Our Mission

Thank you for your interest in The Ohio State University Department of Dermatology Residency Program!

Our program's mission is to provide a thorough education to help our residents grow into exceptional clinical dermatologists. Our residency program has a robust clinical and didactic curriculum that is rooted in the ACGME core competencies. A special emphasis is placed on producing dermatologists who will work with patient populations that are underserved for geographic or socioeconomic reasons and who will make important contributions to the future of dermatology by choosing careers as academic clinician educators.
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Meet our Residents
Ohio State Wexner Medical Center-Main Campus
Intern Year

- Categorical program - 2 positions connected with OSU preliminary medicine
- Advanced position - Internship of applicant's choice
Preliminary Year

- 5 months of electives (rheum, allergy, research, wound care)
- Gen Med
- Emergency Medicine
- Night Float
- Dermatology Inpatient consults
- Dermatology Outpatient clinic
- NO surgery or ICU required
## Sample Schedule

### Schedule for Hoffman: 8-24 to 9-20, 2020

#### Chart Details:
- **Dates:** 8-24 to 9-20, 2020
- **Days of Week:** Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun
- **Positions:** Gen Med, Liver, Vacation, CPB, Allergy

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Life After Preliminary Year

Enjoying New Orleans during AAD Conference

No more nights at the hospital!
Block Scheduling
• **Surgery**- Dermatology procedures. Residents are in Derm surgery clinics at the VA, Dermatology West and East locations

• **Cancer**- Skin cancer/oncology block including Mohs surgery. Focusing on the care of skin cancers and skin conditions related to patients with malignancy

• **Med Derm A**- Dermatology outpatient clinic. Psoriasis clinic, rheum dermatology clinic, VA clinics, complex medical dermatology, HIV clinic

• **Med Derm B**- Dermatology outpatient clinic. Psoriasis clinic, rheum derm clinic, VA clinics, complex medical dermatology, vulvar clinic

• **Pediatric Dermatology**- Nationwide Children’s Hospital (vascular malformations clinic, hair clinic, laser clinic, general peds dermatology clinics)

• **Consults**- 4 residents per consult block (1,2,3,4). This includes one week of inpatient dermatology consults with 3 weeks of outpatient dermatology. Residents are on inpatient consults 1 week per month during these blocks

• **Dermatopathology**- sign out with dermatopathology and self study

• **Cosmetics/Selective**- Residents are placed in cosmetic procedure clinics and extra clinics of their choice. Examples may include Rheumatology, additional surgery clinics, allergy clinic
Clinics

- Resident continuity x4
- Complex
- Psoriasis
- Contact derm/patch testing
- Resident surgery
- Mohs x2
- VA Surgery clinic
- VA tele-dermatology
- Nationwide Children’s Hospital
- VA continuity clinic
- Corrections clinic
- Pigmented lesions clinic
- Onco-dermatology

- HIV
- Peel
- Vulvar/genital
- OSU Telehealth
- Senior biopsy clinic
- Physician free clinic
- Scleroderma
- Wound
- Lymphedema
- Plastics/cosmetics
- Laser clinics x2
- CTCL
Great day at Mohs!

Didactics

Suture Lab
Dermatopathology

- Didactics once weekly (Thursday or Friday mornings)
- Additional 1/2 day sessions depending on block (sign out and self study)
- Dermatopathology fellow attends didactics
Pediatric Dermatology

- 4 Pediatric Dermatology attendings on staff
- Main hospital clinic
- Outpatient clinics
- Inpatient Consults
- Excisions
- Laser in the OR
- Excisions in OR
Consults

Covering:

- OSU Main Hospital
- James Cancer Hospital
- Brain and Spine Institute
- Ross Heart Hospital
- OSU East Hospital
- Dodd Rehab
- Harding Psychiatric Hospital

1st Year: 6-7 Weeks
2nd Year: 6-7 Weeks
3rd Year: 2-3 Weeks

Dr. Benjamin Kaffengerger 1 week/month
Dr. Abraham Korman 2 weeks/month
Dr. Kristopher Fisher 1 week/month
Didactics

