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## 2020 AGOS President

John O. L. DeLancey, MD  
Ann Arbor, MI



**John O. L. DeLancey, MD** is the Norman F. Miller Professor of Gynecology and Professor of Urology at the University of Michigan Medical School and Director of Pelvic Floor Research in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He graduated from Oberlin College with Honors in Biology and the University of Michigan Medical School where he also did his residency training.

Dr. DeLancey's pioneering discoveries about the fundamental biomechanics of pelvic organ prolapse, birth-related pelvic floor injury, and the mechanisms of urinary incontinence led to his election to the National Academy of Medicine and induction as an Honorary Member *ad eundem* of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists. He has received \$24 million dollars in NIH funding, published over 290 original scientific publications and served as President of the American Gynecological and Obstetrical Society, American Urogynecologic Society and Society of Gynecologic Surgeons.

Early in his clinical career, Dr. DeLancey was frustrated that the treatment of prolapse and incontinence had little if any scientific foundation. After meeting biomechanical engineer James A. Ashton-Miller, PhD, they began collaborating in the 1990's to apply the principles of biomechanical analysis to understanding pelvic floor structure and function. They, along with Nurse Researcher Janis Miller, RN, PhD founded the broadly interdisciplinary Pelvic Floor Research Group at the University of Michigan whose members have won many national and international awards.

Dr. DeLancey has an active practice specializing in surgical and clinical treatment for complex and refractory problems of pelvic organ prolapse and incontinence. He and his group have published some of the highest surgical success rates in the literature based on applying biomechanical principles to operative strategy. He lives with his wife Barbara in his hometown of Ann Arbor.

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# AGOS 2020

## Virtual Annual Meeting

September 25, 2020

\*all timing listed is in Eastern Standard Time\*

Time (EST)	Function
9:30am - 9:45am	<b>AGOS Business Meeting and New Member Introduction</b>
9:45am - 10:00am	<b>AAOGF Business Meeting</b>
10:00am - 10:10am	<b>Opening Remarks and Price Oration Introduction</b>
10:10am - 10:50am	<b>Joseph Price Oration: The Broken US Health Care System</b> <i>Martin A. Makary, MD, MPH</i> <i>Johns Hopkins Medicine</i>
10:50am - 11:00am	Q&A
11:00am - 11:30am	<b>Covid and Obstetrics/Gynecology</b> <i>Laura E. Riley, MD, Weill Cornell Medicine</i> <i>Ronald D. Alvarez, MD, MBA, Vanderbilt University Medical Center</i>
11:30am - 11:35am	Q&A
11:35am - 12:05pm	<b>Combatting Institutional Racism</b> <i>Erica E. Marsh, MD, MSCI</i> <i>University of Michigan</i>
12:05pm - 12:10pm	Q&A
12:10pm - 12:25pm	<b>Break</b>
12:25pm - 12:55pm	<b>Presidential Address</b> Introduction: Ronald D Alvarez, MD, MBA <i>John O. L. DeLancey, MD</i> <i>University of Michigan</i>
12:55pm - 1:10pm	<b>AGOS Advocacy Update</b> <i>Laurel W. Rice, MD, University of Wisconsin</i> <i>Marcela del Carmen, MD, Massachusetts General Hospital</i>
1:10pm - 1:15pm	Q&A
1:15pm - 1:20pm	<b>AAOGF Scholar Introduction</b> Angeles Alvarez-Secord, MD, Duke University
1:20pm - 1:35pm	<b>AAOGF Scholar Presentation</b> <i>Ann Van Arsdale, MD, Albert Einstein</i>
1:35pm - 1:40pm	Q+A
1:40pm - 1:55pm	<b>AAOGF Scholar Presentation</b> <i>Adetola Louis-Jacques, MD, University of South Florida</i>
1:55pm - 2:00pm	Q+A
2:00pm	<b>Closing Remarks</b>

**2019**  
**New AGOS Fellows**



## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Cindy L. Amundsen, MD**  
**Duke University**  
**Durham, North Carolina**

Dr. Amundsen is the Roy T. Parker Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Division of Urogynecology & Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery, Duke University. She has extensive clinical and research experience in evaluating and treating lower urinary tract symptoms (LUTS) and pelvic floor disorders. Dr. Amundsen has been funded by the National Institute of Health (NIH) for the past 16 years. For the last 10 years, she has been a co-investigator for the NIH/NICHD Clinical Trials Network for Pelvic Floor Disorders (PFD). During the past 8 years, Dr. Amundsen has been MPI in the NIH/NIDDK Lower Urinary Tract Network (LURN). She is the Program Director for the Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery Fellowship and has been a mentor to physician-scientists both at the national and institutional level and was nominated Best Mentor in 2019. Dr. Amundsen has been the primary mentor to PhDs and MDs on independent NIH grant awards and is PI/PD for the NIH/NIDDK Multidisciplinary K12 Urologic Research (KURe) Career Scholars program, Research Director for the NIH/NICHD Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH) scholars' program, and PI/PD for the NIH/ NICHD Clinical Research Education Scientist Training Program. In 2020, she was appointed to the NIH Strategic Plan Working Group Council. She has won awards for the best manuscript at national meetings, best journal reviewer, and was awarded the Rodney Appell Continence Care Champion awarded by the National Association for Continence.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



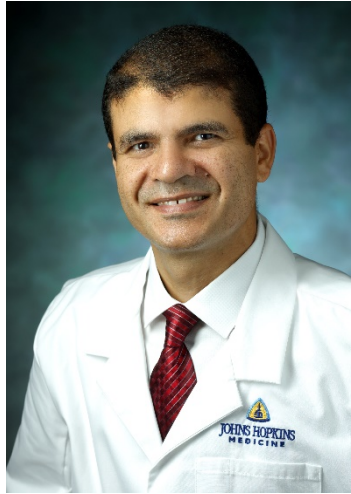
**Matthew L. Anderson, MD, PhD**  
**University of South Florida**  
**Tampa, Florida**

Dr. Anderson completed his undergraduate degree at the University of Miami, where he served as a student leader and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He earned both his MD and PhD at Yale University, after which, he trained in Obstetrics & Gynecology at Yale-New Haven Hospital. He then pursued additional subspecialty surgical training in Gynecologic Oncology at The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas. Over the next 16 years, Dr. Anderson developed a successful clinical practice, serving as Director for Baylor College of Medicine's Division of Gynecologic Oncology and one of the Academic Leads for its NCI-funded Dan L. Duncan Comprehensive Cancer Center.

In 2018, Dr. Anderson relocated to the University of South Florida where he now serves as tenured Associate Professor. At USF, Dr. Anderson remains actively engaged in laboratory-based research. He also serves as Medical Director for the Office of Clinical Research at Tampa General Hospital. In this latter capacity, he has played a key role in establishing multiple new institutional resources, including a comprehensive population sciences data repository and a rapidly growing tissue biorepository. He currently serves on the Executive Board for the OneFlorida Research Consortium and is an active contributor to the NIH's Clinical Proteomics Tumor Analysis Consortium (CPTAC).

Over the course of his career, he has authored well over 250 manuscripts, book chapters and abstracts. His research work has been supported by the National Cancer Institute, Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT), National Science Foundation, and the Gynecologic Cancer Foundation, among others.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Mostafa A. Borahay, MD, PhD**  
**Johns Hopkins University**  
**Baltimore, Maryland**

Mostafa Borahay, MD, PhD is Associate Professor at the Department of Gynecology and Obstetrics and serves as the Director of Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center. As a Physician Scientist, Dr. Borahay is the Principal Investigator on a multi-institutional NIH R01 grant examining simvastatin as a novel treatments for uterine fibroids that includes clinical trial and laboratory experiments. Dr. Borahay authored more than 40 publications, serves as an editorial board member for several scientific journals, has been invited as a guest speaker in the US and oversees including United Kingdom, Germany, Turkey and Egypt. Finally, Dr. Borahay received several awards, including the Excellence in Clinical Teaching Award from the John P. McGovern Academy of Oslerian Medicine.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Daniel Breitkopf, MD**  
**Mayo Clinic**  
**Rochester, Minnesota**

Daniel Breitkopf, MD is an Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology within the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science and is board certified in OB/GYN. Dr. Breitkopf received his MD degree from the State University of New York-Downstate College of Medicine and completed residency training in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Vermont. After spending 12 years at University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, he joined Mayo Clinic's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology in 2010. His clinical and research interests include minimally invasive surgery and medical education. His academic career has been devoted to teaching the next generation of obstetrician/gynecologists and conducting clinically relevant research. He has received many notable honors, including the Karis Award for excellence in patient care, the Mayo Clinic Program Director of the Year, and the Charles S. Field award for resident education.

Dr. Breitkopf has served as the OB/GYN residency program director at UTMB and Mayo Clinic and as the Mayo Clinic Gynecology Division Chair. He is currently the Community OB/GYN Division Chair and Department of OB/GYN Practice Chair at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. Dr. Breitkopf leads the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Committee on Gynecologic Practice, is an editorial board member for the Journal of Minimally Invasive Gynecology and serves as an oral examiner for the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Alison G. Cahill, MD, MSCI**  
**Dell Medical School, University of Texas, Austin**  
**Austin, Texas**

Alison G. Cahill, MD, MSCI, is a Professor of Women's Health at the University of Texas at Austin, Dell Medical School, and is the Director of the Dell Medical School Health Transformation Research Institute.

Dr. Cahill earned her medical degree from the University of Connecticut School of Medicine and completed a residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center. She completed a fellowship in maternal-fetal medicine at Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine, where she also earned her Master's of Science and Clinical Investigation.

