



## Mount Sinai

### *The Tisch Cancer Institute*

#### First Year Hematology/Oncology Fellow Profiles- July 2019



##### **Shana (Lexie) Berwick, MD**

Dr. Berwick completed her undergraduate studies at Yale, graduating *cum laude* with BS/MS degrees in Biochemistry & Biophysics. Lexie excelled in her medical studies at Harvard Medical School and was selected for the Alexandra J. Miliotis Fellowship in Pediatric Oncology and for the Harvard Medical School Scholars in Medicine Summer Research Grant. Dr. Berwick then matched at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center for internal medicine residency, completing her training in June 2019. Lexie's residency research has focused on immunotherapy in solid tumors, both in the lab and clinical arenas. Dr. Berwick's current goal is to become a solid tumor oncologist with a focus on translational & clinical research; she also plans to incorporate medical education leadership into her future career.



##### **Virginia Corbett, MD**

Dr. Corbett graduated with a BA in Biology and Human Rights from The University of Chicago and then matriculated at the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, excelling in her studies and selected for the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society and the Gold Humanism Society. During medical school, Dr. Corbett was selected as a student scholar in the Health Disparities Summer Program at the Michigan Institute for Clinical and Health Research. Virginia completed her internal medicine residency at New York Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical College and was selected to serve as Chief Resident at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, completing her tenure in June 2019.

Throughout her residency, Dr. Corbett has pursued clinical research in gastrointestinal neuroendocrine carcinoma with primary mentor Diane Reidy-Lagunes MD. Dr. Corbett's goals include a career in academic medical oncology and clinical research.



##### **Teja Ganta, MD**

Dr. Ganta completed his undergraduate education at Boston College, graduating *cum laude* and earning a BS in Biochemistry and Faith, Peace & Justice. Teja then studied medicine at Rutgers New Jersey Medical School and completed his internal medicine residency at Boston University Medical Center. Throughout his residency, Dr. Ganta has developed a strong interest in quality improvement as well as in big data research and informatics, focusing on skill development in R programming language and presenting his work at several national conferences. In addition, Dr. Ganta

has pursued advanced training and coursework through the Institute for Healthcare Improvement Open School. Teja's current career interests include clinical outcomes research and informatics with a focus on solid tumors.



### Alaina Kessler, MD

Dr. Kessler completed her undergraduate studies at Brandeis University, earning a BS in Biology/Health: Science, Society & Policy. Alaina completed her medical studies at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, earning dual MD MPH degrees. Dr. Kessler matched at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai for internal medicine residency training, which she completed in June 2018. As a resident, Alaina was selected for and completed the Healthcare Leadership Track, which has supported the development of her research interest in quality improvement. Dr. Kessler has pursued projects focusing on standardizing documentation and patient communication as well as studying the outcomes of hospitalized

oncology patients with primary mentor Cardinale Smith MD, PhD. Dr. Kessler plans to pursue an academic career in hematologic malignancies and quality improvement research. Guido Lancman, MD



### Guido Lancman, MD

Dr. Lancman completed his undergraduate studies at Brown University, earning a BA in Hispanic Literature & Culture and Economics. Guido then studied medicine at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai and chose to remain at Mount Sinai for residency training. Dr. Lancman's scholarly interests during residency have included clinical research in hematologic malignancies with mentors Drs. John Mascarenhas and Amir Steinberg, including multiple first author publications. After completing his residency in June 2018, Guido has

spent the year at the University College London pursuing a master's degree in Clinical Trials. Dr. Lancman's current career goals include academic clinical research in multiple myeloma.



### Santiago Thibaud, MD

Dr. Thibaud completed his undergraduate and medical studies at the Instituto Universitario CEMIC Escuela de Medicina in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where Santiago was the valedictorian of his class. After completing an internship in Pathology in Buenos Aires, Dr. Thibaud moved to the United States and matched into the Montefiore Medical Center internal medicine residency program. Santiago excelled in his residency training and was selected as Chief Resident for 2018-2019. During residency, Dr. Thibaud has pursued his academic interest in hematologic malignancies, working with primary mentor Amit Verma MD in studies focused on MDS, including disease-related outcomes in MDS/AML patients with hepatitis C

infection as well as analyzing the effects of obesity and metabolic syndrome in MOS. Dr. Thibaud is committed to an academic career in hematologic malignancies, focused on clinical research in multiple myeloma.



### Qian Wang, MD

Dr. Wang completed her undergraduate and medical education at Lanzhou University Faculty of Medicine in China and an MPH in Environmental Health Sciences and Public Health at Yale University. Qian then matched for internal medicine at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai St. Luke's & West residency program, which she completed in June 2019. Dr. Wang has been a prolific researcher throughout residency, focusing on SEER database projects in CML, lung cancer and Hodgkin Lymphoma. Qian was successful in presenting her research at national conferences, including an oral presentation at ASH for her SEER Hodgkin research and earning ASCO Merit and ASH Achievement Awards. Dr. Wang's current career interests include epidemiology and outcomes research in lung cancer.