

## New Faculty Recruitment



**Latha Palaniappan, MD, MS** was recently recruited by the Cardiovascular Institute, Stanford Primary Care and Population Health, and Cardiovascular Medicine as a new faculty member. Her innovative research focuses on health disparities, epidemiology, and prevention. She will be focusing her clinical efforts on Precision Health in Primary Care, working with colleagues at Stanford to start evidence based genetic and pharmacogenetic testing in primary care.

Prior to this role, she was the Medical Director of Clinical Research at Palo Alto Medical Foundation (PAMF) and co-founder of the Prevention and Awareness for South Asians program (PRANA).



**Natalie Lui, MD, MAS** is joining the Division of Thoracic Surgery as an Assistant Professor. She studied physics as an undergraduate at Harvard and attended medical school at Johns Hopkins University. She completed residency in General Surgery at the University of California, San Francisco, including research in the UCSF Thoracic Oncology Laboratory and a Masters in Advanced Studies in clinical research. She did her fellowship in Thoracic Surgery at Massachusetts General Hospital, including visiting rotations at Memorial Sloan Kettering and the Mayo Clinic. Her clinical focus extends to all aspects of general thoracic surgical diseases, and her research focus is in thoracic oncology.



Division of Pediatric Cardiology in the Department of Pediatrics is pleased to announce **Lillian Su, MD** as Clinical Assistant Professor. Dr. Su is a pediatric cardiac intensivist, and her clinical responsibilities will be focused in the Cardiovascular Intensive Care Unit (CVICU) at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital. Her research interests focus on the utilization of simulation training and education to improve patient care and team functionality in the critical care environment. Dr. Su

will also lead the Children's Heart Center Simulation Program as its Medical Director.



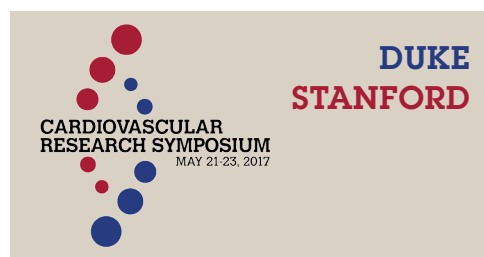
## CVI Welcomes New Associate Director, Hana Lee, MPH

CVI is excited to welcome **Hana Lee, MPH**, as the new Associate Director. Previously, she was the Director of Strategic Initiatives at the Stanford Center for Population Health Sciences and an epidemiologist at the University of California, San Francisco. She received M.P.H in Epidemiology/Health Policy and Management at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and B.A. in Psychology at the University of San Francisco. Her broad expertise, creativity, and enthusiasm for strategic discoveries will be an asset to the growth and diversity of the Stanford Cardiovascular Institute.

*Save the Date:* **UPCOMING CVI SYMPOSIA**

**PCBC Workshop:  
Stem and Progenitor Cells  
in Cardiovascular Precision  
Medicine**

APRIL 25, 2017



# 2017 Stanford Drug Discovery Conference

April 24, 2017 | 8:30 am – 6 pm | Li Ka Shing Center for Learning & Knowledge (LKSC)

Advances in basic research and technology now affords us the unique opportunity to test novel diagnostic methods and therapeutics. The conference takes advantage of the collective experience and expertise from industry, academia, policy and venture capital towards drug discovery and personalized medicine.

## WELCOME



**Joseph Wu, MD, PhD**  
Director, Stanford Cardiovascular Institute; Simon H. Stertzer Professor of Medicine (Cardiology) & Radiology



**David Entwistle, MHSA**  
President and Chief Executive Officer, Stanford Health Care



**Christopher G. Dawes, MBA**  
President and Chief Executive Officer, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



**Thomas Südhof, MD, PhD**  
2013 Nobel Laureate; Avram Goldstein Professor, Stanford School of Medicine and Professor, by courtesy, of Neurology and of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences



**Robert Califf, MD**  
Donald F. Fortin Professor of Cardiology, Duke School of Medicine; Former Commissioner of U.S. Food and Drug Administration

## BENCH TO BEDSIDE: CARDIOVASCULAR MEDICINE



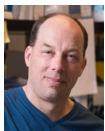
**Daria Mochly-Rosen, PhD**  
George D. Smith Professor in Translational Medicine; Founder and President, SPARK Global



**Shaun R. Coughlin, MD, PhD**  
Director, Cardiovascular Research Institute, UCSF



**Eric Olson, PhD**  
Professor, Chairman of Molecular Biology; UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas



**Stephen Quake, PhD**  
Lee Otterson Professor in the School of Engineering and Professor of Bioengineering of Applied Physics and, by courtesy, of Physics; Co-President of the Chan Zuckerberg Biohub

## SESSION CHAIR



**Helen M. Blau, PhD**  
Donald and Delia Baxter Foundation Professor, Stanford; Director, Baxter Laboratory for Stem Cell Biology

## INDUSTRY - PROMISES & CHALLENGES



**James (Jay) E. Bradner, MD**  
President, Novartis Institutes for BioMedical Research



**Sean E. Harper, MD**  
Executive Vice President, Research and Development, Amgen



**David Altshuler, MD, PhD**  
Executive Vice President, Global Research and Chief Scientific Officer, Vertex Pharmaceuticals



