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# Dermatology Newsletter

Winter 2023 edition

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# Letter from the Chair

Aimee Smidt, MD, FAAD, FAAP

Dear colleagues, alumni, donors, and friends:

On behalf of UNM Dermatology, I want to again express how very thankful we are for you. Recently, while with my family in Taos, it began to snow at dusk, just as we entered a restaurant for dinner. When we emerged, there was a magical glistening blanket on the adobe and aspen that stopped me in my "tracks" to pause in appreciation and wonder. I reflect on how fortunate I personally am to be leading this Department, in such a uniquely beautiful place, with such an amazingly dedicated and talented group of people, and with the backing of so many of you in our community, geographically near and far.

The Department of Dermatology continues to grow and change. Many of you are aware that **Dr. John Durkin** has recently taken on the role of Program Director; we are excited to see continued excellence in residency training going forward under his leadership. We THANK **Dr. Emily Altman** for 5 years in service as faculty, and her immense impact during that time. We are grateful she has accepted a position as VA Faculty! We welcome new staff **Jonathon Cordova** (IT Support) and **Josephine Titus** (Student Office Assistant). Our residents are all excelling – seniors **Dr. Kate Park** matched for Dermpath fellowship at Pittsburgh and **Dr. Drew Mitchell** will continue his training in Pediatric Dermatology at CHoP. Finally, all of our recent graduates passed their boards!

We maintain highly productive scholarly work, publications, regional/national presentations and growing clinical trials. **Grand Rounds** occurs weekly with fantastic speakers, with much appreciation of your financial support. Our **8th Annual Burgdorf Conference** was a huge success. Free **skin cancer screening events** around the state carry on, supported in large part by the Ryan Daniell Fund – we could use your help to keep this sustainable. Finally, we have been expanding our career pathway and community efforts, in partnership with **AAD/Nth Dimensions/UNM HSC Communities to Careers** and the **UNM HSC Center for Native American Health**, as well as **Power New Mexico, New Mexico United** and **UNM HSC Wellness**, specifically providing free sunscreen and skin cancer awareness education to campus.

We very much need **further expansion**; we continue to work with UNM leadership with a focus on **faculty recruitment, growth of the residency, and a modern clinical/academic facility update**. We ask for your support in these important initiatives!

Wishing you a healthful and joyous holiday season, with meaningful moments of reflection and wonder as well.



Wishing You and Yours a Wonderful Holiday Season

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# Department Updates



**John Durkin**

John Durkin, MD, MBA, FAAD has accepted the role of Program Director for the UNM Department of Dermatology effective as of October 2023. Dr. Durkin was previously the Department's Director of Undergraduate Medical Education and served as the Medical Director for the UNMH Dermatology Clinic. We have great confidence in Dr. Durkin's experience and leadership in preparation for this next step in his professional career!

Emily Altman, MD, FAAD has accepted a position with the Raymond G. Murphy VA Hospital. She will stay on in our Department to continue providing education to residents and medical students in partnership with our VA based clinical faculty. We THANK YOU Dr. Altman for building the residency program and bringing your years of wisdom and kindness to the Department.



**Emily Altman**



**Josephine Titus**

Josephine Titus joined UNM Dermatology as our Student Advanced Office Assistant in July 2023. She provides support in gathering and labeling clinical images, updating the Department website and managing faculty CVs in the Faculty Success System. Josephine is from Nigeria and came to the US in 2021 to begin her schooling in the UNM Nursing Program and will be graduating in 2024. She enjoys singing, cooking and bringing joy to all around her. We are delighted to have Josephine and her beaming smile on our team!

Jonathon Cordova joined the UNM Dermatology Team in July 2023 as our IT Support Technician, dividing his time between our department and the UNM SOM Dental Program. He is from Las Vegas, NM and graduated from New Mexico Highlands University with a degree in film. He enjoys gaming, reading, snowboarding, and being a DJ. Thank you Jonathon, for all of your knowledgeable assistance so far!



