



Leadership Development Program: Education Scholars

Participant Bios

2025-26 ASCO LDP: Education Scholars Participants



Naba Ali, MD | *Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University*

Dr. Naba Ali is an Assistant Professor in Radiation Oncology at Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University, specializing in gastrointestinal and gynecologic cancers. Dr. Ali earned her MD from the University of Rochester and completed her residency training at Emory University, where she served as chief resident. Dr. Ali's scholarly pursuits are focused on clinical research, medical education and delivering high quality care in resource limited environments, both domestically and internationally. She has a particular interest in increasing oncology involvement in medical schools and improving residency training through evidence-based educational methods. She proudly pursues these passions as the medical student clerkship co-director, undergraduate medical education departmental liaison, and member of the School of Medicine's curriculum subcommittee.



Nicholas Giustini, MD | *University of Washington / Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center*

Dr. Nicholas Giustini is an Assistant Professor of Medicine in the division of Hematology and Oncology at the University of Washington with a specialization in thoracic oncology and a research interest in ameliorating disparities in cancer care. He completed medical school at the Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California, his internal medicine residency at the University of California Los Angeles, and his fellowship training at the University of California San Diego. Dr. Giustini serves as a core faculty for the internal medicine residency working to improve the didactic curriculum, as the rotation director for the consult rotation at Harborview Medical Center, and on the ASCO-SEP Item Writing Task Force for thoracic oncology. His passion is medical education, specifically working to make interactive and innovative curricula. He enjoys spending time with his wife, two daughters, and dog.



Olga Kantor, MD, MS | *Brigham and Women's Hospital*

Dr. Olga Kantor is an academic breast surgical oncologist at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Dana-Farber Brigham Cancer Center. She is the Site Director for the Breast Surgical Oncology Fellowship Program. Dr. Kantor received her medical degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago and a master's degree in Public Health Sciences at the University of Chicago. She completed a surgical residency at the University of Chicago and a fellowship in breast surgical oncology at Massachusetts General Hospital/BWH/Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Dr. Kantor's research interests are focused on locoregional disparities in breast cancer outcomes and tailoring surgical treatment for patients with breast cancer. She has a special interest in surgical education with a focus on professional development directed content.



Rajiv Magge, MD | *Weill Cornell Medicine/NYP*

Dr. Rajiv Magge is an Associate Professor of Clinical Neurology at Weill Cornell Medicine, specializing in neuro-oncology as part of the Weill Cornell Brain Tumor Center. He completed a residency in Neurology at Massachusetts General Hospital/Brigham & Women's Hospital/Harvard Medical School, and a fellowship in Neuro-Oncology at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. He serves as principal investigator or co-investigator of several clinical trials and has published extensively regarding primary brain tumors such as glioblastoma and meningiomas, neurotoxicity of chemotherapies, and tumor imaging. Dr. Magge also plays significant roles in medical student and trainee education, serving as the Neurology Clerkship Director for the medical school as well as Associate Program Director of the NYP Neuro-Oncology Fellowship. Nationally, he serves as Co-Chair of the AAN Neuro-Oncology Education Working Group and as a member of the Editorial Board for ASCO-SEP. He is a Founding Medical Content Contributor for Roon, an online medical education resource for patients and their caregivers.



Courtney N. Miller-Chism, MD | *Baylor College of Medicine*

Courtney N. Miller-Chism, MD is an associate professor in the Section of Hematology/Oncology at Baylor College of Medical (BCM). She attended Texas Tech University School of Medicine and completed her internal medicine residency and hematology/oncology fellowship training at Baylor College of Medicine. She attends on both hematology and oncology inpatient services and ambulatory clinic in the Harris Health System, a safety-net hospital system that largely serves the underserved patients in Harris County. After serving as Associate Program Director for 2 years, she became the Hematology/Oncology Fellowship Program Director in 2018. She participated in the ASH Medical Educators' Institute in 2017 and Master Teachers Fellowship Program at BCM from 2022-2024 and currently serves on the ASCO Oncology Training Program Committee. She has mentored medical students, residents, and fellows through various local and national mentorship programs, including the ASCO Diversity Mentoring Program and the ASCO Oncology Summer Internship. She is excited to learn from and collaborate with oncologists who share a passion in medical education.



Navya Nair, MD, MPH, FACOG, FACS | *University of Miami*

Dr. Nair is an Associate Professor of Gynecologic Oncology at University of Miami/Sylvester Cancer Center. She completed her medical degree at New York University, Obstetrics and Gynecology residency at Emory University, and Gynecologic Oncology fellowship at Mount Sinai Hospital.

Dr. Nair began her academic career at Louisiana State University, New Orleans, where she became actively involved with clinical trial program development.

In 2024, Dr. Nair took a position at the University of Miami. Her research is focused on advocating for vulnerable patients with gynecologic cancer by identifying disparities they experience and finding solutions to achieve equity. She is the Associate Program Director for the Gynecologic Oncology Fellowship and will become the Program Director in August 2025. She serves as chair of the Society of Gynecologic Oncology's Diversity and Inclusion Committee and is a member of editorial boards of International Journal of Gynecologic Cancer and Gynecologic Oncology Reports.