Dr. Cahill is recognized for her outcomes-based research in obstetrics, focused on labor and delivery interventions that impact maternal and infant outcomes, and has over 250 peer-reviewed publications. She has received several awards for her research endeavors, most recently the Award of Research Excellence from the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine and the Research Excellence Award from the American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Dr. Cahill serves as editor-in-chief of the American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology: Global Reports and is the senior editor for the Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine editions of the American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology. She is the Chair of the Committee on Obstetric Practice for the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and is an Editor of Gabbe's: Normal Obstetrics.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Maged M. Costantine, MD**  
**The Ohio State University**  
**Columbus, Ohio**

A native of Lebanon, Dr. Costantine earned his medical degree from the American University of Beirut and completed his OB/GYN residency training at the University of Cincinnati. He then received maternal fetal medicine fellowship training at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston Texas. Following fellowship, he joined the faculty at UTMB until 2019, when he moved to the Ohio State University as the Director of the Division of Maternal Fetal Medicine and the Frederick P. Zuspan Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Costantine is an active clinical investigator, having published over 100 scholarly articles and book chapters. His primary research interests are hypertensive disorders of pregnancy, and the role of statins in prevention of preeclampsia, as well as perinatal pharmacology. He is currently the Principal Investigator for OSU's participation in the NICHD Maternal Fetal Medicine Units Network where he is the Principal Investigator and IND holder for NICHD/NHLBI sponsored trial of pravastatin to prevent preeclampsia in high risk women. Additionally, he is the PI or site PI on numerous multicenter government and industry sponsored trials in obstetrics. At Ohio State, Dr. Costantine oversees the clinical and research operations of the division of maternal fetal medicine. Additionally, he is an associate editor for American Journal of Perinatology, and active member of the Society for Maternal Fetal Medicine Health Policy & Advocacy Committee.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Thomas M. Gellhaus, MD**  
**University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine**  
**Iowa City, Iowa**

Dr. Thomas Gellhaus is a Clinical Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine in Iowa City, Iowa. Dr. Gellhaus received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Chemistry from Augustana College in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, his Bachelor of Medicine Degree from the University of South Dakota in Vermillion, South Dakota, and his Doctor of Medicine Degree from the University of Oklahoma in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Following 3 years of Pathology Residency at the University of South Dakota, he completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. After residency, he entered private practice in Davenport, Iowa and after 20 years in private practice, he returned to academic medicine at the University of Iowa, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology as a Clinical Associate Professor. He has been at the University of Iowa for 10 years and was promoted to Clinical Professor in July 2017. Dr. Gellhaus is the Past President of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. He has served ACOG and its members for more than 25 years in various positions. Dr. Gellhaus' interests are in the area of advocacy and policy for healthcare providers and patients. He has completed the McCain Fellowship, a month long in-depth experience in advocacy, at ACOG in Washington, D.C. in 1999. In 2001, he was a Primary Care Policy Fellow with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. He has remained active in advocacy and policy.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Veronica Gomez-Lobo, MD**  
**Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development**  
**Bethesda, Maryland**

Dr. Gomez-Lobo is an obstetrician gynecologist who specializes in pediatric and adolescent gynecology. After receiving her Doctor of Medicine Degree from Georgetown University, she completed her internship at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and residency at Tufts University. Prior to her recruitment to NICHD, Dr. Gomez-Lobo was the Director and Fellowship Director of Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology and Professor of Ob/Gyn at Georgetown University and provided care at MedStar Washington Hospital Center (MWHC), Children's National Medical Center and MedStar Georgetown University Hospital. She started the fourth pediatric and adolescent gynecology fellowship in North America and served as President of the North American Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology in 20016-2017. She currently serves as Associate Editor of the Journal of Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology, as well as chair of the Oncofertility Pediatric Interest Network Research Sub-Committee. She is the site PI for the Disorders of Sex Development-Translational Research Network at Children's National Medical Center. She has published and lectured extensively regarding the issues in the field of pediatric gynecology, as well as obstetrics and gynecology issues in transplant recipients. She currently serves as Senior Clinician and Director of Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology (PAG) Program within NICHD. Her areas of focus include fertility preservation, differences in sex development and congenital anomalies of the reproductive tract.



## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Clarisa R. Gracia, MD, MSCE**  
**University of Pennsylvania**  
**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**

Clarisa Gracia, MD, MSCE, is the Nancy and Richard Wolfson Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Chief of the Division Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility, at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Gracia received her medical degree from SUNY Buffalo and completed her residency in OBGYN, fellowship in REI and a Masters in Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of Pennsylvania. She is certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology in OBGYN and Reproductive Endocrinology. She has practiced at Penn since 2004 and has served as Director of Fertility Preservation, Third Party Reproduction and was appointed Chief of the REI Division in 2019.

The focus of Dr. Gracia's research has been in the area of reproductive aging and Oncofertility. She has conducted NIH funded prospective studies investigating ovarian function during the menopausal transition and after exposure to cancer therapies. She has over 160 publications and has been actively involved in several national and international organizations. She currently serves as a member of the ABOG REI Division and is on the Board of Directors of ASRM. She has served on ACOG and ASRM practice committees, and as a consultant epidemiologist for developing guidelines for ASRM and the WHO. Dr. Gracia has received several awards including The Emily Hartshorne Mudd Award, given for significant contributions to the field of family health, and the Ira and Ester Rosenwaks New Investigator Award, presented by the ASRM.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Elizabeth Howell, MD, MPP**  
**University of Pennsylvania**  
**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**

Elizabeth Howell, MD, MPP will be the Chair of the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology at the Perelman School of Medicine at UPenn beginning this fall. Previously she was a Professor of Population Health Science & Policy and Ob/Gyn and the Founding Director of the Blavatnik Family Women's Health Research Institute at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. She is a NIH-funded ob/gyn health services researcher and her major research interests are the intersection between quality of care and disparities in maternal and infant mortality and morbidity and postpartum depression and its impact on underserved communities. She has served on several expert committees including for the Institute of Medicine, NIH, the Joint Commission, and ACOG. She co-chaired the Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health Working Group on Reduction of Peripartum Racial Disparities, served on the Governor's Taskforce on Maternal Mortality and Disparate Racial Outcomes for New York State and the New York City Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Steering Committee for the New York City Department of Health.

Dr. Howell received her undergraduate degree from Stanford University and received her medical and public policy degrees at Harvard Medical School and the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. She received her residency training at Cornell /New York Hospital and her post-doctoral training in clinical epidemiology as a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar at Yale Medical School.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Gloria S. Huang, MD**  
**Yale University**  
**New Haven, CT**

My professional life is dedicated to advancing the field of gynecologic oncology through innovative research, teaching/mentoring and collaboration. In my laboratory at Yale School of Medicine, Yale Cancer Center, I study the role of genetic alterations and the tumor microenvironment to elucidate novel therapeutic strategies for ovarian and endometrial cancer. To translate discoveries to the clinic, I work with national cooperative groups including NRG Oncology/GOG on clinical trial development. As a clinician, I enjoy providing advanced surgical and comprehensive care, and leading multi-disciplinary care teams to achieve the best results for patients. To advocate for equity in medicine and work toward the elimination of health disparities, I serve as a member of the newly formed Yale OBGYN Racism and Diversity Task Force, and as a member of the SGO Diversity, Inclusion and Health Equity Committee. Being in academic medicine, one of the greatest rewards is helping students and trainees succeed to become outstanding physicians and talented scientists. I hope that our collective efforts contribute to making effective prevention, treatment, and cure a reality for all women facing gynecological cancer.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Heather Gibson Huddleston, MD**  
**University of California - San Francisco**  
**San Francisco, California**

Dr. Heather Huddleston is Reproductive Endocrinologist and a Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences at the University of California-San Francisco (UCSF). She has research interests in polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) and early pregnancy. She is the Director of the Multidisciplinary Clinic and Research Center for Women with PCOS, which is a model program that provides comprehensive care for women with this disorder and serves as the clinical platform for the UCSF PCOS Longitudinal Cohort, now the largest well characterized cohort of PCOS women in the United States. An important focus of our work within PCOS is relationships between metabolic and hormonal aspects of PCOS and mood and cognition outcomes. Dr. Huddleston has published widely on PCOS and has spoken on the disorder nationally and internationally. Dr. Huddleston also serves as the director of the UCSF Center for Reproductive Health Oocyte donor program and cryobank. She is a co-PI on the recently launched ASPIRE study (Assessing the Safety of pregnancy In the CoRona virus pandEmic). ASPIRE is designed to assess whether COVID -19 infection during pregnancy, particularly the first trimester, associates with adverse pregnancy or childhood health outcomes.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Amir A. Jazaeri, MD**  
**MD Anderson Cancer Center**  
**Houston, Texas**

Dr. Jazaeri is a Professor and the Vice Chair for Clinical Research in the Department of Gynecologic Oncology and Reproductive Medicine at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center. He obtained his Bachelor and Medical degrees from the University of Virginia and completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the same institution. He completed his fellowship in Gynecologic Oncology at the National Cancer Institute and MD Anderson Cancer Center.