**Andrew Plump, MD, PhD**  
Chief Medical and Scientific Officer, Takeda Pharmaceuticals

## SESSION CHAIR



**Robert A. Harrington, MD**  
Arthur L. Bloomfield Professor of Medicine; Chair, Stanford Department of Medicine

## BENCH TO BEDSIDE: CANCER THERAPIES



**Alan Ashworth, PhD**  
Director, UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center; Senior Vice President, Cancer Services of UCSF Health



**Gideon Bollag, PhD**  
Chief Executive Officer of Pelxikon



**Shivaani Kummar, MD**  
Professor of Medicine (Oncology) and of Radiology (Molecular Imaging Program), Stanford

## SESSION CHAIR



**Beverly S. Mitchell, MD**  
Director, Stanford Cancer Institute; George E. Becker Professor in Medicine and Professor, by courtesy, of Chemical and Systems Biology



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**Organizing Committee:** Joseph C. Wu, MD, PhD; Sanjay V. Malhotra, PhD; Mark Mercola, PhD

# Stanford study creates a score card index for heart-damaging chemotherapy drugs

By Krista Conger

Researchers at the Stanford University School of Medicine used heart-muscle cells made from stem cells to rank commonly used chemotherapy drugs based on their likelihood of causing lasting heart damage in patients.



Arun Sharma, PhD

Drugs known as tyrosine kinase inhibitors can be an effective treatment for many types of cancers, but they also have severe and sometimes fatal side effects. Using lab-grown heart cells, Stanford researchers were able to assess the drugs' various effects on heart-muscle cells, including their survival and ability to beat rhythmically and effectively, to respond appropriately to electrophysiological signals, and to communicate with one another.



Wesley McKeithan

The researchers found that their assay can accurately identify those tyrosine kinase inhibitors already known to be the most dangerous in patients. In the future, they believe their system may prove useful in the early stages of drug development to preemptively screen new compounds for cardiotoxicity.

"This type of study represents a critical step forward from the usual process running from initial drug discovery and clinical trials in human patients," said **Joseph C. Wu, MD, PhD**, Director of the Stanford Cardiovascular Institute and a professor of cardiovascular medicine and radiology. "It will help pharmaceutical companies better focus their efforts on developing safer drugs, and it will provide patients more effective drugs with fewer side effects."

Validating the researchers' newly designed cardiac safety index on drugs with extensive clinical track records is necessary before the as-

say can be used to predict with confidence the likely clinical outcomes of drugs still under development.

**Arun Sharma, Wesley McKeithan**, and their colleagues created heart muscle cells called cardiomyocytes from induced pluripotent stem cells, or iPS cells, from 11 healthy people and two people with kidney cancer. They grew the lab-made cardiomyocytes in a dish and tested the effects of 21 commonly used tyrosine kinase inhibitors on the cells.

They found that treatment with drug levels equivalent to those taken by patients often caused the cells to beat irregularly and begin to die. The cells also displayed differences in the electrophysiological signaling that controls their contraction. The researchers used these and other measurements to develop a "cardiac safety index" for each drug.

The current study mirrors another program by Wu's lab that was published in April of 2016 in *Nature Medicine*. That research focused on the toxic effect of a chemotherapy drug called doxorubicin on iPS cell-derived cardiomyocytes. Doxorubicin, which indiscriminately kills any replicating cells, is increasingly being replaced by more targeted, cancer-specific therapies such as the tyrosine kinase inhibitors tested in the current study.

Stanford co-authors are former instructor of the Cardiovascular Institute Paul Burrige, PhD; graduate student Wesley McKeithan; post-doctoral scholars Praveen Shukla, PhD, Haodi Wu, PhD, and Alexandra Holmström, PhD; Visiting Scholar Tomoya Kitani, MD; Cardiovascular Institute instructors Nazish Sayed, MD, PhD, Elena Matsa, PhD, and Jared Churko, PhD; medical student Anusha Kumar, undergraduate student Yuan Zhang; assistant professor of medicine Alice Fan, MD; associate professor of medicine Sean Wu, MD, PhD; and professor of medicine Mark Mercola, PhD, in a study published in **Science Translational Medicine**.

*Read more:* <https://stm.sciencemag.org/content/9/377/eaaf2584>

## About the Stanford Cardiovascular Institute

The Institute currently consists of over 231 faculty members representing physicians, surgeons, engineers, basic and clinical researcher. The mission of the Institute is integrating fundamental research across disciplines and applying technology to prevent and treat cardiovascular disease.

To support cardiovascular research and education at CVI, please contact: **Cathy Hutton**, Senior Associate Director, Medical Center Development at [cathy.sutton@stanford.edu](mailto:cathy.sutton@stanford.edu) or **Hana Lee**, Associate Director, Cardiovascular Institute at [hanalee@stanford.edu](mailto:hanalee@stanford.edu).

For more information: <http://med.stanford.edu/cvi/support-our-research.html> and <http://cvi.stanford.edu>.



Cathy Hutton, MBA



Hana Lee, MPH

# Late Breaking Science & Exchange of Ideas at the 2016 AHA Scientific Session



Erik Ingelsson, MD



Joseph Woo, MD



Robert Harrington, MD

**November 12-16, 2017. New Orleans, LA**

The American Heart Association's Scientific Session is among the leading cardiovascular conferences for basic, translational, clinical and population science.

