

Women in Health Sciences Award Winners 2022

Department of Anesthesiology

Dalia Banks, MD

Professor of Anesthesiology

AWEsome Women in the Society of Cardiovascular Anesthesia (SCA)

Department of Dermatology

Veronica Shi, MD

Assistant Professor of Dermatology

Whitehill Prize by American Osteopathic College of Dermatology

Department of Emergency Medicine

Christanne Coffey, MD, FACEP

Assistant Professor of Medicine

Education Award by the Wilderness Medical Society

Michelle Daniel, MD, MHPE, FACEP

Professor of Emergency Medicine

Appointed Vice Dean for Medical Education

Joelle Donofrio-Odmann, DO

Associate professor of Emergency Medicine

President's Award by the National Association of EMS Physicians

Leslie Oyama, MD

Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine

Education Award by the California American College of Emergency Physicians

Katherine Staats, MD

Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine

Special Recognition Award by the California American College of Emergency Physicians

Family Medicine and Public Health

Alice Chen, DO

Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

Krupp Endowed Fund (KEF)

Amy Leu, DO

Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health

2021 UCSD Athletics Meritorious Service Award

Allison Lynch, MD

Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health
Department of Family medicine Pilot Research Grant Recipient
Primary Care Cor Clerkship (PCCC) Co-Director
Family Practice Management 426 Family Medicine 4th Year Clerkship Director

Caitlin MacMillen, DO, MPH

Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health
UCSD Academy of Clinician Scholars Whitehill Prize for Excellence, UCSD Family
Medicine Residency Program
San Diego County Medical Society “Top Docs” 2021
Academy of Clinician Scholars and Family Medicine Departmental Research Grants

Sarah Merrill, MD

Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health
San Diego County Medical Society “Top Docs” 2021
Physician Leadership Certification
UCSD Chancellor’s Advisory Committee on the Status of Women Alternate Recipient of
Academy of Clinician Scholars and Family Medicine Departmental Research Grants
Selected for UCSD Mentor Facilitator Training Program

Divya Reddy, MD

Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Public Health
Recipient of Academy of Clinician Scholars and Family Medicine Departmental
Research Grants

Department of Medicine, Gastroenterology

Sheila Crow, MD

Professor of Medicine
Nominated and invited to join the Board of Scientific Counselors (BCS) at the National
Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) at the NIH

Ana Carolina Dantas Machado, PhD

Postdoctoral Fellow
R01 Diversity Supplement

Denise Kalmaz, MD

Professor of Medicine

Elected Vice President of the San Diego Gastroenterology Society

Cristina Llorente, PhD

Assistant Professor of Medicine

Jon I. Isenberg Fellowship Award

Suzanne Sharpton, MD

Assistant Professor of Medicine

Department of Medicine, Geriatrics

Maria Marquine, PhD

Associate Professor of Medicine

2021 Faculty Excellence in Mentoring Award

Lindsey Yourman, MD

Associate Professor of Medicine

Acceptance to the 2022-2023 Tideswell AGS Emerging Leaders in Aging

Department of Medicine, Infectious Disease

Maile Young Karris, MD

Associate Professor of Medicine

Selected as Co-Director Center for AIDS Research Clinical Investigations Core

Awarded Mayday Pain and Society Fellowship

Elected Vice Chair AIDS Clinical Trials Group Underrepresented Population Committee

Selected as Co-Chair of the AIDS Clinical Trials Group HIV and Aging Working Group

Francesca Torriani, MD

Professor of Medicine

San Diego Medical Society "Top Doc" in Infectious Diseases in 2019 and 2021

Department of Oncology

Rana R. McKay, MD

Associate Professor of Medicine and Urology

Named Associate Director for Translational Science of the Moores Comprehensive Consortium Cancer Center at UCSD

