



Penn Medicine
Dermatology



Residency Training Program

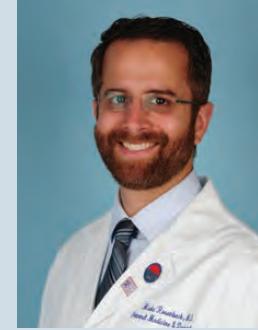
Updated **July 2025** for incoming residents in **July 2027** (the 2025-2026 ERAS match season)

Goal

The goal of the Residency Program is to develop future leaders in both research and clinical medicine. Flexibility within the program allows for the acquisition of fundamental working knowledge in all subspecialties of dermatology. All residents are taught a scholarly approach to patient care, aimed at integrating clinicopathologic observation with an understanding of the basic pathophysiologic processes of normal and abnormal skin.

Penn's Residency Program consists of conferences, seminars, clinical rotations, research, and an opportunity to participate in the teaching of medical students. An extensive introduction into the department and the clinic/patient care service is given to first-year residents. A distinguished clinical faculty and research faculty, coupled with the clinical and laboratory facilities, provides residents with comprehensive training. An appreciation of and participation in the investigative process is an integral part of our residency.

Graduates frequently earn clinical or basic science fellowship appointments at universities across the country. Examples of these include: pediatric dermatology, dermatopathology, dermatologic surgery, dermatopathology, postdoctoral and clinical educator fellowships. Additional post graduate training has occurred at the NIH and CDC. Graduates of our program populate the faculty at Harvard, Penn, Johns Hopkins, MD Anderson, Dartmouth, Penn State, Washington University, Northwestern, Beth Israel Lahey Health, Eastern Virginia, Brigham and Women's Hospital, the University of California at San Francisco, Stanford, and the Universities of Washington, Pittsburgh, Vermont, South Carolina, Massachusetts, and Wisconsin. Additionally, some enter private practice and provide outstanding care to the community, or serve in the military and take care of service members.



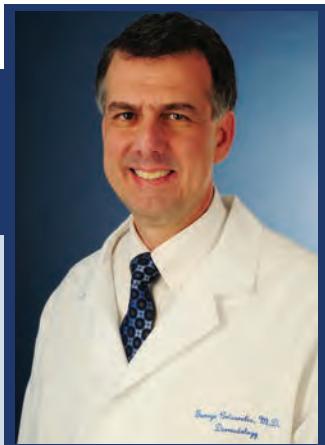
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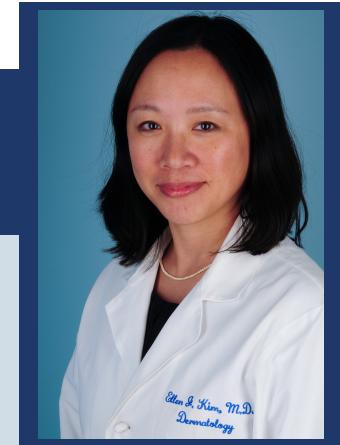
Y. Ally Wang, MD
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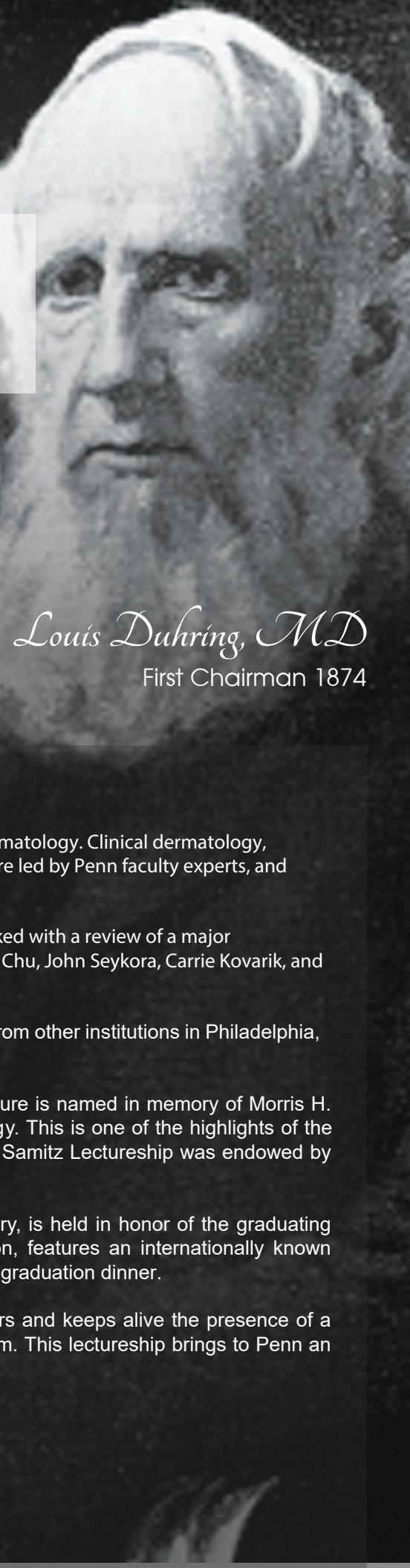
Curriculum