**Jonathon Cordova**

# Welcome Class of 2026!



Left to Right: Kimberly Artounian, MD, Le Wen Chiu, MD, Kimberly White, MD

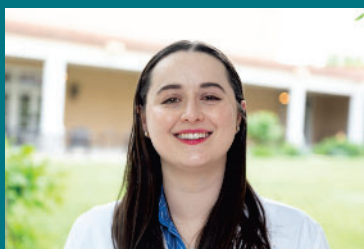
## Congratulations To Our Residents

Our class of '23 are all  
now Board-Certified  
Dermatologists!



Left to Right: Cyrelle Fermin, MD  
Jiasen Wang, MD, Kriti Mishra MD

### We Matched!



Dr. Katherine Park,  
PGY-4 matched for  
Dermatopathology  
Fellowship at University  
of Pittsburgh Medical  
Center



Dr. Drew Mitchell, PGY-4  
matched for Pediatric  
Fellowship at Children's  
Hospital of Pennsylvania

# Faculty Recognition



Chair Aimee Smidt, MD, was inducted into the Class of 2023 of the prestigious American Dermatological Society (ADA) in Washington, DC at their 143rd Annual Meeting. Dr. Smidt was sponsored by her mentor Dr. Moise Levy, MD, FAAD, FAAP (UT Austin) and joined by her new member partner, Dr. Kurt Lu MD, PhD from Northwestern Dermatology. Congratulations, Dr. Smidt, on this tremendous honor.



Dr. Emily Altman was elected of the Association of Professors of Dermatology Board of Directors in November 2023.



Dr. Nikifor Konstantinov was a final nominee for the 2023 Outstanding Inpatient Consultant award, recognized by the members of the UNM Hospital Section of the Division of Hospital Medicine.

## Research Initiatives

Our Department is participating in multiple clinical trials. If you have patients to refer, please contact Gabriel "Gabe" Peters at [GMPeters@salud.unm.edu](mailto:GMPeters@salud.unm.edu) or Kenda Pina at [KPina@salud.unm.edu](mailto:KPina@salud.unm.edu)

### Open/Recruiting Trials:

**1) A Phase 3 Study Investigating the Efficacy, Safety, and Tolerability of Ritlecitinib in Participants with Non Segmental Vitiligo. PI: John Durkin. Research Coordinator: Gabriel Peters.**

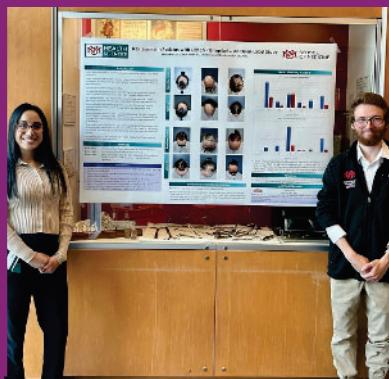
<https://beta.clinicaltrials.gov/study/NCT05583526>

**2) A 2-Part Seamless Part A (Phase 2)/Part B (Phase 3) Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Multicenter Study to Evaluate the Efficacy and Safety of BIIB059 in Participants With Active Subacute Cutaneous Lupus Erythematosus and/or Chronic Cutaneous Lupus Erythematosus With or Without Systemic Manifestations and Refractory and/or Intolerant to Antimalarial Therapy (AMETHYST). PI: Nikifor Konstantinov. Research Coordinator: Gabriel Peters.**

<https://clinicaltrials.gov/study/NCT05531565>

### Congratulations!

Our Department Research Coordinators, Kenda Pina and Gabe Peters presented on their accepted poster on our Lichen Planus Study for the University Research Conference held October 25, 2023 at UNM Domenici Auditorium



Please visit our [website](#) to stay up to date on clinical trials we are participating in!