The Stanford Cardiovascular Institute faculty members presented over 36 talks and 85 abstracts on topics including, a special session on "Advanced Topics in the Classical Arena – Big Results from Big Data in CV Trials" (**Kenneth Mahaffey, MD**), "Leveraging Big Data for Precision Health- The Power of Unified Data Sets for Discovery of Novel risk Predictors" (**Erik Ingelsson, MD**) and "New Approaches to Repair the Damaged Cardiovascular System – IPS Cells to Develop new Cardiovascular Drug Therapies" (**Joseph C. Wu, MD, PhD**).

A few of our leading faculty, including **Joseph Woo, MD** and **Robert Harrington, MD** also shared their personal best advice and keys to success for trainees during the Early Career Sessions at the AHA.

Abstracts from the American Heart Association's 2016 Scientific Sessions and Resuscitation Science Symposium are available in *Circulation*, <http://circ.ahajournals.org/content/supplements>.



L-R: Joseph Wu, MD, PhD; Elena Matsa, PhD; Sang Ging Ong, PhD; Won-Hee Lee, PhD; Haodi Wu, PhD; Mingtao Zhao, PhD; Jared Churko, PhD

The Stanford CVI hosted its annual festive dinner at the Bon Ton Café for over 35 members and trainees. In addition to sampling tasty cajun-creole food, the group celebrated the accomplishments of many CVI members who presented their research work at the AHA meeting. **Joseph C. Wu, MD, PhD**, Director of the CVI, welcomed dinner guests and congratulated them on their outstanding accomplishments.

The future of cardiovascular research and medicine lies in the fellows and students whose outstanding research will shape new treatments and understanding of health and disease. CVI is proud to support their work by facilitating travel to conferences like the AHA through travel award stipends. See page 10 for recent awardees.

## AHA Launches Precision Medicine Platform with Amazon Web Services

The American Heart Association (AHA) and the Amazon Web Services (AWS) announced a new collaboration - the AHA Precision Medicine Platform, a secure cloud service that provides a central repository of data to facilitate collaboration and accelerate scientific discovery. The Platform will allow researchers to leverage large sets of collective data to uncover unique risk predictors and special patient characteristics.

"These findings could help stratify individuals, groups, and entire populations according to their risk of cardiovascular disease and likely response to treatments. The project will pull scientist out of silos and bring them all in the same room" said Joseph C. Wu, MD, PhD, Director of the Stanford Cardiovascular Institute.

Healthcare and research organizations such as AstraZeneca, Intermountain Medical Center Heart Institute, Duke Clinical Research Institute, Cedars-Sinai Health Institute and the Stanford Cardiovascular Institute will all contribute to this AHA Precision Medicine Platform with many additional groups to follow.



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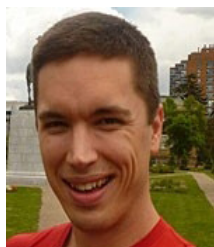
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# NIH awards \$26.4 million to Stanford researchers for physical activity study

By Tracie White



Michael Snyder, PhD



Stephen Montgomery, PhD



Euan Ashley, DPhil, MRCP

Stanford researchers have been awarded two grants totaling \$26.4 million as part of the largest program ever funded by the National Institutes of Health to study the biological mechanisms of physical activity.

**Michael Snyder, PhD**, professor and chair of genetics, and **Stephen Montgomery, PhD**, assistant professor of pathology and of genetics, were awarded \$15.7 million. They will lead a research team using advanced technological tools to identify and characterize the wide range of molecules that form during or after exercise.

“Our grant is to collect genomic, transcriptomic and epigenomic information and learn about how these relate to the effect of exercise,” Snyder said. “We will be determining how exercise affects the body’s biochemistry at a detailed level never analyzed previously.”

Montgomery added, “A lack of physical activity is a major factor in multiple diseases. This program provides an exciting opportunity to learn the molecular mechanisms underlying physical activity, with the goal of enabling new approaches to improving or maintaining individual health.”

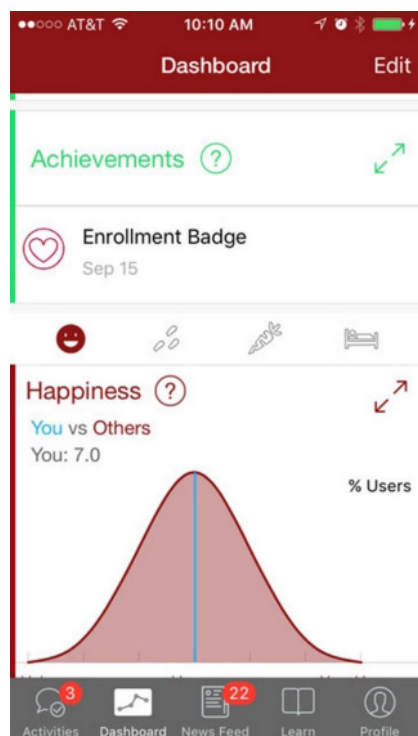
A second grant of \$10.7 million was awarded to **Euan Ashley, DPhil, MRCP**, Associate Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine and of Genetics, to establish and lead a bioinformatics center for data storage available to all the researchers across the NIH program.