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During the peak of Covid-19,
many didactic sessions
transitioned to virtual; we continue to
hold sessions in a hybrid model
(partially in person, partially virtual)

Conferences

Duhring Conferences - The Duhring Conference, named for the first Chief of Dermatology at the University of Pennsylvania, Louis A. Duhring, M.D., is held on Thursday mornings. The conference consists of two components. First, the patients are presented for discussion of their diagnoses, histopathology, treatment and a review of pertinent medical literature. This conference is attended by not only the residents and faculty from the Department, but also by residents from other Philadelphia training programs, community physicians, and often other invited specialists. Second, the Duhring Lecture allows for presentation of the latest material by recognized experts in their field. This event provides an opportunity to interact with well-known figures in the world of dermatology. This conference provides an outstanding educational forum and is CME accredited.



Louis Duhring, MD

First Chairman 1874

Lectures

- ❖ Didactic Lectures - All lectures are faculty directed, covering the entire breadth of dermatology. Clinical dermatology, pediatric dermatology, and dermatologic surgery/procedural dermatology lectures are led by Penn faculty experts, and paired with an annual review of a major clinical textbook (Andrews' and/or Bologna).
- ❖ Dermatopathology lectures are paired with weekly "unknown" slide sessions, and linked with a review of a major dermatopathology text (Lever's). These are conducted by Drs. Rosalie Elenitsas, Emily Chu, John Seykora, Carrie Kovarik, and Jina Chung.
- ❖ Guest lectures given by faculty from other disciplines at Penn, by dermatologists from other institutions in Philadelphia, or invited guest speakers from the surrounding area are given regularly.
- ❖ The Samitz Lecture in Cutaneous Medicine is held annually in the fall. This Lecture is named in memory of Morris H. Samitz, M.D., who was a preeminent professor in the Department of Dermatology. This is one of the highlights of the academic year with a featured lecturer of international reputation. The Morris H. Samitz Lectureship was endowed by Dr. Samitz's students as a demonstration of their love and respect for him.
- ❖ The Pillsbury Lecture, named in memory of former Chair, Dr. Donald M. Pillsbury, is held in honor of the graduating residents each spring. This lecture, which has attained a prestigious reputation, features an internationally known guest lecturer. This lecture, held in May, is preceded the night before by a festive graduation dinner.
- ❖ The Hohenberg Lectureship, named in memory of Bernard L. Hohenberg, honors and keeps alive the presence of a man whose zest for life galvanized all those who had the privilege of knowing him. This lectureship brings to Penn an expert in wound healing.

Application Expectations

- Integrity, scholarship and enthusiasm, as evidenced during pre-residency medical training are important factors in the selection of candidates. Strong support letters of reference are essential.
- Preference is given to individuals with excellent pre-residency training records and particularly to those with an orientation toward a career as a leader in the field of Dermatology.
- Our interview process will align with the best practices, AAMC guidelines, and federal, state, local, and institutional rules and regulations; details to be determined.
- Individuals accepted to the Dermatology Residency are expected to complete a full three-year term.
- The Department of Dermatology uses the ERAS online application process. All applicants must apply before 9:05 AM on Wednesday, September 24, 2025 (twenty one months before the program start date) at the following website: <http://www.aamc.org/eras>. The usual number of residents in the residency program is 24. Early completion of the universal residency application form is recommended.
- Under-represented minority candidates for admission are enthusiastically welcomed. Penn Dermatology is committed to diversity and inclusion in our department and our specialty.
- [Supplemental interview survey](#) (optional, encouraged to optimally structure interview day based on interests).

