

# ADULT NEUROLOGY Alumni Newsletter

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## Introduction from the Chairman

With this issue, we inaugurate the Cleveland Clinic Neurology Alumni Newsletter. We hope it will serve to keep you connected with your training program, faculty, colleagues, and friends. We'll have faculty and trainee updates, clinical and research advances, and other happenings. We hope it will be a way you can feel close to Cleveland, no matter the distance. Thanks for being part of the Cleveland Clinic family.

**Kerry H. Levin MD**

Chairman, Department of Neurology



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## Upcoming Neurological Institute CME Programs:

### 2017:

September 23-25, 2017

**Epilepsy Update and Review**

September 29, 2017

**Locke Lecture**

October 20, 2017

**Practical MGMT of Acute Stroke**

October 27-28, 2017

**Restoring Neurological Restoration**

October 28-29, 2017

**Brain Mets**

November 2, 2017

**Concussion Summit**

September 6-Oct 25

November 10, 2017

**Neurotoxin Webinar and Live Series**

### 2018:

February 9, 2018

**Benzel Lecture Series – Kenneth Follett, University of Nebraska Medical Center**

February 23-25, 2018

**11th Annual SBRT/SRS Symposium**

March 22-24, 2018

**Cleveland Clinic Neurological Institute Summit 2018: MS Treatment Strategies**

May 11, 2018

**Gardner Lecture - Speaker TBD**

May 24, 2018

**NIRD Research Day**

June 2018

**Mellen Center Update**

July 10-17, 2018

**Cleveland Spine Review**

August 3-5, 2018

**2018 Neurology Update**

September/October 2018

**Epilepsy Update**

September/October 2018

**Brain Mapping Workshop**

## Alumni Spotlight // Asma M. Moheet, MD

Asma M. Moheet, MD (N'08) completed a Neurovascular and Neurocritical Care fellowship at UCSF after residency, and came to the realization that she couldn't leave beautiful California after that! She is currently full-time faculty in Neurocritical Care at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, CA. Her responsibilities include serving as Associate Director of the Neuroscience ICU and Director of the Neurocritical Care Fellowship Program. She is one of 5 neurointensivists in a busy, 24-bed ICU. Although her clinical duties can be quite demanding, she finds fulfillment in taking care of patients with acute neurologic conditions and helping them and their families navigate the challenges of their disease.



“Most of my patients experience sudden and unexpected life-altering neurologic conditions that may significantly impact their quality of life. My job is to help them survive and recover, and in cases where recovery within their goals isn't possible to help guide and support them and their family during a very difficult and stressful time.”

One of the things she most enjoys about her current role is resident and fellow education, and she thrives on interactions with her trainees. On the national level, Dr. Moheet is an active member of the Neurocritical Care Society, serving as Co-Chair of the newly founded Quality Committee and Co-Chair of the Educational Products Marketing Committee, and has a forthcoming book (preliminarily titled the “NCS Neurocritical Care Pocket Guide”. When not busy with her clinical, teaching, and academic endeavors Asma enjoys learning all about toddlerhood from her amazing daughter, Doah, with her incredible husband Khurram, and eating good food. Asma is our Neurology Specialty Director for the Alumni Board of Directors.

# Our Graduates

## Where did they go?

### 2017 Graduates:

**Kelly Braun** – NeuroOncology Fellowship, Cleveland Clinic  
**Rejo Cherian** – Neuromuscular Medicine Fellowship, Cleveland Clinic  
**Sung Cho** – Neurocritical Care Fellowship, Johns Hopkins University  
**Rodica Di Lorenzo** – NeuroOncology Fellowship, Cleveland Clinic  
**Lauren Gotterer** – Epilepsy Fellowship, Cleveland Clinic  
**Meagan Seay** – Neuro-Ophthalmology Fellowship, New York University  
**Lila Sheikhi** – Vascular Neurology Fellowship, Cleveland Clinic  
**Tamara Strohm** – Neurocritical Care Fellowship, Ohio State University

## Where are they now?

### 2016 Graduates:

**Ashhar Ali** – Headache Medicine Staff, Henry Ford Hospital  
**Blake Buletko** – Vascular Neurology Staff, Duke University  
**Jason Mathew** – Vascular Neurology Staff, Stony Brook University  
**Rebecca Michael** – Headache Medicine Staff, University of California San Francisco  
**Natalie Organek** – Neurocritical Care Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania  
**Luay Shayya** – Neurology Staff, Arizona Neurology and Sleep Center  
**Jessica Winslow** – Clinical Neurophysiology, EEG and Epilepsy Fellowship, Cleveland Clinic

### 2015 Graduates:

**Hesham Abboud** – Movement Disorders & Neuroimmunology/MS Staff, University Hospitals  
**Zubair Ahmed** – Headache Medicine Staff, Cleveland Clinic  
**Suma Babu** – Neuromuscular Medicine Staff, Brigham and Women's Hospital & Massachusetts General Hospital  
**Megan Donnelly** – Headache Medicine Fellowship, Cleveland Clinic  
**Mohamed Hegazy** – Epilepsy Staff, University of Kansas Medical Center  
**Lauren Koffman** – Neurocritical Care Staff, Rush University  
**Karin Mente** – Movement Disorders Staff, Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center  
**Fernando Santos Pinheiro** – NeuroOncology Fellowship, MD Anderson Cancer Center  
**Xin Xin Yu** – Movement Disorders Staff, Cleveland Clinic