Soo Park, MD | *UC San Diego*

Soo Park, MD is an Associate Professor of Medicine in the Division of Hematology/Oncology at UC San Diego. She is a medical oncologist who specializes in cutaneous oncology with expertise in non-melanoma skin cancers. As a clinical investigator, she is interested in immune therapy and cancer prevention. Her scholarly work in medical education has been focused on mentorship and empathy. Dr. Park earned her medical degree at Indiana University School of Medicine and completed her residency in Internal Medicine at Washington University in St. Louis. She completed a fellowship in Hematology/Oncology at UC San Diego.



Pinki Prasad, MD, MPH | *Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center / Manning Family Children's*

Dr. Pinki Prasad is a Pediatric Hematologist/Oncologist with a strong focus on survivorship care, education, and leadership development. She serves as Director of Late Effects and Adolescent Young Adult Cancer at Manning Family Children's and leads initiatives to advance survivorship services regionally and nationally. She holds leadership roles within the Children's Oncology Group and the American Society of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, emphasizing professional development, education, and diversity in oncology. Academically, Dr. Prasad is committed to mentoring trainees and fostering a culture of evidence-based, patient-centered care. She serves as the fellowship director of pediatric hematology-oncology. She is passionate about a curriculum in clinical investigation, training in curriculum design, leadership skills, and collaborative learning opportunities with leaders in oncology education. Her volunteer commitments include serving on a peer review committee and national task forces focused on late effects and health equity. She is passionate about developing future oncology leaders and strengthening multidisciplinary approaches to survivorship and supportive care.



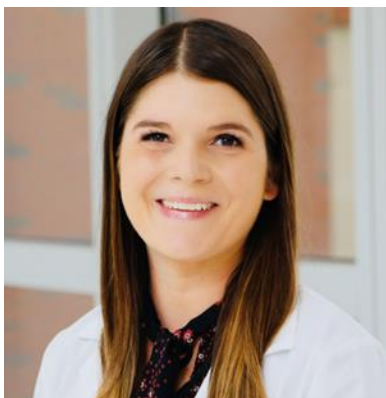
Reshma Ramlal, MBBS, FACP | *Moffitt Cancer Center*

Reshma Ramlal, MBBS, FACP, is an Associate Professor of Oncologic Sciences at the University of South Florida and Associate Member in the Department of Blood and Marrow Transplant and Cellular Immunotherapy at H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center. Clinically, she focuses on allogeneic transplantation for myeloid malignancies. Nationally, Dr. Ramlal serves as Chair-Elect of the ASCO Item Writing Task Force and as the Chair of the ASTCT Education Committee. A graduate of the ASH Medical Educators Institute, she is passionate about innovative, learner-centered education, leading initiatives such as *ASH Blood Wars* (Jeopardy style game held at the Annual Meeting trainee day) and case-based curricula for hematology/oncology and BMT fellows. Her research centers on early post-transplant complications and immune effector cell-associated toxicities and on improving outcomes in older adults undergoing allogeneic transplantation



Christopher Scally, MD, MS | *University of Texas MD Anderson Center*

Christopher Scally is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Surgical Oncology at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center. His clinical practice focuses on the care of patients with soft tissue sarcoma. His academic interests center on surgical education where he works closely with fellows, residents, and medical students. He serves as the Associate Program Director of the Complex General Surgical Oncology fellowship and as Residency Site Director for the Department.



Audrey Sigmund, MD | *The Ohio State University*

Dr. Sigmund is an Assistant Professor in the Hematology division at The Ohio State University, with a clinical focus in Lymphoma. She earned her medical degree from Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine and completed both her Internal Medicine residency and Hematology/Oncology fellowship at The Ohio State University, where she served as Chief Fellow. A dedicated medical educator, Dr. Sigmund holds several leadership roles in education including Personal and Professional Coach for medical students, Hematology Core Liaison for the Internal Medicine residency, and Core Faculty for the Hematology/Oncology fellowship. Nationally, she contributes to the ASCO Medical Education Community of Practice Mentorship Committee, the ASCO SEP Question Writing Taskforce, and the ASH Teaching Cases Working group. She is particularly passionate about optimizing curricular design, advancing trainee and physician wellness, promoting effective mentorship and coaching, and addressing healthcare disparities, especially for women in medicine.



Haydeé Cristina Verduzco-Aguirre, MD, MHPE | *Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Médicas y Nutrición "Salvador Zubirán"*

Dr. Haydeé Verduzco-Aguirre is a medical oncologist at the Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Médicas y Nutrición Salvador Zubirán (National Institute of Medical Sciences and Nutrition Salvador Zubirán) in Mexico City, currently completing a clinical and research fellowship in medical oncology at Queen's University in Ontario, Canada, supported by Common Sense Oncology. She holds a master's degree in Health Professions Education from the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (National Autonomous University of Mexico). Dr. Verduzco-Aguirre developed a nationwide interdisciplinary educational intervention on geriatric oncology, funded by a Conquer Cancer International Innovation Grant. She has served as a peer reviewer for ASCO journals, a grant reviewer for the Young Investigator Award in Geriatric Oncology, a leadership member of ASCO's Global Oncology Community of Practice, and a guideline panelist for ASCO's global geriatric assessment guidelines. She also co-chairs the Education Project Team at Common Sense Oncology. Her academic interests focus on advancing geriatric oncology education and promoting equitable cancer care through educational initiatives in low- and middle-income settings.