Research Funding and Grant Awards
University of MN Medical Center (UMMC) and Minneapolis VA Health Care System (MVAHCS)

Chuck Denny Professorship in Pulmonary Research
PACCS Research received a UMF Endowment Fund for Professorship & Chairs
This fund is to assist the University in recruiting, supporting, and retaining outstanding faculty members in the Medical School who have a focus in pulmonary research, with a preference for research related to pulmonary fibrosis and/or lung repair, by providing funds that support the named faculty position and its activities in accordance with then current University policies. (This will be a 5-year appointment with potential for one 5-year renewal). (UMMC)

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Dr. Arianne Baldomero (PACCS) received the UMN CTSI KL2 Career Development Award to study disparities in COPD care in rural vs urban settings. (MVAHCS)

Dr. Luiza Caramori (DEM) · NIH Grant: Protective factors in Diabetic Kidney Disease in Patients with Type 1 Diabetes (UMMC)

Dr. Lisa Chow (DEM) · NIH Grant: Prolonged Daily Fasting As a Viable Alternative to Caloric Restriction in At-Risk Obese Humans (UMMC)

Dr. David Ewart (Rheum) received funding for his “Small Projects in Rehabilitation Research” (SPIRE) grant: Development of an Orthosis with an Integrated Microphone for Measurement of Knee Acoustic Emissions in Pre-Radiographic Osteoarthritis (MVAHCS)

Dr. Martin Felices (HOT) · DOD Grant: Development of Novel Chemokine Beacons to drive Targeted Migration of Natural Killer Cells towards Colorectal Cancer (UMMC)

Dr. Geoff Hart (IDIM) · NIH Grant: Protective factors in Diabetic Kidney Disease in Patients with Type 1 Diabetes (UMMC)

Dr. Geoff Hart (IDIM) · NIH Grant: Determining the Mechanism of Antibody-mediated Parasite clearance in Plasmodium Blood Stage Infection (UMMC)

Dr. Bong Sook Jhun (CARDIO) received a Covid-19 Rapid Response grant to study the use of PDE5 inhibitor for preventing cardiac damage by SARS-CoV-2 in COVID-19 patients with cardiopulmonary diseases. (UMMC) STORY

Dr. Forum Kamdar (CARDIO) awarded the prestigious 2020 Clinical Scientist Development Award from the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation (DDCF) (UMMC) STORY

Dr. Forum Kamdar (CARDIO) awarded the Women Early Research Career (WERC) Award for her project “Unlocking the Role of Cardiac Calcium Pump Dysregulation in Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy Cardiomyopathy.” (UMMC) STORY

Dr. Erin Krebs (GIM) received an extension for her study: Long-term Opioid Therapy Cohort: Trajectories in Pain Care and Patient-centered Outcomes. VA Health Services Research & Development (MVAHCS)

Dr. Anne Melzer (PACCS) received the VA Career Development Award: Electronic Proactive Outreach for Smokers with COPD: Engaging Patients to Quit (MVAHCS)

Dr. Taj Mustapha (MED-PEDS) one of several faculty-led education development projects to receive a COVID-19 Medical Education Innovation grant from the Medical School. With this grant, her course, “Foundations in Health Equity” will let learners explore how health disparities have been accentuated by the COVID-19 pandemic. (UMMC) STORY

Dr. Jin O-Uchi (CARDIO) received a Covid-19 Rapid Response grant to study lowering the risk of death for Covid-19 patients with pre-existing heart conditions. (UMMC) STORY

Dr. Jin O-Uchi (CARDIO) and colleagues across U of MN, received a Collaborative Outcomes: Visionary Innovation & Discovery (CO:VID) grant to study if magnesium can make a difference in high-risk patients with COVID-19. (UMMC) STORY

Dr. Anna Prizment (HOT) · NIH Grant: Immune-regulating MHC class I-like Proteins and Colorectal Cancer Risk (UMMC)

Dr. Chris Wendt (PACCS) received a Merit Award: Pulmonary and Systemic Effects of Deployment Related Particulate Matter (MVAHCS)