# Department Publications & Presentations

## Publications:

Waters, M., Dobry, A., Le, S. T., Shinkai, K., Beachkofsky, T. M., Davis, M. D. P., Dominguez, A. R., Kroshinsky, D., Markova, A., Micheletti, R. G., Mostaghimi, A., Pasioka, H. B., Rosenbach, M., Seminario-Vidal, L., Trinidad, J., Albrecht, J., **Altman, E. M.**, Arakaki, R., Arden-Jones, M., Bridges, A. G., ... Kaffenberger, B. H. (2023). Development of a Skin-Directed Scoring System for Stevens-Johnson Syndrome and Epidermal Necrolysis: A Delphi Consensus Exercise. *JAMA dermatology*, 159(7), 772-777. <https://doi.org/10.1001/jamadermatol.2023.1347>

Ordaya, E. E., Ries, D. M., & **Konstantinov, N. K.** (2023). Multifocal lesions of the lungs, skin, bones, and brain. *JAAD case reports*, 40, 132-135. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jdc.2023.08.021>

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Turner, D. N., \***Cortez, J. L.**, Garchar, E. S., **Elwood, H.**, & **Konstantinov, N. K.** (2023). Idiopathic lobular panniculitis of pregnancy with resolution following delivery. *JAAD case reports*, 40, 126-128. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jdc.2023.08.031>

\*\*\***Lin, J. Y.**, \*\***Wang, J.**, \*\***Mishra, K.**, \*\*\***Osmani, S.**, Rumsey, K., Singh, P. P., & Barbosa, N. S. (2023). Non-melanoma skin cancer in solid organ transplant recipients with skin of color. *Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology*, S0190-9622(23)02678-6. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jaad.2023.09.009>

\***Choate, E. A.**, Kang, Y., Vandiver, A. R., & Cheng, K. (2023). *Cryptococcus neoformans* Panniculitis Unmasked: A Paradoxical Reaction to Therapy. *Cutis*, 112(1), E35-E37. <https://doi.org/10.12788/cutis.0827>

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\***Cortez JL**, Stulberg D. Acute diffuse rash on trunk. *MDedge Fam Med.* 2023;72(5). Doi: 10.12788/JFP.0615.

\***Chiu, L**, Stulberg D. Enlarging pink patches after traveling. *J Fam Pract.* 2023 October;72(8). doi: 10.12788/jfp.0679.

Parker L, Nguyen L, Hennessy K, \***Bolick N**, Glass L, Sokol L. Mycosis fungoides masquerading as Acrodermatitis Continua of Hallopeau. *SKIN The Journal of Cutaneous Medicine.* <https://doi.org/10.25251/skin.7.5.15>

Huang CY, Chang IJ, \***Bolick N**, Hsu WT, Su CH, Hsieh TS, Huang IH, Lee CC. Comparative efficacy of pharmacological treatments for acne vulgaris: a network meta-analysis of 221 randomized controlled trials. *Annals of Family Medicine.* <https://doi.org/10.1370/afm.2995>

## Presentations:

\***Cortez JL**, **Matsumoto, A.** Presentation, American Society for Dermatologic Surgery Annual Meeting. "Subclinical Atypical Vascular Lesions Cleared with MMS." (November 2023)

\***Park, K.**, \***Cortez, J.**, **Stepenaskie, S.**, **Konstantinov, N.** American Society of Dermatopathology 60th Meeting. "The fingerprint of strongyloidiasis: A case mimicking malignancy." (October 2023)

## Posters:

Yi A, \*\*\***Lin J**, Ochmanek E, Fabre A, **Smidt AC**. Poster Presentation, Society for Pediatric Dermatology Annual Meeting. "Pain Management in Patients with Vascular Anomalies." (July 2023)

## Invited Lectures:

\***White, K**, **Smidt AC**. AAD Diversity Champion Workshop at APD Annual Meeting. "Trainee Vitality and Safe Environment." (November 2023)

**Matsumoto, A.** Society of Dermatology Physicians Assistants Annual Conference. "Identification and Management of Benign Cutaneous Lesions" and Identification and Management of Malignant Cutaneous Lesions." (October 2023)

### Publication Key

<b>Faculty</b>	** Alumni
* Current Residents	*** Medical Students
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### ***Thank You For Supporting The Joel Nash Fund!***