“The role of the bioinformatics center will be data sharing, data integration with other datasets, and novel analytics,” Ashley said.

The NIH program, called Moleculsar Transducers of Physical Activity in Humans, will award a total of \$170 million to researchers across the United States over the next six years to study the molecular changes that occur during and after exercise, with the goal of advancing the understanding of how physical activity improves and preserves health.

Read more: <http://med.stanford.edu/news/all-news/2016/12/researchers-awarded-more-than-26-million-for-activity-study.html>

Related: Importance of Assessing Cardiorespiratory Fitness in Clinical Practice: A Case for Fitness as a Clinical Vital Sign: A Scientific Statement From the American Heart Association Read more: <http://circ.ahajournals.org/content/134/24/e653>



## MyHealth app 2.0 for sharing data on heart health

Resolved to improve your heart health in the new year? A newly updated app could keep you on track.

Researchers at the Stanford University School of Medicine have launched MyHeart Counts 2.0, a major update to the popular research app that allows users to share heart health and activity data with researchers. The upgrades include the Stanford Coaching Module, which will test a series of four health interventions — prompts and suggestions aimed at improving heart health; more user feedback; graphics showing user data; and an improved user interface.

The original MyHeart Counts, launched in the spring of 2015 on Apple’s ResearchKit platform, has enrolled more than 54,000 participants — more users than any other ResearchKit app.

Read more: <https://med.stanford.edu/news/all-news/2017/01/stanford-updates-app-for-sharing-data-on-heart-health.html>

# Studying a paradox in mortality rates from heart disease

By Tracie White

There's an interesting, well-known paradox in the field of heart disease that caught the attention of **Fatima Rodriguez, MD**, a cardiology fellow at Stanford and cardiovascular researcher.

"Despite higher risk factors for heart disease, Hispanics somehow seem to die less often from cardiovascular disease, and in fact all causes," Rodriguez says. "It's controversial. Some people say it's not real, that it's just a statistical phenomenon."

Spurred by her interest in the controversy, Rodriguez set out to discover whether perhaps this "paradox" could be due to the fact that so many different Hispanic groups — about 20 groups with origins from different countries—get lumped together for most health studies.

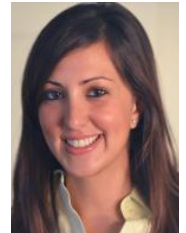
In the resulting study published in **JAMA Cardiology**, Rodriguez and colleagues report wide differences in cardiovascular mortality rates and their causes among the three major Hispanic ethnic groups in the U.S. — those with origins from Cuba, Mexico and Puerto Rico. The study concludes that the current method of lumping together all Hispanics masks a wide variation between cardiovascular mortality rates and their causes, skewing the data.

"When we put everybody in one bucket, we are missing a lot of the important details," Rodriguez says.

Using 10 years of national data collected by the National Center for Health Statistics from death certificates from 2003 to 2012, researchers separated reported causes of mortality for the only three Hispanic ethnic groups recorded: Mexican, Cuban and Puerto Rican. They then calculated mortality rates for these sub-groups and compared them to non-Hispanic whites. Results showed that Mexicans and Puerto Ricans died on average 10 years before whites and Cubans. They also found that Puerto Ricans experienced higher mortality rates from heart attack and hypertension while Mexicans showed higher rates of death due to stroke.

Read more: <http://scopeblog.stanford.edu/2017/01/18/mortality-rates-from-heart-disease-vary-among-hispanic-ethnic-groups-stanford-study-finds/>

Published study: <http://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamacardiology/fullarticle/2598391>



Fatima Rodriguez, MD, PhD

# Douglas Owens part of task force recommending new statin treatment guidelines

By Beth Duff-Brown



Douglas Owens, MD

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force now recommends adults ages 40 to 75 with no history of heart disease — but who nevertheless have at least one risk factor and an elevated risk of cardiovascular disease — take a low- to moderate-dose statin.

The independent panel of experts in prevention and evidence-based medicine issued the recommendation in the Nov. 15 issue of **JAMA**.

An estimated 505,000 adults died of coronary heart and cerebrovascular disease in 2011. The prevalence of heart disease increases

