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# Department of DERMATOLOGY

*Alumni News 2023*

## From the Chair

Dear Alums and Friends,

As 2023 draws to a close, our MCG Dermatology Program remains thankful for you and your ongoing support! I hope you are as proud of our thriving training program as I am. It remains an incredible honor to train such dedicated and talented future dermatologists. Our one-of-a-kind learning environment at MCG is made possible by your generous donations.

This year we are especially grateful to our own Sanders and Dana Callaway who have paid forward their thankfulness for MCG by endowing our first Chair of Dermatology. A personal gift at this level is truly remarkable and truly impactful. Endowed chairs promote educational and training efforts and spark faculty recruitment while increasing institutional national recognition. It is an incredible honor that the University System of Georgia, with the support of the Callaways and Dean David Hess, has granted me the privilege of holding this Chair.

As you page through this newsletter, I hope that you will be impressed by how our residents, students and faculty are dedicating their time and talent to our larger community while also pursuing scholarly activities. Of course, excellence in patient care is at the heart of what we do best, and our graduates are exceedingly well-prepared for what lies ahead.



Loretta Davis, MD

We remain thankful for the administrative staff that fosters this amazing training environment. This year, our Residency Program Coordinator, Jennifer Foskey, received the outstanding GME residency coordinator of the year award. Then, with grateful hearts, we celebrated Jenn's promotion to the MCG Academic Affairs office. In addition, after 40 years of service, our clinic manager, Teresa Stovall, officially retired to enjoy life beyond MCG. Many thanks to Jenn and Teresa for over 50 years of combined dedication to our team!

May your Holidays be blessed and may you rest well knowing that all is incredibly well here at 1004 Chafee Avenue!

Loretta Davis

## Loretta Davis, MD named Dr. Sanders and Dana Callaway Endowed Chair

Sanders Callaway, MD, a Statesboro, Georgia native who completed his dermatology residency here in 2001 and set up a successful practice in Evans, Georgia was looking for a way to give back to the department that he says gave him a great life and career. In 2019, with the support of a transformative gift from Dr. Callaway the department's first endowed chair was born. This gift has matured, and at the August USG Board of Regents meeting, Loretta Davis, MD was rightly approved as the inaugural Dr. Sanders and Dana Callaway Endowed Chair in Dermatology. Thank you, Dr. Callaway for your generosity and Dr. Davis for your commitment. MCG and the Department of Dermatology look forward to celebrating this achievement in early 2024.



Sanders Callaway, MD

# 2023 MATCH Our New Residents

## Renee Copeland

My path to dermatology was not without trials, but I am so grateful to be able to begin my career in dermatology here at MCG. In undergrad, I was uncertain about a career in medicine. I dedicated my time to increasing the retention of underrepresented students in engineering and researching transdermal drug delivery with Mark Prausnitz, MD. When given the opportunity to teach someone about my project, I loved sharing how the skin could serve as a vehicle to deliver drugs to treat skin disorders and chronic conditions. Thanks to my research mentor, she helped me realize my desire for patient care and pushed me to consider dermatology.



Throughout medical school at MCG, I remained committed to promoting diversity within medicine through my time with the Student National Medical Association. During clerkships, I explored each of my rotation specialties, aiming to decide on one that allowed me to continue to serve and represent underrepresented populations. I ultimately decided on dermatology, the field that brought me to medicine, as I saw the unmet needs in skin of color patients and the opportunity to improve care for underserved populations.

I am appreciative to the MCG Dermatology faculty, staff, and residents who provided me with resources and opportunities to further my knowledge. I am excited to pay it forward, mentoring the next generations of dermatologists, and working to create a more diverse community within dermatology.

I am thankful for the patient population we treat at MCG, and I'm looking forward to all that I will learn from patients and my colleagues. I am counting down the days to when I join the MCG Dermatology family next year!

## Sally Jung

I am beyond excited to continue my medical training in dermatology at MCG. I knew I wanted to pursue dermatology when I began working as a medical assistant for a dermatologist as an undergrad. Not only was I fascinated with the wide range of pathology, treatments, and procedures, but I found the patient interactions incredibly rewarding. There is something unique and shared between dermatology patients and physicians in that you can physically see medicine at work together!