He joined the faculty at the University of Virginia from 2004-2014 where he directed laboratory and translational research on serous carcinogenesis and mechanisms of chemoresistance in ovarian cancer. He returned to MD Anderson in 2014, to establish a broad base immunotherapy program for gynecologic cancers that include adoptive cell therapies, as well as, immune checkpoint inhibitor investigations. He serves as the Director of the Gynecologic Cancer Immunotherapy Program. His other areas of research interest include innovative clinical trial designs and translational research for identification of novel immunotherapy targets for gynecologic cancers.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Anjali J. Kaimal, MD, MAS**  
**Massachusetts General Hospital**  
**Harvard Medical School**  
**Boston, Massachusetts**

Anjali Kaimal, MD, MAS, is a Maternal-Fetal Medicine Specialist at Massachusetts General Hospital and an Associate Professor in the Departments of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Biology and Population Medicine at Harvard Medical School. She is Chief of the Division of Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Director of the Deborah Kelly Center for Clinical Research in Obstetrics and Gynecology, Director of the MFM Fellowship, and Obstetric Director of the Multidisciplinary Fetal Care Program. She sees people for ultrasound, prenatal diagnosis, and MFM consultation as well as Labor and Delivery and the Antepartum care.

Dr. Kaimal's research program is focused on the definition, design, implementation and dissemination of patient-centered, evidence-based interventions to improve the quality and effectiveness of obstetric care. Her work is focused on mode of delivery and interventions such as induction of labor, prenatal testing, and medications for management of medical complications, as well as systems level assessment of practice patterns and metrics that impact the obstetric population. She is the current chair of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Committee on Obstetrics-Clinical Practice Guidelines (formerly Practice Bulletins) and a member of the Society for Maternal Fetal Medicine Education Committee.

## **2019 New AGOS Fellows**



**Lisa M. Landrum, MD, PhD**  
**University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center**  
**Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

Lisa M. Landrum, MD PhD, FACOG, FACS, is Associate Professor of Obstetrics & Gynecology in Section of Gynecology Oncology at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center and serves as the Residency Program Director since 2015. She received her undergraduate degree from Oklahoma Christian College, and her medical and graduate degree from the University of Oklahoma. She completed her residency in Obstetrics & Gynecology and her fellowship training in Gynecology Oncology at the University of Oklahoma. She is board-certified in Obstetrics & Gynecology, Gynecology Oncology, and Hospice & Palliative Medicine. Dr. Landrum started her academic career at the Stephenson Cancer Center at the University of Oklahoma in 2009. She has served as the Alpha Omega Alpha Councilor for the College of Medicine and currently chairs the Executive Board for Admissions to College of Medicine. She is also chair of the Society of Gynecologic Oncology Palliative Care Committee. Her research interests are in supportive and palliative care for women with gynecologic malignancies and adjuvant therapy for early stage, high intermediate risk endometrial cancer. She has a special passion for mentoring and educating medical students, residents and fellows in training.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Ruth B. Lathi, MD**  
**Stanford University**  
**Stanford, California**

Dr. Lathi is a Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Stanford University, the Director of Research for Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility, the Director of the Stanford Multi-specialty Recurrent Pregnancy Loss Program, and the Director of the Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility Fellowship Program. Her research focuses on recurrent pregnancy loss, the role of preimplantation genetic diagnosis in the treatment of reproductive disorders, genetic testing of miscarriages, and long-term outcomes of fertility treatments.



## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Shannon K. Laughlin-Tommaso, MD, MPH**  
**Mayo Clinic**  
**Rochester, Minnesota**

Dr. Laughlin-Tommaso is an Associate Professor and Consultant in the Department of OB/GYN at Mayo Clinic. She is the Associate Dean for Education Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science where she is leading efforts to create a longitudinal curriculum in diversity, inclusion, and anti-racism. She is Division Chair for Gynecology and is part of the Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgeons where she specializes in treatment options for uterine fibroids and abnormal uterine bleeding. Her research focuses on the epidemiology of uterine fibroids and comparative effectiveness trials for fibroid therapy with a recent R21 in medical therapy for bleeding related to uterine fibroids. She received her M.P.H. in epidemiology from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and was fellowship-trained at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Douglas A. Levine, MD**  
**NYU Langone Health**  
**New York, New York**

Douglas A. Levine is Director of the Gynecologic Oncology Division at Perlmutter Cancer Center of New York University Langone Health in New York City. He received his MD from Mount Sinai School of Medicine and completed his residency at Mount Sinai Medical Center and a fellowship at Memorial Sloan Kettering. In addition to his clinical practice, Dr. Levine is the current Head of the Gynecology Research Laboratory, where he studies cancer prevention, precision medicine, and rare tumors with unmet needs. Dr. Levine has an outstanding level of expertise and leadership in ovarian and endometrial cancer research and a deep commitment to women's health. Dr. Levine has been very active within the NIH-sponsored Cancer Genome Atlas project (TCGA). He served as co-chair of the ovarian, endometrial, uterine carcinosarcoma, and Pan-GYN disease working groups. He has authored or co-authored more than 220 peer-reviewed articles and two textbooks. He is the Assistant Dean of the Department of Defense Ovarian Cancer Academy, the translational science co-chair of the NRG Oncology Corpus Committee, chair of the NRG Oncology Cancer Prevention Committee, a member of the NCI Cancer Prevention Steering Committee, and chair of the NCI Cancer Biomarkers Study Section.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Judette M. Louis, MD, MPH**  
**University of South Florida**  
**Tampa, FL**

Dr. Louis is the current president for the Society for Maternal Fetal Medicine and the Department Chair for the Department of OB/GYN at University of South Florida (USF). Dr. Louis has a joint faculty appointment in both the College of Public Health and the College of Medicine at USF. Dr. Louis also serves as the Co-Director of the Women & Children's Service Line at Tampa General Hospital. Dr. Louis has a national reputation for her work in maternal morbidity and mortality. Through her work as a clinical leader for the Florida Perinatal Quality Collaborative, she has led statewide programs to improve management of obstetric emergencies in the state of Florida. Her research in obstructive sleep apnea in pregnant women has been funded by Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, NIH and foundations. She has authored numerous scientific articles and book chapters on sleep apnea and maternal morbidity/mortality. She is passionate about making pregnancy safer for all women and in particular, improving maternal health across the lifespan.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Guoyang Luo, MD, PhD**  
**Howard University, College of Medicine**  
**Washington, District of Columbia**

Dr. Guoyang Luo, MD, Ph.D. is a Tenured Professor and the Chair of Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology at Howard University, College of Medicine. Prior to joining Howard, Dr. Luo served as an Associated Professor and Division Director of Maternal-Fetal Medicine at the University of Connecticut, School of Medicine.

Dr. Luo graduated with honors from Hunan Medical University in China and received his Ph.D. in Microbiology and Immunology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. Subsequently, he completed his residency training in Obstetrics and Gynecology at New York-Presbyterian Hospital at Weill-Cornell Medical College, and a Maternal-Fetal Medicine fellowship at Yale University. Dr. Luo is board certified in both general Obstetrics Gynecology and Maternal-Fetal Medicine.

Dr. Luo enjoys teaching and received the National Faculty Teaching Award sponsored by the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ACOG) and the Council on Resident Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology (CREOG) in Danbury.

In addition to providing busy clinical services and fulfilling his professional and administrative duties, Dr. Luo also actively pursues clinical as well as translational research. He has published a number of articles in highly respected peer-reviewed journals and had numerous presentations at national as well as international scientific conferences.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Sharmila Makhija, MD MBA**  
**Montefiore Health System/Albert Einstein College of Medicine**  
**New York, New York**

Sharmila Makhija MD MBA, an international expert on gynecologic cancer, currently serves as Department Chair of OB/GYN and Women's Health, professor of gynecologic oncology, and The Chella and Moise Safra Endowed Chair at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and Montefiore Health System. She received her medical degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham, residency in OB/GYN at the University of Louisville, fellowship in gynecologic oncology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and her MBA at Emory Goizueta Business School.

She presently serves on the Board of Every Mother Counts, non-profit started by Christy Turlington Burns focused on improving maternal care; Clinical Leadership Committee, American Hospital Association; and has received numerous awards for her dedication to Women's Health, including the Spirit of Achievement, Albert Einstein College of Medicine and Humanitarian Hero, Good Housekeeping.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Erica E. Marsh, MD, MSCI**  
**University of Michigan Medical School**  
**Ann Arbor, Michigan**

Erica E. Marsh, MD, MSCI, FACOG, is the S. Jan Behrman Collegiate Professor of Reproductive Medicine at the University of Michigan Medical School & Chief of the Division of Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility in the Department of OBGYN. She also holds an appointment in the Department of Women's Studies. She is the Founder & Director of the Women's Health & Reproductive Disparities Collaborative (onWHARD), a group committed to advancing reproductive health through meaningful research, empowering education, & committed advocacy/service. She is also the Director of Community Engagement for the Michigan Institute for Clinical and Health Research at UM.

Dr. Marsh graduated magna cum laude from Harvard College & cum laude from Harvard Medical School. She completed her residency at the Integrated OBGYN Residency at the Brigham and Women's Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital & a Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility fellowship at Northwestern University. Dr. Marsh has received millions of dollars in funding for her research & has published significantly in the area of fibroids, patient perspectives, & health disparities in reproductive health. Dr. Marsh's research area of interest is comparative reproductive health across populations: her focus is on developing a holistic understanding of uterine fibroids, abnormal uterine bleeding, & ovarian reserve. Dr. Marsh also is a committed community advocate, scientific mentor, & proponent of community-engaged research.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Alexander B. Olawaiye, MD, FRCOG, FACOG, FACS**  
**University of Pittsburgh**  
**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania**

Dr Olawaiye is an academic gynecologic oncologist based at the Magee-Womens Hospital of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC). He obtained his medical degree at the premiere University of Ibadan, Nigeria in 1991 after which he moved to London, United Kingdom where he successfully pursued a post-graduate training in obstetrics and gynecology at the Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynecology (RCOG) culminating in him becoming a member of that college in 1998. He subsequently relocated to the USA and went through residency at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo before moving to Boston Massachusetts to undergo fellowship training in gynecologic oncology at the Massachusetts General Hospital/Harvard Medical School.