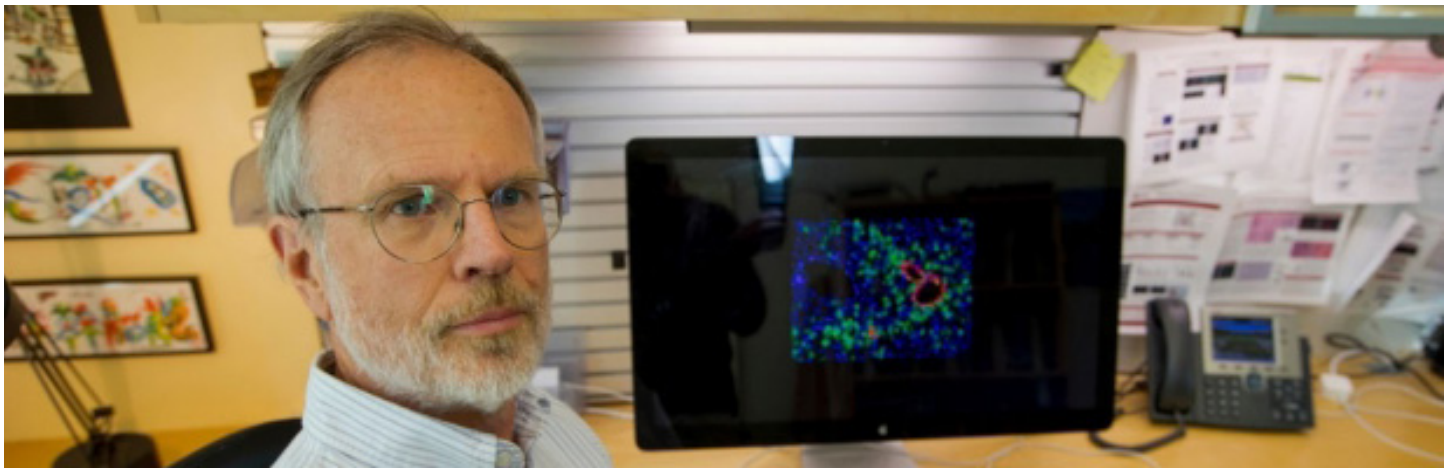
with age, ranging from about 7 percent in adults ages 45-64 to 20 percent in those 65 and older. It is somewhat higher in men than in women.

**Douglas Owens, MD**, was a member of the task force when the guideline was developed. He is a Professor of Medicine at the School of Medicine and director of the Center for Health Policy and Center for Primary Care and Outcomes Research.

Beth Duff-Brown, the communications manager at Stanford Health Policy, recently asked Owens some questions about the new statin guidelines.

Read more: <http://med.stanford.edu/news/all-news/2016/11/5-questions-douglas-owens-on-new-statin-recommendation.html>

Published study: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/27838723>



## Roeland Nusse wins \$3 million Breakthrough Prize for his contributions to the understanding of signaling molecule Wnt.

**Roeland Nusse, PhD**, the Virginia and Daniel K. Ludwig Professor in Cancer Research and a Howard Hughes Medical Institute investigator, was honored with a 2017 Breakthrough Prize in Life Sciences. The Breakthrough Prizes, initiated in 2013, honor paradigm-shifting research and discovery in the fields of life sciences, fundamental physics and mathematics. In total, about \$25 million was awarded this year.

“Roel’s pioneering work has provided deep insights into an essential molecular signaling pathway that controls normal embryonic development and adult tissue repair, and that contributes to cancer when it is not properly regulated. His work has served as a model for many others in our field and accelerated further studies of these critical processes,” said Stanford President Marc Tessier-Lavigne, PhD. “We are grateful that the Breakthrough Prize recognizes the work of scientific leaders who are inspiring others to pursue discovery that is truly transformative, benefiting all of humanity.”

“Roel has devoted his career to identifying one of the major signaling molecules in embryonic development, and clarifying its role in cancer development and in tissue regeneration,” said Lloyd Minor, MD, Dean of the School of Medicine. “The importance of Wnt signaling in these processes cannot be overestimated. His work has been the foundation of much of modern developmental biology, and we are very proud of his contributions.”

Nusse’s more recent work has focused on understanding how Wnt family members control the function of adult stem cells in response to injury or disease. In 1996, he identified the cell- surface receptor to which Wnt proteins bind to control cells’ functions, and in 2002 he was the first to purify Wnt proteins — an essential step to understanding how they work at a molecular level.

“My work has shifted significantly over the years due to the influence of my Stanford colleagues, although it has always been focused on Wnt,” said Nusse. “When I arrived at Stanford, I was studying the involvement of the Wnt proteins in mouse development and cancer. I then switched to fruit flies, and then to the study of adult stem cells. Stanford has supported me during this evolution of my research career.” Nusse’s lab is currently devoted to understanding how Wnt signaling affects the function of adult stem cells in the liver to help the organ heal after injury, as well as what role Wnt signaling might play in the development of liver cancer. “The Breakthrough Prizes are a sign of the times,” said Nusse.

“Together with the recently announced Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, they show how the wealth of Silicon Valley is now making an impact not just in the field of computer science, but also in biomedical fields. This is very exciting.”

*Read more: <https://med.stanford.edu/news/all-news/2016/12/roeland-nusse-wins-breakthrough-prize.html>*

## Recently Awarded Projects



**Euan Ashley, DPhil, MRCP**  
FEDERAL DRUG ADMINISTRATION  
*Accuracy and Integration of Large Scale Data from Genome Sequencing and Mobile Sensors*



**Daniel Bernstein, MD**  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
*Non-Cardiomyocyte MicroRNAs Mediate Susceptibility to Right Heart Failure*



**James Spudich, PhD**  
SAVING TINY HEARTS SOCIETY  
*The Effects of Pediatric-specific HCM Mutations on b-cardiac Myosin Power Generation*



**Tierney Seda, MD**  
NATIONAL MARFAN FOUNDATION  
*Children and Adolescents with Marfan Syndrome: 10,000 Healthy Steps and Beyond*



**Irving Weissman, MD**  
U.S.-ISRAEL BINATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, BSF  
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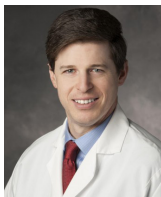


**Alexander R. Dunn, PhD**  
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**Marius Wernig, MD**  
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## New Clinical Trials



**Ronald Witteles, MD** A phase 3 multicenter, randomized, double-blind, extension study to evaluate the safety of daily oral dosing of tafamidis meglumine (pf-06291826) 20 mg or 80 mg in subjects diagnosed with transthyretin cardiomyopathy (TTR-CM).