- Wednesday 1-5 PM
  - Surgery
  - Pediatric Dermatology
  - General Dermatology
  - Pharmacology
  - Cosmetics
  - Chapter reviews
  - Rapid reviews
  - CME
  - Attending Lectures
  - Journal club
  - Kodachromes
  - Board review lectures
Resident Cosmetic

Sessions

Every 3 months

- Botox
- Fillers
- Lasers
- Micro needling
- Peels
- PRP
- Aquagold
Funding

Annual Resident stipend
- Books provided using CME stipend
- Main campus parking pass stipend
- Dermatoscope and lab coats provided
- Board Review stipend
- Travel and Expenses covered for AAD using CME stipend
- Additional money available if presenting at a conference
How much Mohs and Cosmetic exposure do your residents get? Residents get significant exposure to Mohs during all three years of dermatology residency. During their dedicated surgical blocks (~12 weeks/year), we work directly with Drs. Carr and Pootrakul as well as the Mohs fellow to hone their surgical skills. Both of our Mohs attendings do most of their own flaps/reconstructions, which is a great experience for our residents regardless of interest in Mohs fellowship (flap design is tested on the boards). As residents get more comfortable with their surgical technique, their involvement in taking layers and doing closures increases.

Our department has invested substantially in this area in recent years and this impact has been felt at the level of resident education. Drs. Plotner, Shipp, and Sopkovich run our cosmetic curriculum and all three are selfless with their time and tremendous teachers. Our cosmetic curriculum is focused on understanding anatomy, appropriate technique, and patient safety. We hold quarterly resident cosmetic sessions during which we offer free procedures to patients, staff, and family - injectables (e.g., neuromodulator, filler), laser hair removal, resurfacing laser, PicoSure laser (tattoo removal, etc.), vascular laser, radiofrequency, to name a few. A lot of these are newer technologies that the department has purchased. Beyond these sessions, residents rotate with Dr. Shipp in his cosmetic clinic in New Albany. Residents often do procedures on his patients, and we also have the option to bring our own patients to this clinic and provide them with cosmetic services free of charge! This is a great option for resident clinic patients who otherwise might not be able to afford the service.

How much exposure do residents get to CTCL? Residents usually do 1 to 2½ day clinics per year. All residents have the opportunity to choose to rotate thru additional CTCL clinics.
What is your rural/underserved population like and how much interaction do residents get with them? OSU provides excellent care regardless of race, ethnicity or socioeconomic status. A high percentage of resident clinics and pediatric dermatology clinics come from an underserved, urban or rural population. Ohio State and Nationwide Children’s Hospital serve as the largest medical centers for surrounding rural communities (southern Ohio, Kentucky, and West Virginia). Additionally, OSU Dermatology has an HIV clinic run that is run jointly with infectious disease specialists. Residents also treat patients who are incarcerated at the Franklin Medical Center Corrections Clinic. Residents and faculty also volunteer at the Columbus Free Clinic as well as the Latino Free Clinic.

Opportunities for resident-driven basic science and translational research? OSU is a huge medical center and one of the most comprehensive with 7 health science colleges conducting research within the medical center. There are numerous opportunities in the fields of carcinogenesis, wound healing, virology, microbial pathogenesis and immunity but require the right resident and experience.

What are the most robust research projects currently ongoing in the dermatology department? We have strong and broad clinical research opportunities especially in the following thematic areas:
1) Inpatient Dermatology and Hospital Outcomes
2) Cutaneous SCC outcomes
3) Supportive Oncodermatology
4) Pediatric Dermatology
5) Telemedicine and Underserved
6) Clinical Trials in psoriasis, eczema, pyoderma gangrenosum, hidradenitis suppurativa, alopecia areata, and lupus among less common skin disease.
FAQ-find it all here

Are DO applicants considered? Yes

Are international medical graduates considered? Yes

Do you offer opportunities to explore and pursue different career paths, such as clinical practice or fellowships? Yes. Residents are given the opportunity to spend time with OSU Dermatology faculty in their private practice-based clinics. Due to having multiple fellowships (Mohs, Peds, Path & Clinical Research) residents have the opportunity to explore many opportunities.

