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# Section of Hematology and Medical Oncology

Newsletter



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<u>BMC.org</u> and department pages have been updated to provide a seamless visual and messaging experience that integrates campaign creative and showcases clinical expertise proof points!





### Awards



Vaishali Sanchorawala, MD

We are delighted to announce that Dr. Vaishali Sanchorawala has been selected as a recipient of the inaugural BMC Research Excellence Award. The award honors investigators who have had significant impact in their fields. As an international leader in the field of amyloidosis and a mentor to numerous fellows and junior faculty members there is no one more deserving of this honor than Dr. Sanchorawala.

# **Publications**





Naomi Ko, MD

Lauren Oshry, MD

Lauren Oshry, MD, Naomi Ko, MD and others published "<u>Racial</u> discrimination among women seeking breast cancer care".

Oshry LJ, Lederman RI, Gagnon H, Fikre T, Gundersen DA, Revette AC, Odai-Afotey A, Kantor O, Hershman DL, Crew KD, Keating NL, Freedman RA, Ko NY. <u>Racial discrimination among</u> <u>women seeking breast cancer care.</u> NPJ Breast Cancer. 2025 Jan 16;11(1):4. doi: 10.1038/s41523-025-00717-y.

### Presentations



**Umit Tapan, MD** presented on Lung Cancer Disparities at the 14th Annual Puerto Rico Oncology Symposium.





### **BMC HemOnc Research Excellence Society**





H. Assi, MD

S. Cui, PhD



R. Dries, PhD

E. Hagedorn, PhD



C. Heaphy, PhD



K. Vanuytsel, PhD

We would also like to congratulate some of our faculty members who were selected for induction into the BMC Research Excellence Society in recognition of their research accomplishments.

### **DOM Researchers Retreat**







# **Patient Spotlight Feedback**

PATIENT

FEEDBAC

Boston medical center is the best. I have a lot of respect for my Doctor, nurses , employees at front desk, lab staff etc. They are spectacular. I address my appreciation for **Doctor Hussein Assi** and **Christine Engle** who take care of me during my treatment. I pray for God for them to take care all patients who come to BMC. Dr. Kulke is a wonderful doctor. He always listens, is always kind, & is never rushed. He always makes me smile. Most important, he has a wealth of knowledge & experience to draw on in finding a path forward through various treatments as my condition evolves.

Dr. Sanchorawala and her team are an amazing GODSEND to those who have amyloidosis Nebulla is a phenomenal provider that treats her patients with respect and individualized care that anyone would be blessed to have. She is always a breath of fresh are when I go in for my appointment which in itself is extremely stressful. I appreciate her & Dr. Naomi Ko for their wonderful service!

**Dr. Lerner** and the entire staff are absolute treasures. So grateful for them, their skill, and their kindness





# **BUMG Spring Networking Event**

The <u>Engagement Committee</u> invites you to join your BUMG colleagues for a night of fun and socializing!

### **BUMG Spring Networking Event**

When: March 26, 2025, 5:00 - 7:00 pm Where: Dona Habana, 811 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston







Scan the QR code to RSVP or <u>Click here</u>

For questions, contact Mike Halas: Michael.Halas@bmc.org





# **DOM Mentoring & Inclusion Career Development**

### Department of Medicine Announces MENTORING & INCLUSION CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROFESSORSHIP

The Mentoring & Inclusion Career Development Professorship is a threeyear award recognizing Assistant Professors in the Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine's Department of Medicine who have demonstrated leadership in diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) through their research, teaching, or mentoring.

#### Details:

- ~\$50,000/year to support research, teaching, mentoring, and/or scholarly-based projects
- Appointees shall hold the Professorship for a three (3) year period, with one faculty member appointed during each three (3) year period
- Faculty may self-nominate

#### **Eligibility**:

- Assistant Professors with Primary Appointment in DoM
- BU or BMC-based faculty eligible

#### Application materials include:

- BU CV & Profiles link
- 1-page DEIA Faculty Statement
- 1-1.5 page project plan, including budget justification (3-year scope)
- Letter of Support from Section Chief or Mentor

#### **APPLICATIONS DUE APRIL 1ST 2025**

For more information, and to apply, please visit our website using the QR code ->





### **DEIA Week**

### DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE DEIA WEEK POSTER SHOWCASE

We invite all Department of Medicine faculty, staff, and trainees to submit their DEIA related work and initiatives to be displayed at our DEIA Week Poster Showcase. If you or your group have been working on DEIA research, education, trainings, programs, patient care initiatives, etc. we want to hear about it!

Poster Submissions that are selected will be invited to present during the Showcase on <u>March 10th at 11:30AM-1:30PM</u> (lunch will be served).

\*Poster session attendance is not required in order to submit your work for display.

