

## Letter from the Program Director

Dear Dermatology Community,

It has been an amazing and productive year and a half since we opened our doors to new residents. Our residents are busier than ever, caring for a broad range of patients between our three clinical sites, hosting, attending and participating in conferences locally and nationally, and even winning awards left and right. Our programming not only provides our residents and faculty with the full breadth of dermatology training and education, but through several new innovative online based programs, we teach trainees across the globe. It is indeed an exciting time here at GW Dermatology!

Adam Friedman, M.D.  
Program Director

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## Research Roundup

Please find below some examples of recent press coverage on research by GW Dermatology:

- La Roche-Posay and GW publish study on [sun protection behavior and skin cancer awareness](#)
  - [Effectively Disclosing Biopsy Results](#)
  - [Survey Finds High Rate of Misdiagnosed Fungal Infections](#)
  - [Insurers Make Prescribing Biologics Difficult](#)
  - [Nanoparticles Used to Prevent Inflammatory Acne Through Slow-Released Nitric Oxide](#)
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## Research Updates

Our new research fellow, **Olabola Awosika**, recently joined the team. She will be working on the PDT for papulopustular rosacea study, a project looking at patient perceptions of medication costs and developing a study to evaluate the role of diversity in patient beliefs about dermatological conditions and treatments. She will assist our clinical trials coordinator, Monica Rengifo-Pardo, with several industry-sponsored studies. Ola will also be assisting with a new atopic dermatitis study using a novel anti-IL-13 monoclonal antibody starting in late March.

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## Specialty Clinic Spotlight

The GW Dermatology Residency Program has and will launch a variety of unique specialty clinics to provide both our trainees with an unparalleled training experience and our patients with targeted and multidisciplinary care. These include:

- Dermatology-Rheumatology clinic led by Dr. Alison Ehrlich
- Patch testing clinic led by Dr. Alison Ehrlich
- Cutaneous T-Cell Lymphoma clinic led by Dr. Frank Glass

- Pigmented Lesion clinical led by Drs. Brandon Mitchell and Frank Glass
  - Supportive Oncodermatology clinic led by Dr. Adam Friedman
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## Resident Views and News

### *Resident Quote*

“With the arrival of our second class of residents this past July, the GW Dermatology Residency Program has had a wonderfully successful second year. Under its strong leadership, it is sure to be a powerhouse program in Washington, D.C. We can't wait to have the final two residents join us in a few short months to make our compliment complete.”

Dr. Julia Schwartz, Second Year Resident

### *Awards/Announcements*

- Congratulations to Second Year Resident, Julia Schwartz, M.D., for winning the prestigious dermMentors Overall Grand Prize and 2016 Resident of Distinction Award at Coastal Dermatology Symposium in September, 2016.
  - Congratulations to Second Year Resident, Thomas Lee, M.D., for matching into the competitive Dermatopathology Fellowship at Albert Einstein College of Medicine.
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## Learning Corner

### *Krazy Kodachromes*

GW Dermatology hosts a quarterly kodachrome board review program called “Krazy Kodachromes,” which is streamed online on Derm-In-Review through a partnership with Sanova Works. View the lectures [here](#).

### *Grand Rounds and Translational Lecture Series*

- GW Dermatology has restarted Grand Rounds with live patient viewing and case presentations by GW residents. They are held at every other month on the third Thursday from 8:15 - 10:00 a.m. at GW.
- Following Grand Rounds, GW hosts a [Translational Science Lecture Series](#) focusing on cutting-edge advances in the diagnosis and management of skin disorders and cutaneous disease. Past lecturers include Drs. Gil Yosipovitch, Abrar Qureshi, and Amy Paller.

### *GW at AAD*

All GW residents, Drs. Thomas Lee, Julia Schwartz, Jennifer Aronica, and Elizabeth Robinson are presenting at the AAD. [View the list](#) of GW Dermatology faculty, resident, and student involvement. This is the **final week to register** for the GW Dermatology Alumni Reception at AAD. The reception is on March 4, 2017, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Copper Canyon Grill in Orlando. [RSVP now](#).

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## Future Initiatives

### April

- Dermatology/Rheumatology CPC on April 6, 2017, from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.
- Hidradenitis Suppurativa Conference on April 20, 2017, from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- GW Hosting DC Derm on April 25, 2017, from 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

### June

- GW Grand Rounds on June 15, 2017, from 8:15 - 10:00 a.m.
- Translational Science Lecture Series on June 15, 2017, from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. with guest speaker Dr. Diane Thibitout

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## Images from the Department



Residents and faculty (Dr. Ehrlich and Dr. Redbord) at DC Derm event



Residents and faculty on Capitol Hill for AAD Legislative Conference with Congressman Christopher Van Holle



Residents and faculty at National Psoriasis Foundation Walk

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