Clinic Rotations

Residents attend many special clinics throughout the year. The combined services offer opportunities that are among the most active in the nation. The average outpatient visit volume is 110,000 patients per year, including procedures.

Cutaneous Lymphoma Clinic

This group of dermatologists and dermatopathologists specialize in the diagnosis and treatment of cutaneous lymphomas with emphasis on cutaneous T-cell lymphoma. Multiple treatment modalities are utilized, including topical and systemic chemotherapy, ultraviolet and radiation therapy, and extracorporeal photophoresis. Patients receiving the extracorporeal photophoresis receive their treatments as inpatients in the dermatology service and are followed as outpatients by the cutaneous lymphoma group. (Directed by Drs. Carmela Vittorio, Ellen Kim, Sara Samimi, Jennifer Villasenior-Park, and Jina Chung.)

Connective Tissue Disease Clinic

Patients with these disorders as well as internal medicine related diseases are cared for by the residents and Drs. Victoria Werth, Lisa Pappas-Taffer, Katharina Shaw, and Emily Hejazi.

Contact Dermatitis Clinic

Residents spend time in this subspecialty clinic learning under the direction of Drs. Bruce Brod, Katherine Brown, and Anna Kersh.

Bullous Disease Clinic

Referral patients with immunologically mediated bullous diseases are seen by a resident, working with Drs. Victoria Werth and Christoph Ellebrecht in the care of bullous disease patients.

Resident Continuity Clinic

The clinic of the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP) is the major area of the resident outpatient experience. Each resident maintains a clinic at HUP throughout their training to provide the opportunity for long-term continuing care of patients. Members of the faculty as well as volunteer attending faculty in private practice act as consultants. Problems of diagnosis and treatment are handled by the resident under their supervision.

Specialty Clinics

There are a variety of other medical specialty clinics such as those concentrating on the care of patients with atopic dermatitis, sarcoidosis, hidradenitis, vasculitis, acne and rosacea, and graft vs. host disease, in which residents participate on a rotational basis. Most of these meet on a once weekly schedule.

Penn Dermatology Oncology Center (Penn DOC)

Advanced surgical procedures including Mohs surgery and laser surgery are utilized in the treatment of a variety of skin disorders, both benign and malignant. Dr. Christopher Miller - Director of Dermatologic Surgery, Dr. Jun Zhang - Director of Dermatologic Surgery Education, full-time faculty Mohs surgeons Drs. Jeremy Etzkorn, H. William Higgins, Joseph Sobanko, Joanna Walker, Jun Zhang, and a variety of Mohs-trained providers supervise volunteers and the residents both in specialty clinics and resident surgery clinics.

Pigmented Lesion Clinic

This multi-disciplinary group specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of congenital nevi, dysplastic nevi, and malignant melanoma (Led by Drs. Michael Ming, Emily Chu, Todd Ridky, Brian Capell, and Neha Jariwala).

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Cosmetic Clinics

Drs. Cherie Ditre and Joseph Sobanko utilize the most current procedures in the care of patients requesting cosmetic enhancement. Residents rotate with these experts in their clinics, along with Dr. Susan Taylor (Skin of Color Cosmetics), Dr. Analisa Halpern, and other skilled procedurally oriented faculty.

Psoriasis Clinic

The Psoriasis Outpatient Clinic is part of the comprehensive psoriasis treatment program at the University of Pennsylvania, which includes the phototherapy unit, psoriasis day care program, and psoriasis support group (Directed by Dr. Joel Gelfand, with Drs. Takeshita and Chiesa).

Inpatient Clinical Consultative Service

This experience is in the management of patients requiring hospitalization in the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. On the inpatient service the resident participates in the diagnosis and care of patients with a wide variety of dermatologic diseases. (Directed by Dr. Robert Micheletti, with Drs. Rosenbach, Steele, Forrestel, Baumrin, Hejazi, and Hannah). Additionally, inpatient consultation experience is gained at the other four teaching hospitals with a variety of attendings.

Teaching Rounds

Inpatient case-based 'gallop' rounds are held weekly. The senior faculty and residents review the current week's consultations. Physical examination findings, differential diagnosis and patient management are stressed.

Dermatopathology Rotation

An average of one month each year is dedicated to acquiring one-on-one experience at the microscope with our six dermatopathologists and their two fellows. Dermatopathology specimens processed per year amount to over 80,000.