Donations to the Joel Nash Fund, established by the Nash Family to support Departmental Scholarship, have helped support our learners publish in medical journals and travel to conferences. Your contributions are very much appreciated! If you would like to make a donation, please visit our website at

<https://hsc.unm.edu/medicine/departments/dermatology/support/>

# Thank You For Making An Impact!

Many thanks for your support as donors, volunteers, and community partners. By making gifts to the Department of Dermatology at UNM you continue to advance our mission to deliver expert compassionate care for the diverse people of New Mexico and providing leadership in inclusive education, research, and training in Dermatology. We would like to recognize and extend our appreciation everyone who has given in 2023:

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# UNM Dermatology Pioneer: Charles "Charlie" Palmer

## With Gratitude For Your Impact and Commitment to The Department & Training Program!

Shortly after the turn of the last century Charlie taught me two enormously important skills that I use to this very day: dermatopathology and remote-control airplane piloting. Aside from a few tricky cases that I send to smarter people like Shelly and Hillary, I read all of the path for my 5-provider office. And so often while sitting at my microscope and an unusual case comes across my microscope stage, I say to myself, "Wow, I never thought I'd see this!" and then about 0.5 seconds later I say, "Wow, thanks to Charlie Palmer I know what this is!"

Charlie's remote-control airplane tutelage became a hobby that I've long since enjoyed, and later became an interest that I've shared with my son and my wife. For the past twenty years I've said many, many times to myself and to anybody who was in my proximity when I had the thought, "Thanks to Charlie Palmer, I know this, and I can do this." And then I'd tell the story of Charlie's oversized, positive impact on my life and my career. But all flattery aside, I did recently suffer a dramatic crash of a remote-control airplane into a lake which was certainly due to pilot error, and by extension instructor error, so Charlie, you owe me \$150.