Dr Olawaiye is a dedicated clinician, clinical researcher and teacher. He has served as the director of the gynecologic oncology research program at the Hillmans Cancer Center, UPMC for the past 5 years during which that program has expanded significantly. Dr Olawaiye is the Vice Chair of Diversity and Inclusion for the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. He is a member of many national and international organizations where he has led and collaborated on multiple projects focused on advancing the field of gynecologic oncology. He is a member of the Executive Council of the American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC) and chairs the Gynecologic Cancer Expert Panel of the AJCC. He is on the Cervical Cancer Task Force of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) and was appointed onto the Board of Directors of the Gynecologic Oncology (GOG) Foundation. Dr Olawaiye is a member of the Oncology Committee of the International Federation for Obstetrics and Gynecology (FIGO). He has numerous publications in the peer-reviewed literature and has authored several book chapters. He was elevated to the status of a fellow of the RCOG in September of 2019.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Michelle Y. Owens, MD, MS**  
**University of Mississippi Medical Center**  
**Jackson, Mississippi**

Michelle Y. Owens, MD is Professor in the department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC). Dr. Owens completed her residency training at Johns Hopkins Hospital and her Maternal Fetal Medicine fellowship at UMMC. She is the Division Chief and Fellowship Director for Maternal Fetal Medicine. Her research and clinical interests are in hypertensive disorders of pregnancy, maternal mortality and health disparities. Dr. Owens serves on both the MS State Board of Medical Licensure and the MS State Board of Nursing.

Dr. Owens has represented ACOG nationally as the Young Physician at Large on the Executive Board, and regionally as a member of the District VII Advisory Committee and Co-chair for the District VII Maternal Mortality Committee. She is also a member of the ACGME Residency Review Committee for Ob-Gyn, and active in ABOG activities.

Dr. Owens is the host of “Southern Remedy for Women”, a talk-radio show focused on health issues for women and the people that love them. She and her husband, District Attorney Jody Owens, II, have three children: Tripp (nine), Joshua and Taylor (six).



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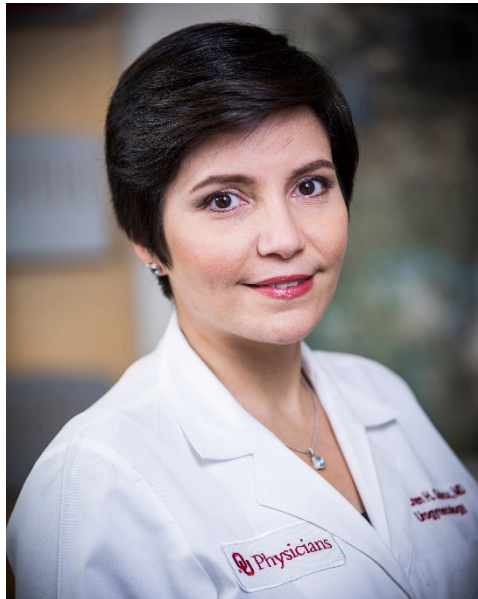
**Elisabeth Quint, MD  
Michigan Medicine  
Ann Arbor, Michigan**

Dr. Elisabeth Quint received her MD degree in 1985 from the University of Leiden Medical School, The Netherlands. Following residency training in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Michigan, Dr. Quint joined the faculty at this institution in 1991, where she currently is Professor in OB/GYN. Dr. Quint's activities locally and nationally have been mainly focused on two areas: pediatric and adolescent gynecology (PAG) as well as care for women with disabilities.

She leads a large PAG clinical program, with interdisciplinary care with pediatric subspecialists in hematology and differences in sex development. She has started and developed a pediatric and adolescent gynecology (PAG) fellowship in 2011, that now has two fellows yearly. She is program director of this fellowship and participates in the curriculum development with the other national fellowships, through the North American Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology (NASPAG). Besides her teaching in OB/GYN for fellows, residents and medical students, she educates REI fellows, adolescent medicine fellows and pediatric residents in PAG. She has lectured extensively locally and nationally at several venues, including the ACOG national meeting and the NASPAG ACRM, on PAG topics. She has published many papers, chapters and guidelines on clinical PAG topics.

Dr. Quint led and expanded a large multidisciplinary clinic for women with disabilities. Her activities in that area, besides clinic care for adolescents with disabilities, are now more research focused and she participates as a CO-I on sev

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Lieschen H. Quiroz, MD**  
**University of Oklahoma Health Sciences**  
**Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

Dr. Quiroz is a Professor at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences (OUHSC) and is board certified in Obstetrics & Gynecology and Female Pelvic Medicine & Reconstructive Surgery. She earned her undergraduate Brown University and received her medical degree from the University of Southern California. She completed residency in OB/GYN at the University of Miami and a fellowship in FPMRS at Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Quiroz has national and international recognition and is best known for her work in the field of 3D ultrasound of the pelvic floor. She is one of the leading scholars in the nation on this topic. She teaches numerous lectures and workshops at national and international conferences, and has published over 65 peer-reviewed manuscripts in addition to review articles and book chapters. Dr. Quiroz holds positions of national and international prominence in the field of FPMRS. She serves as Chair of the Radiologic Evaluation Committee for the International Urogynecologic Association. She is also an assistant editor of the FPMRS Journal, which is the official journal of the American Urogynecologic Society (AUGS), and is currently serving a 3 year term on the AUGS Board of Directors. She is an FPMRS subspecialty examiner for ABOG. She is an expert in robotic, laparoscopic and vaginal surgery, and has a strong commitment the medical education of students, residents and fellows. Dr. Quiroz is currently the Division Director of FPMRS at the OUHSC and serves as OB/GYN Service Chief for the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Aleksandar Rajkovic, MD, PHD**  
**University of California San Francisco**  
**San Francisco, CA**

Dr. Aleksandar Rajkovic serves as the Medical Director and Chief of the Center for Genetic and Genomic Medicine (CGGM) that organizes, coordinates and oversees Clinical Genetics and Genomics Services across the UCSF Health System. He is also Stuart Lindsay Distinguished Professor in Experimental Pathology I, member of the American Society of Clinical Investigator and American Association of Physicians. His research interests lie in basic and translational medical sciences in the area of reproductive genetics. Dr. Rajkovic discovered numerous genes that play critical roles in reproductive tract development, male and female infertility, and uterine tumors. He has been at the forefront of applying cutting edge genomic technologies to reproductive diagnostics. Dr. Rajkovic discovered numerous gonadal specific regulators such as Nobox, Lhx8, Sohlh1, Sohlh2, and Hormad1, genes that are critical regulators of germ cell differentiation, meiosis and gonadal formation. Rajkovic group has applied genomewide approaches to study human infertility and reproductive tumors, and discovered a critical role that mutations in human MCM8, MCM9, and MED12 genes play in human reproductive tract development. He has also been at the forefront of applying cutting edge genomic technologies to reproductive diagnostics. He has made significant contributions to non-invasive diagnosis of submicroscopic deletions, design and utility of dense X chromosome arrays, and utility of genome wide detection of copy number variants in prenatal diagnosis.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Charles R. Rardin, MD**  
**Women & Infants Hospital, and Alpert School of Medicine of Brown University**  
**Providence, Rhode Island**

Dr. Rardin is Professor of OB/Gyn at The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University, and a member of the Active Staff at Women & Infants Hospital. A graduate of the University of Rochester School of Medicine, he completed a residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston, followed by a fellowship in urogynecology and pelvic reconstructive surgery at Mount Auburn Hospital and Harvard Medical School. He is a fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, as well as the American College of Surgeons, and is certified in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery (FPMRS) by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ABOG). He is a past president of the American Urogynecologic Society (AUGS), and former Scientific Program Chair for the Society of Gynecologic Surgeons (SGS).

Dr. Rardin has a particular interest in innovative, minimally-invasive techniques for the treatment of a variety of conditions of pelvic floor dysfunction. He is committed to Quality, and he serves as the Chief of Surgical Services for Women & Infants Hospital. He is also committed to the academic advancement of the field of urogynecology, and served as the Program Director for the ACGME-Accredited Fellowship in FPMRS at WIH and the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. He serves on the Undergraduate Medical Education Mentoring Committee.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Uma M. Reddy, MD, MPH  
Yale School of Medicine  
New Haven, Connecticut**

Uma Reddy, MD, MPH joined Yale in Sept. 2018 as the Maternal-Fetal Medicine Division Director and Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences. She is also the MFM Fellowship Director. Dr. Reddy graduated from Brown University Magna cum laude and also received her MD degree from the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. Dr. Reddy also holds an M.P.H. from Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. She completed her residency at Johns Hopkins and remained there as a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar. She completed her Maternal-Fetal Medicine fellowship at Thomas Jefferson University. She was on faculty at University of Maryland prior to joining the NIH as Medical Officer in the Pregnancy and Perinatology Branch at NICHD. While at NICHD she performed her MFM clinical work at Walter Reed Medical Center and then Medstar Washington Hospital Center where she was a Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Georgetown University prior to coming to Yale.