# Match Results



**Alise Carlson, MD**

Medical School: University of Minnesota Medical School



**Bhageeradh Mulpur, MD**

Medical School: University of Alabama School of Medicine



**Jennifer Chima (Drue), MD**

Medical School: The University of Toledo College of Medicine



**Meghan Purohit, DO**

Medical School: William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine



**Tracey Fan, DO**

Medical School: Touro University Nevada College of Osteopathic Medicine



**Danielle Richards, DO**

Medical School: Midwestern University Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine



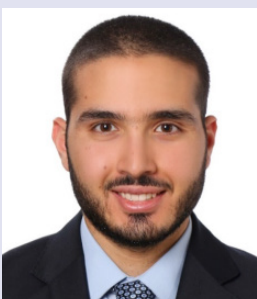
**Eric Gruenthal, MD**

Medical School: University of Louisville School of Medicine



**Monica Scarsella, DO**

Medical School: Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine



**Ahmad Mahadeen, MD**

Medical School: Mu'Tah University, Jordan



**Michael Zatt, DO**

Medical School: Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences College of Osteopathic Medicine



# Physicians Urged to Sign up for Doximity

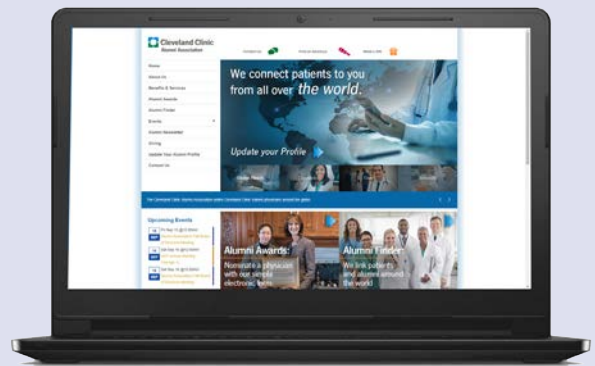
Doximity is the largest and fastest-growing medical network in the country, with more than 60 percent of all U.S. physicians as members. Physicians across all specialties use Doximity to connect with other physicians. Since 2014, *U.S. News & World Report* has used the network as the primary voting mechanism for its annual “Best Hospitals” ranking.

Physicians enrolled in Doximity receive an initial email invitation with a link to a survey, which asks them to supply the names of up to five hospitals in their specialty that provide the best care to patients with serious conditions, regardless of location or expense.

In addition, eligible Doximity members receive alerts inviting them to participate when they log on or use the Doximity app.

Claiming your profile is simple and only takes a few minutes. Just visit [Doximity.com](http://Doximity.com) or download the free mobile app. You will need to complete the physician verification process and create a secure login. Please finish the process by Dec. 1, to give us the best voting opportunity.

The staff at Cleveland Clinic would very much appreciate our alumni's participation in the *U.S. News* voting process, and your supporting our programs. We hope that you will enroll in Doximity and claim your profile page. This quick, easy and very important action will give you the opportunity to participate in the *U.S. News* voting.



## Update Your Alumni Profile

**Have you moved?**

**Taken on a teaching position?**

**Received an academic promotion or professional recognition of some sort?**

**Decided to retire?**

**Have an interesting hobby or avocation you'd like to share?**

Your former Cleveland Clinic colleagues really want to know what you are up to. As well, we'd like to be able to find you should a fellow alum want to reach you or should we want to refer a patient to you.

Please take a few moments to share your comments with us, and we will make sure you are kept up-to-date on Alumni events. We welcome any news about your personal and professional accomplishments that you would like to share, and they may appear in the next Alumni Connection newsletter.

[alumni.clevelandclinic.org/join](http://alumni.clevelandclinic.org/join)

# Cleveland Clinic mourns the passing of Thomas Gretter, MD

Thomas Gretter, MD, a well-known and beloved Cleveland Clinic neurologist for more than half a century, died April 4, 2017 at the age of 81. Over the course of his career at Cleveland Clinic, he helped launch Cleveland Clinic's first quality assurance and utilization review initiatives, and chaired key committees. A skilled diagnostician, he was highly regarded for his technical and treatment planning skills.

"Dr. Gretter played a singular role in the history of the Department of Neurology and the life of the Cleveland Clinic," says Andre Machado, MD, PhD, Chair of the Neurological Institute. "He was beloved by his patients and admired by our trainees. He inspired us all with this energy and intelligence. He will be greatly missed."

Dr. Gretter was born in Fargo, North Dakota, and earned his medical degree at the University of Pennsylvania. He interned at Milwaukee County Hospital and did a residency in Neurology at the State University of Iowa Hospitals. He came to Cleveland Clinic from the University of West Virginia Medical Center in 1966.

In the 1970s, Dr. Gretter helped Cleveland Clinic establish its formal quality, accreditation and utilizations efforts. He was Cleveland Clinic's first Quality Assurance Officer, and served as associate director of Professional Staff Affairs. He was Chair of the Utilization Review Committee, and served on the Hospital Committee, Audit Committee, and Records and Statistics among many other committee appointments. He also served on the Board of Trustees.

Outside the Cleveland Clinic, he served on the Peer Review Committee of the Academy of Medicine and the Executive Committee of the Physicians' Peer Review Organization. He was a member of numerous professional societies, and chaired the United Way Committee, among his many charitable activities.



Dr. Gretter embraced new technology and evolving practices, and recently joined a team of six neurologists performing tele-neurology visits from his office.

He is survived by his wife, Joan, a former social worker at Cleveland Clinic, and three sons, one of whom, Brock Gretter, MD, is a member of the Cleveland Clinic professional staff.