Is your curriculum influenced more by research or clinical time? OSU Dermatology is highly focused on clinical dermatology. Research opportunities are usually self-directed by the resident.

How much elective time do residents get during the program? 4 weeks

Is the standardized LOR required for consideration for interview? No, it is not required. All types of LORs are accepted. 3 LORs are recommended.

Are residents allowed to use elective time for volunteering opportunities such as at Camp Discovery or other AAD/nationally accredited volunteering program? Yes

What pipeline and community service initiatives are residents involved with? We participate in free clinics with the Columbus Dept. of Public Health and the State of Ohio Corrections clinic.
FAQ-find it all here

Is there exposure to teledermatology? Yes. Residents participate in teledermatology clinics at NCH, VA and Inpatient teleconsults at OSU East.

Does your program consider applicants who have/will have completed a different residency? Yes.

Are there clinics dedicated to the dermatologic care of LGBTQ / SGM patients? We do not have a specific clinics for only LGBTQ/SGM patients; however, we have a robust LGBTQ/SGM population in Columbus and take care of many LGBTQ/SGM patients in all of our clinics.

How do OSU dermatology residents gain leadership skills? Residents have graduated administrative duties within the residency including Grand Rounds, medical student scheduling and education, planning for cosmetic sessions within their second year. During the third year of residency, duties include arranging didactic sessions, scheduling residents, serving on program evaluation committee, serving on applicant interview committee. Outside of the institution, residents may sit on the board of the Ohio Dermatologic Association, participate in the AADA Legislative Conference, AAD resident committee.

How much surgery do your first-year residents participate in? First-year residents receive a lot of hands-on surgical training at OSU Dermatology. For the first six months of residency, you are generally paired with an upper-level resident and/or attending. You will perform procedures in various settings including the veteran's affair (VA) facility, a dedicated first year resident surgery clinic, and a senior level resident surgery clinic. Throughout the year, you gain graduated autonomy in these clinics and by the end of your first year, you will feel comfortable with basic surgical procedures including benign and malignant excisions.
Fellowships

Dr. Bianka Bubic
2023-2024 Clinical Research Fellow

Dr. Elham Zayed
2023-2024 Pediatric Dermatology Fellow

Dr. Alba Posligua Alban
2023-2024 Mohs Fellow

Dr. Andrew Krispinsky
2023-2024 Dermatopathology Fellow
Conferences

- Ohio Dermatological Association
- American Academy of Dermatology
- American Society for Dermatologic Surgery
- Society for Pediatric Dermatology
- American Contact Dermatitis Society
- American College of Mohs Surgery
- AADA Legislative Conference
Ohio Dermatological Association
American Academy of Dermatology
Things we love about OSU Dermatology

• Diverse pathology with the care of many complex diseases
• Close knit group of co-residents
• Dedication to Community Outreach
• Energetic faculty excited and dedicated to teaching
• Numerous Specialty Clinics
• Representation of all skin types
• Pediatrics (with 4 Pediatric Dermatologists)
• High-acuity and complex Inpatient Consult service
• Fellowships in Pediatric Dermatology, Mohs, Clinical Research & Dermatopathology
• Opportunities for research and conferences
• The City of Columbus and being able to cheer for the Buckeyes!
Columbus is the state capital and the most populous city in the state of Ohio. It is the 14th-most populous city in the U.S., the second-most populous city in the Midwest, after Chicago, and the third-most populous state capital.

The city has a diverse economy based on education, government, insurance, banking, defense, aviation, food, clothes, logistics, steel, energy, medical research, health care, hospitality, retail, and technology. The metropolitan area is home to the Battelle Memorial Institute, the world's largest private research and development foundation; Chemical Abstracts Service, the world's largest clearinghouse of chemical information; and the Ohio State University, one of the largest universities in the United States. As of 2021, the Greater Columbus area is home to the headquarters of six corporations in the U.S. Fortune 500: Cardinal Health, American Electric Power, L Brands, Nationwide, Alliance Data, and Huntington Bancshares.
Thank you for joining us!

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