

## Upcoming Meetings

-Southwest Regional Society for General Internal Medicine Meeting, January 25, 2025, San Francisco, CA: <https://www.sgim.org/sgim-community/regions/southwest/>

-American College of Physicians 2025 National Meeting: April 3-5, 2025, New Orleans, LA: <https://annualmeeting.acponline.org/registration/internal-medicine-meeting-2025-registration>

-Society for General Internal Medicine 2025 Annual Meeting, May 14–17, 2025, Hollywood, Florida: <https://www.sgim.org/event/2025-sgim-annual-meeting/>



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## Scholarly Activities Newsletter



## Publications, Projects, and Updates

•Please join us for our **brown bag research and scholarly activities interest group meetings**. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month from 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM on Zoom. Join members of the Research Committee for an informal chat about ideas for projects and collaborations. Whether you are just getting your feet wet or are passionate about research, all are welcome! Please check the Zoom link sent by Nerissa Leonardo each month for the meeting invitation.

•**Upcoming due date:** Abstract, clinical vignette, and innovation submissions for the **2025 Society for General Internal Medicine Annual Meeting** are due **December 19, 2024**.

•**Dr. Eduardo Grunvald** and colleagues from the Division of Minimally Invasive Surgery published, "GLP-1 Receptor Agonists Are a Transformative Prehabilitation Tool for Weight Loss in Obese Patients Undergoing Elective Hernia Repair", in *Surgical Endoscopy* in October 2024. He and colleagues from Radiology co-authored and presented the poster, "Accuracy and Inter-Operator Reproducibility of Quantitative Liver Fat Assessment by Handheld Point-of-Care Ultrasound," at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Advanced Body Imaging (SABI).

•**Dr. Edward Chao** delivered an invited presentation, "Catalyzing Change: How Can We Collaborate to Advance Health Design?," for the International Society for Health Design Thinking (INSIGHT) conference in Omaha, Nebraska. He was also elected as a board member for the above group at the meeting.

•**Dr. Megha Shankar** was awarded the Academy of Clinician Scholars Kaiser Award for the project, "Internal Medicine Residency Pilot Social Justice and Advocacy Curriculum." Dr. Shankar and a colleague presented a poster which won second place in the "Innovations" category at the American College of Physicians Southern California Regional Scientific Meeting in October 2024: "Perspectives of Partner Community Organizations in the Implementation of a Refugee,

## Resources for Scholarly Activities

-The Clinical Research Enhancement through Supplemental Training (CREST) program provides **training in clinical research.**

<https://actri.ucsd.edu/centers-services/portfolio/education/crest/index.html>

-The Annals of Internal Medicine has an online open access journal for **publication of clinical cases.**

<https://www.acpjournals.org/journal/aimcc/about-us>

-UCSD provides free and discounted **software** for scholarly activities.

<https://blink.ucsd.edu/technology/computers/software-acms/available-software/index.html>

Immigrant, and Migrant Health Elective.” Along with a colleague, she made the virtual presentation, “Trauma and Resilience Inquiry in Family Planning Settings,” for the TICHER Trauma-Informed Care Research Collaborative in October 2024. Dr. Shankar also gave the virtual presentation, “Osteoporosis. Dialogue with a Doctor,” for the International Rescue Committee – Women’s Resilience Center in September 2024.

•**Dr. Amy Sitapati** and colleagues were awarded a new contract from the California Department of Public Health to make California Vital Records including birth and decedent records available for public use. For this project, Dr. Sitapati is responsible for driving modernization of public health and operational function with oversight of scope, broad timelines, technology, people, infrastructure, project deliverables, and future strategy. Dr. Sitapati and colleagues published, “Large Language Models for More Efficient Reporting of Hospital Quality Measures,” in the *New England Journal of Medicine* in October 2024. She spoke at the “Deep Look into Innovation and Equity in the AI Revolution” roundtable discussion with UCTV. She was also appointed as an advisor for the State of California Hospital Equity Measures Advisory Committee Meeting for HCAI in Sacramento in October 2024.

## Making Connections



•Please contact any of the Research Committee members at the email address(es) below if you would like to chat about research or scholarly activities. We are here to help! If you have updates on your scholarly activities that you would like to share, please email **Dr. Melinda Chen.**

## Highlights from the UCSD Division of Geriatrics & Gerontology

The Division of General Internal Medicine is excited to partner with the UCSD Division of Geriatrics & Gerontology to share news about scholarly activities. Check out the Gerontology Research Collaborative website if you are interested in learning more and making connections.

[https://  
gerigeropal.ucsd.edu/  
research/grc/index.html](https://gerigeropal.ucsd.edu/research/grc/index.html)

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