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Publications



**Teri Mauch, MD, PhD, Matt VanOrmer, PhD,
Melissa Thoene, RD, PhD, Ann Anderson Berry,
MD, PhD**

"Relationship between Maternal Plasma Retinol and
Provitamin A Carotenoids with Fetal and Infant
Kidney Development: A Comprehensive Analysis"
Journal of Renal Nutrition



Arwa Nasir, MBBS, MS, MPH

Dr. Nasir had some of her comments published in
an article by CNN.

**A father's poor mental health may harm his
children's development, study finds**



Allison Ashford, MD, Nathan Gollehon, MD, MHPTT

published in the Journal of GME... featured in the illustrious "Educational
Innovation" slot for the month of August. The article reports data from the
institution's Health Educators and Academic Leaders (HEAL) program , which
was launched at UNMC in 2021 to provide formal training and community to
aspiring clinician educators (CEs) as they transition into academic roles. The
study is linked [here](#)

Publications

**Sarah Swenson, MD, DPhil**

Dr. Swenson co-authored an AAP resolution that was passed at the 2025 Leadership Conference. Interim Endorsement of Depression Screening in Non-Birthing Parents of Hospitalized Neonatal-Intensive Care Unit (NICU) Infants.

**Tara Nordgren, PhD**

had two papers accepted for publication this summer.

[Spectral Immune Profiling Reveals Modulations in Immune Cell Response to Repetitive Inhaled Organic Dust Exposure in a High Omega-3 Fatty Acid Mouse Model. *Lipids Health Dis*](#)
[Respiratory Exposure to Agriculture Dust Extract Alters Gut Commensal Species and Key Metabolites in Mice. *J Appl Toxicol*](#)

Faculty Achievements



Eleanor Gradidge, MD

Dr. Gradidge has been elected to the Society of Critical Care Medicine, Midwest Chapter of Research Committee and Member-at-Large positions.



Sidharth Mahapatra, MD, PhD

Dr. Mahapatra was invited to speak at the Team Jack fundraiser event "An Evening with Henry Winkler, the Fonz" on August 7th.



Ann Anderson Berry, MD, PhD

Dr. Anderson Berry was selected to serve on the Advocacy Committee for the Society for Pediatric Research. She was also a panelist at a recent talk on Maternal Health in Omaha.

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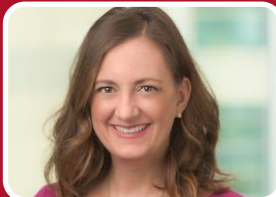
Heather Thomas, MD, Russell Hopp, DO, FAAP, FAAAAI

Dr. Thomas and Dr. Hopp sponsored a SURP student who presented data on Bronchoalveolar lavage in Childrens from 2000 to 2004 at Children's at the research symposium at UNMC



Aleisha Nabower, MD

Dr. Nabower was featured in a [UNMC Today article](#) recently about the UNMC College of Medicine Academic Preparedness Program.



Andrea Green Hines, MD

Dr. Green Hines was recently featured on the [Pediatric Infectious Disease Society Member Spotlight](#).

Grants/Research



Ashley Deschamp, MD
received a grant of \$113,697 from
the Societies for Pediatric Urology to
study for the Therapeutics
Development Center Award.

Jason Cole, MD
received funding for a trial to
evaluate the efficacy and safety of
Aficamten in a pediatric population
with symptomatic obstructive
hypertrophic cardiomyopathy.



PCRG Symposium



Congratulations on the success of the recent Pediatric Cancer Research Group Symposium!

Pictured are Chanda Chacón, Senator Danielle Conrad, Dr. Jeffrey Gold, and Dr. Donald Coulter.

Special thank you to Jaclyn Ostronic and Analisa Peyton for the flawless execution.



Pediatric Cancer
Research Symposium



New Faculty

Emergency Medicine

- Zachary Panzer, DO

Neurology

- Daniel Kashima, MD
- Samantha Parkhurst, MD

Critical Care

- Oriana Wright, MD
- Daniel Hames, MD

Cardiology

- Qais Alloah, MD
- Abraham Zabih, DO
- Kristina Rauser-Foltz, MD

Newborn Medicine

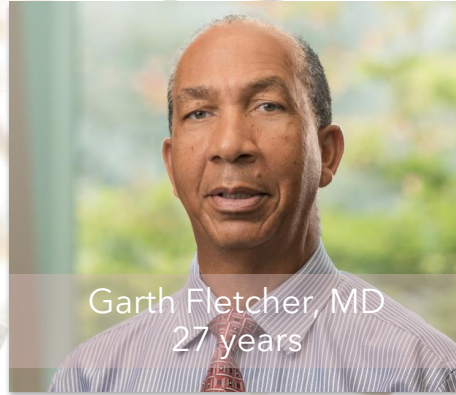
- Shafeeqe Kunhiabduallah, MBBS

Nephrology

- Morgan Beebe, MD



Faculty Anniversaries



Teri Mauch, MD, PhD



Dr. Mauch was recently granted Emeritus Status!

M4 educational shoutouts:

Tina Scott Mordhorst, MD

Dr. Scott is a wonderful teacher! She has such a wide variety of patients to see, and never turns patients down when they call and need an appointment. Not only do I respect her even more for always being there for her patients, but this also allows students to see so much when they work with her.