My interest in dermatology continued to grow as a medical student. I quickly learned that the skin is important and relevant in all aspects of medicine, particularly public health. Through my work in free clinics, I learned that vulnerable populations are at high risk for skin diseases and greater access to care is necessary. This motivated me to continue my journey in dermatology by serving as co-president of the MCG dermatology interest group and leading support groups for HS patients in Atlanta. I engaged in research opportunities to contribute to science. I would not have been able to participate in these amazing opportunities without the guidance of the amazing MCG dermatology residents and faculty attendings. I know first-hand how invested the program is in their medical and Augusta communities, and I am excited to return and experience it as a resident. I know I am in good hands and I will receive excellent training. It is truly a privilege to be a part of the MCG dermatology family, and I cannot wait!

## Hana Nazir

My interest in dermatology stems from my experience in high school caring for my bedridden grandmother, who battled ALS. Inspired by the thorough skin checks required for her care, I became interested while studying at Dartmouth.



I returned to Georgia to pursue my medical degree at MCG and had the privilege of learning from Dermatology's dedicated, welcoming, and passionate faculty and residents, starting from my M2 year as co-president of the Dermatology Interest Group. I recognized the breadth and depth of dermatology, whether that involved screening for skin cancers, assessing cutaneous manifestations, or performing Mohs surgery. Under the guidance of Kathryn Potter, MD and Matthew Belcher, MD, I conducted a retrospective review of Mohs surgery logs which resulted in an abstract and presentation at the SEC conference. Loretta Davis, MD provided invaluable guidance on the publication and presentation of a variety of case reports. During my M4 year, I presented at the Georgia Cancer Center TeleDermatology conference, which aligned with my goal to serve my community by focusing on the prevention, identification, and treatment of cutaneous diseases, especially for populations affected by health care disparities.

As I observed first-hand the department's excellent culture, training, and genuine commitment to serving, the decision to rank MCG Dermatology as my top choice was a simple one. I am grateful and excited to be returning to MCG next year!

## Congratulations to MCG Students Matched Elsewhere

Liz Aitkens, LSU SOM-New Orleans-LA

Giuseppe Tripodi, Tulane University, New Orleans LA

Austin Moon, New York Medical Center-Metropolitan Hospital, New York, NY

## Sunscreen Dispensers on Campus

Augusta University is the first college or university in the University System of Georgia to have sunscreen dispensers installed on campus. The hands-free, battery-operated sunscreen dispensers make sunscreen applications easy. Through a grant awarded to the Augusta University's Well-Being Committee, the University System of Georgia's Board of Regents is investing in the health of AU employees and students.



Loretta Davis, MD spoke at the launch

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT



### Costa Layman Health Fair

The Department of Dermatology and the Georgia Cancer Center worked together to provide skin care to 120 patients. Chief Resident, Lauren Prusinski Fernung, MD personally triaged each of these 120 patients with much assistance from fantastic medical students: Kathleen Hill, Nicole Micklus and Sara Attari.

### Centro Medico Free Clinic

The first free dermatology clinic was held at Centro Medico on Monday, October 2, 2023. Residents Silas Money, MD (left) and Davis Diamond, MD (right) participated along with faculty member Kathryn Anne Potter, MD (center). The department plans to staff this free clinic 6 times per year.



### CeraVe Sun Hero Program

Under the leadership and guidance of our residents, MCG students interested in dermatology presented the CeraVe Sun Heroes program to 75 elementary age students at The Augusta Boys and Girls Club, over 300 students at CT Walker Magnet School in Augusta and also to the non-profit Augusta Partnership for Children. The students all received a backpack filled with sunscreen, sunglasses and other fun items courtesy of CeraVe, while learning about skin and the importance of sun protection.