While at NICHD she oversaw many of the largest and most influential studies in obstetrics including directing the Maternal-Fetal Medicine Units Network. Her research on stillbirth, preterm birth and labor management has had a profound impact on obstetrical practice both in the United States and internationally. Dr. Reddy is widely recognized as a scholar, educator and mentor. She has published over 230 peer reviewed articles, many in the most impactful journals including NEJM and JAMA.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Laura E. Riley, MD**  
**Weill Cornell Medicine/ NewYork Presbyterian Hospital**  
**New York, New York**

Dr. Laura E. Riley is the Given Foundation Chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Weill Cornell Medicine and Obstetrician-in-Chief at NewYork Presbyterian Hospital. Dr. Riley received her undergraduate education at Harvard University and her medical degree from the University of Pittsburgh. She completed her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Pittsburgh-Magee Women's Hospital and her subspecialty training in maternal-fetal medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital, and in infectious disease at Boston University Medical Center. Dr. Riley joined the obstetrical service at MGH in 1995, where she focused on high-risk pregnancy with an emphasis on infectious disease complications. Dr. Riley's research interests include the diagnosis and management of intrapartum fever, as well as, maternal vaccination. Nationally, she has served as a consultant to the Centers for Disease Control on perinatal HIV testing, prevention of group B strep and became the first OB/Gyn appointed to the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practice. She is the Chair of the Immunization, Infection Disease and Public Health Preparedness Work Group at the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists where she has co-authored the most recent practice advisories on COVID-19. In addition to authoring scientific papers and practice guidelines, she has written two books on pregnancy for consumers.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Paolo Rinaudo, MD, PhD**  
**University of California, San Francisco**  
**San Francisco, CA**

Dr. Rinaudo is a physician scientist. He obtained a MD PhD degrees from the University of Turin, Italy. He completed a residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Yale University and a Fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility at University of Pennsylvania. He is currently a Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Science at the University of California San Francisco. His clinical interests are in vitro fertilization (IVF) and recurrent pregnancy loss. The focus of his laboratory research is to understand how gametes and pre-implantation embryo manipulation and culture affect fetal and adult development. This has particular relevance in light of the widespread use of artificial reproductive techniques, like IVF and ICSI: more than 8 million children have been conceived by these technologies. In fact, fetal adaptations in utero to adverse conditions can lead to specific diseases in the adult, including diabetes, high blood pressure and coronary heart disease. This phenomenon is termed the developmental origin of adult health and disease or the Barker hypothesis. His laboratory has created a mouse model of IVF and found that embryo and placenta development is altered following conception by IVF. Further, mouse offspring generated by IVF display mild abnormalities of postnatal growth. Current work tries to understand the molecular mechanisms underlying such phenotypic changes.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Ashley S. Roman, MD, MPH**  
**NYU Langone Health**  
**New York, New York**

Dr. Ashley S. Roman is currently the Silverman Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at New York University Grossman School of Medicine and is the Director of the Division of Maternal Fetal Medicine, and the Maternal Fetal Medicine Program Director at NYU Langone Health. She has been a member of the faculty of the New York University School of Medicine since 2005. She is board certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology and Maternal-Fetal Medicine. After graduating from Princeton University and receiving her MD and Masters in Public Health from Tulane University, she completed her residency training in Obstetrics and Gynecology at UCLA Center for Health Sciences and her fellowship training in Maternal-Fetal Medicine at NYU Medical Center.

Dr. Roman has published widely in the area of preterm birth and is the author or co-author of over 80 manuscripts in peer-reviewed journals, abstracts, and book chapters. She has been co-editor of the last two editions of the textbook, *Current Diagnosis and Treatment: Obstetrics and Gynecology*. Dr. Roman has been the recipient of multiple research and teaching awards. Her areas of specialty and interest include preterm birth, preeclampsia, fetal diagnosis and therapy, and the management of complex maternal medical conditions in pregnancy, including infectious diseases and maternal cardiac disorders.



## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Stephen L. Rose, MD**  
**University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health**  
**Madison, Wisconsin**

Stephen L. Rose, MD, FACOG, is a Professor (CHS) and Division Director of Gynecologic Oncology in The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at The University of Wisconsin. He received his BS in Biology from Butler University and his medical degree from Indiana University. He completed residency training at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis, followed by a Gynecologic Surgery Fellowship and Gynecologic Oncology Fellowship at The University of Iowa. Dr. Rose started his career as a translational scientist, receiving the Liz Tilberis Scholars Award from the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund in 2008 to study the role of Notch 1 in ovarian cancer. His recent research has focused on quality of life in gynecologic cancer. His interest in the role humor plays in the lives of patients with cancer led to the first publication of how women with recurrent ovarian cancer experience humor in and around their illness as well as the publication of a randomized controlled trial on the use of a humorous media diversion in women receiving chemotherapy. Dr. Rose served on the Ovarian Committee for the GOG from 2010-2015. He has been Fellowship Director for Gynecologic Oncology at UW since 2011 and currently is the co-chair of the SGO Program Directors Network that serves 62 gynecologic oncology fellowships. He serves on the editorial board of Gynecologic Oncology Reports and has been an oral examiner for ABOG for the specialty and sub-specialty certification examination since 2015. He is the founder and program committee lead for the newly formed Heartland Association of Gynecologic Oncology.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Mark K. Santillan, MD, PhD**  
**University of Iowa**  
**Iowa City, Iowa**

Dr. Mark Santillan is an Associate Professor in the Department of OB/Gyn. He completed his BS, BA, MD, and OB/Gyn residency at Loyola University in Chicago, IL. He completed his MFM fellowship and PhD in Translational Biomedicine at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, IA. Dr. Santillan's predominant research and clinical interest has been hypertensive diseases and immunology in pregnancy. His lab investigates the early immunovascular mechanisms of maternal disease and the short and long-term health effects to the mother and child. As an NIH KL2 and Reproductive Scientist Development Program Scholar, he has helped establish novel predictive, preventative, and therapeutic modalities in the treatment of preeclampsia. As a translational physician-scientist he established new preclinical therapies and models of preeclampsia by modulating vasopressin related pathways. He has also established or helps lead many national and international cohorts for the study of and biobanking in perinatal disease. Some of these cohorts include the Iowa Maternal Fetal Tissue Bank, AHA PREDICTV, NIH iELEVATE, and the international Global Pregnancy Collaboration. He has served as an NIH workshop panelist and study section member and serves in leadership positions in the Society of Maternal Medicine and American Heart Association. At Iowa, he serves in multiple roles. Most notably he serves as the Iowa Institute for Clinical and Translational Science Associate Director for Special Populations focused on integrating research opportunities for underrepresented populations.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Anne Z. Steiner, MD, MPH**  
**Duke University**  
**Durham, North Carolina**

Anne Z. Steiner, MD, MPH is Professor and Chief, Division of Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Duke University. Her research focuses on reproductive aging, antimüllerian hormone, and predictors of fertility and infertility. Her research collaborators include Donna Baird, PhD, MPH and Anne Marie Jukic, PhD in the Epidemiology Branch of NIEHS. She completed Time to Conceive, a prospective, time-to-pregnancy cohort study, which enrolled over 750 women ages 30-44. The purpose of this NICHD-funded study was to determine if markers of ovarian reserve are predictors of reproductive potential. Dr. Steiner was also the primary investigator for the UNC/Duke site of the Reproductive Medicine Network, which was funded by the NICHD to conduct clinical studies to investigate problems in reproductive medicine. She was the primary investigator for the MOXI trial, which determined that treatment of infertile males with antioxidants does not improve male fertility. Dr. Steiner serves as the Editor-in-Chief for F&S Reviews, an ASRM journal that publishes both systematic and comprehensive, authoritative review articles spanning reproductive medicine or science. She was a Women's Reproductive Health Research Scholar and has received a number of awards including a Junior Faculty Award, the Jefferson Pilot Fellowship Award, and Best Doctors recognition. Dr. Steiner received her MD from Emory and an MPH from the UNC School of Public Health. She completed residency at UNC and fellowship at the University of Southern California.

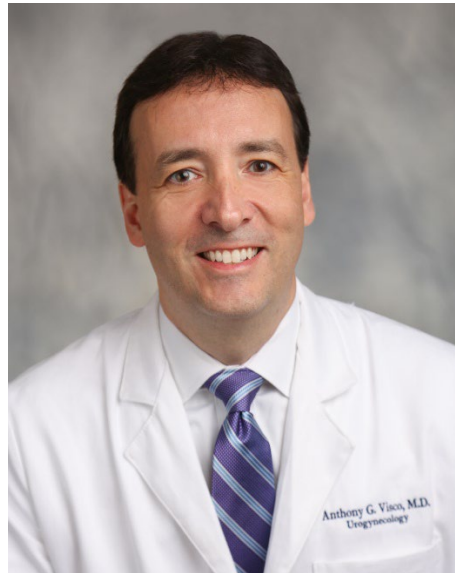
## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Leslee L. Subak, MD**  
**Stanford University**  
**Stanford, California**

Leslee L. Subak, MD, Professor and Chair of the Stanford Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, is a physician-scientist with synergistic clinical and research interests. She is an international leader in lower urinary tract function and urinary incontinence in women, with methodological expertise in epidemiology, cost-effectiveness, and clinical trials of lifestyle, behavioral, and pharmacologic interventions to improve urologic outcomes. Her team developed and investigated novel interventions for female incontinence such as weight loss, yoga, slow-paced respiration, and mobile health applications, thus providing additional treatment options for women. Dr. Subak is a co-founder of the Reproductive Risks for Incontinence Study at Kaiser a 15-year prospective study of >2400 diverse women investigating lower urinary tract symptoms, pelvic organ prolapse, obesity, fecal incontinence, vaginal aging, menopausal symptoms and sexual dysfunction. She is an internationally recognized expert in economic and cost-effectiveness analyses. Her current focus is on mentoring the next generation of physician-scientists in women's health with a focus on increasing opportunities for women and underrepresented minorities, including people of color and sexual and gender minorities (LGBT).