### Submissions deadline is February 10, 2025.

#### What can you submit?

- Publications on DEIA topics
- Abstracts or posters on DEIA research or efforts
- Any DEIA training you have developed or given
- Workshops you have given or participated in
- New DEIA Programs you have worked on or implemented
- Book clubs or discussion series focused on an aspect of DEIA
- Educational seminars your section has sponsored
- DEIA Committee initiatives you have spearheaded
- And more!!!!

Contact: Nellie Ferrara - Inel.Taggart@bmc.org

Scan the code or click here to learn more!

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### **DEIA Week**

#### Department of Medicine

### Contribute to the DEIA Week Celebration!

The DoM is looking to celebrate our uniquely diverse community. Faculty, staff, and trainees are encouraged to participate in the DoM DEIA Week Celebration by:

- Submitting artwork (e.g., paintings, poetry, etc.)
- Contributing to our multicultural fashion show
- Performing (e.g., dance or musical instrument)

### Submission Deadline: Feb. 14, 2025

The celebration will take place on March 13th at 4:30-6:30PM in the Hiebert Lounge.

<u>Click here</u> or scan the code to learn more!



Contact: Maria Galatis (Maria.Galatis@BMC.org)





## **DEIA Week**

Monday, March 10

11:30AM-1:30PM Poster Showcase

### Tuesday, March 11

8:00AM-10:30AM

Panel + Discussion

"Molding a Culture: Turning Intention into Action" Wednesday, March 12

11:00AM-3:00PM Wellness Wednesday

Thursday, March 13

4:30PM-6:30PM Celebration Friday, March 14

12:00pm-1:00pm Grand Rounds



DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE





### **BMC Wellness Resources**



#### **Seek Support**

- Mental Health & Addiction
  Employee Resource Guide
- Residents & Fellows Mental Health & Addiction Resource
- Guide
  BMC Domestic Violence
  Program



#### Employee Resilience Program

Email <u>resilience@bmc.org</u> or find more information <u>here</u>



#### **Stay Informed**

To find further resources please visit <u>here i</u>n the Hub.







#### BIPOC Mental Health Resources

Click <u>here</u> to find resources specific to support BIPOC mental health



#### Hematology and Medical Oncology DEI Resources

To learn more about the Equity and Belonging Committee or to join please click <u>here</u>.











### **BU Wellness Resources**



#### **Seek Support**

- <u>Wellness Resources for BU</u>
  <u>Faculty & Staff</u>
- <u>FitRec</u>
- <u>Sargent Choice Nutrition Center</u>
- Meditation and Mindfulness



#### Faculty Staff Assistance Office

Find more information <u>here</u>.



#### **Stay Informed**

Find more information about employee wellness support <u>here</u>.



BOSTON



#### **Family Resources**

The Boston University Children's Center provides an educational experience for the children of BU employees.



#### Human Resources

If needed, please reach out to the BU HR team <u>here</u>.



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## New Observership Submission Form

We would like to remind you all of the launch of our new online submission form for Observership applications that is now located on our website. This new system is designed to streamline the application process and make it smoother in the initial stages of onboarding.

Starting today, all observership applications must be submitted through the online form, which can be accessed at:

<u>https://www.bumc.bu.edu/hematology/observership-requests/.</u> The form also includes the rules and regulations, which were discussed at our last Section meeting, that were put in place by BMC.

If you have already submitted an application through email, there is no need to reapply using the new form. However, you are encouraged to use the online system for any future applications.





# Faculty & Staff Recognition Award

#### **Calling for Nominations!**



Do you know someone who has gone above and beyond? Nominate them today and let their efforts be celebrated!

https://www.bumc.bu.edu/hematology/faculty-staff-awards/

The section of Hematology & Medical Oncology "Employee Recognition Award" is designed to recognize faculty and staff who work within administration, clinical care and research. This award serves as a means to celebrate excellence, foster a culture of appreciation, and inspire continuous improvement within the departmental community. It is designated for those who have demonstrated outstanding contributions, deliver exceptional service, and go above and beyond their expected duties in the section and the Cancer Center.





# Follow Us on Instagram!

Hematology & Medical Oncology is LIVE on Instagram! Follow us at <u>@BMCHemOnc</u>



If you or one of your patients would like to be featured, please submit a request at <u>https://www.bumc.bu.edu/hematology/announcement-requests/</u>

### Available Career Opportunities as of February 2025:

- <u>Clinical Investigator, Gastrointestinal Oncology</u>
- <u>Clinical Investigator, Genitourinary Oncology</u>
- Advanced Practice Provider, Neuro-Oncology and CNS Malignancies
- Director, Ambulatory Medical Director
- <u>Director, Neuro-Oncology Program</u>
- <u>Director, Sickle Cell Program</u>
- <u>Clinical Investigator Hematology/Hematologic Malignancies</u>
- <u>Senior Administrative Coordinator</u>
- <u>Advanced Practice Provider, Stem Cell Program</u>