Society Meetings

Residents attend the meetings of the Philadelphia Dermatologic

Society which are held during the academic year at each of the six teaching hospitals in the Philadelphia area. Other rewarding meetings take place at the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, and at other Philadelphia medical schools.

Residents attend the annual meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology in the spring.

Journal Club

Journal Clubs are an important part of resident education and are conducted by the faculty on a biweekly basis. JAMA Dermatology, the Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology and a wide array of investigative and medical journals are focused on in these sessions. The discussions involve residents and faculty. Weekly articles from other dermatology journals and related to issues such as race, equity, and justice are shared via email and online discussion.

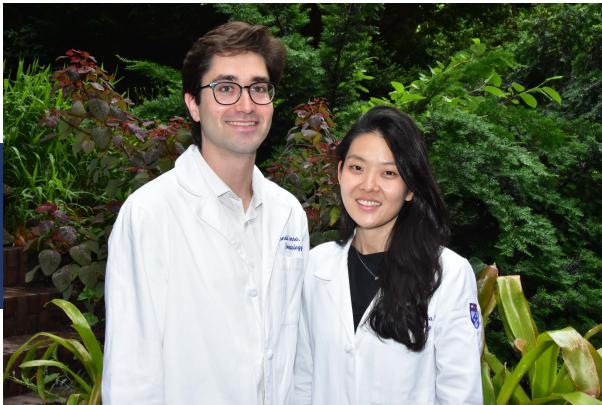
Research

The Penn Department of Dermatology leads the nation in both basic science and clinical investigation of skin biology. Our department is committed to training and mentoring residents so they may launch their successful careers as academic professors. We consistently rank in the top 3 in the nation for NIH funding.

We offer a research track for applicants interested in pursuing basic science, translational, and/or epidemiological research careers. Our research track aims to provide trainees an early start on their scientific training by replacing the majority of the PGY-4 year of clinical training with postdoctoral research. During the first two years of dermatology residency training (PGY-2, PGY-3), participants receive similar clinical training as their fellow residents. During PGY-4, participants will have 75% protected research time and will spend 25% effort on clinical dermatology. After completion of residency, participants will be promoted to Clinical Instructor and receive a competitive salary (as opposed to PGY-5 funding). The Department has a NIH T32-training grant, which may provide up to two years of postdoctoral fellowship funding support.

Our department has 33 research-focused faculty with internationally recognized expertise in a broad range of scientific disciplines, including epithelial biology, developmental biology, regenerative medicine and stem cell biology, microbiome, immunology,

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Drs. Ronald Berna and Sung Kyung (Stephanie) Cho
Chief Residents 2025-2026



Residents with Drs. George Cotsarelis,
Misha Rosenbach, Sara Samimi, and Ally Wang
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autoimmunity, cell adhesion, carcinogenesis, epidemiology and biostatistics, clinical trials, and health outcomes and disparities research. This critical mass of investigators promotes innovation and unique collaborative research opportunities.

Research track trainees will receive formalized mentoring through a departmental committee, which includes senior faculty and at least one faculty member out the Department of Dermatology, to provide both scientific and professional career advice. Individualized development plans help trainees to choose their postdoctoral fellowship training mentors, who can be either within or outside the Department of Dermatology, and also guide senior fellows in navigating their career path toward an academic faculty position. In addition to a traditional research-in-progress seminar series, our department supports twice monthly trainee seminars to foster peer mentoring networks. Additionally, trainees benefit from core services offered through Penn Dermatology's NIH-funded Skin Biology and Diseases Resource-based Center, including primary skin cell procurement and genetic engineering, organotypic skin culture and xenografts, histology, laser capture microdissection, biostatistics, and bioinformatics. We also have a dedicated clinical studies unit that supports patient-orientated and clinical investigation.

Research Laboratory Resources

The basic research laboratories are housed within the 10th floor of the Biomedical Research Building (BRB10). A spacious and newly renovated conference room on BRB10 is used for laboratory meetings, meetings, faculty meetings, meetings, and collaborative discussions within the Department and with researchers from other departments, centers, and institutes. BRB is centrally situated on the PSOM campus, facilitating interactions with other Departments, Centers and Institutes. Consolidation of basic research labs on BRB10 has led to increased interactions and efficient use of space. The nearly 14,350 square feet of usable research space are dedicated to an integrated cutaneous biology initiative. The principal investigators are allocated office (1,319 sf PI office space total), administrative support (1,500 administrative space), laboratory space (total 7,4407,440 sf), cell culture (1,200 sf), cold room (270 sf), microscopy core (220 sf), and shared equipment (2,500 sf) space. In addition, trainees and faculty have access to approximately 2,500 sf of common space (conference room, eating area) integrated with the lab and administrative space.