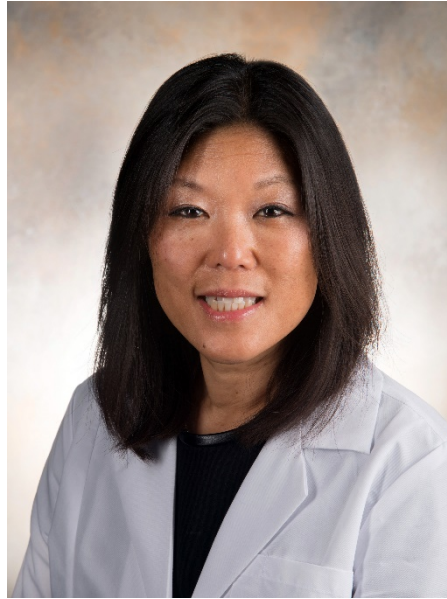
## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Anthony G. Visco, MD**  
**Duke University**  
**Durham, NC**

Dr. Anthony Visco is a Professor and Chief of the Division of Urogynecology and Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery and Vice Chair for Gynecology in the Dept. of Ob/Gyn at Duke University. He serves on a variety of Executive Committees at Duke including serving as Chair of the Duke Robotic Committee and a member of the Duke Perioperative Executive Committee. He earned his MD degree from Upstate Medical School and completed his OBGYN residency at the Univ. of Rochester. He completed a Fellowship in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery at Duke. He began his career at UNC at Chapel Hill before returning to Duke in 2007. Dr. Visco is a nationally respected leader in Urogynecology and has served as the PI of a NIH RO1 grant evaluating the cause of pelvic organ prolapse and the PI of the NICHD Pelvic Floor Disorders Network since 2001. He has served various leadership roles in the American Urogynecologic Society (AUGS) including serving as President of the society in 2013. Dr. Visco was instrumental in developing robotic sacrocolpopexy. He maintains an active clinical practice, performing robotic and vaginal reconstructive surgeries, vesicovaginal and ureterovaginal fistula repairs. He is widely published and his personal research interests include evaluating intradetrusor Botox to treat overactive bladder (ABC Trial) and surgery for incontinence and pelvic organ prolapse. He is also passionate about innovation and entrepreneurship.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Seiko Diane Yamada, MD**  
**University of Chicago**  
**Chicago, Illinois**

S. Diane Yamada, MD is the Joseph Bolivar De Lee Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Section Chief of Gynecologic Oncology at the University of Chicago. Dr. Yamada received her medical degree from UCLA, completed her Obstetrics and Gynecology residency at Harbor-UCLA and her fellowship in Gynecologic Oncology at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and UC Irvine. She is certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology in OBGYN and Gynecologic Oncology. She has been a faculty member at the University of Chicago since 1999, the Section Chief since 2004, GOG PI until 2014 and was the inaugural gynecologic oncology fellowship director of the University of Chicago/NorthShore University Health System program from 2011-2016.

Dr. Yamada's translational research on ovarian cancer regulation and metastasis has been funded by the Department of Defense and she currently conducts clinical trials in ovarian cancer and endometrial cancer. She has been actively involved in several national organizations including ASCO where she chaired the gynecologic cancer education committee track. She has served as a member of the ABOG Gynecologic Oncology division and has served the SGO as a committee chair, member of the Board of Directors and co-chair of the 50th annual meeting program committee. She is currently President Elect I of the SGO.

## 2019 New AGOS Fellows



**Emily Jungheim, MD, MS**  
**Northwestern University**  
**Chicago, Illinois**

Dr. Jungheim completed her undergraduate degree at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and graduated *magna cum laude*. She earned her MD at Loyola University in Chicago where she was elected to Alpha Omega Alpha. She completed her residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Duke University and completed her Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility subspecialty training and Masters of Science in Clinical Investigation at Washington University in St. Louis. She stayed on as faculty at Washington University where she was a Women's Reproductive Health Research K-12 scholar. In her twelve years on faculty at Washington University, she built a successful clinical practice and served as the REI Fellowship Program Director and Chief of the REI Division.

In 2020, Dr. Jungheim relocated to Northwestern University where she is a Professor and the Chief of the REI Division. She serves as the Medical Director of the Center for Fertility and Reproductive Medicine at Northwestern which performs over 1800 cases of IVF per year. In these roles Dr. Jungheim is establishing an innovative approach to modern fertility care that incorporates preventative strategies, complex genetic information, and psychosocial support along with world-class, collaborative medical and laboratory services to ensure the best outcomes for each individual patient and family.

Dr. Jungheim is also a health services researcher with a track record for collaborative multidisciplinary research aimed at improving access to care and reproductive outcomes. Her work has been supported by the March of Dimes, the American Society for Reproductive Medicine, and the NIH. As a researcher, she has authored over 150 manuscripts, book chapters and abstracts. She is also actively involved in the editorial process as an Associate Editor of *Fertility and Sterility Reports*, and member of the editorial boards of *Fertility and Sterility*

*Science*, and the *Journal of Assisted Reproduction and Genetics*. She reviews manuscripts for top-tier journals including *JAMA* and the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

Nationally, Dr. Jungheim is a member of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology's REI Division where she works to help set standards for sub-specialty board-certification and maintenance of certification in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility.



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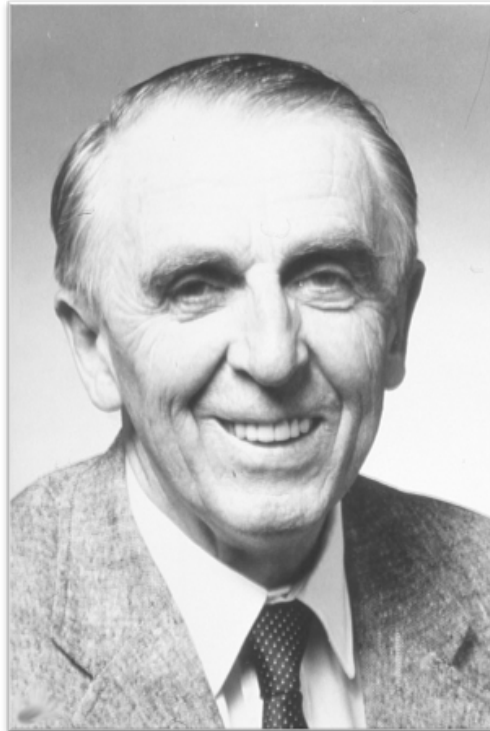
**Richard T. Scott, MD**  
**Thomas Jefferson University**  
**Basking Ridge, NJ**

Dr. Scott is a board-certified Reproductive Endocrinologist, Obstetrician and Gynecologist who serves as Professor and Fellowship Director, Division of Reproductive Endocrinology, Sidney Kimmel Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University. He is also board certified by the American Board of Bioanalysis as an embryologist, andrologist, and high complexity clinical laboratory director.

He received his medical degree from the University of Virginia Medical School, performed his Obstetrics and Gynecology residency at Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas, and completed his fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology at the Jones Institute for Reproductive Medicine in Norfolk, Virginia.

# **In-Memoriam**

## In-Memoriam



**Kurt Benirschke, MD**

September 10, 2018

Dr. Benirschke was born May 26, 1924, in Glückstadt, Germany and died at the age of 94 on September 10, 2018. He obtained his medical degree in 1948, emigrating to the United States in 1949. After an internship in New Jersey, he trained in pathology at university hospitals affiliated with Harvard Medical School in Boston. In 1955, he became pathologist of the Boston Lying-in Hospital, now part of the Brigham and Women's Hospital, and there developed his interest in the placenta and reproductive problems.

From 1960 to 1970, Dr. Benirschke was the chairman of the Department of Pathology at Dartmouth Medical School in Hanover, New Hampshire, and pursued his interests in placental pathology and comparative reproductive pathology. There, he developed a passion for comparative cytogenetics, discovering the reason for the sterility of mules and investigating twinning in armadillos and marmosets.

In 1970, Dr. Benirschke moved west to participate in the development of a new medical school of the University of California, San Diego (UCSD). He established a genetics laboratory and ran the autopsy service at UCSD. He also chaired the Department of Pathology for two years.

In 1976, Dr. Benirschke persuaded the Board of Trustees of the San Diego Zoo to establish a formal research department. He led this new research department, which was named the Center for the Reproduction of Endangered Species, until 1987 when he became a member of the Zoo's Board of Trustees. He set up a laboratory at the Zoo to study the chromosomes of mammals, particularly aspects relating to reproduction and evolution. In collaboration with T.C. Hsu, he published an *Atlas of Mammalian Chromosomes* which presented the karyotypes of 400 different species of mammals.

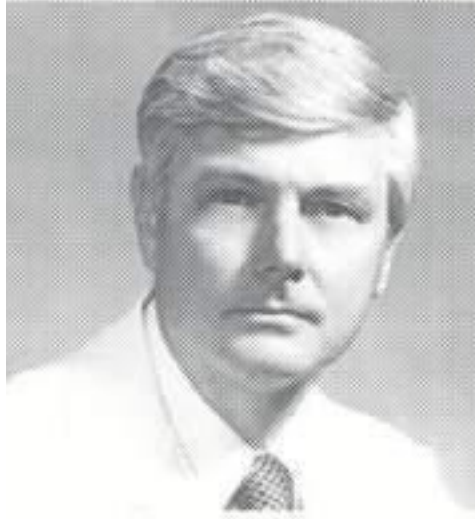
He established at the Zoo a collection of frozen cells and reproductive material from dozens of highly endangered species that became famous as the first "Frozen Zoo". In the 1970's when he began this collection, there was no technology available to make use of it, but he quoted Daniel Boorstin: "You must collect things for reasons you don't yet understand." The Frozen Zoo eventually became a priceless genetic resource.