## Heart Month Community Talk from Stanford Health Care

**Come Get Heart Smart!** February is American Heart Month and Stanford Health Care encourages you to keep your heart healthy. Join us for a free community event and meet Stanford Medicine experts who will discuss the latest in preventing heart disease, common risk factors, and options for treatment.

Saturday, February 18, 2017 | 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Crowne Plaza Palo Alto | 4290 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, CA 94306  
[stanfordhealthcare.org/for-patients-visitors/events.html](http://stanfordhealthcare.org/for-patients-visitors/events.html)

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# Cardiovascular Postdoctoral Research Fellowships (T32)

The Stanford Cardiovascular Institute offers a unique platform to train the next generation of basic and translational scientists. The program is designed to train the next generation of postdoctoral scholars by exposing them to cardiovascular imaging research, mechanisms and innovations in vascular disease and myocardial biology. Mentors for the program are drawn from members of this collaborative Institute, including medicine, materials science, bioengineering, imaging, and health research and policy.

## Multidisciplinary Training in Cardiovascular Imaging

The Multi-Disciplinary Training Program in Cardiovascular Imaging at Stanford is funded by the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering of the National Institutes of Health. The program trains a total of four fellows in three complementary areas: Clinical, Engineering, Molecular Imaging. With the impact of cardiovascular disease on US and world health and the rapid advances in imaging technologies and cardiovascular biology, it is critical that fellows be provided a broad, multi-disciplinary, and collaborative training program to foster their ability to translate CV imaging research into clinical application.

For more information: [med.stanford.edu/cvi/education/cvis-t32.html](http://med.stanford.edu/cvi/education/cvis-t32.html)

## Mechanisms and Innovations in Cardiovascular Disease

This program trains a total of six fellows over two years in the following areas: Vascular Reactivity and Thrombosis, Vascular Regeneration and Development, Metabolic or Lifestyle Influences on Vascular Outcomes, Proteomic Markers and Genetic Determinants of Vascular Disease, Gender and Ethnicity Differences in Vascular Disease and Vascular Bioengineering.

For more information: [med.stanford.edu/cvi/education/cvi\\_fellowship\\_training\\_program.html](http://med.stanford.edu/cvi/education/cvi_fellowship_training_program.html)

## Research Training in Myocardial biology

The Multi-Disciplinary Research Training Program in Myocardial Biology at Stanford (TIMBS) trains postdoctoral fellows from six complementary areas: Genetics and Genomics, Cellular Signaling, Molecular Imaging, Physiology and Phenotyping, Cardiac Development and Regeneration, Outcomes Research and Population Science.

For more information: [med.stanford.edu/cvmedicine/education/timbs.html](http://med.stanford.edu/cvmedicine/education/timbs.html)

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Fellowships!

# The Future of Cardiovascular Research Symposium

**November 21, 2016** The CVI postdoctoral fellows organized an afternoon symposium to present and discuss their ongoing research in clinical and translational science. Topics included, biomaterial engineering, CM/CA+ single cell analysis, and cardiovascular imaging. Over 97 postdoctoral fellows from the CVI, Departments of Radiology, Cardiovascular Medicine, Mechanical Engineering, Pulmonary and Vascular Surgery attended this symposium.

Special speakers, including included Kelly LaMarco, PhD, Science Editor of Science Translational Medicine Journal, Crystal Botham, PhD, Director of Strategic Research Development and Biosciences Writing Academy and Deborah Rosenfeld MA, LMFT, Assistant Director of Curriculum, Stanford School of Medicine Career Center also led career development discussions.

**Alexandre Ribeiro, PhD** won the Best Postdoctoral Research Presentation for his talk, "Engineering Single hPSC-cardiomyocytes with Microcontact Printing to Assay Contractile Defects Induced by Drugs and Disease States".

**Thanks to the Planning Committee:** Tina Baykaner, MD; Chia Yu Alex Chang, PhD; Svenja Dannewitz, PhD; Anna-Margaretha Hedwig Karman, PhD; Elias Levy Itshak Salfati, PhD; Amber Rae Smith, PhD; Maureen Wanjare, PhD; and Joe Zhang, PhD

**Faculty lead for the committee:** Mark Mercola, PhD



## 2017 Spring Travel & Exchange Idea Awards

The Cardiovascular Institute is delighted to support travel awards to national conferences to exchange ideas and showcase innovations in research.