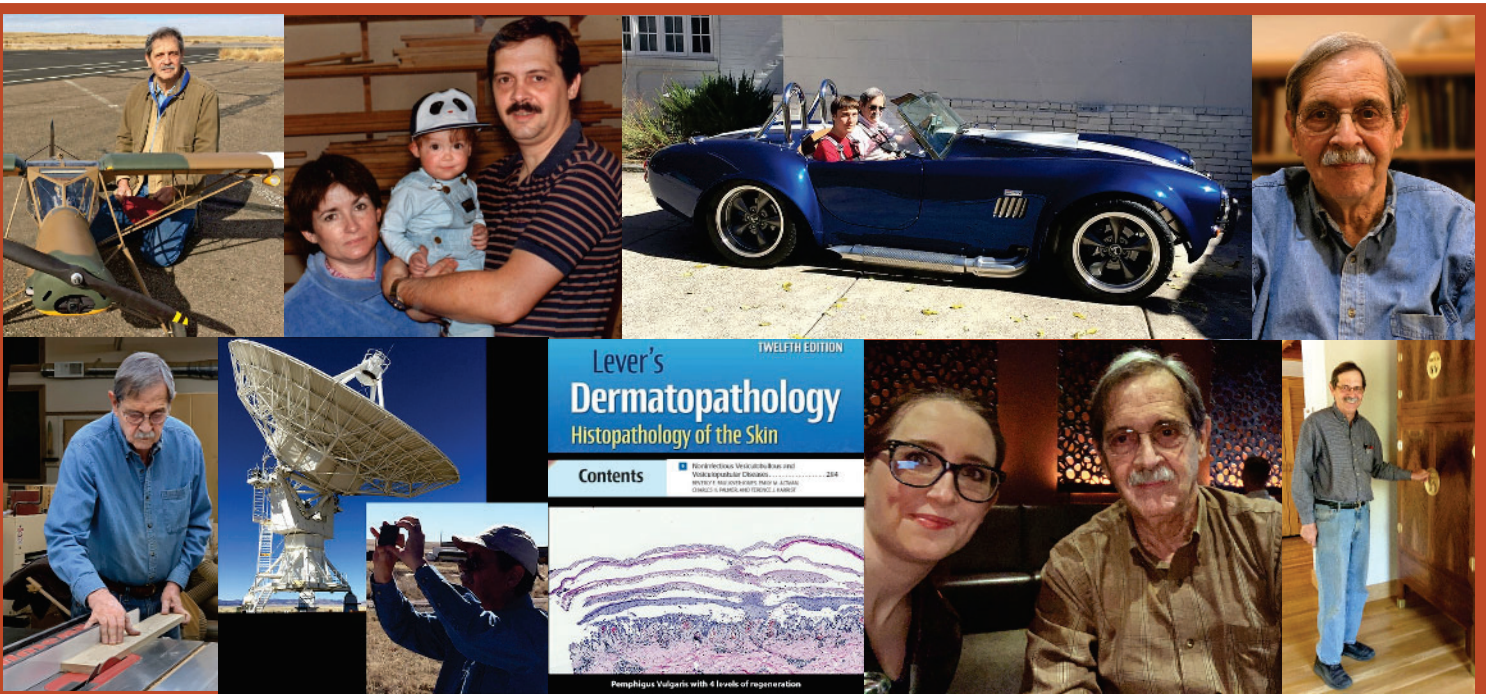
*David Carey, MD ('03)*

Dr. Charles (Charlie) Palmer has been a central figure and resource for the UNM Dermatology Department for many years. He practiced at Pathology Associates of Albuquerque where he provided services to UNM Dermatology and the Dermatology community in Albuquerque. He is also a long term and active participant in the weekly UNM Dermatology Grand Rounds and at the New Mexico Dermatology meetings.

Beyond his clinical service work Dr. Palmer played a crucial role in shaping the next generation of dermatologists and pathologists by teaching dermatopathology to residents. His organization, competence and generosity of spirit made him an exceptional teacher. His most outstanding professional achievement is a large dermatopathology teaching collection (> 2000 slides), that has been meticulously curated over approximately 30 years. This annotated and collated collection became an invaluable resource for UNM Dermatology and Pathology residents. Using new technology, Dr. Palmer extended the reach of his teaching collection by incorporating digital slide scanning and web-based image hosting, making it accessible to dermatology programs beyond UNM. Notably, his collection formed a core for Dermatopathology education for Dermatology residents in the Harvard Combined Dermatology Residency Program for nearly a decade. His expertise also found its way into the most recent edition of Lever's Histopathology of the Skin, where he co-authored a chapter with Drs. Faulkner-Jones, Altman, and Harrist, featuring images from his extensive collection.

Personally, I consider myself privileged to have had Dr. Palmer as a mentor, colleague, collaborator, and friend for the last 20 years.

*Beverly Faulkner-Jones, MD, PhD, Former Faculty*





# Grand Rounds: July-December 2023

Thank you to the excellent speakers who have joined us this year!



Michael Chang, MD  
NM Dermatology &  
Skin Cancer Center



Akshay Sood, MD  
UNM Office of  
Faculty Affairs and  
Career Development



Heather Goff, MD, MPH  
UT Southwestern



James Chodosh, MD  
UNM Department of  
Ophthalmology &  
Visual Sciences



Emma Johnson, MD  
Mayo Clinic,  
Rochester MN



Markus Boos, MD  
Seattle Children's  
Hospital



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Medicine

Britt Meitzenheimer  
UNM Learning  
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TENTATIVE GRAND ROUND SPEAKERS

**Mallery Quetawki**, University of New Mexico Environment Focused-Learning Academy

**Eva R. Parker, MD, DTMH**, Vanderbilt University

**Russell Hall, MD**, Duke University

**Amy Cowan, MD**, University of Utah

And more!

Grand Rounds are Every Friday of the Month (Except  
Major Holidays/AAD) 8-9 a.m. MST

1001 Medical Arts Avenue NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87102  
or via Zoom

Please check our **website** for the updated calendar.

**We would love to have you join us!**

**Breakfast and CME provided!**

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suggestions for our Departmental Grand Rounds.