Selected for the AASCO's Leadership Development Program for 2022-2023

Catriona Jamieson, MD, PhD

Deputy Directory of Moores Cancer Center

Director of Sanford Stem Cell Research Clinical Center

Chair on the Plenary Session on Precancer Genomics at AACR Annual Meeting

Department of Neurosciences

Xu Chen, PhD

Assistant Professor of Neurosciences

R01 Awarded

Jennifer Graves, MD, PhD

Associate Professor of Neurosciences

Received the UCSD Galvanizing Engineering in Medicine award for 2020-2021

Grant from Advanced Brain Monitoring

Grant from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society

Katherine Londardner, MD

Assistant Professor in Neurosciences

KL2 Awarded

Judy Pa, PHD

Professor of Neurosciences

Two R01's awarded

Karen Pierce, PhD

Professor in Residence of Neurosciences

Two R01's awarded

Emily Reas, PhD

Assistant Professor in Residence of Neurosciences

R00 awarded

Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Medicine

Sarah Averbach, MD

Associate Professor of OB-GYN

Pilot awarded from the Center for Perinatal Discovery

Lindsey Burnett, MD, PhD

Assistant Professor of OB-GYN

Received Award from the Reproductive Scientist Development Program at National Institute of Child Health and Human Development

Kelly Breen-Church, PhD

Associate Adjunct Professor of OB-GYN

Elected to the Executive Board of the PanAmerican Neuroendocrine Society and joined the Editorial Board of Endocrinology

Two R21's awarded

Loise Laurent, MD, PhD

Professor of OB-GYN

NCI UH3 awarded

Pamela Mellon, PhD

Professor of OB-GYN

Award named after her, Pam Mellon Faculty Mentoring Award

Department of Pathology

Michelle Don, MD

Assistant Professor of Pathology

Academy of Clinician Scholars (AOCS) Whitehill Award for Excellence

JingJing Hu, MD

Assistant Professor of Pathology

Academy of Clinician Scholars (AOCS) Whitehill Award for Excellence

Patricia Kopko, MD

Clinical Professor of Pathology

Clinical Pathology Teaching Award

Hiromi. I. Wettersten, DVM, PhD, MPVM

Assistant Professor of Pathology

Mentored Research Scientist Development Award (K01)

Somaye Zare, MD

Assistant Professor of Pathology

Anatomic Pathology Teaching Award

Haiyan Zhang, MD

Assistant Professor of Pathology

Anatomic Pathology Teaching Award

Department of Pharmacology

Tannishtha Reya, PhD

Professor of Pharmacology
Received the NCI Outstanding Investigator Award (R35) 2021

Susan Taylor, PhD
Professor of Pharmacology
Received the Herbert Tabor Research Award from American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

JoAnn Trejo, PhD, MBA
Professor of Pharmacology
Elected to National Academy of Medicine 2021

Jin Zhang, PhD
Professor of Pharmacology
Christian B. Anfinsen Award from The Protein Society
Robert R. Ruffolo Career Achievement Award in Pharmacology from American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics

Department of Psychiatry

Kristin Cadenhead, MD
Professor of Psychiatry
2021 Clarivare Highly Cited Researchers Recipients

Judy Davidson, RN
Nurse Scientist
Designated as an “Edge Runner” by the American Academy of Nursing

Amanda Gooding, PhD
Associate Professor of Psychiatry
Selected for the Women in Neuropsychology’s WINners Box

Marsida Kallupi, PhD
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry
2021 Department of Psychiatry Chair’s Excellence Awards

Ellen Lee, MD
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry
Mentee Recipient of the 2021 Kempf Fund Award for Research Development in Psychobiological Psychiatry from the American Psychiatric Association

Carla Marienfeld, MD
Clinical Professor of Psychiatry
Distinguished Fellow in the American Psychiatric Association

Maria Marquine, PhD
Associate Professor of Psychiatry
2021 Health Sciences Faculty Excellence in Mentoring Award

Carrie McDonald, PhD
Professor in Residence
International Neuropsychological Society (INS) Mid-Career Award
The Arthur Benton Award

Victoria Merritt, PhD
Assistant Professor of Psychiatry
2021 Department of Psychiatry Chair's Excellence Awards

Katherine Nguyen Williams, PhD
Clinical Professor of Psychiatry
2021 Psychiatry Faculty Champion of Diversity Award

Sonya Norman, PhD
Professor of Clinical Psychiatry
Elected to the Board of the International Society of Traumatic Stress

Brinda Rana, PhD
Professor of Psychiatry
2021 UCSD Bachelor of Science in Public Health Program Golden Apple Excellence in Teaching Award

