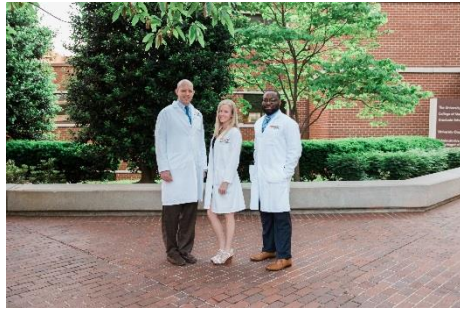


Cardiology Fellowship Newsletter 2018

Congratulations on 100% Board Pass Rate!

Drs. Scott Cook,
Kayleigh Litton
and Kevin
Oguayo!



From the Cardiology Program Director...

Greetings from Knoxville!
Our beloved program continues to grow by leaps and bounds. We have added more and more clinical faculty, now up to twenty teaching physicians and ten clinical nurse practitioners. Our first dedicated heart failure specialist, **Dr. Muddassir Mehmood**, started teaching and seeing patients this past April, and the new dean of the UT Graduate School of Medicine -- **Dr. Paul Hauptman** -- is another heart failure specialist who has been providing monthly didactics to the fellows and livening the discussions at Journal Club. This January, we will add a weekly fellows clinic experience in adult congenital heart disease with **Dr. Jeff Jennings**, a pediatric cardiologist from East Tennessee Children's Hospital. We are in the third year of offering our interventional fellowship, and our newest upcoming graduate, **Dr. Kayleigh Litton**, will be joining our faculty upon completion of her training in July 2019.

At last count, a full third of our graduates are practicing cardiovascular medicine in East Tennessee, and a quarter have joined our faculty. We remain grateful for your efforts in caring for heart patients and carrying forward the reputation of our institution with such success and renown. We would love to hear from you -- please email us or stop by the office or the cath lab if you are in town!

-Dr. Rogers

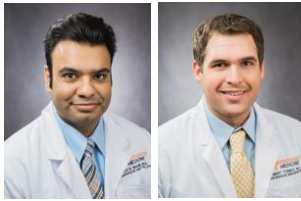
Research:

The fellows have been busy this year with publications and poster presentations! Dr. Holbert was able to present her research at the American Society of Echocardiography 2018 (Nashville) this year. She had a heart failure review published in conjunction with Dr. Mehmood, our new advanced heart failure specialist. Dr. Wehber presented a poster at Heart Failure Society of America 2018 (Nashville) on Limited Echocardiography. Dr. Wehber also had a book chapter published with Dr. Mahlow on Coronary Artery Aneurysms and Fistulas. Dr. Tonks had several publications including case reports on a Traumatic Ventricular Septal Defect, Congenitally Absent Left Circumflex Artery, and an Asymptomatic Occluded Left Main Coronary Artery. He also had a publication for his original research project on the Convergent Procedure with Dr. Mahlow.



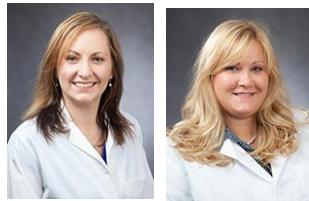
Drs. Holbert, Wehber and Black had the opportunity to attend and present at the Tennessee American College of Cardiology Meeting in Nashville, TN in November! Dr. Holbert took 3rd place in the poster competition!

Class of 2019!



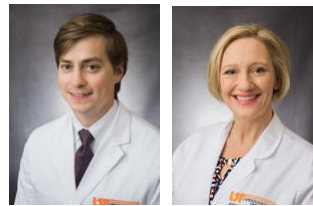
Dr. Sharma completed residency at The Jewish Hospital Cincinnati and Dr. Tonks from New Hanover Regional in Wilmington

Class of 2020!



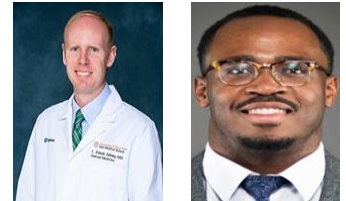
Drs. Holbert and Wehber both completed residency at UTMCK

Class of 2021!



Dr. Black completed residency at Brookwood Baptist Health and Dr. Johnson from Virginia Commonwealth University

Welcome Class of 2022!



Dr. Abney will be joining us from UT-Austin and Dr. Isang attended residency at UTMCK

Interventional Cardiology Fellowship News



Drs. Kevin Oguayo and Chris Scott



Class of 2019!
Dr. Kayleigh Litton



Class of 2020!
Dr. Robert Tonks

From the Interventional Cardiology Program Director...

We are very excited about our Interventional Cardiology Fellowship program that began July `2016. I am now serving as the Program Director after the retirement of Dr. Wortham and Dr. Chris Scott where each served one year as Program Director. The program has two fellows successfully completing the program are Neelima Katukuri, MD and Kevin Oguayo, MD. Dr. Kayleigh Litton is our current interventional cardiology fellow and Dr. Robert Tonks will begin his interventional fellowship as of July `2019. In January, we will begin interviewing for July `2020, so please spread the word about the program and interested applicants can apply through ERAS.

Dr. Overly



Thank You For Your Support

Together with our Development Office, we are in the early stages of raising funds for this important endowment the **“Dale C. Wortham MD Endowed Fellowship for Cardiovascular Disease”** and currently have commitments totaling over \$300,000 toward our \$500,000 goal which will ensure future funding for the cardiology programs. If you are open to learning more about this fundraising initiative, you may reach Erica Arem, Senior Major Gifts Officer, at (865) 305-6526. If you would like to support this endowment by mailing a check, please make it out to **“UT Medical Center”** and mail to Department of Medicine, Cardiology Fellowship Program, 1924 Alcoa Highway, Box U114, Knoxville, TN 37920. **We greatly appreciate your consideration.**