Dr. Benirschke is a legendary figure in perinatal pathology and was likely the first pathologist to have a genuine interest in the placenta. Along with Shirley Driscoll, he wrote the first textbook on placental pathology, *The Pathology of the Human Placenta*, which was first published in 1967, and has remained in print through several editions. Dr. Benirschke was not only a noted pathologist and geneticist, but he had expertise in the reproduction of humans and many mammalian species. During his career he advanced the field of perinatal pathology, producing more than 500 scientific publications, more than 100 book chapters and more than 30 books, including the internationally acclaimed text *Pathology of the Human Placenta*, now in its sixth edition.

He received numerous honors and awards, including the Virginia Apgar Award in 1998 from the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the Merlin Perkins Award in 1998 by the American Zoological society. In 1994, he was elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He was a long time Honorary Member of AGOS

Kurt Benirschke is survived by Marion, his wife of 66 years, and their three children. They are Rolf Benirschke, retired placekicker for San Diego Chargers; surgeon Stephen Benirschke; and daughter Ingrid Benirschke-Perkins, community relations director for CARTA.

*Submitted by Barbara Goff, MD*



**Leo J. Dunn, MD, MSHA**

February 21, 2020

Leo J Dunn, MD, MSHA passed away on February 21, 2020. He was born on May 23, 1931 in Trenton, NJ and graduated from Hofstra University in 1952. After completing his MD degree in 1956 at the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, he completed his internship at Cincinnati General Hospital, then returned to Columbia to complete residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology. He joined the faculty of the University of Iowa in 1962.

In 1967, he was recruited as Professor and Chair to the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond (now Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine). He served as chair for 29 years, transforming a small group of clinicians into an academic department. After stepping down as chair, Dr. Dunn continued to be active on the faculty, serving as the NIH Research Subject Advocate for the Clinical Research Center until 2013. He also served as Interim Dean of VCU School of Medicine and initiated the OB GYN Nurse Practitioner Training Program.

Dr. Dunn had a truly remarkable career, serving in nearly all of the national leadership roles. He was President of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecologists and the American Gynecologic and Obstetric Society. A distinguished gynecologic oncologist, he was a founding member of the Society of Gynecologic Oncologists. A distinguished educator, he served as Chair of the Council of Resident Education in Obstetrics and

Gynecology, President and Treasurer of the American Board of Medical Specialties, and Chair of the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education. He also had leadership roles in the Society of Pelvic Surgeons, the American Gynecologic Society, and numerous societies and committees at the national, regional, and local levels. He was a prolific author, publishing papers not only in gynecologic oncology, but across the entire field of OB/GYN.

Dr. Dunn's career was recognized with awards too numerous to list but notably included the Markle Scholar in Medical Science, Columbia University Outstanding Alumnus, and distinguished service awards from ACOG, MCV, VCU, ABMS, and ACGME.

Dr. Dunn left a tremendous legacy through his national leadership, the department he built in Richmond, the many patients he personally cared for, and the numerous students, residents, and faculty he trained and mentored. He is preceded in death by his loving wife, Beatrice Buchanan Dunn, in 2017. He is survived by his daughter, Laurie Melton, son, Dr. Cary L. Dunn, two grandsons, and one step grandson.

*Submitted by David Chelmow, MD, Leo J Dunn Professor and Chair, VCU School of Medicine*



**Cornelius O. (Skip) Granai III, MD**

June 28, 2020

Born and raised in Barre, Vermont, Dr. Granai graduated from the University of Vermont in 1970, served his country in the Army, and then received his medical degree at the University of Vermont College of Medicine in 1977. He completed a residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Tufts University, followed by a fellowship in Gynecologic Oncology at New England Medical Center.

Although he started his career in the Boston area at New England Medical Center and Massachusetts General Hospital, Dr. Granai spent the majority of his career in Providence, Rhode Island at Women and Infants Hospital/Warren Alpert School of Medicine at Brown University, arriving there in 1989. Originally appointed to the position of Assistant Professor at the Harvard Medical School, he ultimately rose to the rank of Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Brown University in 2009.

Dr. Granai created the Program in Women's Oncology at Women and Infants Hospital, combining the treatment of women with both gynecologic and breast malignancies. This innovative, patient-centered program emphasized the importance of the arts and the heart in equal parts with medical knowledge in the practice of medicine. This was, at that time, a unique concept, one which reflected his creativity and ultimately proved the model for many other institutions. His belief in complementary care, to include techniques such as counseling, massage, acupuncture, reiki, and art therapy, was once novel in the cancer care world, but is now emulated by most, if not all, of the leading cancer care institutions.

Dr. Granai was a committed educator, creating and leading the fellowship in gynecologic oncology at Women and Infants Hospital. He trained an entire generation of gynecologic

oncologists over the past 25 years, guiding them in not only the science of the discipline, but urging them to push themselves outside of their comfort zones in the arts of poetry and public speaking, among many other things. His concept of human values, known to many through his inspiring lectures as “h-values”, was part of his legacy to those he trained.

Dr. Granai was awarded many honors through his career including the Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Award from the American College of Obstetrician and Gynecologists and a Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Cancer Society. He also served as a specialty and subspecialty board examiner for ABOG for 15 years.

Dr. Granai was many things to many people. He was a poet, humanitarian, speaker, physician, leader and most of all, friend. His contributions to humanism in medicine forced many of us to not only think about the science of medicine, but also the art. He was world renowned for his lectures, sharply deviating from what would be the old standard of objective details, and pushing those in attendance to consider strongly the emotions they encountered not only in treating patients, but in their daily lives.

Dr. Granai leaves behind his loving partner, Ann Kirby; his four children: Lieutenant Colonel Cornelius O. (Tad) Granai IV, Robert Granai, Lily Granai and Kile Granai; sisters Susan and Mary and his five grandchildren, among so many others, including those he considered not only his trainees and colleagues, but his friends.

*Submitted by Paul Disilvestro, MD*





**Robert B. Jaffe, MD**

June 21, 2020

Dr. Jaffe received his medical degree at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor in 1957. He then became a USPHS Postdoctoral Fellow in Endocrinology at the University of Colorado from 1958-1959 before completing his obstetrics and gynecology residency at the same institution in 1963. To further his understanding of reproduction physiology, he served as a NIH Postdoctoral Fellow in Reproductive Endocrinology at the Karolinska Sjukhuset, Stockholm, Sweden under the mentorship of the world-renowned Egon Diczfalusy, M.D between 1963-1964.

With an extensive clinical-scientific background, Dr. Jaffe quickly rose from Assistant Professor to Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, at the University of Michigan from 1964 to 1973 and soon thereafter became Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences, at the University of California, San Francisco, a position he held for 22 years. During this time, he also was Director of the Reproductive Endocrinology Center (now the Center for Reproductive Sciences) in the department and received Sabbatical Fellowships at the INSERM Laboratory and the Peptide Biology Laboratory at the Salk Institute.

Dr. Jaffe trained more than 150 postdoctoral fellows through his innovative Reproductive Scientist Development Program (RSDP) to train obstetrician-gynecologists in basic molecular and cell biologic techniques in leading U.S. laboratories. Those who had the privilege to serve under his leadership as a role model have commented that his remarkable scientific accomplishments and love of teaching instilled the importance of

humility with the pursuit of free thinking and excellence. Many of his students have become leaders at several medical institutions throughout the world. His textbook, Yen and Jaffe's Reproductive Endocrinology: Physiology, Pathophysiology and Clinical Management, coauthored by many of his previous trainees, continues to be the voice of authority for students of reproductive endocrinology.

Dr. Jaffe was an international icon in the field of reproductive endocrinology and infertility, who advanced our scientific understanding of reproductive disorders. His remarkable career of outstanding research contributions includes fetal/placental endocrinology and his studies regarding the primate fetal adrenal gland, leading the path towards our current concepts of developmental programming of adult disease. His additional studies regarding peptide regulation of the pituitary and the role of angiogenesis in reproductive tissues and ovarian cancer were equally innovative. He authored over 280 peer review articles.

Dr. Jaffe's distinguished awards include the President's Mentorship Award, Distinguished Scientist Award from the Society for Gynecologic Investigation, the Sidney Ingbar Distinguished Award from the Endocrine Society, Fellowship ad eundem from the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Distinguished Scientist Award from the American Society for Reproductive Medicine, the MERIT Award from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, and the ACOG Purdue Frederick Award for Excellence in Medical Research. A noteworthy achievement was his membership into the Institute of Medicine (now the National Academy of Medicine). His service to scientific journals, endocrine societies and communities include Editor-in-Chief for Reproductive Endocrinology, Obstetrical and Gynecological Survey; and Editorial Board Member for the Journal of Clinical Endocrinology and Metabolism, Gynecological Investigation, Fertility and Sterility and Frontiers in Neuroendocrinology.

At UCSF Dr. Jaffe was a highly valued mentor and colleague. He believed in excellence and the importance of reproductive science as a foundation of reproductive medicine. So many faculty have commented that they learned so much from him and will miss him greatly.

Dr. Jaffe leaves behind his wife Evie, his daughter Terri and his son Glenn along with 3 grandchildren.

*Submitted by Barbara Goff, MD and Linda Giudice, MD*



**Edgar L. Makowski, MD**

September 8, 2019

Dr. Edgar L. Makowski, as born on 10/27/27 and died at the age of 91 on 9/8/2019 in Highlands Ranch CO. Dr. Makowski served in the U.S. Army as Staff Sgt. 1946-47 when he was honorably discharged. He obtained his MD degree from Marquette School of Medicine in 1954. He completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Minnesota in 1959. Subsequently, he was appointed to the faculty at the University of Minnesota School of Medicine from 1959-1966.