Pediatric Dermatology

Our residents spend a significant amount of time at CHOP working closely with pediatric dermatology faculty who are national and international experts, including Drs. Jen, Khurana, Larijani, Moon, Oboite, Perman, Treat, and Yan. They coordinate inpatient and outpatient care of common and rare pediatric dermatology diseases and work closely with the pediatric dermatology fellows. We launched a new dedicated peds-derm track in 2024.

Residents as Teachers

The residents participate in the training and instruction of sophomore, sophomore, junior and senior medical students. During their second year, students at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania are introduced to dermatology through the Curriculum 200. Dermatology residents are responsible for participating in this teaching. In the third and fourth years, students may elect rotations in dermatology. Residents are instrumental in the training of these students. In addition, the residents often give lectures in dermatology to graduate nurses, residents, and faculty from other departments at Penn. Combined conferences and rounds with other clinical departments offer the opportunity for the exchange of new information and give the residents the opportunity to discuss dermatologic aspects of interest in other disciplines, e.g. medicine and pediatrics.

Resources

Residents have 24 hour access to biomedical databases, allowing residents to perform literature searches and access dermatology internet sites worldwide. Multiple software programs are available as well. The nearby College of Physicians of Philadelphia's library is one of the finest medical libraries in the world. It is uniquely strong in the field of dermatology, due to a special bequest of Dr. Louis A. Duhring for the acquisition of dermatological books and journals. The library houses a unique collection of almost all internationally known dermatology texts for the last 100 years and currently subscribes to more than 70 journals dealing exclusively with dermatological subjects.

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Global Health

A special experience in global medicine is available on average to two residents per year. In addition to global medicine coursework, a four-week rotation at Princess Marina Hospital and surrounding communities in Botswana is part of the program directed by Drs. Amy Forrestel and Carrie Kovarik.

Teledermatology consultations from around the world also enhance the experience. An initiative by Drs. Rudolf Roth and Amy Forrestel, who have built the bridges with the residency program in Guatemala, also have led to opportunities for exchange visits with this program and humanitarian / teaching trips at least yearly.

Healthcare Leadership in Quality

The HLQ Residency Track, directed by Dr. Sara Samimi, spans across many departments at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania and provides structured didactics in the fundamentals of patient safety and systems analysis, principles of healthcare quality, outcomes measurement, introduction to Penn's quality infrastructure, and leadership. Additionally, each resident completes a longitudinal quality project during the final 2 years of residency and receives personal mentorship by top level hospital administrators.

Volunteer Activities

Residents are involved with volunteer activities locally, nationally and internationally. Examples include: telemedicine support of the 13 public clinics in Philadelphia, in person clinics at the STD clinic and the Puentes de Salud clinic, participation in AAD-sponsored programs like Camp Discovery, free skin cancer screening clinics, and the Native American clinical rotation, as well as the International Scholarship program in Botswana.

Teledermatology

Our residents gain a strong foundation in teledermatology through didactics, diverse clinical experiences, and community outreach. They participate in virtual care through resident clinics under our main site umbrella and the veterans hospital, and in specialty attending clinics. While on inpatient consult services, teledermatology is used as an adjunct for care allowing for better triaging, occasional tele-health care, and time sensitive recommendations for the primary team. Residents also have the opportunity to participate in Access Derm to provide care for underserved patients.

Community Engagement

Residents in this track will complete the traditional three-year training program. They will be paired with mentors with experience in Skin of Color, advocacy, volunteerism, and community engagement, and will be encouraged and supported to pursue projects through elective rotations, research projects, curriculum development, volunteerism, and/ or clinical activities. The aims of this track are to: 1) Address the social determinants of health that negatively affect our patients; 2) Engage with and empower under-served communities (including locally in Philadelphia, nationally, and internationally).

Elective Time

Several weeks a year are available for residents to design their own experiences which help them gain valuable knowledge and network opportunities for their future careers. Recent graduates have gone on rotations as far away as Singapore, India, and Brazil, to closer destinations such as mentorships in Boston, San Francisco and New York. Many have attended international society meetings as part of the American Academy of Dermatology's scholarship program.