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[LaLopez@salud.unm.edu](mailto:LaLopez@salud.unm.edu) *If you would like to be  
added to our listserv.*

Your dollars help make our excellent Grand Rounds educational  
opportunities a reality - and we need your support!  
We welcome your donation at any level:

# Upcoming Events

## UNM Dermatology and NM Dermatology & Dermatologic Surgery Society Spring Meeting (CME)



**March 1-2, 2024**

Albuquerque, NM

Speaker: Mark Pittlekow, MD  
Mayo Clinic, Arizona

Registration Coming Soon!

## AAD Alumni Reunion

**March 9th 2024**

San Diego, CA

Lavo Restaurant

6:30pm-8:30pm

Details to Follow!



## 4th Annual Dermatology for Primary Care Conference



**June 1st 2024**

Albuquerque, NM

UNM HSC Domenici Center

Keynote Speaker: Chris Bengson, MD, MHS  
Chief Consultant, Indian Health Services,  
Phoenix Indian Medical Center

## 9th Annual Walter Burgdorf, MD Memorial Lectureship and NM Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery Society Fall Meeting

**September 27-28, 2024**

Albuquerque, NM

Burgdorf Speaker: William "Bill" James, MD

University of Pennsylvania

NMDDSS Speaker: TBD

More information to come!



# Community & Alumni Events

## 8TH ANNUAL WALTER BURGDORF MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP AND NEW MEXICO DERMATOLOGY AND DERMATOLOGIC SOCIETY MEETING



Our 8th Annual Walter Burgdorf Memorial Lectureship was a weekend full of high-quality didactics including excellent presentations from **Sima Jain, MD**, (Clear Skin Dermatology) along with case presentations by our UNM medical students/residents and their faculty mentors.

Thank you to the UNM Dermatology staff who help make these meetings successful, to the UNM Comprehensive Cancer Center and UNM HSC facilities for hosting us, and to NMDDSS for our strong and continued partnership.

Thank you to all who joined this year and for everyone who continues to support this initiative through the Burgdorf Fund.

## UNM COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CENTER LOBO CANCER CHALLENGE

Albuquerque NM: September 23, 2023



Drs. Nikifor Konstantinov and Romeo Morales were joined by the Dermatology Interest Group (DIG) student volunteers at the UNM Comprehensive Cancer Center Lobo Cancer Challenge where they had an information booth providing attendees sunscreen and informing them of skin cancer awareness and sun safety.

## POWER NEW MEXICO (PNM) EMPLOYEE SAFETY DAY

Albuquerque NM: October 19, 2023

UNM Dermatology participated in PNM Employee Safety Day at Embassy Suites on October 19, 2023. Our wonderful faculty member, Dr. Therese Holguin and PGY-4 Resident Dr. Evan Choate provided presentations on skin and sun safety for community members who are often at higher risk of sun damage/skin cancer due to occupational/environmental exposure.



# Community & Alumni Events (cont.)

## FREE SKIN CANCER SCREENINGS 2022-2023

Gallup NM: August 5, 2023

Carlsbad, NM: November 11, 2023



We continue our free skin cancer screenings including most recently in Gallup in August and in Carlsbad in November. All screenings had amazing turn-outs: over 50 patients were seen in Gallup and over 60 were seen in Carlsbad. 1/3 of patients seen had a lesion or concerns for cancer or precancer.

THANK YOU to all who volunteer for these events, which are also a great opportunity for our students/learners and to the **Ryan F. Daniell Fund** and the **Shannon Shaw Memorial Fund** as this important initiative would not be possible without your support.

The next screening will be in Taos, NM in February 2024. Please contact **Dr. John Durkin** if you would like to volunteer in any capacity.

We welcome your donations to the **Daniell Fund** to help grow this program sustainably! Scan our QR Code to give!