**Fahd Yunus, MD**

PI Mentor: Mintu Turakhia, MD  
ACC Scientific Session  
March 17-19, 2017  
Washington, DC



**Christine Wahlquist, PhD**

PI Mentor: Mark Mercola, PhD  
Keystone Symposia  
March 26-30, 2017  
Keystone, CO



**Luqia Hou, PhD**

PI Mentor: Ngan Huang, PhD  
Experimental Biology  
April 22-26, 2017  
Chicago, IL



**Christina Chick, PhD**

PI Mentor: Amit Etkin, MD, PhD  
Psychological Sciences  
May 25-28, 2017  
Boston, MA

## Manuscript Awards

Each Winter, the Cardiovascular Institute awards authors of outstanding manuscripts published in the previous year. These are the 2016 award recipients.



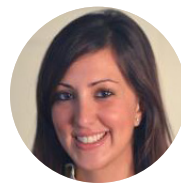
**Mingxia Gu, PhD**

"Patient-Specific iPSC-Derived Endothelial Cells Uncover Pathways that Protect against Pulmonary Hypertension in BMPR2 Mutation Carriers"  
*Cell Stem Cell*. 2016 Dec 2



**Koza Okada, MD**

"Attenuated-Signal Plaque Progression Predicts Long-Term Mortality After Heart Transplantation: IVUS Assessment of Cardiac Allograft Vasculopathy"  
*J Am Coll Cardiol*. 2016 Jul 26



**Fatima Rodriguez, MD, MPH**

"Association Between Intensity of Statin Therapy and Mortality in Patients With Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease"  
*JAMA Cardiol*. 2017 Jan 1



**Elena Matsa, PhD**

"Transcriptome Profiling of Patient-Specific Human iPSC-Cardiomyocytes Predicts Individual Drug Safety and Efficacy Responses In Vitro"  
*Cell Stem Cell*. 2016 Sep 1

## A Step-By-Step Course To Strengthen Your NIH Career Development Award

### Tackling Your K

The CVI / CV Med sponsored Tackling Your K course was designed to develop competitive NIH Career Development K Award applications and prior course applicants have a 67% success rate. The next course starts in mid February for the June / October NIH K Award deadlines.

Over 10+ weeks, this course emphasizes successful grantsmanship fundamentals and the workshops enables participants to:

- Generate concise and specific aims that are measurable and realistic
- Develop a strong research plan
- Clearly communicate and justify the need for the proposed research
- Outline a structured personalized career plan that will enable independence

Stanford faculty participate in specific workshops and provide feedback to strengthen the overall application.

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### FEBRUARY

**National Institute of Health  
Improving Outcomes in Cancer  
Treatment-Related Cardiotoxicity (R01)**  
Deadline: February 5, 2017

**Improving Outcomes in Cancer  
Treatment-Related Cardiotoxicity (R21)**  
Deadline: February 16, 2017

**NHLBI Clinical Trial Pilot Studies (R34)**  
Deadline: February 16, 2017

### **NHLBI Single-Site Investigator-Initiated Clinical Trials**

Deadline: February 14, 2017

### **Wallace H. Coulter Translation Research Grant Program**

**Stanford Coulter –  
Translational Research Grants**  
Deadline: February 15, 2017

**American Heart Association  
AHA Grant-In-Aid**  
Deadline: February 17, 2017

### MARCH

**Progeria Research Foundation  
Research Grants (Innovative,  
Established Investigator, Specialty  
awards)**  
Deadline: March 21, 2017

### APRIL

**Marfan Foundation  
Clinical Research Program  
Faculty Grant Program**  
Deadline: April 21, 2017

## Postdoctoral Funding Opportunities

### FEBRUARY

#### **Stanford Child Health Research Institute (CHRI)**

**Clinical Trainee Support**  
Deadline: February 1, 2017

**American Heart Association  
AHA Postdoctoral Fellowship**  
Deadline: February 10, 2017

**AHA Mentored Clinical and Population  
Research**  
Deadline: February 14, 2017

**National Institute of Health  
K99/R00 NIH Pathway to Independence  
Award**  
Deadline: February 12, 2017

### **K08 Mentored Clinical Research Career Development Award**

Deadline: February 12, 2017

### **K23 Mentored Patient-Oriented Research Career Development Award**

Deadline: Feb. 12, 2017

### **NHLBI K01 Mentored Career Development Award to Promote Faculty Diversity**

Deadline: February 12, 2017

**Marfan Foundation  
Victor A. McKusick Fellowship Program  
Early Investigator Grant Program**  
Deadline: February 17, 2017

### MARCH

**Spectrum Education Program POSTDOCS  
TL1 Clinical Research Training Program  
KL2 Mentored Career Development  
Program**  
Deadline: March 1, 2017

**Thrasher Research Fund  
Early Career Awards**  
Deadline: March 14, 2017

### APRIL

**National Institute of Health  
Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research  
Service Awards (NRSA) for Individual  
Postdoctoral Fellows**  
Deadline: April 8, 2017