Stipend

A \$1000 stipend is given to each resident yearly to help defray meeting costs, and to buy books or other needed equipment. All first year Dermatology residents are paid at the PG-2 level; \$89,685 (FY2026). Stipends are increased each year depending upon level of training. Reappointments, which are made on annual basis, are subject to satisfactory performance review at the end of each year. Four weeks of vacation are given during each 12 months of service, as permitted by the American Board of Dermatology. Malpractice insurance is provided by the Hospital as well as a complete benefits package including medical insurance, disability, vision and dental plans. Each first year resident is given a secure thumb drive, 3 white coats, a dermatoscope and 2 textbooks.

Licensure

A Pennsylvania medical training license must be obtained to participate in the Penn Dermatology Residency Training Program. This permits the resident to practice medicine under supervision only within the Perelman School of Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania's accredited hospitals. The Postgraduate Certificate must be renewed annually (for the number of years necessary to complete the residency training program only).

Residency Training Schedule

Resident Rotations: The resident curriculum for each year is designed to provide exposure to a wide range of clinical dermatology. Below is a breakdown of the major rotations each year of Residency. During all rotations, each resident will maintain a continuity clinic at HUP once weekly and will attend didactic sessions on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and Friday afternoons.

First Year Locations: Presby: Introduction to inpatient consults. In addition, participate in the Penn Presbyterian Wound Care specialty clinic. VA:

Participate in patient care at the VA dermatology clinics three sessions per week as well as two to three sessions of Dermatologic Surgery at the VA. Dermatopathology: In addition to the weekly dermatopathology didactic sessions, each resident will spend up to one month per year participating in Dermatopathology Sign-Out as well as reviewing interesting cases with the fellows and doing independent review of teaching slides. Dermatologic Surgery: Surgical experiences are provided throughout the year during the VA rotations. In addition, surgical exposure to Mohs, lasers, and other techniques occurs at HUP. CHOP: Pediatric dermatology experiences are provided at the CHOP pediatric dermatology outpatient clinic. Elective: Pursue a research elective, clinical project, or work with another service in the hospital (rheumatology, infectious disease, plastic surgery) or pursue an away elective at another institution.

Second & Third Year Locations: In addition to the first year locations, senior residents will rotate through the following services: Pennsylvania Hospital:

Cover the Pennsylvania Hospital Consult Service and participate in our patch testing specialty clinic. HUP Consult Resident: Provide dermatological consultation for HUP inpatients. In addition, participate in urgent care clinics and weekly clinical-pathologic correlation of inpatient biopsies. CHOP Consult Resident: Provide dermatological consultation for CHOP inpatients. VA Consult Resident: Provide dermatological consultation for VA inpatients, review all pathology weekly on Monday afternoons from the VA and follow-up on appropriate biopsies.

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The Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine (PCAM)



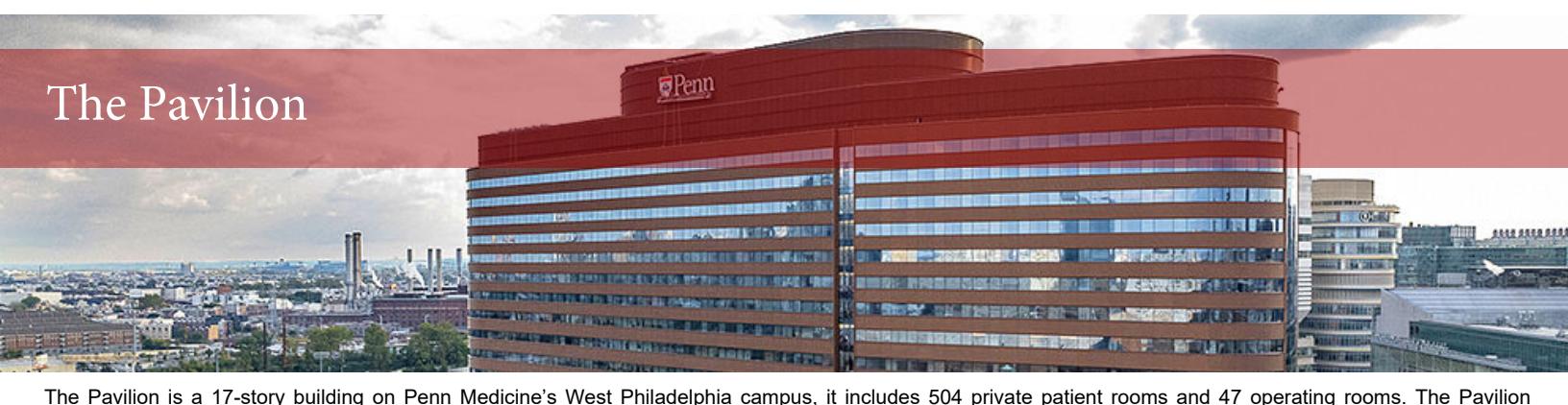
The Perelman Center is a state-of-the-art, 500,000 square foot outpatient facility located on the corner of 34th and Civic Center Boulevard, adjacent to the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. The facility is designed to create a focused outpatient care environment. The distinctive glass atrium atop the structure allows for sunlight to stream into all corners of the facility. In addition to providing outpatient care, the Perelman Center is designed to anticipate future trends in medicine and advances in medical technology. Dermatology occupies 16,200 square feet located on the first floor of PCAM, having 50 patient care related rooms.