Sandra Sanchez Roige, PhD
Associate Professor of Psychiatry
35th Annual Research Society on Alcoholism Early Career Investigator Award

Alex Sietsma, NP, PMHNP
Nurse Practitioner of Psychiatry
Named UCSD's NP of the Year

Department of Orthopedic Surgery
Bahar Shahidi, PT, PhD

Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
Received the 2022 Eugene Michel's New Investigator Award from the American Physical Therapy Association

Department of Plastic Surgery

Amanda Gosman, MD

Clinical Professor of Surgery

Appointed Co-Editor for Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Global Open

Meera Reghunathan, MD (PI) and Amanda Gosman, MD (Co-PI)

Resident Physician of Surgery

Awarded the PSF Diversity and Inclusion Grant for their project, Plastic Surgery Research, Education, and Preparation Promoting Equity and Diversity

Department of Radiology

Julie Bykowski, MD

Professor of Clinical Radiology

Named Division Chief Neuroradiology

Chi-Hua Chen, PhD

Associate Professor of Radiology

Discovery of Genomic Loci of the Human Cerebral Cortex Using Genetically Informed Brain Atlases, Published in Science

Karen Cheng, MD

Assistant Professor of Clinical Radiology

International Skeletal Society Early Career Grant for Research

Christine Chung, MD

Professor of Radiology

Selected to Committee on Committees by the Academic Senate

Nikdokht Farid, MD

Clinical Professor of Radiology

Faculty Development Award Academy of Clinician Scholars Co-Chair of the Chapter Committee for the American Association of Women in Radiology Director, Medical Student Clerkship

Kathryn (Katie) Fowler, MD

Professor of Clinical Radiology

Named Division Chief Abdominal Imaging

Sonya Koo, MD, PhD

MARC (Microenvironment in Arthritis Resource Center) Pilot Award

Cynthia Santillan, MD

Clinical Professor of Radiology

Named Vice Chair of Operations

Department of Radiation Oncology

Xenia Ray, PhD

Assistant Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Science

Medical Physics Clinical Teaching Award 2021

Catherine Yashar, MD

Professor of Radiation Medicine and Applied Sciences

Vice Chair of Health Policy at American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and

Oncology and CPT Advisor

Department of Surgery

Kristin Mekeel, MD

Professor of Clinical Surgery

Appointed Associate CMO for Surgery Quality Leadership

Completed a Master's Program for Patient Safety and Healthcare Quality

Sonia Ramamoorthy, MD

Professor of Surgery

Voted into the American Surgical Association

Anne Wallace, MD

Professor of Clinical Surgery

\$2.1 Million to Develop and Maintain the Dean-Hertzburg Breast Cancer Database

System (BCDC) and Moores Cancer Center

Carol Yan, MD

Assistant Professor in Residence of Surgery

Received K-08 Finding for Post-Viral Smell Loss Research

Department of Urology

Jennifer T. Anger, MD, MPH

Professor and Vice Chair of Research of Urology

2021 Appointed Vice Chair of Research, UCSD Department of Urology
2022 3 Grant Applications Selected for Funding

Jill C. Buckley, MD

Professor of Clinical Urology

2020 Educator of the Year, UCSD Department of Urology

2020 and 2021 Castle Connolly Exceptional Women in Medicine

Christina Jamieson, PhD

Associate Professor in Residence of Urology

2021 UCOP Cancer Research Coordinating Committee Faculty Seed Grant

2022 Padres Pedal the Cause Grant

Sanghee Lee, PhD

Post-Doctoral Researcher of Urology

Post-Doctoral Researcher Selected to the Chancellor's Advisory Committee on the Status of Women (CSW)

Sarah R. Marietti-Shepherd

Associate Professor of Urology

2020 San Diego County "Top Doc"

2020 and 2021 Castle Connolly Exceptional Women in Medicine

Kyoko Sakamoto, MD

Clinical Professor of Urology

2020 and 2021 Castle Connolly Exceptional Women in Medicine

Yahir Santiago-Lastra, MD

Associate Professor of Urology

2020 Appointed to 2-year term on American Urological Association's Diversity and Inclusion Task Force

