

A Message from the President of the NYU Radiology Alumni Society (NRAS)

Hello Fellow Alumni,

It is hard to believe it has been over a year since the COVID-19 pandemic permeated every facet of our life. During the early part of the pandemic, our focus was on social distancing and lockdown to keep us safe. These actions had far reaching consequences, affecting our personal and professional lives. The momentum we gained in our early years of our alumni society abruptly grinded to a halt.

As we slowly return to normalcy, with the rollout of mass vaccination, recovering from the chaos and isolation of 2020, we are reminded how important community and a sense of belonging is to our wellbeing. During the height of the pandemic in New York, NYU Radiologists took the lead by serving as front-line liaisons between inpatient providers and COVID-19 patient's family members. This "Family Connect" program was invaluable for families to stay connected and involved in their loved ones' care.

This pandemic has made our profession realize the need for active change and adaptation. While the virus has caused widespread devastation, some "silver linings" emerged in our efforts to adapt to the struggle. Once again, NYU Radiology was a leader in implementing workflow changes, which included screening patients when scheduling appointments and encouraging patients to fill out their registration forms online. These measures caused a drop in patient pre-exam wait times and higher patient throughput and can continue to increase volume and revenue past the pandemic's end.

Likewise, our Alumni society had to adapt to our changing landscape and restrictions imposed by social distancing. We shifted from our norm of having in-person social events to gathering virtually, which allowed Alumni all across the United States to participate. In our first alumni virtual event this past summer, "Radiology's Response To and Recovery From COVID-19," Dr. Michael Recht and Dr. Sean Pierce brought both academic and private practice perspectives, and the event was a huge success. Our second equally successful virtual event this past February featured Dr. Nisha Mehta, an NYU Alum who talked to us about "Physician Wellness and Work-Life Balance." We had 50-60 attendees at each event, far greater than we could have with an in-person event!

This past March, the JACR published an article titled “Key Elements to Build and Sustain a Successful Residency Alumni Society.” We are **already** doing a lot of the things mentioned in this article, including our resident-created NYU Alumni newsletter, our own website, mentorship program, virtual meetings, social events, and our yearly RSNA reception (sadly missed this passed November) – to name a few. With this in mind, I know we are on the right path to continuing to be a successful, vibrant and diverse society. We encourage all alumni to join us at our events and welcome any suggestions for improving our society and relevance to our alumni community.

Likewise, NYU Radiology needs each and every one of us to support the Residency Program by voting on Doximity survey. The NYU Radiology Program was ranked #4 in the country these past few years thanks to your enthusiastic support. With your help, our outstanding residency program can climb even higher in the US News and World Report for Best Radiology Residency rankings. Remember every vote counts! See below for details on how to vote.

In closing, here’s looking forward to good health, ending this pandemic and returning to our new and improved “normal.”



Lauren Levy

NYU Residency Class of 1996 and
NYU Fellowship Class of 1997
President of NRAS

Vote for NYU on Doximity!

- Please vote for us on Doximity. The survey is live **now through June 4th, 2021!**
- To register: go to www.doximity.org and enter your name on the homepage. You will need to create an account if your name does not appear. Make sure your residency program, years attended, and board certification are up to date.
- To vote, download the Doximity app on your phone and then tap “Residency Nominations” or look for an email from Doximity regarding the survey.
- Please reach out to us at radiologyalumnisociety@nyumc.org if you have issues voting.
- Thank you for your time and your vote. Your vote truly matters!