The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP)



CHOP is a two-hundred and sixty bed health care facility which is a physical part of the university complex. It serves as an excellent inpatient and outpatient teaching experience in pediatric dermatology. CHOP is one of the outstanding pediatric hospitals in the country and it is a unique resource for training.

The Pavilion



The Pavilion is a 17-story building on Penn Medicine's West Philadelphia campus, it includes 504 private patient rooms and 47 operating rooms. The Pavilion houses inpatient care for cardiology and cardiac surgery, medical and surgical oncology, neurology and neurosurgery, and transplant surgery. It is where HUP's new emergency department is located. Our residents spend the majority of their HUP inpatient consultative time at this state of the art facility.

The Pennsylvania Hospital



PAH is our Center City four hundred twenty-five bed hospital with newly built adjoining dermatology clinic. The diverse experiences at this site, including outpatient ambulatory clinics, resident surgery clinic, resident transplant clinic, Mohs surgery, and inpatient consults.

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Penn Medicine University City



The Department of Dermatology's location at Penn Medicine University City (PMUC) includes increased space, resources to help streamline services, and improved patient access. General dermatology and Genetic disease dermatology services offer an enhanced overall patient experience. This state-of-the-art building houses nearly 110 exam rooms, six outpatient operating rooms, and an outpatient radiology center. PMUC also includes the multidisciplinary Penn Musculoskeletal Institute, the first of its kind in Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia Veterans Affairs Medical Center



Residents are assigned to the Philadelphia Veterans Affairs Medical Center (PVAMC) located one block from the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Faculty dermatologists assist the residents in all aspects of patient care. This is a five-hundred bed hospital, and the dermatology residents assigned to this rotation handle all dermatology consultations referred from other services. There are six clinics each week. The two-thousand square foot Dermatology Suite includes examination rooms, procedure rooms, offices, and a Phototherapy Center.

Combined Medicine and Dermatology Track

A five-year training program leading to board certification in both Internal Medicine and Dermatology is available at Penn. Graduates of this program often care for our specialty's sickest patients, providing inpatient consultative services or outpatient care of complex medical illnesses.

http://www.med.upenn.edu/dermres/combined_medicine_dermatology.html

Current Med/Derm Residents



Christina Murphy, MD
Med/Derm Resident
Second Year



Sung Kyung (Stephanie) Cho, MD
Med/Derm Resident
Third Year



Thomas Vazquez, MD
Med/Derm Resident
Third Year



Savannah Alvarado, MD
Med/Derm Resident
Fourth Year



Claire Hannah, MD
Assistant Professor
Perelman School of Medicine
at Univ. of Penn



Amy Forrestel, MD
Assistant Professor
Perelman School of Medicine
at Univ. of Penn

Former Med/Derm Residents

Cutaneous Oncology (CTCL) and Dermatology Track

A four-year training program leading to a specialized expertise in lymphoma and melanoma is available at Penn. The first year is dedicated to working with experts in these diseases, while the final three years follows the typical three year residency track.