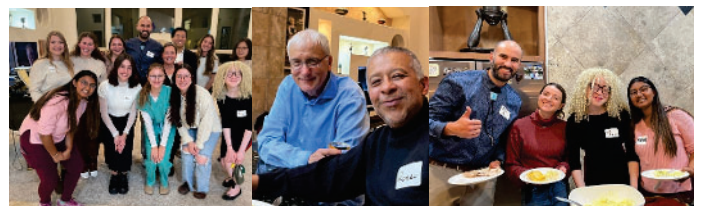


## SUNSCREEN STATIONS ON HSC CAMPUS!



The UNM SOM Department of Dermatology has partnered with the UNM HSC Welless Department to provide free sunscreen stations on the HSC campus for students, staff, faculty and visitors. We have a goal of broadening our reach on information about skin cancer prevention and sun safety practices to help our UNM community learn the importance of staying safe when spending any time in the sun.

## DERMATOLOGY INTEREST GROUP (DIG) THANKSGIVING DINNER



Dr. Nikifor Konstantinov and his father, Dr. Konstantin Konstantinov (VA Rheumatology Faculty) hosted a BBQ Turkey Thanksgiving-inspired meal for our DIG medical students, residents and faculty - creating new memories, connections and traditions. Thank you to Kathy Freise and Jaclyn Gallegos for organizing this special event. We are grateful for Dermatology Interest Group!

# Diversity, Equity and Inclusivity Updates

## Meet Our 2023 Dermatology URM (DURM) Scholarship Recipients!



**Laurel Barrios**  
University of California, Davis

As a child, I would accompany my Spanish-speaking grandmother to her doctor's appointments and translate, ensuring she could communicate well with her physician. At this early age, I became cognizant of how language and socioeconomic disparity could be an obstacle to many things, including health care. These early life experiences shaped my interest in healthcare advocacy and accessibility.

I have explored many specialties, and pursued many interests through research and clinical experience. But it was through my courses in medical school as a second year that I became enamored with the field of Dermatology. I can still recall witnessing skin under an H&E stain for the first time; it was so visually beautiful with its purple and pink hues. Dermatology is an intersection of all fields manifesting before our eyes on our patient's skin, with these clues Dermatologists are astute detectives making necessary and impactful diagnosis.

My goal is to return to communities similar to my grandmother's, to advocate and improve healthcare outcomes through the field of Dermatology. With this vision I applied to scholarship programs that would foster my personal growth. I appreciate UNM's Department of Dermatology for its support of URM medical students in pursuit of their passions.

I earned my bachelor's degree from the University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez Campus and am now a fourth-year medical student from Ponce Health Sciences University, an LCME Accredited medical school in Ponce, Puerto Rico. My passion for dermatology stems from its unique ability of bringing together skin diversity, mental health, collaboration, and research in one specialty. Receiving this scholarship enables me to fully immerse myself in this rotation without external concerns like having safe housing. I am incredibly grateful for the opportunity to do this clinical rotation and the invaluable support provided by this scholarship.



**Priscilla Rosa-Nieves**  
Ponce Health Sciences University, Ponce, Puerto Rico

## AAD Nth Dimensions Dermatology Bioskills Workshop October 18, 2023



After a traditional blessing by Medicine Man Seiver Nelson, Drs. Aimee Smidt and John Durkin, residents Drs. Kim White and Drew Mitchell, and UNM SOM volunteers led an interactive day with high school and college age learners interested in pursuing a career in dermatology/medicine. It was a lot of fun teaching how to do shave and punch biopsies, suturing and dermoscopy skills, and discussing individual paths to a career in healthcare.

Thank you to Nth Dimensions, AAD, UNM HSC Office for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, UNM Gallup Branch, and UNM Center for Native American Health for this first time collaboration. Initiatives like this truly transform Dermatology in NM! We look forward to doing this again!

# Academic Dermatology Positions

The Department of Dermatology at The University of New Mexico School of Medicine **seeks qualified individuals for two full-time faculty positions** to join an innovative group environment. **Please spread the word!**

## ■ Pediatric Dermatology ■ General Dermatology

**We serve a large, diverse, medically complex population and are a consultative resource for the state of New Mexico and the Four Corners region of the Southwest.** The Department provides many services including: general and pediatric dermatology, phototherapy, laser, dermatologic/Mohs surgery and aesthetic services.