## National and Global Cardiovascular Conferences

### FEBRUARY

**International Stroke Conference**  
February 22–24, 2017  
Houston, TX

### MARCH

**Epidemiology and Prevention; Lifestyle  
and Cardiometabolic Health**  
March 7–10, 2017  
Portland, OR

**13th International Congress of Update in  
Cardiology and Cardiovascular Surgery**  
March 23–26, 2017  
Izmir, Turkey

**Society for Clinical Vascular Surgery  
Annual Symposium**  
March 18–22, 2017  
Lake Buena Vista, FL

**American College of Cardiology  
Scientific Session & Expo**  
March 17–19, 2017  
Washington, DC

**Keystone Molecular Mechanisms of  
Heart Development (X7)**  
March 26–30, 2017  
Keystone, CO

### APRIL

**Quality of Care and Outcomes Research**  
April 2–3, 2017  
Arlington, VA

**International Society  
for Heart & Lung Transplantation**  
April 5–8, 2017  
San Diego, CA

**American Association  
for Thoracic Surgery (AATS)  
Mitral Conclave 2017**  
April 27–28, 2017  
New York, NY

### JUNE

**Napa Valley Cardiology Conference**  
June 21–24, 2017  
Napa, CA



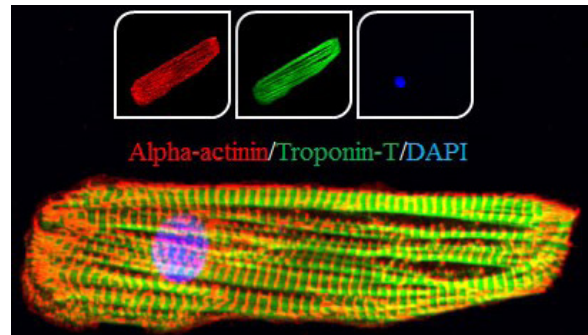
## Stanford CVI Human iPSC Biobank Service

Normal and patient-derived reprogrammed cardiomyocytes is a tremendous resource for researchers and physicians here at Stanford and around the country. Understanding the disease process directly at the population level and observing these cells as surrogates under a myriad conditions has the potential to be a game-changer for cardiovascular medical research.

To facilitate research in a dish that allows screening of new compounds or characterization of human disease phenotypes using cardiomyocytes, the Institute created a service by which de-identified PBMC samples from selected patients can be sent to Stanford CVI for reprogramming free of cost.

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Stanford iPSC Biobank was recently mentioned in Nature Methods news: [nature.com/nmeth/journal/v12/n2/full/nmeth.3263.html](https://www.nature.com/nmeth/journal/v12/n2/full/nmeth.3263.html).



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## Cardiovascular Pharmacology (BioADD)

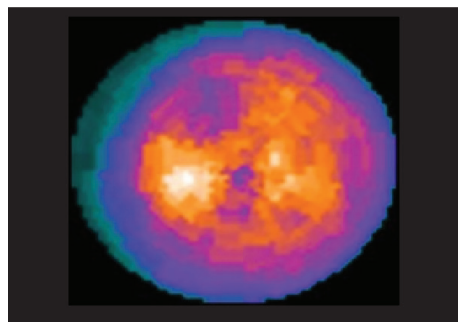


The Cardiovascular Pharmacology/Biomaterials and Advanced Drug Delivery (BioADD) Laboratory is a cutting edge research facility that specializes in the creation of biomaterials and drug delivery agents. The lab lends its expertise toward designing and analyzing biomaterials, developing drug delivery devices and formulations, pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic studies, and developing smart materials for biomedical applications. The CVI Cardiovascular Pharmacology also offers trainings and lectures.

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## Clinical Biomarker & Phenotyping Core Lab (BPCL)

BPCL provides quantitative assessment of clinical cardiovascular phenotypes for translational research and clinical trials. These cardiovascular phenotypes include evaluating cardiac structure and function, measuring carotid intimal thickness and arterial stiffness, and testing endothelial function and cardiopulmonary exercise testing.



In collaboration with the Human Immune Monitoring Center at Stanford and members of the Cardiovascular Institute, we also offer central blood processing and banking capabilities. In addition, we develop new biomarker platforms and imaging modalities.

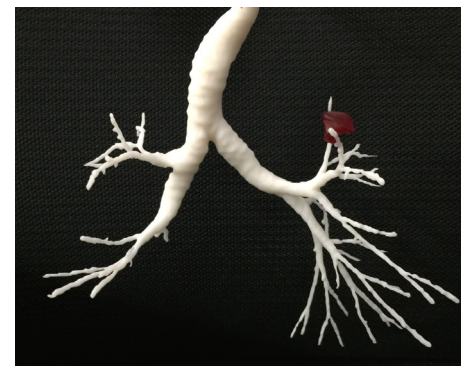
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## 3DQ Imaging Laboratory

Stanford's 3DQ Imaging Laboratory develops new approaches to exploration, analysis and quantitative assessments of diagnostic images that result in new and/or more cost-effective diagnostic approaches, and new techniques for the design and monitoring of therapy. The lab processes over 1,200 clinical cases to deliver relevant visualization and analysis of medical imaging data at Stanford.

The lab is co-directed by Dominik Fleischmann, MD, Roland Bammer, PhD and Sandy Napel, PhD.

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Communication is at the heart of scientific advancement and innovation. This quarter, the Stanford Cardiovascular Institute members published over 242 original manuscripts and reviews, further contributing to our understanding of cardiovascular biology and disease. Here, we highlight selected manuscripts by our members.

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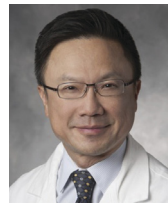
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