<http://www.med.upenn.edu/dermres/oncology.html>

Current CTCL Fellows



Jessica Brown-Korsah, MD
Fellow
First Year



Caitlyn Myrdal, MD
Resident
First Year



Sarah Choi, MD
Resident
Second Year



Leah Cohen, MD
Resident
Third Year



Supriya Rastogi, MD
Schweiger Dermatology



Daniel J. Lewis, MD
Assistant Professor
School of Medicine at Johns Hopkins University



Neha Jariwala, MD
Faculty
Perelman School of Medicine at Univ. of Penn

Research Track

Residents with an interest in pursuing a career in investigative dermatology may elect to shorten their clinical training in order to enter the laboratory in September of their third year. Physician-scientists are critical to the vitality of our specialty and many graduates are successful in this career path.

http://www.med.upenn.edu/dermres/combined_research_clinical_training.html

Current Research Track Residents



Jennifer Chen, MD, PhD
Resident
First Year



Shivam Zaver, MD, PhD
Resident
First Year



Caroline Myers, MD
Resident
Second Year



Linda Zhou, MD
Resident
Second Year



Corbett Berry, MD, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor,
Perelman School of Medicine at Univ. of Penn



Leo Wang, MD, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor,
Perelman School of Medicine at Univ. of Penn



Victoria Fang, MD, Ph.D.
Clinical Instructor & Post-Doctoral Research Fellow
Perelman School of Medicine at Univ. of Penn

Diversity and Community Engagement Track

The Department of Dermatology at the University of Pennsylvania has a long history of training the world's next clinician leaders, researchers, and educators. In conjunction with our mission to further knowledge in our field and improve the health of our patients, participants in this track focus on: addressing the social determinants of health that negatively affect our patients; engaging with and empowering under-served communities; promoting diversity in our field.

Current Diversity and Community Engagement Residents



Natalia Rodriguez, MD
Resident
First Year



Travis Benson, MD
Resident
Second Year



Britney Wilson, MD
Resident
Second Year



Ngan Do, MD
Resident
Third Year



Jasmine Harris, MD
Resident
Third Year

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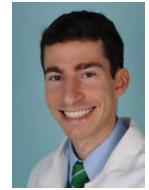
Current HLQ Residents



Alexis Holmes, MD



Oyinade Aderibigbe, MD
Faculty
Northwestern Univ. Feinberg
School of Medicine



John Barbieri, MD, M.B.A.
Assistant Professor
Harvard Medical School

Global Health Track

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Penn SOM Center for Global Health: <http://www.med.upenn.edu/globalhealth/>

Penn Global Health Equities Track: http://www.uphs.upenn.edu/internal-medicine-residency/our_program/tracks_global_health.html

AAD Resident International Grant: <https://www.aad.org/members/volunteer/resident-international-grant>

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Second Year

Devon McMahon, MD
Resident
Third Year

Savannah Alvarado, MD
Resident
Fourth Year



Claire Hannah, MD
Faculty
Perelman School of
Medicine at Univ. of Penn



Neha Jariwala, MD
Faculty
Perelman School of
Medicine at Univ. of Penn



Elizabeth Heller, MD
Faculty
UC Davis



Amy Forrestel, MD
Assistant Professor
Perelman School of Medicine
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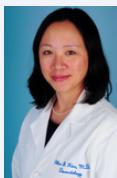
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George Cotsarelis, MD
Chair
Hair and Scalp Disorders



Elizabeth Grice, PhD
Vice Chair, Basic Science Research
Skin Microbiome



Ellen Kim, MD
Vice Chair, Clinical Operations
Cutaneous T-Cell Lymphoma, Graft-vs-Host Disease, Photopheresis Services



David Margolis, MD, PhD
Vice Chair, Faculty Affairs
Dermatopharmacoepidemiology



Misha Rosenbach, MD
Vice Chair, Education
Granulomatous Diseases, Neutrophilic Diseases, and Drug Reactions



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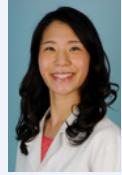
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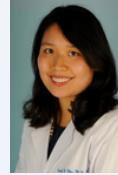
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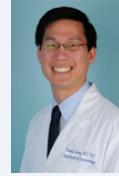
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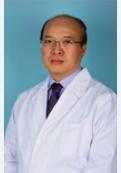
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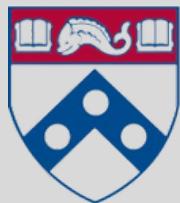


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