**We have a strong partnership with both Dermatopathology and community physicians.** Responsibilities include primarily outpatient Dermatology and evening/weekend call coverage for inpatient hospital consultations. Teledermatology is an evolving development as well. Opportunities for clinical research are available.

**UNM Health Sciences Center (HSC) is New Mexico's only academic health complex and is located in beautiful Albuquerque, New Mexico.** Resources are prioritized into four mission areas of education, research, patient care and community outreach - all targeted toward the objective of delivering the highest level of health care to the people of New Mexico. Opportunities abound for multidisciplinary scholarship and research through collaborations with scholars across the arts and sciences disciplines, law and population health as well as robust community organizations.

**The UNM School of Medicine is celebrated for its innovations in medical education and is a national leader in diversity in both the physician workforce and its student body.** Candidates with attributes that

support our mission include demonstrable experience promoting inclusion in the workforce, modeling cultural humility, commitment to guiding underrepresented/minority learners into professional success, and striving to use social determinants of health to address health disparities for individuals and communities. We as an institution value community engagement, as evidenced by our national recognition in rural and family medicine training programs and our groundbreaking BA/MD Programs that provide pathways for students from urban, rural and tribal New Mexico to pursue a medical career. The Department of Dermatology is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion and uses these standards as measures of excellence.

**New Mexico is a recreation and art destination.** Albuquerque is a beautiful city with mountains to the east and a mesa to the west with breathtaking sunsets, lakes, rivers, deserts and mountain ranges. It is ideal for outdoor activities and sports all year-round including running, hiking, biking and skiing. New Mexico is multicultural and multilingual with 22 American Indian tribes and nations as well as vibrant Latinx, Black American and Asian American communities with excellent local cuisine, unique architecture and multiple cultural and historic sites. NM is dense with internationally famous artists, craft breweries and wineries, and an ever-expanding film industry.

**A Comprehensive Benefit Package** including paid professional liability insurance, medical/dental/vision plan, retirement, annual and professional leave, continuing education tuition and dependent tuition program, and a competitive salary with incentive is offered.

### **Please Contact Us With Questions!**

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## Pathology Associates of ABQ (PAA) Hiring a Dermatopathologist

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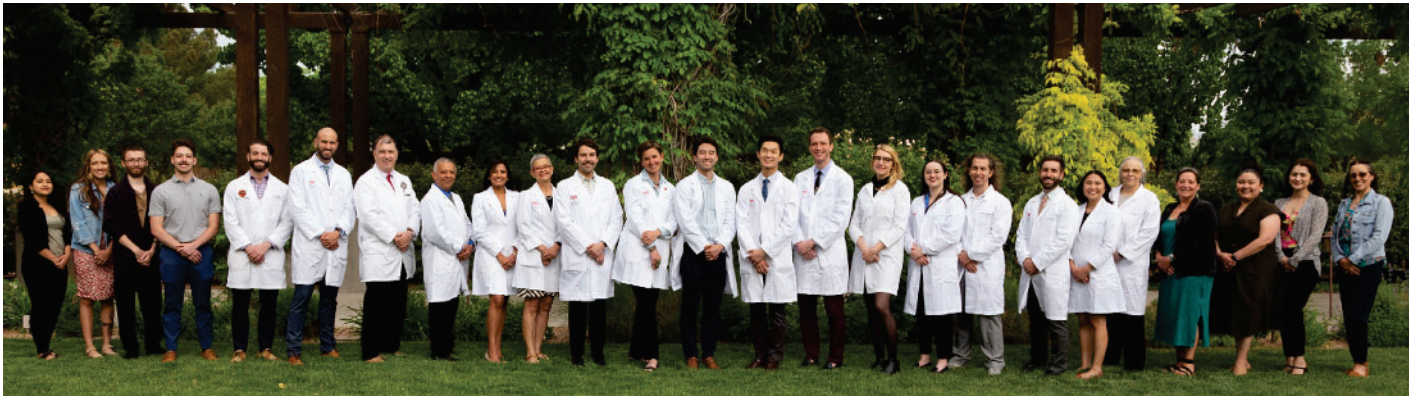
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