying Atrial Fibrillation in Chronic Kidney Disease; NIH (R01)

Navaneethan, Sankar, M.D.
- Visceral Adiposity and Physical Function in CKD; NIH/NIDDK (R01)
- Prevalence, Management, and Outcomes of Iron Deficiency Anemia in CKD; Keryk Biopharmaceuticals

Pan, Jenny, M.D.
- Stanniocalcin-1, Kidney Protection by AMPK; VA/CDA

Sheikh-Hamad, David, M.D.
- Megaling, Mitochondrial Intracrine Signaling and the Kidney; VA/Merit

Thomas, Giordano, M.D.
- Chronic Kidney Disease and Impaired Actions of Insulin; VA/CDA

Winkelmayer, Wolfgang, M.D.
- The Atrial Fibrillation – Factor Identification to Risk Modification Study in HD (AFFIRM-HD); NIH/NIDDK (R01)
- Pragmatic Trials in Hemodialysis; NIH/NIDDK
• United States Renal Data System Coordinating Center; NIH.HHS

Zhang, Liping, M.D.
• Protein Metabolism in Experimental Eremia; NIH (R01)
• Mechanisms Underlying Atrial Fibrillation in Chronic Kidney Disease; NIH (R01)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Adrogue, Horacio, M.D.
• Master Clinician Lifetime Award for Excellence in Patient Care, Baylor College of Medicine, May 2019

Erickson, Kevin, M.D.
• Distinguished Educator Award. Section of Nephrology, Baylor College of Medicine, May 2019

Navaneethan, Sankar, M.D.
• Norton Rose Fulbright Faculty Excellence Award for Enduring Educational Materials, Baylor College of Medicine, June 2019

Perez, Jose, M.D.
• Houstonia Magazine 2019 Top Doctor, Houstonia Magazine, 2019
• Early Career Faculty Award for Excellence in Patient Care, Baylor College of Medicine

Raghavan, Rajeev, M.D.
• Star Award for Excellence in Patient Care, February 2019
• Alpha Omega Alpha 2019 Graduating Medical Student Class Inductee

Ramanathan, Venkat, M.D.
• Master Clinician Award, Baylor College of Medicine

Shah, Anita, M.D.
• Unsung Hero. Fellowship Award, Section of Nephrology, Baylor College of Medicine, June 2019

Sheikh-Hamad, David, M.D.
• Faculty of the Year. Fellowship Award, Baylor College of Medicine, May 2019

Thomas, Sandhya, M.D.
• Women of Excellence Award, Baylor College of Medicine, 2019
• Best Research Poster Award, ACC, 2018

Walther, Carl, M.D.
• Distinguished Educator Award. Section of Nephrology, Baylor College of Medicine, May 2019

Winkelmayer, Wolfgang, M.D.
• Elected Member, American Clinical and Climatological Association

Yan, Jingyin, M.D.
• Physician Top Performer, FY19 Quarter 3
• Physician Top Performer, FY19 Quarter 2
• Distinguished Leadership Award, Section of Nephrology, Baylor College of Medicine, May
2019

- Early Career Faculty Award for Excellence in Patient Care, Baylor College of Medicine, December 2018

Zhang, Liping, M.D.

- Women of Excellence Award, Baylor College of Medicine, National Women’s History Month 2019