He was awarded a special fellowship from National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Fetal Physiology at Yale University of Medicine 1963-64. In 1966, Dr. Makowski joined the faculty of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Colorado and dedicated his career to providing outstanding patient care for the women and infants of Colorado. In 1976, he expanded his role when he accepted the position of Chairman of the Department following the retirement of Dr. E Stewart Taylor.

As the second chairman of the Department, a position he held until 1988, Dr. Makowski personally advanced the cause for excellence in patient care. One of his first initiatives was to obtain better fetal monitoring equipment and ultrasound equipment for the department. He achieved this goal and improved the overall patient care facilities as well, including a new cesarean section room.

Under his leadership, the residency program nearly doubled in size. By integrating the existing community resident program into the University of Colorado program, the residency grew from five residents per class to its current nine per class for a total of 36 residents in a four-year program. With additional residents to cover the responsibilities at three hospitals, residents were able to spend more time in each of the subspecialties of obstetrics and gynecology, including maternal-fetal medicine, reproductive endocrinology and gynecologic oncology. Dr. Makowski's passion for learning was always in evidence. He was a dedicated teacher with broadly ranging interests who encouraged his residents and fellows to become experts in fetal monitoring, genetics and pathology.

Widely recognized as a superb clinical researcher, Dr. Makowski sought funding for research for the Department. Peer-reviewed finding from the National Institutes of Health increased and research into post-dates pregnancies, pregnancy after kidney transplant, mixed carcinomas of the endometrium, and intra-uterine transfusions of the fetus were conducted. Dr. Makowski's personal research interest was in fetal physiology. He and his colleagues sought to understand fetal development in order to improve the outcome of complicated pregnancies in women.

Dr. Makowski collaborated with Fred Battaglia, MD, Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics, for many years and together they established the Perinatal Research Facility, which used sheep as a large animal model for human pregnancy. One particular experiment had an unexpected outcome when a truck filled with pregnant sheep were driven up to the top of Mount Evans (14,265 feet) to study the physiology of pregnancy at high altitude. The junior scientists who drove the animals to the top were horrified to find that most of the sheep had perished, having frozen to death in the winter squall that assailed the truck on its way up the mountain. Needless to say, Dr. Makowski was not amused.

Not content to stop with a traditional career encompassing clinical care, research and education, Dr. Makowski brought his vision and leadership skills to the broader CU community as well. He was instrumental in changing the name of the hospital from Colorado General to University of Colorado Hospital, believing that the general public should easily recognize the Hospital's connection to the University. He also possessed a great business sense and was a driving force behind organizing the current School of Medicine faculty practice plan into University Physicians, Inc. (UPI), now renamed CU Medicine.

Dr. Makowski dedicated his professional life to improving women's health and the care of the newborn. Among the many high-profile roles, he embraced were President of AGOS (American Gynecological and Obstetrical Society) 1981-1982; President of the Perinatal Research Society; and Chairman of the Human Embryology and Development NIH (National Institutes of Health) study section. Other distinguished titles that Dr. Makowski held were:

Examiner of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, 1970-1985;

President of the School of Medicine faculty 1973-74;

Secretary, Division of Maternal Fetal Medicine, American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, 1973-1980; Member of the editorial board, Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology, 1974-78; Chairman, committee establishing the University Physicians, Inc. (UPI), 1974; Consultant, Fitzsimmons, William Beaumont and Brooke U.S. Army General Hospitals.

After his retirement in 1993 he remained very active in postgraduate education via Perinatal Resources, Inc., until 2012. He is the author or co-author of over 100 scientific publications.

Despite his outward demeanor, which at times could be gruff, he had a soft heart, especially for children and every Christmas Eve while he was Chair, he dressed as Santa Claus and delivered presents to children of the faculty and residents.

In 2016, Dr. Makowski's passion and vision to train new generation of scientists in reproductive medicine became a reality when he instituted The Makowski Endowed Professorship. In 2019. With his family's additional support, the Professorship grew to become The Edgar L, Patricia, and Makowski Family Endowed Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology. The inaugural recipient of this Professorship/Chair, Dr. Raj Kumar, fondly remembers the kindness, and generosity of Edgar and his constant encouragement in support of Dr. Kumar's research program.

Dr. Makowski was the beloved husband of Patricia (deceased); beloved father of Peter Makowski, Dr. James Makowski, Ann Makowski, Mary Haeger, Thomas Makowski and Paul Makowski; beloved soul mate of Carolyn Stevens and grandfather to 12 grandchildren and great grandfather to 4 great grandchildren.

*Submitted by Barbara Goff, MD and Nannette Santoro, MD*



**Adolf Staf, MD, PhD**

April 9, 2020

Dr. Staf was born May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1931 and passed away peacefully in his home on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 with his loving wife Jarmila at his side on their 32<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary. Dr. Staf attended medical school at Charles University in Prague, Czechoslovakia and graduated in 1957. He stayed on to do his internship and residency and then in 1960 did a pathology residency at Baptist Memorial hospital in Jacksonville, Florida and a fellowship in Ob/Gyn at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore. He returned to Czechoslovakia as an assistant Professor at Charles University but in 1968 made a narrow escape in the middle of the night from the Soviet Red Army invasion of Prague. He joined the faculty of the Medical College of Wisconsin in 1969 where he remained for the rest of his career (32 years) until Dr. Staf retired in in 2000.

Dr. Staf was world renowned as an expert in cervical neoplasia, colposcopy and cervicography. Dr. Staf is credited with bringing colposcopy to the United States from Europe. He authored many text book chapters and books and published the important Atlas of Colposcopy in 1977 which was considered the bible of colposcopy. There were multiple editions and translations into 3 languages. Dr. Staf taught colposcopy all over the world and was an honorary member of Ob/Gyn, colposcopy and cervical pathology societies in the UK, Italy, Pakistan, Poland Paraguay, Korea and Czechoslovakia. Dr. Staf publish 60 peer review articles, 19 book chapters and 5 books. He held the US patent for Cervicography

Dr. Stafl held numerous leadership positions. He was the Chairman of the FIGO Committee on Colposcopy Nomenclature, President of the International Federation for Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy, President of American Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology and won the Distinguished Scientific Achievement Award from ASCCP in 1984. In 1981 he was named Citizen of the Year for Greater Milwaukee.

Dr. Stafl was extremely proud of his adoring and loving family. He was devoted to teaching and had a fun-loving nature. Dr. Stafl leaves behind his wife Jarmila, his surviving son Denny, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

*Submitted by Barbara Goff, MD and Dwight Cruikshank, MD*



**Henry A. Thiede, M.D.**

**January 13, 2020**

Dr. Thiede passed away January 13, 2020. He was born October 2, 1926. Dr. Thiede completed medical school at the University at Buffalo and his surgical internship and residency at Buffalo General Hospital. He then served as Captain of the United States Army Medical Corps for two years. After serving his country, he completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Genesee Hospital and Strong Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Thiede had a distinguished career in the field of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He was a member of the full time faculty at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry for thirty years, that last twenty of which he was the Department Chair. He was also Department Chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Mississippi School of Medicine for seven years while also serving as the Assistant Dean for three years and then Associate Dean of Academic Affairs for one year.

Dr. Thiede was a visionary person with diverse interests. He was instrumental in the development of Midwifery and Midwifery education in Mississippi. He then extended that effort in Rochester. Four years after the world's first test tube baby's birth in 1978, during his tenure at the University of Rochester, in November of 1982, Dr. Thiede proposed the creation of an in vitro fertilization program in Rochester. The program was established in July 1983. The program's first birth occurred a year later. In 1961, Dr. Thiede, along with Dr. Lung, organized the first Rochester Trophoblast Conference editing publications from these meetings into the Trophoblast Research Journal. This conference is still on going. Dr. Thiede was dedicated to providing quality obstetric and gynecologic health for all women. In 1982, Dr. Thiede organized the Monroe County Obstetrical Access Task Force on Improving Services for Low Income Pregnant Women



and their Infants. The task force was formed to identify workable solutions to eliminate health care disparity for low income women and their infants.

Dr. Thiede, considered by many a pioneer in the field of Urogynecology, established a sub-specialty clinic of Urogynecology as part of the University of Rochester Obstetrics and Gynecology program. Dr. Thiede was one of the few senior academics that saw the potential for urogynecology at a time when it's importance had not been recognized in the wider academic community. He served in a role of the wise and experienced councilor in the American Urogynecologic Society helping young, enthusiastic but academically inexperienced people understand what would be necessary to achieve subspecialty recognition. His generous advice and patient guidance were a critical factor in development of this new field.

Dr. Thiede was the recipient of numerous prestigious honors which include the Foundation Prize of the American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Honorary Nurse Midwife, American College of Nurse Midwives, and the Dr. Henry C. Buswell and Bertha H. Buswell Distinguished Service Fellow. He was president of the American Urogynecology Society, president of the American Gynecological and Obstetrical Society and President of the Gynecological Travel Club.

Dr. Thiede dedicated his life to providing compassionate and excellent health care to women and in advancing high quality education in the field of OB/GYN. His death is a great loss to his family, colleagues and to those lives he touched. Dr. Thiede was predeceased by his first wife Florence and is survived by his wife Ellen, two daughters, two stepsons and seven grandchildren.

Submitted by Barbara Goff, M.D. and John De Lancey, M.D.

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