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## 2023 Presentations

- Southeastern Consortium for Dermatology Poster Presentations**
  - Patel, D., Byrne, J., Davis, L. Is Normal Actually Normal?
  - Hetzel J, Money S, Waller J, Davis L. Incidence of scabies and risk of mortality in the U.S. dialysis population: a retrospective cohort study.
  - Maloney M, Money S, Powell M, Belcher M. An uncommon cause of cutaneous necrosis: metastatic melanoma with exclusively cutaneous metastases mimicking a primary vascular process.
  - Cross CJ, Kemple KB, Davis LS. Prodromal mononeuritis multiplex in a case of eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis.
  - Micklus N., Newsome M., Johnson A., A Case of Hailey-Hailey Disease Improved with Dupilumab
  - Su, J, Hand, C, Powell M, Davis, L. Necrotic Ulcers in a premature neonate.
  - Hill, K, Blanchard, K, Davis, L. Exploring two cases of Chest Erythema in patients receiving Testosterone Replacement Therapy.
  - Smaha, K, Madray, V, Davis, L. Graham Little-Piccardi-Lassueur Syndrome (GLPLS) with Unique Distribution in a Man with Autoimmune Disease.
  - Agrawal, R, Bateganya, L, Jackson-Cowan, L, Potter, K, Treatment Modalities for Cesarean Section Scars.
- American Academy of Dermatology Meeting Oral Presentations**
  - Kathryn Anne Potter, MD led a session on Facial Anatomy. She spoke on anatomy of the nose and ears. Second year residents, Lauren Prusinski Fernung MD and Davis Diamond MD covered the anatomy of the temples and cheeks, respectively. Recent dermatology alum, Dr. Steven Kent, covered anatomy of the neck. The entire seminar featured MCG speakers.
  - Maloney M, Miranda-Galvis M, Santellano Juarez B, Mamouni K, Odhiambo L, Ibrahim S, Islam KM, Markowitz R, Desai K, Rabinovitz H, Buchanan K, Patten D, Davis L, Cortes J. Overcoming Barriers to Specialty Care in Rural Georgia through Teledermatology. Oral poster presentation by third year medical student, McKenzie Maloney
  - Ward JM, Copeland R, Hand CS. Fungating breast mass in a male patient. Gross and Microscopic Symposium.
  - Diamond DC, Hetzel J, Davis LS, Powell MR. An Unusual Porokeratotic Eruption in Skin of Color. Gross and Microscopic Symposium.

- Georgia Society of Dermatology & Dermatologic Surgeons Meeting Resident Oral Presentations**
  - Victoria Madray, MD, Loretta Davis, MD: "Diet, does it really matter?"
  - Maggie Newsome, MD, Loretta Davis, MD: "A Case of Dyschromia...When Minocycline isn't the Culprit"
  - Silas Money, MD, Adeline Johnson MD: "Correlation is Key"

### American College of Mohs Surgery Meeting

- Kathryn Anne Potter, MD was on the faculty of the Fellows in Training Cutaneous Flap Workshop, teaching the nasalis sling island pedicle flap and then participating in the hands-on session following.

### American Dermoscopy Meeting

- Kendall Buchanan, MD presented "A Systematic Review of Diagnoses with Rosettes under Dermoscopy" winning first place.

### Photodermatology Society Meeting

- Gaurav A, Money S, Davis L. Window tinting regulations and medical exemptions in the United States: implications for patients and providers.



**Welcome, Babies!**

**James Dean Belcher 3/18/23**  
to Matthew Belcher, MD

**Bennett Davis Diamond 5/22/23**  
to Davis Diamond, MD

**Sage Tindal Rainwater 7/8/23**  
to Victoria Madray, MD

**Lily Rae Potter 6/12/2023**  
to Kathryn Anne Potter, MD





### Out with the Old & In with the New

It is with mixed emotions that we say farewell to the "Octopus," the 14 head microscope that many of you huddled over in your efforts to master dermatopathology! This instrument has served us well over the past 30+ years but has health issues that cannot be rectified. We are thrilled that your ongoing monetary donations have made it possible for us to purchase a state-of-the-art replacement. Our new multi-headed microscope sits boxed up in the library awaiting our new microscope table. Please know that we are putting your generous donations to good use!!