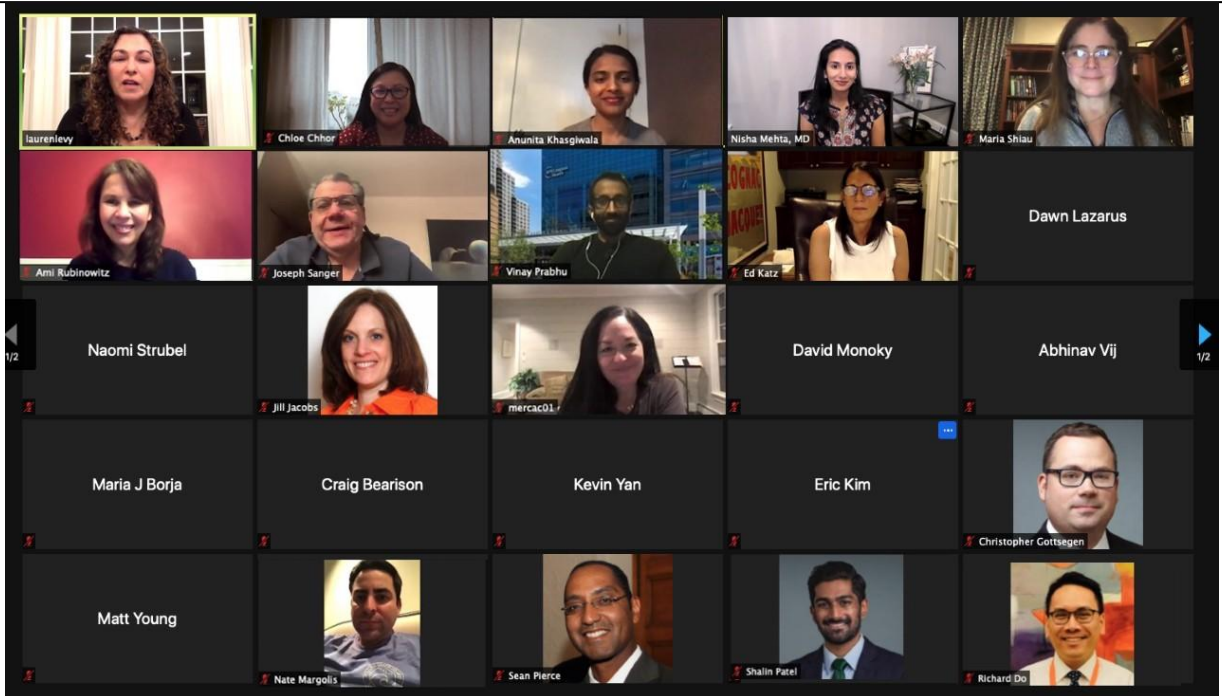
Recent Alumni Society Event



More than 50 NYU Radiology alumni, current faculty, and housestaff convened via Zoom on February 25th to listen to Dr. Nisha Mehta share her expertise on

Physician Wellness & Work-Life Balance.

Dr. Nisha Mehta graduated from NYU Radiology residency in 2012. She is subspecialized in musculoskeletal and breast imaging. She is also an international keynote speaker, a writer, and a physician advocate who focuses on issues related to life in medicine and the changing healthcare landscape. Thank you for such an informative and interesting discussion, Dr. Mehta!



Learn more about Dr. Mehta on her website www.nishamehtamd.com and Twitter page [@nishamehtamd](https://twitter.com/nishamehtamd)

Alumni Updates

Congratulations to **Michael Savino, MD** (residency class of 2015) and **Marissa Albert Savino, MD, MSc** (residency class of 2016 and breast imaging fellowship class of 2017) who welcomed their son, Jack, on 3/8/2021.



Richard Kinh Gian Do, MD, PhD, FSAR shares that he was “approved in 2021 as a Fellow of the Society of Abdominal Radiology, which would not have been possible without the incredible training and mentorship I received at NYU under Mike Macari, Alec Megibow and many others!” Congratulations!



New Chief Residents



Sindhoora Murthy, MD

Sindhoora was born in Silver Spring, Maryland. She attended Johns Hopkins University where she double majored in Applied Mathematics and Biomedical Engineering. She completed medical school at Washington University in St. Louis and returned to Maryland for intern year. Her current academic interests include the interface between radiology and pathology and medical education. She enjoys mixing music, singing, learning languages, editing videos, and dancing in her free time.



Stacey Wolfson, MD

Stacey is from Merrick, New York. She attended Duke University for her undergraduate degree majoring in Spanish, then returned to New York for her medical training. She attended NYU for medical school and stayed here for her medicine intern year and radiology residency. Stacey is specifically interested in breast imaging, with additional interests in physician wellness and medical education. In her free time, she enjoys running, riding her Peloton bike, hiking, cooking, and exploring new restaurants.

A Selection of Resident Academic Achievements 2020-2021

Phillip Guichet, MD

Guichet PL, Jasinski S, Malaga-Dieguez L, De Los Reyes FA, Ahuja T, Bride KL, Patel A. Catheter-Directed Thrombolysis for Neonatal IVC and Bilateral Renal Vein Thrombosis: A Case Report. *J Pediatr Hematol Oncol*. 2020 Jun 19.

Guichet PL and Sista AK. Endovascular techniques in the treatment of acute PE, In: *Pulmonary Embolism*, Rivera-Lebron B, Heresi GA eds., Springer Nature, 2021

Mark Kaminetzky, MD

Kaminetzky M, Moore W, Fansiwala K, Babb JS, Kaminetzky D, Horwitz LI, McGuinness G, Knoll A, Ko JP. Pulmonary Embolism at CT Pulmonary Angiography in Patients with COVID-19. *Radiol Cardiothorac Imaging*. 2020 Jul 2;2(4):e200308.

Radmanesh A, Raz E, Zan E, Derman A, **Kaminetzky M**. Brain Imaging Use and Findings in COVID-19: A Single Academic Center Experience in the Epicenter of Disease in the United States. *AJNR Am J Neuroradiol*. 2020 Jul;41(7):1179-1183.

Matthew Nazarian, MD

Nazarian M, Bluebond-Langner R, Smereka P, Zhao L, Ream J, Hindman N. Spectrum of imaging findings in gender-affirming genital surgery: Intraoperative photographs, normal post-operative anatomy, and common complications. *Clin Imaging*. 2021 Jan;69:63-71.