Christian Oarhe, MBBS

I had a fantastic time on my rotation with Dr. Oarhe! I felt I was a respected and valued member of my patient's care team. I got lots of practice calling consults, nurses, and overall coordinating care in addition to practicing medical knowledge and procedures.

Lynn Fullenkamp, MD

Dr. Fullenkamp was wonderful to work with! I loved being able to learn from the way that she interacts with patients and their families - she easily made everyone feel comfortable and heard during each patient interaction while still prioritizing the health and safety of children.

Alvaro Flores, MD

Dr. Flores was an exceptional educator and mentor during my Pediatrics wards rotation, particularly in his role as a Pediatric GI specialist. He consistently went above and beyond to teach not just the "what" but the "why" behind clinical decisions, helping me deepen my understanding of both common and complex GI conditions.

UNMC Student Comments

Katherine MacKrell, MD

Dr. MacKrell found time to discuss teaching topics for the week which was helpful to have an idea of what we'd be learning about in case we had questions. She was also very kind and made an extra effort to introduce herself and get to know students early in the week.

Nathaniel Goodrich, MD

Dr. Goodrich's combination of charisma, non-judgmental education, and genuine compassion helped me gain confidence in presenting and taught me so much about how to interact with the very sick and their families

Jay Snow, MD

Dr. Snow encouraged me and other students to give presentations on topics he knew would be critically important for our education. He also provided real-time feedback on our presentations during rounds and was always looking for ways to teach us and have us demonstrate our clinical reasoning.

Critical Care

Elizabeth Bleed, MD, MA

"Dr Bleed took time from her busy PICU day to the question if the patient needed PICU care. Dr Bleed took time from her day and helped us to avoid a difficult situation. She is an great come over and answer clinician and excellent colleague and partner in complicated patient care."

Sidharth Mahapatra, MD, Andrew Pulfer, MD

"Appreciation to Drs. Mahapatra and Pulfer on helping us out with an IJ line in a patient that we would have had to call surgery for. Dr. Mahapatra and Pulfer truly showed a spirit of collaboration, patient centered care and education. Huge thanks to them!!"

Neurology

Spriha Pavuluri, MD

keep up the good work with our children!

Sooky Koh, MD, PhD

My daughter loves Dr. Koh. She always puts us at ease and reassures us. She's the best!



Adolescent Medicine

Carolyn Curry, MD

"Dr. Curry was patient and knowledgeable. My daughter and I felt like this was the first time someone truly listened to our concerns and took action to address them. We feel cared for and trust that Dr. Curry will always put my daughters health and wellness first. Thanks Dr. Curry and team!"

General Pediatrics

Helen Grace, DO

"This clinic is amazing. What makes it amazing is the nurses and the doctors. They go above and beyond, and really take their time listening to you. You can really tell they care about their patients. Hands down best pediatric office in Omaha."



Cardiology

Jill Shivapour, MD

Dr. Shivapour was excellent at talking to both my daughter, and I, and very helpful. That was wonderful.

Thomas Becker, MD

Dr. Becker was really good with my daughter and the nurses there at Children's Nebraska were awesome. And they explained everything really well, which made me feel very at ease.

Jeffrey Robinson, MD

"Dr. Robinson is the best. Not only is he an excellent physician and provides exceptional care. He remembers things about my son and asks questions which show he truly cares about him."

Thomas Blount, MD

The cardiologist we saw was amazing. He took his time and explained what is a complex situation very well. I appreciated his patience and time and we felt really good when we left the office.



Emergency Medicine

Adeeb Adam, MD

"We received wonderful care from the nurses and the doctor."

"My providers were amazing and very respectful and kind to my son."

Nephrology

Helen Lovell, MD

"Everyone from the check in, to the phlebotomist, to nursing, to the doctor were excellent and kind"

Teri Mauch, MD, PhD

"I'm good with the respect that we are getting from the doctors, nurses, and everyone else there at Children's"



Sports Medicine

Kody Moffatt, MD

"Dr. Moffatt was an amazing doctor. He was super helpful and listened to us. We are so thankful for him."

"Dr Moffat is simply the Best there is. He is thorough and ALWAYS takes the time to listen completely and explains the process along the way. I always recommend him for any sports medicine issues my friends and their athletes may have."





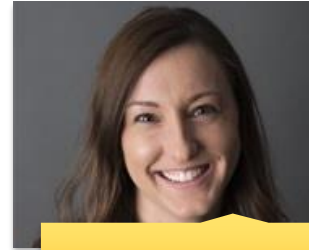
5-Star Google Reviews



Evin Lackore, MD



Hana Niebur, MD



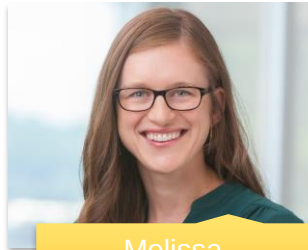
Megan Cole, MD



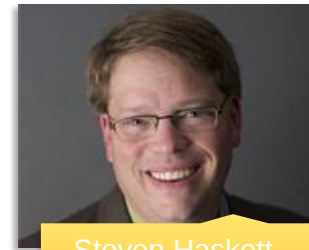
Monina Cabrera,
MD



Kody Moffatt, MD



Melissa
Acquazzino, MD



Steven Haskett,
MD



Prasanna Kumar
Gangishetti, MBBS

Celebrate Our Successes!!

Send copies of awards, certificates, publications, grants, recognitions, honors, etc. (along with photographs) to Steph Montgomery.