Sophie Washer, MD

Washer SL, Azour L, O'Donnell TP, Ko JP, Moore WH. Differentiation of Thoracic Lymph Node Histopathology by Dual Energy Radiomic Analysis. RSNA Annual Meeting 2020 (Scientific Presentation)

Washer SL, Azour L, Ko JP, Brusca-Augello GT, and Moore WH. Down the Pipe: Bronchoscopic and Histopathologic Correlation for Airway Lesions. RSNA Annual Meeting 2020 (Education exhibit)

Stacey Wolfson, MD

Wolfson S, Heller S, Babb J, Gao Y. Multiple Bilateral Circumscribed Masses (MBCM) at Screening Breast Ultrasound (US): Outcomes of New or Enlarging Masses at Follow-Up. SBI Annual Meeting 2021 (Oral Presentation)

Chenyang Zhan, MD, PhD

Ruohoniemi DM, **Zhan C**, Wei J, Kulkarni K, Aaltonen ET, Horn JC, Hickey RM, Taslakian B. Safety and Effectiveness of Yttrium-90 Radioembolization around the Time of Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors for Unresectable Hepatic Metastases. *J Vasc Interv Radiol*. 2020 Aug;31(8):1233-1241.

Zhan, C, Li, C, Shanbhogue, KP, Hickey, R, Taslakian, B. Pathologic Correlation of Imaging Response Criteria In Patients With Hepatocellular Carcinoma Treated With Y90 Radioembolization. Society of Interventional Radiology 2021 Annual Meeting

NYU Radiology Residency Match List

DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY



Anna Chen
Columbia University
College of Physicians and
Surgeons



Lillian Chiu
New York Medical
College



Anthony Chong
NYU Grossman School of
Medicine



Marcus Daniels
Johns Hopkins University
School of Medicine



Siddhant Dogra
NYU Grossman School of
Medicine



Eliana Goldberg
Icahn School of Medicine at
Mount Sinai



Ariella Noorily
NYU Grossman School of
Medicine



David Ola
State University of New York
Upstate Medical University



**Helaina
Regen-Tuero**
The Warren Alpert Medical
School of Brown University



Jason Wei
NYU Grossman School of
Medicine

CLASS OF 2026

IR-INTEGRATED RADIOLOGY



Daniel Freedman
NYU Grossman School of
Medicine



Luis Garza-Barrera
University of Texas Health
Science Center - San Antonio

CLASS OF 2027



The 2021 Graduating Class - Where Are They Going?



Luke Ginocchio, MD
Body Imaging
NYU



Varun Gorantla, MD
Interventional Radiology
UCSF



Sonam Jaglan, MD
Body Imaging
NYU



Shu Liu, MD
Interventional Radiology
NYU



Alexandra Millet, MD
Breast Imaging
MD Anderson



Melanie Wegener, MD
Breast Imaging
NYU



Joseph Weissbrot, MD
Body Imaging
NYU



Chenyang Zhan, MD, PhD
Interventional Radiology
Stanford



Recent Diversity Events

NYU Langone Health and NYU Langone Department of Radiology are committed to creating and promoting opportunities to discuss diversity. Leading the efforts within NYU Radiology is Dr. Nicole Hindman, Professor of Radiology and NYU Radiology Residency alumnus, who was recently appointed as Associate Chair of Diversity and Health Equity for the Department of Radiology.

This academic year, our Department and Institution have had many events in various online forums (lectures, roundtable discussions, interviews) to discuss topics within the broad realm of diversity, for example:

- **“Recruiting and Retaining African American Men in Academic Medicine”** lecture by Dr. Gaetan Pettigrew and Dr. Edward Miller
- **“Defining Race and Racism”** presented by Dr. Terri-Ann Bennett, Dr. Joseph Ravenell, and Dr. Richard Greene
- **Department of Radiology Diversity & Inclusion Grand Rounds: Feminism & Medicine** with Dr. Terri-Ann Bennett
- **“Rainbowside Chat: LGBTQ+ Family Building”** moderated by Tiffany Cook with a panel of members of the NYU Langone workforce
- **Department of Radiology Diversity and Inclusion Book Club:** Ann Petry’s *The Street*, Walter Isaacson’s *The Codebreaker*, *Caste* by Isabel Wilkerson, documentary film *13th* directed by Ava DuVernay, and *Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates
- **Picture a Scientist Viewing and Discussion** led by the Diversity and Women’s Leadership Initiatives in NYU Department of Radiology
- **“Epigenetics and Race”** lecture by Dr. Ravi Kesari
- **Department of Radiology Diversity & Inclusion Grand Rounds: Asian American Disparities** with Dr. Sahnah Lim

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- E-mail us at radiologyalumnusociety@nyumc.org regarding any updates you would like us to include in future newsletters, whether personal or professional (i.e. family additions, new job or promotion, recent awards or publications, etc.)
- Follow us on Doximity! If you aren’t already in our LinkedIn group, please e-mail us so that we can add you!

